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News:

1. Please could I have your preferred dates for the South West Orienteering League for the 2020-2021 season.

Note: As I hope you all know it has been decided to rename the Galoppen as the "South West Orienteering League" from now onwards. In an effort to avoid confusion please could we have consistent naming. So either use the full title, or if you need a shortened version please refer to "SW League". Please do not use "Regional league", "SWOL", "Galoppen" or any other variant. Thanks.

2. Please could I have any offers, ideally by October 12th, for the following:
 - Yvette Baker qualifier for 2020. This should be a Regional colour coded event with courses from yellow to green, to take place between March and May, complying with Competition Rule L on the British Orienteering website.
 - Compass Sport cup qualifier for 14th March 2021. The date is fixed. Note there is likely to be an event in South Central region that year.
 - National events in January to July 2021. Those in this bulletin are already known about. These will be agreed at the Event Scheduling Group meeting on 19th October.
 - Compass Sport cup final, Yvette Baker final, Harvester and Peter Palmer 2022 onwards. There's no obligation on our region to host these, but bids would be welcome.
3. I have been asked to kick off the process of choosing SW Championship events earlier than I have in previous years. I'll be asking for offers for Championships in 2021 in the next bulletin. So have a think about this in the meantime.
4. For information please be aware that BOK have answered the call for hosting the British Long Distance and Relay Championships in 2022 (probably) and 2025 (possibly). All to be confirmed in due course. They are looking at using venues elsewhere in the region.

Richard Sansbury, SWOA Fixtures Secretary

September 2019

Major Competitions:

The JK and British Championships are allocated on a rota to associations with a bias away from smaller associations that would struggle to cope with large events.

The Southern Championships and Southern Night Championships rotate around South East, South Central and South West Associations on a 3-year cycle.

Home Internationals rotate around the 4 home nations, as decided by the national teams.

Junior Inter-Regional Championships are allocated on a rota to associations. The other junior competitions (Yvette Baker final, Peter Palmer, British Schools, and British Schools Score) rotate between north, middle, and south of the country, and clubs are encouraged to volunteer to host.

No rota is used for the CompassSport Cup final or Harvester. Clubs are encouraged to volunteer.

The UK Leagues consist of the major competitions plus a few other quality weekends (i.e. National status) chosen to balance events through the year and across the county. Clubs are encouraged to volunteer.

Event	Host agreed by	Date	Date fixed by
JK	Mar 4yrs before	Easter	Fixed
British Long Distance Champs	Mar 4yrs before	Usually April/May	Mar 3yrs before
British Relay Champs	Mar 4yrs before	Usually April/May	Mar 3yrs before
British Middle Distance Champs	Mar 4yrs before	Any	Mar 3yrs before
British Sprint Champs	Mar 4yrs before	Any	Mar 3yrs before
British Night Champs	Mar 4yrs before	Late Feb	Mar 3yrs before
British Mixed Sprint Relay Champs	Mar 4yrs before	June preferred	Mar 3yrs before
Southern Champs	Oct 3yrs before	Any	Oct 3yrs before
CompassSport Cup Heats	Oct 2yrs before	Mid-March	Oct 3yrs before
CompassSport Cup Final	Oct 3yrs before	Usually mid-October	Oct 3yrs before
Yvette Baker Heats	Oct 1yr before	March/April/May	Oct 1yr before
Yvette Baker Final	Oct 3yrs before	First weekend in July	Fixed
Harvester	Oct 3yrs before	Usually late June	Oct 3yrs before
Peter Palmer Junior	Oct 3yrs before	Second Sunday in Sept	Fixed
Junior Inter Regional	Oct 3yrs before	Last weekend in Sept	Fixed
British Schools Score Champs	Oct 3yrs before	2nd Saturday in October	Fixed
British Schools Orienteering Champs	Oct 3yrs before	Mid/Late November	Fixed
British Universities & Colleges Sport	Oct 2yrs before	late Feb	Oct 2yrs before
Jun/Sen/Vet Home Internationals	Oct 3yrs before	Sept/Oct	Oct 3yrs before
UK Orienteering League	Mar 1yr before	Throughout year	Mar 1yr before
UK Urban League	Oct 1yr before	Throughout year	Oct 1yr before
UK Elite League	Oct 1yr before	First half of year	Oct 1yr before

When to set events

Ideally events should be set in order of importance, with dates for major competitions taking precedence. After that it would be appreciated if clubs follow the timetable below so that an orderly programme of events develops. Although club events can be entered at any time, the dates cannot be considered fixed until around a year in advance otherwise they may have to make way for more important events.

