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News:

1. As discussed in emails last year Forestry England is now implementing a new permissions policy. There is now a document "Permissions Policy External" by West England Forest District dated 7/11/19 which should have been circulated to clubs - please make sure you are aware of the seasonal restrictions when picking dates and venues.

As a result of the policy please note there is now more fixture congestion in the September to February period. I expect in due course there will be a trend to move more major competitions into this period. I would encourage clubs to consider dates outside this peak season for events which do not require Forestry England permission.

Please refer to SWOA committee if you wish to know more about our response to the new policy.

2. Please could I have offers for the following:
 - Final chance to offer for the Compass Sport cup qualifier to be held on 14th March 2021. We hope to fix the competition venues at the Event Scheduling Group meeting on 14th March this year. At the current time the South West area will have no heat, no doubt the Forestry England policy is creating the difficulty as the date is fixed.
 - South West Championship events for 2021. Please let me have any bids by end of April.
 - National events in August to December 2021. The Caddihoe is already known about. These will be agreed at the Event Scheduling Group meeting on 14th March.
3. British Mixed Sprint Relay, British Nights, Yvette Baker final, Harvester, Peter Palmer and British Schools Score Champs are all unallocated in 2022. British Nights, Harvester and Peter Palmer are also available in 2023. There's no obligation on our region to host these, especially as SW clubs have done or will be doing many of these in recent years, but bids would be welcome any time.
4. For information, Devon and BOK are hosting the British Long Distance and Relay Championships in 2022, and BOK has also volunteered to host the Compass Sport Cup final in 2023.

Richard Sansbury, SWOA Fixtures Secretary

February 2020

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.

Competition	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 SW League events finalised

Allocation of National Competitions:

Event	Date	Host	Location
Yvette Baker Trophy Final	5 Jul 20	BOK	Westonbirt, Tetbury
British Night Championships	20 Feb 21	NGOC	Cleeve Hill, Cheltenham
JK Festival	2-5 Apr 21	SWOA	Plymouth Hoe & Penhale/Hayle
British Long Distance & Southern + British Relay Championships	30 Apr - 1 May 22	DEVON & BOK	Braunton Burrows
Compass Sport Cup Final	12 Nov 23	BOK	tbc

UKOL events: 2020 - Tamar Triple, Caddihoe & Salisbury City Race. 2021 = BOK Trot

Allocation of Regional Competitions:

Event	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Southern Champs	South Central	South Central	South East	BOK 1 Dec	South Central	South East
Southern Night Champs	QO 26 Nov	South Central	South East	BAOC 30 Nov	South Central	South East
SW long dist champs	Caddihoe Day 1	Caddihoe Day 2	Caddihoe Day 1	Caddihoe Day 1	Caddihoe Day 2	
SW middle dist champs	KERNO 30 May	Caddihoe Day 1	Tamar Day 3	DEVON 19 May	Caddihoe Day 1	
SW sprint champs	BOK 4 Sept	WIM 21 May	QO 19 Aug	DEVON 2 June	NGOC 19 July	
Caddihoe Chase	WIM/WSX 1/2 Oct	KERNO 2/3 Sept	SARUM 22/23 Sept	DEVON 28/29 Sept	WIM 3/4 Oct	DEVON 18/19 Sept
CompassSport Cup qual	BOK 13 Mar	WIM 12 Mar	QO cancelled	QO 17 Mar	NGOC 15 Mar	No SW heat tbc
Yvette Baker qualifier	BOK 17 Apr	NWO 30 Apr	QO 8 Apr	NWO 7 Apr	QO 29 Mar	

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 tasks of assessing terrain suitability and competency of proposed officials 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	
DEVON	13 Oct 19	Whitchurch Common Dartmoor	25 Oct 20	Five Tors, Dartmoor
SARUM	27 Oct 19	Sidbury Hill, Andover (tbc)	6 Dec 20	Cannimore, Warminster
WIM	10 Nov 19	Ringwood, New Forest	13 Dec 20	Gore Heath, Wareham
NWO	12 Jan 20	West Woods, Marlborough	10 Jan 21	Savernake, 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	8 Nov 20	Cannop Ponds, Forest of Dean
WESSEX	1 Mar 20	Blackwater, New Forest	11 Apr 21	Rushmore, Cranborne Chase
QO	29 Mar 20	Blackborough, Cullompton	14 Feb 21	Ramscombe, Quantock Hills
KERNO	19 Apr 20	Polly Joke, Newquay	11 Oct 20	tba

Summer relay series:

