

Having taken over compiling the results for the SWOA Chairman's Summer Relay Trophy I thought I would do a little research into the history of the six races that make up the competition. Many thanks to those who have contributed to this research, it is much appreciated. There are a few blanks in the stories and if anyone out there can fill these in I would be delighted. Please e-mail me at [gavin.clegg@outlook.com](mailto:gavin.clegg@outlook.com)

The overarching SWOA Chairman's Trophy was first contended in 2002 in an effort by the then Chairman of SWOA Geraldine Gould, to encourage clubs to compete at the 'summer' relays. The relays themselves have not always been held during the summer and some have been contended for nearly 50 years. I have only looked at the main competition, some events like the Hardy Relays and Devon Relays have alternative competitions for Veterans or non-handicap which I have not included. So in no particular order:

### **Adams Avery Relay – Organised by BOK**

Well not originally. It would appear the trophy was first provided for Exeter Footsloggers, one of the constituent clubs of the now Devon Orienteering Club.

On the back of the trophy there is the following wording: "The shield is presented to St Luke's College, Exeter as a team prize in an annual open orienteering competition. We would hope that the competition will be organised in conjunction with the South West Orienteering Association. Normally the competition will be held immediately after the Easter vacation when the gorse is still short and the pressure of examinations slight."

Further investigation shows that the trophy was presented by Dr. W.B. Adams (of Trent University, Peterborough, Ontario, Canada), and Dr. J.C. Avery (Chief Malarologist, Honiara, British Solomon Islands, West Pacific). Does anyone know their connection with Orienteering?

BOK/ASOA acquired the trophy when Exeter Footsloggers disbanded. Although quite why it went north is a mystery. The relay has been run with a number of different rules but has now settled on the well-tryed format of a handicap related to age and sex.

In the 1987 Results it says: "So the Trophy returns to Devon after many years. It used to be competed for in the Exeter area and then went into 'storage' for 5 years until the ASOA Relays were initiated in 1978 and QO, NGOC and BOK have had a strangle hold on it ever since."

Results as follows:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Team Name</b>	<b>Team composition</b>
1969		RMOC	Royal Marines Orienteering Club	
1970		RMOC	Royal Marines Orienteering Club	
1971		Saint Lukes	St Lukes Orienteering Club	
07 May 1972	Devon	FOOT	Exeter Footsloggers	
1974		FOOT	Exeter Footsloggers	

1975		QO	Quantock	
1977		QO		
02 July 1978	Ashton Court ASOA	QO	Quantock Orienteers	Tim Wood, Richard Raynsford, Mark Cann.
01 July 1979	Parkend ASOA	BOK	BOKOUTS	Mike Skinsley, Dudley Budden, Colin McIntyre
06 July 1980	Sidelands, Wraxall ASOA	NGOC	NGOC1	
05 July 1981	Dodington Park ASOA	NGOC	Leening Bassett Hounds	Andrew, David & Robert Lee
04 July 1982		Sarum	Sarum Orienteers	
03 July 1983	Symonds Yat	BOK	BOK Runner Beans	Chris Derrick, Clive Hallett, Anne Donnell
08 July 1984	Gt Barnets, Chepstow	BOK	Bristol Orienteering Klub	
07 July 1985	Ashton Court	BOK	The Good, The Bad & The Ugly	Mike Nelson, Jenny Nelson, Clive Hallett
13 July 1986	Leigh Woods	BOK		Clive Hallett, Adrian Curry, Alan Kempton
05 July 1987	Claverton Down, Bath	Devon	Devon 1	Eric Peckett, Brian Parker, Gavin Clegg
26 June 1988	Blaise Castle	QESCO	QESCO Qonquerors	John Searle, P McGreal, B Armstrong
25 June 1989	Oldbury Court	BOK	BOK Busters	Clive Hallett, Jackie Davis, Alan Kempton
01 July 1990	Penpole Woods & Blaise Castle	BOK	Team 2	D Finch, Chris Derrick, D Coombs
23 June 1991	Worlebury Woods	QO	Quantock Vets	Mike Crockett, M Allen, Georgina Vince
21 June 1992	Oldbury Court	BOK	Puffing Palmers	David, Chris & Matt Palmer
20 June 1993	Ashton Court	BOK		David, Chris & Matt Palmer
26 June 1994	Leigh Woods	Devon		
25 June 1995	Oldbury Court	Millfield	Millfield Junior School Parents	John Rix & ??
30 June 1996	Penpole Woods & Blaise Castle	BOK		Clive & Jackie Hallett, C. King
29 June 1997	The Kidnalls	BOK		Christine, Ian Ashton, Gerry Ashton
28 June 1998	Gare Hill	BOK	BOK Palmers	Chris, David & Matt Palmer
20 June 1999	Ham Hill (QO)	WIM	Wimborne Orienteers	
25 June 2000	Stock Hill	GORD	Gordano School	
24 June 2001	Yate Sports Complex	BOK	Fosters Daniel	Pete Foster, Jo Foster, Charlie Daniel