Event / Series	When date(s) will be set
National events - January to Summer	Oct of preceding year, i.e. 1½yrs in advance
National events - Summer to December	Mar of preceding year, i.e. 1½yrs in advance
South West Orienteering League	Autumn of preceding year, i.e. 1-1½yrs in advance
South West Relay series	Summer of preceding year, i.e. 1yr in advance
Other Regional and Local events	Anytime after SWO League events finalised

Allocation of National Competitions:

Event	Date	Host	Location
Yvette Baker Trophy Final	5 Jul 20	BOK	Westonbirt, Tetbury
November Classic Weekend (UKOL)	31 Oct 20	SARUM	Salisbury City
British Night Championships (UKOL)	20 Feb 21	NGOC	Cleeve Hill, Cheltenham
BOK Trot (UKOL)	21 Feb 21	BOK	tbc
JK Festival (UKOL)	2-5 Apr 21	SWOA	Plymouth Hoe & Penhale/Hayle
British Long Distance & British Relay Championships? (UKOL)	2022	BOK?	tbc

Allocation of Regional Competitions:

Event	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Southern Champs	<i>South East</i>	<i>South Central</i>	<i>South Central</i>	<i>South East</i>	BOK 1 Dec	<i>South Central</i>
Southern Night Champs	<i>South East</i>	QO 26 Nov	<i>South Central</i>	<i>South East</i>	BAOC 30 Nov	<i>South Central</i>
SW long dist champs	Caddihoe Day 1	Caddihoe Day 1	Caddihoe Day 2	Caddihoe Day 1	Caddihoe Day 1	Caddihoe Day 2
SW middle dist champs	NGOC 2 May	KERNO 30 May	Caddihoe Day 1	Tamar Day 3	DEVON 19 May	Caddihoe Day 1
SW sprint champs	WIM 16 May	BOK 4 Sept	WIM 21 May	QO 19 Aug	DEVON 2 June	NGOC 19 July
Caddihoe Chase	DEVON 5/6 Sept	WIM/WSX 1/2 Oct	KERNO 2/3 Sept	SARUM 22/23 Sept	DEVON 28/29 Sept	WIM 3/4 Oct
CompassSport Cup qual	SARUM 15 Mar	BOK 13 Mar	WIM 12 Mar	QO <i>cancelled</i>	QO 17 Mar	NGOC 15 Mar
Yvette Baker qualifier	WSX 22 Mar	BOK 17 Apr	NWO 30 Apr	QO 8 Apr	NWO 7 Apr	

Rules and policies

Major events allocated and dates agreed at a national level by Event Scheduling Group.

National event dates must be agreed at a national level by the Event Scheduling Group.

Regional event dates are agreed by Association Fixtures Secretaries.

Local events and Activities can be registered by Club Fixtures Secretaries.

SWOA policies:

- SWOA intends that South West Orienteering League events have precedence over other events in the region. Another club wishing to hold another Regional event on the same date must obtain the agreement of the League hosting club first.
- The South West Orienteering League series will be spread across the season, and with no more than 2 events in any 4 week period.
- All requests for Regional event status will be granted unless there is a clash with a South West Orienteering League, **another significant event in SWOA, or an objection from a neighbouring region.**
- For Regional events, the task of assessing terrain suitability and competences are delegated to the organising club and to the Controller. (British Orienteering rules state: the Association must assess the suitability of the terrain for the event, and the association must ensure that suitably experienced officials are appointed and must assess the competency of any new or unknown officials.)

South West League:

Club	2019-2020 season		2020-2021 season (all dates tbc)	
DEVON	13 Oct 19	Whitchurch Common Dartmoor		
SARUM	27 Oct 19	Sidbury Hill, Andover (tbc)	29 Nov 19	Bramshaw, New Forest
WIM	10 Nov 19	Ringwood, New Forest		
NWO	12 Jan 20	West Woods, Marlborough		
NGOC	19 Jan 20	Lightning Tree Hill, F of Dean	31 Jan 21	Soudley Ponds, Forest of Dean
BOK	2 Feb 20	Stockhill, Mendip (tbc)		
WESSEX	1 Mar 20	Anderwood, New Forest (tbc)		
QO	29 Mar 20	Blackborough, Cullompton		
KERNO	19 Apr 20	Hustyn, Wadebridge		

Summer relay series:

