

# INTERLOPERS

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### INTERLOPERS 'O' SUITS

These have now arrived and are ready for collection from Rudolph Riemersma, 36 Buckstone Loan, Edinburgh, Tel: 445 4419.

Other occasions when you may be able to collect your 'O' Suit are at the Meadows on a Tuesday night, or at the last circuit training session at Moray House on Wednesday 20 March. Cheques should be made payable to 'Interlopers'.

If all else fails, please turn up at the Megabowl (details below) to collect your suit in time for the JK. We want to make sure that everyone gets a size that fits them, so if the one you ordered isn't quite right, please let us know and we can arrange some swapping.

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### MEGABOWL 1991!

Back by popular demand is this year's trip to the Megabowl for 10 PIN BOWLING. Wednesday 27 March 1991, 8pm - 10pm, at Newcraighall, Craig Park (the big new shopping centre place on the east side of town - easy to find).

Cost will depend on numbers, ie. the more people who turn up, the cheaper it'll be! Time-keeping is strict, so turn up promptly to avoid disappointment, and remember you can get your 'O' Suit on this night, if you haven't got it already.

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### INTERLOPERS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND ANNUAL DINNER

A double-bill evening on Thursday 16 May 1991, starting at 7.30pm at the Edinburgh University Sports Centre, The Pleasance. This is your official notification of the meeting, so please get any proposed changes to the Club Constitution or items for inclusion in the agenda to John Barrow by 18 April.

Following the AGM, we will all retire to a suitable eating-house (venue still to be finalised - any suggestions?). The dinner should start around 9pm, and is open for anyone to come along, even if you can't make it to the AGM.

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### EDINBURGH SUMMER SERIES

The Interlopers event will be on Wednesday 8 May 1991, in Colinton Dell, starting from 5.30pm. Further details from Pat Squire - helpers required.

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### AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST - Another STOP PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT!

To add to the growing list of Interlopers tying the knot - we have Lucy Patterson and Robin Galloway. Congratulations to both of you on your recent engagement!

## Scottish Champs '91 Update

The past couple of months have seen continued progress towards our big day on the 8th June, though as usual pleas for volunteers to get involved have had limited response. Arrangements for the map are almost complete and I believe the technical side of the event is being kept under control by our planners (Scott Balfour and Simon Thompson) and controller (Jim Heardman from ESOC). The basic event layout has been decided and advertisements have gone out - one in CompassSport, and a leaflet is being distributed with "Score" and at the JK and other major events. Please remember we are asking that seniors will forgoe running in the event (unless they are in the international team or are genuine Championship contenders) as we will need all the manpower we can muster on the day. We hope to have teams in the relays (organised by ESOC on the Sunday) and John Barrow will co-ordinate entries for these.

By the time you read this we should have arranged a computer-based entries/results system for the event, but at the time of writing prizes and sponsorship are still outstanding issues. We also badly need someone to "do" the string course. As we get closer to the event the organising team will be contacting club members to allocate jobs, why not do them a favour and get in touch to volunteer?

Charlie Walter

## Down in the Woods

With the season now in full swing I'll start off by mentioning an event that has been and gone, our Lothian O League event at Beecraigs. The day was a success, with a good turnout and reasonable weather for the time of year (quite a bit of snow disappeared from the area and car park in the days before the event), and thanks go to all from the club who helped out - especially to Pat Squire (planner) and John Barrow (organiser), who not only did most of the work before the event but also wrestled with the LOL computer system to generate results afterwards. Even for this size of event much work needs to be done - car parking (thanks to Ishbel for dealing with access disputes), registration (sorry we were late), start, finish (well done to the Riemersmas for coping with the collapsing club tent - new poles have been ordered), results, control collecting (though what were Ynske and Anthony doing out for so long?) and results checking (Janet, Andrew and myself venturing out after a curry to join Ken, Pat and John working deep into the night...). Last special mention goes to Donald Watson, who just popped over from Canada for the event! And the event made a healthy profit which helps make it all worthwhile.

As well as the new tent poles mentioned above, we splashed out on recently on a multi-memory watch which is a very useful training aid, allowing you to take split times at each control round a course. This information makes for fascinating post-race analysis, particularly if you can compare times with other competitors. Quite a few club members are using these watches now and we thought it would be useful to get one for the club so members could try it out. I tried it at last week and I'm hooked - I'll have to get myself one now so other folk can try it out. It's easy to use and if you would like to have go get in touch with Pat Squire or myself. And remember the club has other stuff you can borrow, in particular a good range of books including coaching aids.

Wednesday night circuit training is coming to an end for the season on 20th March, we have not continued the booking into the summer as once evenings are lighter there is more opportunity for other activities - there are quite a few small local orienteering events on including the Edinburgh Summer Series which are always useful for training or for introducing a friend to the sport, or you might fancy an attack on the Livingston Green Bogie Bing Bashers midweek hill race calendar. I think the circuit training was very worthwhile and hope that once the nights close in again in the Autumn we can get it going again.

The new Interlopers O-Suits are reported to be on the way and I hope they will appear in time for the major events this Spring - listen out for further news, we'll try to fix a "trying on" party when the kit arrives. And we're still looking for bright ideas for printing the club name on the suits, or for other club kit like badges, stickers, tracksuits...give it some thought and pass on suggestions to the committee.