07 July 2002	Ashton Court	BOK	Team Hallett	Jackie Hallett, Clive Hallett, Holly Daniel
29 June 2003	Stock Hill	BOK	BOK Hanglissett	Jackie Hallett, Clive Hallett, Piers Angliss
04 July 2004	Ashton Court	BOK	Halletts & Jack	Jackie Hallett, Clive Hallett, Jack Kelsey
12 June 2005	Leigh Woods	BOAC	Alans Army	Alan Honey, Clive Masson, Nick Challinor
25 June 2006	Blaise Castle & Penpole Woods	BOK	BOK Ecuador	Jonathon Hurford, Phil Warry, Dudley Budden
01 July 2007	Ashton Court	BOK		Pete & Ben Maliphant, Christophe Mutricy
06 July 2008	Stock Hill	BOK	X-tophe Foot	Jamie Hayward, Pete Maliphant, Jackie Hallett
05 July 2009	Bushey Norwood, Bath	WSX	Wessex Raiders	Dale Paget, Rob Hick, Gavin Clegg
04 July 2010	Leigh Woods	QO	Quality Orienteers	Brian Pearson, Jeff Pakes, Jim Mallinson
03 July 2011	Dyrham Park	BOK	French Connection	Clive Hallett, Abi Kerr, Cameron Davies
01 July 2012	Stock Hill	BOK	Heckling Halletts	Clive, Jackie & Michael Hallett
16 June 2013	Blaise Castle	WSX	Wessex Raiders	Dale Paget, Gavin Clegg, Frida Forshallen,
15 June 2014	Ashton Court	BOK	Halletts	Clive, Jackie & Michael Hallett
28 June 2015	Stock Hill	BOK	Halletts	Clive, Jackie & Michael Hallett
26 June 2016	Dyrham Park	BOK	Halletts	Clive, Jackie & Michael Hallett
26 June 2017	Ashton Court	BOK	Back from Jukola	Paul Gebbett, Nick Gracie, Jane Baldock

### **Furrow Hoppers Relay – Organised by Wimborne**

Gordon Paget (father of Dale), remembers organising the first two races (and some subsequent ones) and was able to confirm the early venues. He cannot remember any of the early winners. He recalls having to disqualify a team in the first event for cheating (taking controls out of order on the long course, picked up by a manned control - good old pin punching).

He also recalls at the second event arranging the assembly area to be in a lovely sunny south facing area, looking down over the approach of incoming runners - and it rained all through the event somewhat spoiling the effect!