Club	2020 season (all dates tbc)	
NGOC	6 June	Selsley Common, Stroud
NWO	14 June	Coate Water Park (tbc)
WESSEX Hardy	21 June	tbc
BOK Adams Avery	28 June	Oldbury Court, Bristol
SARUM Moonraker	5 July	Farleigh School, Andover
DEVON	12 July	Killerton, Exeter
QO		no event
WIM Furrow Hoppers		tbc, possibly no event

2019

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Date	Major Level A (All regions)	National Level B (Nearby & UKOL only)	Regional Level C (SW region only)	Local Level D (SW region only)
Jan 6				(5Night)DEVON, NWO
13		SE Regional League DFOK	KERNO	(12)NGOC, BOK
20		SE Regional League GO	NGOC Galoppen	(19Night)KERNO, (19Night)QO
27			BOK	(26)QO, DEVON
Feb 3			WIM	(2)NWO, (2Night)KERNO
10		SE Regional League MV	QO Galoppen	(9+9Night)BOK
17		SC Chiltern Challenge TVOC	DEVON	(16+16Night)SARUM, (16Night)NGOC, (16Night)KERNO
24	Scot (23Night) British Night Champs MAROC (UKOL)	Scot SE Day after Nights MAROC (UKOL) Regional League HH	KERNO Galoppen	(23)NGOC
Mar 3		Wales Welsh Champs MWOC	DEVON	(2Night)NWO, (2Night)DEVON, NWO
10	YH Northern Champs (UKOL)	YH SW (9) Northern Urban SYO (UKOL) SARUM Saunter		(9+9Night)BOK, (9Night)KERNO
17		SW CSC Qualifier QO		
24		All CSC Qualifier		
31	SW BOK Trot & Southern Champs (UKOL)	SW (30) Middle-Distance NGOC (UKOL)	DEVON, NGOC	
Apr 7			NWO Galoppen & Yvette Baker, KERNO	
14			(13)NGOC, SARUM Urban	QO
21	SC (19-22) Jan Kjellström (UKOL)			
28			KERNO	BOK
May 5	YH (5-6) British Long and Relay Champs (UKOL) AIRE		WSX Galoppen	(4)NGOC
12			BOK Galoppen	
19		SE Regional League SO	DEVON SW Middle Dist Champs	(18)BOK, (18)QO
26	WM Midlands Champs (UKOL) HOC	Scot WM (25) Scottish Champs (UKOL) (25,27) Spring in Shropshire HOC		
Jun 2			DEVON SW Sprint Champs	(1)NGOC, (1)KERNO, (1)SARUM
9		WM (8-9) Sprint and Urban OD(UKOL)	(8) WSX	NWO Relay
16		SW (15-16) BOK Blast		DEVON Relay
23			(22) WIM Urban	QO Relay
30				(29)BOK Adams Avery Relay, (29)KERNO, (29)WSX, DEVON
Jul 7				(6)WIM, SARUM Moonraker Relay
14		WM (13) Urban WCH	NGOC	WIM Furrow Hoppers Relay, KERNO, NGOC
21				WSX Hardy Relay
28		Scot (28-3) Scottish 6 days (UKOL)		
Aug 4				(3)WIM
11				(10)NGOC, (10)WSX, KERNO
18		YH/EM (17-18)Race the Castle SYO/LOG	NGOC Urban	(17)WIM
25		SE Epsom Urban MV		(24)NGOC, (24)SARUM, KERNO
Sep 1			NGOC Urban, DEVON	(31)QO
8		Wales SE (7-8) Senior Home Interntl SBOC Peter Palmer Relays SAX	KERNO	(7)WIM
15	EM (14-15) British Sprint and Middle Championships LEI (UKOL)			QO
22		SE (21) City of London SLOW	NWO Urban	BOK
29		SW (28-29) Caddihoe Chase DEVON		
Oct 6		SE Urban SAX	WSX Dorset Delight	
13			SW League DEVON	NGOC
20	SE CompassSport Cup Final MV		KERNO	(19)BOK, (19)NWO, (19)WIM, QO
27			SW League SARUM	(26) DEVON
Nov 3		SE (2) Chichester City SO (UKOL)		(2Night)NWO
10		SC November Classic SOC (UKOL)		
17		SE Regional League SN	SW League WIM	(9)NGOC, (9Night)KERNO
24		SC British Schools Champs BADO	NGOC	(16Night)NGOC, QO, KERNO
		SE Regional League SLOW	DEVON	(23Night+24)BOK, (23Night)KERNO, NWO
Dec 1	SW Southern Championships BOK (UKOL)	SW (30Night) Southern Nights BAOB (UKOL)	(30) Middle Dist NGOC	
8		SE Regional League CHIG	KERNO	(7)NGOC, QO
15				(14)NWO, (14)SARUM, (14Night)NGOC
22				(26)WIM
29				DEVON, (1)SARUM, (1)NGOC

