

FIXTURES SECRETARY & ACCESS REPORT 2021/22

Overall it has been an active year for the club. As well as the usual programme of Thursday evening events we have hosted 2 major events, the Compasssport Cup heat at Hawse End in February and day 2 of the Lakes 5 Day at Threlkeld in August. In view of the workload presented by these we decided to hold only 3 Cumbrian Galoppen events in 2022.

The following table summarises our fixtures and participation for September 2021 to August 2022. There is only 1 galoppen event because the 2021 galoppens were early in the year whereas 2 of the 2022 galoppens have still to take place.

	Thursday evening				Galoppen	Other	Total	L5D
	Autumn	Winter	Spring	Summer				
Number of events	6	16	6	15	1	5	49	1
Number of participants	326	1066	361	999	85	495	3332	1108
Average participation	54	67	60	67	85	99	68	1108

Once again, thanks to those who have contributed to making this happen, particularly organisers, planners, controllers and access officers. As I've said before, and will again, our ability to continue to provide regular orienteering depends entirely on members willing to do these jobs.

For 2023 we hope to hold a full programme of Thursday evening events. In view of the low turnout at Lank Rigg and the difficulty in finding key officials the committee is considering the future of the Cumbrian Galoppen series. However it is likely that we will aim to hold at least 3 weekend events with colour coded or age based courses.

Looking further ahead, the club will be organising the British Night Championships at Whinlatter in February 2024.

Access

The club does not currently have an access officer for the Eskdale area. This means that organising events in some of our best terrain is difficult. Also, the access officer for a number of our smaller areas, mostly farmland, is busy with other club functions and would appreciate someone else taking on the access role.

If you are able to take on one of these roles please let me or another committee member know.

Enjoy your orienteering, organising, planning and controlling in 2022/23.

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