Club	2020 season	
NGOC	6 June	Selsley Common, Stroud
NWO	14 June	Lydiard Park, Swindon
WESSEX Hardy	21 June	tbc
BOK Adams Avery	28 June	Oldbury Court, Bristol
SARUM Moonraker	5 July	Farleigh School, Andover

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Note (28)BOK, QO, SARUM means (28)BOK, (29)QO, (29)SARUM
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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 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
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)	WM CSC Qualifier HOC	DEVON	(8+8Night)SARUM, (8Night)KERNO, NWO
16		SE Regional League MV	WIM Regional	(15Night)KERNO, NGOC
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	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		DEVON
29		SE Regional League SAX	SW League QO	(28)NWO
Apr 5			BOK Trot, DEVON	
12	NE (10-13) Jan Kjellström (UKOL)			
19			(18)WIM Urban, SW League KERNO	(18)NWO
26			SARUM Urban	(25)NGOC, QO
May 3		SW BOK Trot		
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 (UKOL)		
31			NGOC Urban	BOK
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
Jul 5		SW Yvette Baker Final BOK		(4)WIM, SARUM Moonraker Relay
12		SE (11) Urban SN		(11)NGOC, DEVON
19			(18)NWO Urban, SW Sprint Champs NGOC	(18)WIM
26		Wales (25-31) Croeso (UKOL)		
Aug 2				
9				(8)WIM
16				
23				(22)NGOC, (22)WIM
30		SE Urban MV		
Sep 6				(5)WIM, QO
13		SE (12-13) City of London SLOW/LOK	(12)NGOC	DEVON, NWO
20				KERNO, BOK, DEVON
27		SC (26-27) Junior Inter Regional SOC		BOK
Oct 4		SW (3-4) Caddihoe WIM incl SW Middle and Long Champs (UKOL)	(3) Caddihoe Short Urban WIM	
11		SE (10-11) Junior Home Intl SLOW	SE BKO, SW League KERNO	BOK
18	WM Compass Sport Cup Final OD			(17)BOK, QO
25			SW League DEVON	(24)NWO, (24Night)BOK
Nov 1		SW SC (31)Salisbury City SARUM(UKOL) November Classic SOC (UKOL)		
8		SE SE Championships SN	SW League BOK	(7Night)NGOC
15		SE British Schools Champs HH	(14)NGOC	NWO
22		SE Regional League SLOW		(21+21Night)BOK, QO
29	SC Southern Champs BKO (UKOL)			
Dec 6		SE Regional League CHIG	SW League SARUM	(5Night)NGOC
13			(12)NGOC, SW League WIM	
20				(19)SARUM, (19Night)BOK
27				DEVON

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Jan 3				QO
10			SW League NWO	
17			WIM Regional	(16+16Night)BOK, DEVON
24				QO
31			SW League NGOC	
Feb 7	SE Southern Champs MV			(6+6Night)NWO, DEVON
14			(13)QO Urban, SW League QO	(13+13Night)SARUM
21	SW (20Night) British Night Champs NGOC (UKOL)	SW SE Mike Nelson BOK Trot (UKOL) Regional League HH		
28		SC Chiltern Challenge TVOC		(27)BOK, QO, DEVON
Mar 7	EM British Middle Dist Champs (UKOL)	SE Regional League SAX		
14		SW All CSC Qualifier (host tbc) CSC Qualifier		
21		YH Northern Champs SYO (UKOL)	SARUM Saunter	
28				(27)NWO, BOK
Apr 4	SW (2-5) Jan Kjellström (UKOL)			
11			SW League WSX	
18		Wales Welsh Champs SBOC		QO
25				(24)SARUM, DEVON, BOK
May 2				
9	NW (8-9) British Long Dist & Relay / Northern Champs (UKOL)			
16		SE Regional League SO	BOK	
23				
30	WM Midlands Champs WRE	WM (29-31) Spring in Shropshire HOC		
Jun 6		SW (5-6) BOK Blast		
13		WM (12-13) Coventry Urban OD		DEVON, NWO Relay
20	YH British Sprint Champs (UKOL)			
27				(26)BOK Adams Avery
Jul 4				
11				
18				(17)NWO Urban
25				
Aug 1				
8				
15				
22				
29		SE Urban MV		
Sep 5		SE (4) City of London SLOW		
12		WM Peter Palmer COBOC		
19		SW (18-19) Caddihoe Chase DEVON		
26				
Oct 3		SC (2-3) Veteran Home Internationals		
10		Wales (9-10) Junior Home Internationals SE Urban SAX		
17	EM Compass Sport Cup Final DVO			
24				
31				
Nov 7		SC November Classic SOC		
14		SE Regional League SN		
21		SE Regional League SLOW		
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Dec 5		SE Regional League CHIG		
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