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Jan 5			DEVON	
12			SW League NWO, KERNO	(11Night+12)BOK, (11Night)DEVON
19		SE SW Regional League DFOK (18-19) NGOC 50th anniversary incl SW Regional League		(18Night)KERNO, DEVON
26	SC Southern Champs BKO (UKOL)	SE (25) Middle Dist GO (UKOL)		(25Night)NGOC, QO
Feb 2		SE Regional League GO	SW League BOK, KERNO	(1)NGOC
9	EM Midlands Champs DVO (UKOL)		DEVON	(8+8Night)SARUM, (8Night)KERNO, NWO
16		SE Regional League MV	WIM Regional	(15)NGOC, (15Night)KERNO
23	SC (22Night) British Night Champs TVOC (UKOL)	SC Chiltern Challenge TVOC (UKOL)		QO
Mar 1		Wales SE Welsh Champs SWOC Regional League HH	SW League WSX	(29+29Night)BOK, (29Night)DEVON
8			SARUM Saunter	(7)NGOC, KERNO
15		SW All CSC Qualifier NGOC CSC Qualifier		
22	SE (21-22) British Long Distance & Relay Championships (UKOL)	SE British Trail-O Champs		
29		SE Regional League SAX	SW League QO	(28)NWO
Apr 5			BOK Trot, DEVON	
12	NE (10-13) Jan Kjellström (UKOL)			
19			SW League KERNO	(18)NWO
26			SARUM Urban	(25)NGOC, QO
May 3		SW BOK Trot		BOK
10	NW (9-10) British Middle Distance & Northern Champs (UKOL)			
17		Wales SE Tenby Urban BAOC Regional League SO		BOK
24		SW (23-25) Tamar Triple DEVON & KERNO		
31			NGOC Urban	
Jun 7			BOK Urban	(6)NGOC Relay
14				NWO Relay
21	NW (20) British Sprint Champs (UKOL)		(20)NGOC Urban	WSX Relay
28		Scot Harvester Relays FVO		BOK Adams Avery Relay, DEVON
Jul 5		SW Yvette Baker Final BOK		SARUM Moonraker Relay
12		SE (11) Urban SN		(11)NGOC, DEVON Relay
19			(18)NWO Urban, SW Sprint Champs NGOC	
26		Wales (25-31) Croeso		
Aug 2				
9				
16				
23				(22)NGOC Middle Dist
30		SE Urban MV		
Sep 6				
13		SE (12) City of London SLOW		
20				
27		SC (26-27) Junior Inter Regional SOC		
Oct 4		SW (3-4) Caddihoe WIM incl SW Middle and Long Dist Champs	(3) Caddihoe Short Urban WIM	
11				
18	WM Compass Sport Cup Final OD			
25				
Nov 1		SW SC (31) Salisbury City SARUM (UKOL) November Classic SOC (UKOL)		
8		SE SE Championships SN		
15		SE British Schools Champs HH		
22		SE Regional League SLOW		
29			SW League SARUM?	
Dec 6		SE Regional League CHIG		
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2021

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Jan 3				
10				
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24				
31			SW League NGOC?	
Feb 7	SE Southern Champs MV			
14				
21	SW (20Night) British Night Champs NGOC (UKOL)	SW Mike Nelson BOK Trot (UKOL)		
28		SC Chiltern Challenge TVOC		
Mar 7	EM British Middle Dist Champs (UKOL)	SE Regional League SAX		
14		SW CSC Qualifier (host tbc)		
21		All CSC Qualifier		
28			SARUM Saunter	
Apr 4	SW (2-5) Jan Kjellström (UKOL)			
11				
18		Wales Welsh Champs SBOC		
25				
May 2				
9	NW (8-9) British Long Dist & Relay / Northern Champs (UKOL)			
16				
23				
30				
Jun 6		SW (5-6) BOK Blast		
13		WM (1213) Coventry Urban OD		
20	YH British Sprint Champs (UKOL)			
27				
Jul 4				
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Aug 1				
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22				
29				
Sep 5				
12		WM Peter Palmer COBOC		
19				
26				
Oct 3		SC (2-3) Veteran Home Internationals		
10		Wales (9-10) Junior Home Internationals		
17	EM Compass Sport Cup Final DVO			
24				
31				
Nov 7				
14				
21				
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Dec 5				
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