Having mentioned the club committee, how about joining it? The club AGM will be upon us all too soon and we will again be looking for willing volunteers to join the Interlopers nerve centre. Please consider taking on a committee job - in fact don't just consider it, do it! Just get in touch with any current committee member for more details.

Another job that is looking for a volunteer is co-ordinating club effort at this summer's 6-Day event. This should be a straightforward task, liaising with the day officials and the other clubs helping on Day 5 (remember not to enter Day 5), and organising manpower. If you are going to the 6-Day, why not be Interlopers organiser?

Looking further ahead, our position in future could be much stronger if we had a few more mapped areas we could use for holding events (and training). I'm sure there are suitable places out there we could use, all we need is a bit of effort to find them, to sort out access permission etc., and to map them. This effort would, I think, bring great benefit to the club - but it doesn't just happen, we need someone to get the ball rolling. Could it be you?

Finally for the moment, is anyone interested in contact with or exchanges with Soviet orienteers? I've had a number of communications from the U.S.S.R. since my name went into the I.O.F. fixture list (for the Scottish Champs.) and if anyone would like to follow them up I can pass the details on.

Charlie Walton

**Interlopers v. Clydeside Orienteers CompassSport Cup Match**  
**Happendon Wood, 24th February**

The CompassSport Cup has been and gone for us for another year as we suffered a narrow defeat to CLYDE at TINTO's Happendon Wood event on a what turned out to be a very fine February Sunday. Apologies to anyone who didn't know that the match was on, it wasn't fixed up in time for the last newsletter so details were spread by word of mouth. We had a full team out so the publicity must have been quite effective! From the event results I scored the match 64 - 62 in CLYDE's favour, but I think we can claim honour in defeat as we would of won had Graeme Ackland not been disqualified after going to a wrong control after not picking up descriptions at the 2nd master maps. Here are the match results (first 3 in each club count; courses are decided by age class):

Yellow	1. Gail Balfour	W13 INT	21:41	6pts
	2. Fay Balfour	W13 INT	25:37	5
	3. S. Campbell	M11 CLYDE	41:00	4
	4. C. Spibey	W10 CLYDE	48:04	3
	5. Rachel Balfour	W11 INT	54:31	2
	6. R. Stirrups	M11 CLYDE	66:55	1
		INT 13	CLYDE 8	

Light Green	1. Anthony Squire	M13 INT	29:01	6
	2. Ynske Riemersma	W15 INT	39:15	5
	3. Anita Sinclair	W17 INT	44:52	4
	4. K. Wilkinson	M13 CLYDE	45:27	3
	5. K. Stirrups	W15 CLYDE	53:13	2
	6. S. de la Rue	W15 CLYDE	60:22	1
	Other INTs: Robert Sinclair	M13	67:39	
		INT 15	CLYDE 6	

Green	1. V. Belton	W35 CLYDE	51:20	6
	2. H. Taylor	W35 CLYDE	59:34	5
	3. Pat Hannafor	W40 INT	66:31	4
	4. D. Sommerville	M55 CLYDE	67:27	3
	5. Ray Heyworth	M60 INT	69:27	2
	6. Eva Riemersma	W45 INT	136:59	1
		INT 7	CLYDE 14	

Blue	1. J. Harvey	M50 CLYDE	66:09	6
	2. J. Daly	M50 CLYDE	66:55	5
	3. D. Walkinshaw	M50 CLYDE	68:54	4
	4. Rudolph Riemersma	M45 INT	71:52	3
	5. John Barrow	M45 INT	73:33	2
	6. Lucy Patterson	W21 INT	85:32	1
	Other INTs: Stephanie Lee	W21	86:27	
	Martin Sinclair	M45	93:24	
		INT 6	CLYDE 15	

Brown A	1. I. Renfrew	M21 CLYDE	60:53	6
	2. D. Robertson	M21 CLYDE	65:17	5
	3. D. Petrie	M21 CLYDE	65:42	4
	4. Ian McIntyre	M21 INT	68:46	3
	5. Charlie Walton	M21 INT	76:09	2
	6. Andrew Bankhead	M21 INT	90:42	1
	Other INTs: Graeme Ackland	M21	disq.	
	Robin Galloway	M21	disq.	
		INT 6	CLYDE 15	

Brown B	1. Gordon Riemersma	M17 INT	68:22	6
	2. Pat Squire	M40 INT	73:00	5
	3. Scott Balfour	M40 INT	75:57	4
	4. P. Halling	M40 CLYDE	79:20	3
	5. D. Blackburn	M35 CLYDE	88:15	2
	6. M. Rowan	M35 CLYDE	88:31	1
	Other INTs: Colin Inverarity	M35	82:14	
		INT 15	CLYDE 6	

You may notice that some of our more elite runners are missing - but so were CLYDE's. Most had been at the same party the night before so a deal was struck, the lads making sure that nobody was in a fit state to turn up! Special mentions are in order for Eva Riemersma, bravely completing her first green course, and for the Balfours making up our whole yellow team. Between them the Balfours picked up 17 points, the Riemersmas 15, and the Squires 11 - leaving 19 gained by the rest of the club!

A big thanks to everyone who turned out.

Charlie Walton

P.S. I still have my doubts about this competition and wonder if there really is enough interest in the club to make it worth entering - please pass on your views to the committee.

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**NOTE FOR MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**

Please check the status of your membership on the preceding pages.

For non-renewed BOF members, it might be worth contacting BOF if you haven't received your renewal forms. It appears some may have got lost en route.

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