A further memory is at Avon Heath, having planned the event, he went out and ran all 4 courses from memory, punching as he went, quicker than the leading team.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Team Name</b>	<b>Team composition</b>
25/07/1982	Jack's Garden			
05/06/1983	Cannon Hill / Ferndown Forest			
29/04/1984	Wilverley			
09/06/1985	Ringwood North			
14/06/1987	Avon Heath			
05/06/1988	Avon Forest	Kerno	Kerno Elite	Helen Hargreaves, Roger Hargreaves, Elsie Hargreaves, Ian Hargreaves, Dale Paget
15/07/1990	Ibsley & Rockford	Devon	Ex-Secs stars	
07/07/1991	Ibsley & Rockford			
07/06/1992	Ibsley & Rockford			
06/06/1993	Ibsley & Rockford			
12/06/1994	Ringwood Forest			
04/06/1995	Hyde House			
09/06/1996	Ferndown Forest			
01/06/1997	Hyde House	WIM	WIM Wonders	Trevor Bridle, John Shucksmith, Sue Spiller, Michelle Spiller, Helen Bridle
07/06/1998	Ibsley & Rockford	WSX	WSX Raiders	John Cook, Charlie Morton, Fern Horsey, Richard Arman, Gavin Clegg
18/07/1999	Walhampton School	WSX	WSX Raiders	John Cook, Sheila Beldowska, Fern Horsey, Charlie Morton, Gavin Clegg
25/06/2000	Inside Park	SARUM	Sarum All Stars	
15/07/2001	Walhampton School	SOC?	No Hoppers	Peter Smith, Jan Forster, Shirley Moss, Richard Moss, Tim Holt
16/06/2002	Sandy Balls	SOC	The Commonwealth 5	
08/06/2003	Mount Ararat	SOC	Southampton OC 1	
01/08/2004	Bryanston	BAOC	BAOC Bandits	
17/07/2005	Ringwood North		Happy Springboks (HH)	

16/07/2006	Blandford Camp		Royal Signals Lost Comms	
29/07/2007	Somerley Park	BAOC	BAOC Bandits	
Cancelled	(Blandford Camp)			
26/07/2009	Bryanston	WIM	Wimbad Wobblies	Keith Henderson, Sue Hands, Andy Macgregor, Tony Ludford, Nicki Crawford
11/07/2010	Kingston Maurward	WSX	WSX Raiders	Rob Hick, Dale Paget, Gavin Clegg, Ian Sayer, Kay Sayer
24/07/2011	Blandford Camp	WSX	WSX Raiders	Roger Crickmore, John Cook, Gavin Clegg, Ian Sayer, Kay Sayer
18/08/2012	Canford School	WSX	WSX Raiders	Gavin Clegg, Dale Paget, John Cook, Kay Sayer, Bill Brown
23/06/2013	Clayesmore School	WSX	WSX Raiders	Gavin Clegg, Dale Paget, John Cook, Kay Sayer, Ian Sayer
13/06/2014	Port Regis	WSX	WSX Raiders	
05/06/2015	Canford School	WIM	WIM Weasels	
12/09/2016	Pottern Park	WSX	WSX Raiders	
09/07/2017	Gillingham	BOK	BOK Raiders	Gavin Clegg, Carolyn Dent, Tommi Grover, Matt Pickering, Paul Gebbett.

### **Moonraker Relay – Organised by Sarum**

The first relay was held on the 14th April 1985 at West Woods (then a Sarum area). It was the brain-child of Capt. Chris Barrington-Brown RA (Sarum), he may also have been the planner.

There were 3 relays Long, Medium, Short. Long was 3x 5.7km, Medium 3x 4.3km, Short was 3x 2.4km. Entries were Long 27 teams, Medium 16 teams and Short just 2 teams. There were a number of Army teams entered and the winning team (Long Course) was 94 Locating Regt RA.

The fastest team on the Medium course was David Lee NGOC and his son Rob, Rob running twice! They were non-competitive but the winners were another NGOC team. The Short course was won by Bishop Wordsworth School, Salisbury.

