

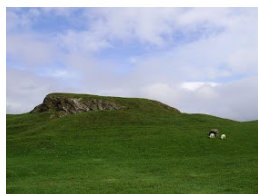


### Night Series - Keltonfell Top

A big thankyou to Michael Billingham for planning the courses this week but with an extra special shoutout to the Rennies who stepped in last minute to man the registration! On the long course Jamie Rennie just beat his fellow, much younger rival, Isaac Hunter, to come 1st in a time of 29:30 with Isaac running 30:08 to come 2nd. The girls were hot on their heels though with Emma 3rd in 33:51 and Daisy 4th overall and 1st and 2nd Female. The rest of the top 10 were made up of; Chris Swanepoel 5th, Sam McLoughlin 6th, Toby Heppell 7th, Andy Bradley 8th, Dan Parker 9th and Mike Harrison 10th. The 3rd place lady was Karen Parker (BL).

On the short course, with some speedy times, especially on the run in, we had Martin Skinner coming 1st with a time of 19:05. Sophie Crawford came 2nd in 21:30 with Roger Thomas not too far behind in 3rd with a time of 22:54. The rest of the top 10 were made up of; Susan Skinner 4th, George Rennie 5th, Roger Jackson 6th, Bob Barnby 7th, Kevin Hodgson 8th, Chris Emerson 9th and Robert Simpson (IND) 10th.

The novice showed a good family duel with Emily Brookes (IND) coming 1st in 41:17 and Chris Brookes (IND) coming 2nd in 41:22.



**Remember temperatures are dropping so dress appropriately. Young, inexperienced orienteers should be accompanied. It is another ideal event for those new to orienteering or night orienteering. All details are on the WCOC website under Events. Remember you will need a good headtorch. You can borrow dibbers by completing the request box on your entry.**

**This weeks event is at Elva Hill. Entries are open on Racesignup and close at 23:59 on Tuesday.**

**Upcoming Night Events - 05/01/23 - Wood House; 12/01/2023 - Swarth Fell; 19/01/2023- Threlkeld Common**

### Other Events -

#### **WCOC:**

**Beer Trail** - Fancying a beer and chocolate bar up on the fells after a nice run out? Well, the Beer Trail will be perfect for you! The parking is at the main Whinlatter Carpark and full details are on the WCOC website. This will be open till the end of January so plenty time to get yourself along. Big thanks to the Rennies for sorting it out again!!

**Mawbray New Years Day Event** - Festive fundraiser for the WCOC juniors with more details to follow.

**LOC:** have a series of three turkey races - 26/12/22 - Eggerslack Woods; 28/12/22 - Burnt Woods and Green Hows; 30/12/22-Birkrigg. See LOC website for details.

**BL:** Binsey, Charity Event. See BL website for full details



### Edinburgh Big Weekend - 27th-29th January 2023



A great weekend of orienteering in the beautiful city of Edinburgh. With WOC 2024 just around the corner they are guaranteed to be top quality events with some newly mapped areas so make sure to get yourself entered!

Entries are now open on SiEntries  
[https://www.sientries.co.uk/event.php?event\\_id=10672](https://www.sientries.co.uk/event.php?event_id=10672)  
and provisional details are on the website at <https://euoc.wordpress.com/big-weekend/>

New for 2024 - Big Weekend Bobble Hats! These will be available to order soon so make sure to keep an eye out.



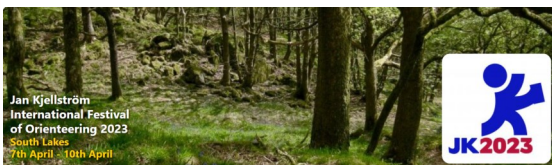
Twitter: You can follow @WCOC2014 and on the website-[www.wcoc.co.uk](http://www.wcoc.co.uk)

Also on FB—public and members' page.





## National Events

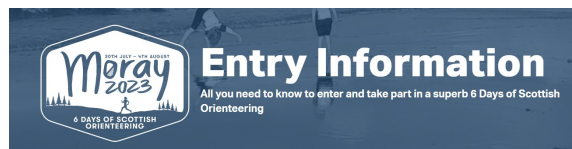


Jan Kjellström  
International Festival  
of Orienteering 2023  
South Lakes  
7th April - 10th April



The JK website has done live and it is hoped that entries will open sometime this month. It is a 'local' JK. Day 1 - Lancaster University (sprint); Day 2- High Dam; Day 3 -Bigland; and Day 4 - Dale Park (Relays). For more info visit - [thejk.org.uk](http://thejk.org.uk)

Entries have opened for next year's Scottish 6 Days (Early Bird discount until 31st March 2023). Looking at the list of areas, it's sure to be a good one. Lossie Forest, Darnaway, Roseisle, Forres (sprint), Culbin. For more information visit - [scottish6days.com](http://scottish6days.com)



## Latrigg and Greta Gorge Galoppen

On a cold winter's day a large number of WCOC members braved the icy conditions and ventured out to Keswick to run the Latrigg Galoppen. Long, hilly courses, combined with the snow and icy conditions meant a tough day out was had by all. Well done to everyone that managed to arrive safely let alone complete the courses!

On the 7.5km brown Steve Birkinshaw took the win in 73:56 just 3:16 ahead of Charlie Rennie in 2nd. Jamie Rennie just missed out on the top 3 coming 4th in 82:58. Phil Winskill and Joe Goodwin ended up joint 5th after a sprint finish from Joe. Mike Harrison and Herbie Ashworth made up the last of the WCOC members on the brown coming 9th and 16th respectively.

On the blue the Birkinshaw family continued the good form with James coming 2nd in 63:48. Sam McLoughlin was a close 3rd in 64:12 with Alan Irving coming home in 4th. Emma Crawford was first lady home in 5th place overall with Chris Pollitt, Howard Leslie and Stuart Crawford also making the top 10 in 6th, 7th and 8th respectively.

Sophie Crawford had a great run on the green to come 3rd overall and 2nd lady with Eva Humphreys also flying round to finish one place behind. Matthew Birkinshaw closely followed in 5th with Roger Thomas and Graham Watson finishing 8th and 10th.

The short green saw Catherine Wetherfield coming out on top in 1st place with Kim Leslie the next WCOC member home in 4th. Myrtle Ashworth also made the top 10 coming 10th overall.



Wishing everyone a very merry Christmas and an absolutely amazing new year!! Here's to many more WCOC successes in 2023!

Good luck to all those racing over the Christmas season, hope Santa brings everything you could need to make them go smoothly!

And, just in case you missed it, here's a Christmas orienteering joke to keep you entertained: Why did Santa Clause crash his sleigh when delivering orienteering gifts on Christmas eve?

He lost his control!!

Over and out, Niamh Hunter as this weeks guest editor :)