



SOA Newsletter 7 (08) – October

Courses – dates for your diary

- Condes Workshop 22 November – Inverness
- UKCC Level 1 Coach Course – 18-20 October Glenmore Lodge **COURSE FULL**
- Update for coaches 26 October – see below (booking form not required)
- OCAD 2-day course 29-30 November – Edinburgh – now taking bookings
- Controllers' Update 17 January (north) and 31 January 2009 (south) – informal and optional update for all grades of controller.

Please use the form on NatCen website to book your place on these courses:

<http://www.scottish-orienteering.org/documents/natcen/natcen-booking-form.doc>

Full course schedule:

<http://www.scottish-orienteering.org/index/natcen/page/national-centre-course-schedule/>

Regular Orienteering Map Programme and Autumn Training Bonanza

- Alvie, Uath Lochan, Achlean and Roseisle until 18 October
- Strathmashie until 31 October
- Gaich Wood November & December

Controllers: Grade 3 Approvals The following have been appointed Grade 3 controllers: Martin Quirke, Roos Eisma, Duncan Campbell, Paul Caban, Iain Shepherd, Keith Slater and Clive Masson.

Grade 1 Course: A course to take Grade 2 controllers to Grade 1 will be run in Scotland. More news soon.

Competitions: SOL rules are changed so that pictorial descriptions ONLY are to be used for ALL SOL courses including juniors. (This allows simplification, standardisation, and the consensus is that it will help Juniors.)

Mapping: Copyright for Rannoch has passed to Forth Valley Orienteers.

Volunteers Needed: SOA is looking for willing bodies to act as (a) Mapping Volunteer and (b) Trophies Coordinator. Contact Paul Duley (operations@scottish-orienteering.org)

Fixtures:

- Scotland has been awarded JK in 2012.
- British allcomers sprint champs is in Scotland next April.
- Next year's SOL allocation is finalised and will be in next Score.
- All other Scottish events are also now in the calendar, except for Sprint Champs.
- Fixtures Review, taking place from 1/1/09, will have big impact on some Scottish events including six day – no more age classes (officially) except in Scottish champs. Written guidelines not yet out.

Update for coaches – tea and cakes!

Discussion and update session for all coaches after SOL7 on 26 Oct at Royal Dunkeld Hotel: tea & cakes from 14:30, update session starting 15.30. So we can confirm numbers, please e-mail Hilary before 18 October if you wish to attend. No charge.

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