The Moonrakers was held again the following year, but then wasn't run for many years. Jan Belza planned the Moonrakers on Bulford in July 2002 and again at Longleat on 3rd July 2005, where it was run as a Harris relay.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Team Name</b>	<b>Team composition</b>
14 Aug 1985	West Woods		94 Locating Regt RA	Jan Belza, Tony McCleavy, Mick Brett

1987		WIM		
1988		BAOC		
2002		WIM		
2003		BOK		
2004		BAOC		
2005		BAOC		
2006		WIM		
5 June 2011	Collingbourne Woods	WIM	WIM BB's	
10 June 2012	Collingbourne Woods	WSX	Wessex Raiders	Gavin Clegg, John Cook, Dale Paget
2013	Fonthill	WSX	Wessex Raiders	
5 July 2014	Collingbourne Woods	BADO	Bad News	Roy Heselden, Dave Watkins, Mike Frizzell
2015	Bulford South	WIM	WIM KKC	Chris Branford, Keith Henderson, Kirsty Staunton
21 Aug 2016	The Moot, Downton	BADO	Bad News	
2 July 2017	Dinton Park	BOK	BOK Raiders	Paul Gebbett, Alison Simmons, John Simmons.

### Devon Relays – Organised by Devon OC

This one is complicated as it originally started off as two different relays. In the early years you would sometimes have had the Devon Relays and then the By-Foot Trophy Relays. From recollection the current Trophy, the “By-Foot” Trophy was originally made and presented by George Foot of Exeter Footslogers. The first winners were St Lukes College, Exeter which is the College that was presented with the Adams Avery Trophy (see above). The outer dark ring of the Trophy was constructed by Gavin Clegg to accommodate more winners names.

Date	Venue	Club	Team Name	Team composition
1971		St. Lukes		
27/02/1972 By-Foot	Ashclyst	QO	Quantock OC	Dave Parkin, David Roach, Dave Livsey, Rosemary Roach, Barry Bibby
11/03/1973 By-Foot	Paradise Copse and Whitedown	QO		
1/07/1973 Devon Relays	Holne Moor	QO	QO1	Barry Bibby, Neil Clegg, Gavin Clegg
10/03/1974 By-Foot	Paradise Copse and Whitedown	QO	QO A	Gavin Clegg, Neil Clegg, David Roach, David Parkin, John Pilkington

07/07/1974 Devon Relays	Stoke Woods	QO	QO A	Gavin Clegg, David Roach, John Pilkington
1975		BOK		
1976		BOK		
1977		BOK		
1980		NGOC		
29/06/1980 Devon Relays	Dartington			
1981		BOK		
11/07/1982 Devon Relays	Firebeacon	Devon	Gavins Gang	Rosemary Roach, Mike Steward, Brian Parker, Andy Morgan, Gavin Clegg
10/07/1983 Devon Relays	Woodbury Common	RMOC		
1984		WIM		
30/06/1985	Harcombe			
1986		KERNO		
12/07/1987	Plym Forest	DEVON	Clotted Cream	Anne-Marie Woodley, Richard Thornton, Gavin Clegg, Roger Headley, Robin Kholer
03/07/1988	Britannia Naval College	DEVON	Devon Cream	Andy Simpson, Julian Simpson, Anne-Marie Woodley, Peter King, Gavin Clegg
09/07/1989	Woodbury Common	DEVON		
21/07/1990	Plym Forest	DEVON	Devon Cream	Anne-Marie Woodley, Gerald Woodley, Brian Parker, Mike Steward, Gavin Clegg
03/06/1991	Woodbury Common	DEVON	Devon Cream	Mike Steward, Andy Simpson, Carol Simpson, Brian Parker, Gavin Clegg
19/07/1992	Killerton Gardens	QO	Quantock Quins	Ted Heath, Bill Vigar, Mike Crockett, Jenny Tennant, Nancy Vince
1993		DEVON		
1994		DEVON		
1995		DEVON		
1996		QO		
1998		QO		
2002		QO		

2003		QO		
2004		KERNO		
2005		QO		
2006		QO		
19/07/2008	Haytor	BODO (Norway)		
2009		WSX		
18/07/2010	King Tor	DEVON	Devon Creamers	
17.07.2011	Five Tors	WSX	Wessex Raiders	John Cook, Gavin Clegg, Dale Paget
2012		WSX	Wessex Raiders	
21 July 2013	Killerton Gardens	WSX	Wessex Raiders	John Cook, Gavin Clegg, Dale Paget
20 July 2014	Hound Tor	KERNO	Kerno Kippers	Adele Newall, Phil Newall, Chris Moncaster
19 July 2015	Knightshayes	Devon	Griersons	
17 July 2016	Haytor	WSX	Wessex Raiders	Peter Suba, Dale Paget, John Cook
23 July 2017	King Tor	BOK	BOK Halletts	Jackie Hallett, Michael Hallett, Clive Hallett

### Hardy Relays – Organised by Wessex OC

Ian Sayer remembers planning and organising the first Hardy Relay in Hethfelton. It was a response to Geraldine Gould (the Chair of SWOA at the time) who wanted to promote more summer orienteering. The Furrowhoppers was already up and running and Wessex really liked their format which is why the Hardy format is a variation. Wessex decided to call it the Hardy Relay as several of their areas are in Hardy country and it keeps the connection with Wessex.

The trophy was made by Andrew Beldowski as he had a suitable antler which he wanted to use!

Date	Venue	Club	Team Name	Team composition
06/06/2004	Hethfelton	SOC	Socopaths	
15/07/2007	Cullpeppers Dish	QO	Quantocks	
27/07/2008	Hethfelton	WSX	Wessex raiders	
06/06/2009	Cullpeppers Dish	WSX	Wessex Raiders	Roger Crickmore, Gavin Clegg, Dale Paget, Tim Houlder
25/07/2010	Upton Country Park	WSX	Wessex Raiders	Dale Paget, John Cook Roger Crickmore, Rob Hick
10/07/2011	Upton Country Park	WSX	Wessex Raiders	Dale Paget, Gavin Clegg, Ian Sayer, Rob Hick
16/06/2012	Broadstone Rec	WSX	Wessex Raiders	



14/07/2013	Baiter/Poole Park	WSX	Wessex Raiders	
22/06/2014	Holton Lee	WSX	Wessex Raiders	
12/07/2015	Littledown/ Kings Park	WIM	Wishful Wims	
10/07/2016	Upton Country Park	QO	Status QO	Gavin Clegg, Simon Beck, Richard Sansbury
16/07/2017	Broadstone Rec. and Hillbourne	WSX	Wessex Raiders	John Cook, Rob Hick, Dale Paget.

### **NWO Relays – Organised by NWO**

Started in 2007 by the then newly formed club. The trophy, constructed by Gavin Clegg, was donated to NWO by WSX in 2013.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Team Name</b>	<b>Team composition</b>
24/06/2007	Coate Water	NGOC	NGOC Tauntons	Joe Taunton, Paul Taunton, Ros Taunton
29/06/2008	Hardenhuish	QO	QO Quicksteps	Brian Pearson, Ian Bartlett
28/06/2009	Lydiard Park	WSX	Wessex raiders	Dale Paget, Gavin Clegg
27/06/2010	Cherhill Down	WSX	Wessex Raiders	Dale Paget, Rob Hick, Tim Houlder, Richard Arman
26/06/2011	West Woods	WSX	Wessex Raiders	Dale Paget, John Cook
24/06/2012	Pewsey Down	WSX	Wessex Raiders	Dale Paget, John Cook
29/06/2013	Coate Water	WSX	Wessex Raiders	Gavin Clegg, Dale Paget, John Cook
29/06/2014	West Woods	WSX	Wessex Raiders	
14/06/2015	Lydiard Relay	QO	Status QO	Gavin Clegg, Brian Fletcher, Richard Sansbury
19/06/2016	Shaw Ridge Relay	TVOC	TVOColdmen	Mikhail Gryaznevich, Jonny Travnicek
04/06/2017	Lawns Relay, Swindon	BOK	BOK Raiders	Paul Gebbett, Tommi Grover

**Details and dates for this years Chairman's Challenge Relay Series can be found in the fixtures list and on the SWOA website.**