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HALO News Tuesday 22nd April 2014



Poacher 2014 continues...

Alex Smith kept up with the tradition of Poacher events last week, with an excellent event at Cottagers Dale Woods. Seventy one people attended, a full report with all the results is on the HALO website, <u>http://www.halo-orienteering.org.uk</u> The next event (Wednesday evening) is at Willingham Woods, with Brian Slater planning the usual three courses. Parking is on forest tracks, with directions signed from the A631 Market Rasen Road.

"MC is in Da House" Mary Carrick's JK Report

Neil, Brian S and I went down to the JK to stay in an excellent pub with accommodation and great evening meals. Also down were the Butler and Lynda, Andrew Holden and all the gang and the Van Dams; fewer than usual hence no cottage.

Sprints on Friday were round the University site in Swansea and fast and furious as usual. I managed my compulsory 'blob', losing five minutes and numerous places; Neil and Brian did well. We attempted the Trail-O - now called the Pre-O (for precise -O) after the Sprint. Neil and I attempted the Elite course, with Neil beating me comfortably as usual; Brian tried the Novice course and did well.

Saturday was very cold in the morning - we had all really only come to the assembly area dressed for summer running to a great extent, which was hard as the parking spots were a long way from the assembly and starts - Lynda rotweillered the parking marshal after they had had to wait some 50 minutes to get parked! Neil had v. good run; mine was OK apart from the five minutes lost going to control number one; and Brian set a new course record for time spent on one control, even beating my previous best. The Van Dam children did well, as did the Butler, with Andrew bringing up the rear but still relatively ahead of Brian.

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sunday was misty and wet with a tridheer storm attacking just as I was coming in to the finish. I made the statutory blob again going to control number one and another very near the end as the pressure of the thunder addled my brain - well that's my excuse and I am sticking to it! Neil had a worse run than the day before but Brian made up for his previous day's disaster coming in only a matter of seconds behind Mike Cope. The Butler maintained his third position overall with Emma VD being fifth and George doing well. Andrew maintained a steady position and seemed to enjoy himself.

Results are listed below.

"What's the score?"

Last Thursday the LOG technical course at Revesby Estate was a score event. Alex, myself and Peter Harris attended, I think we'll just concentrate on Pete's result ! He finished 3rd and would have been 2nd, except for a small time penalty. Instead of "Poacher Pete" he's now becoming "Podium Pete"

Speaking of podiums, a good weekend for HALO runners with JB at the JK and runners at EBOR's Easter Bunny Score Event.



EVENTS...... Wednesday, Lincolnshire Poacher, Willingham Woods.

On Thursday **LOG** continue their Spring Series at Stapleford Woods near Newark.

Next Sunday it is the **CLARO** YBT event at Valley Gardens Harrogate. Despite being an Yvette Baker



EASTER BUNNIES.... Helen Smith won a chocolate Easter Egg, after winning her class at the EBOR Easter Bunny score event last Sunday.

Brian Ward won a box of Maltesers for 2nd place Men's Vets and Danny Chan won a chocolate



JK RESULTS..... John Butler finished 3/8 overall in M70s. Emma Van Dam 5/17 overall in W10A. George Van Dam 19/57 overall in M14A. Mary Carrick 31/53 overall W65. Neil Harvatt 46/109 overall M55L. Andrew Holden 18/25 overall & Brian Slater 77/98 overall. A quick mention for

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for all. Sunda	y also sees a colour coded o erby.	also in Amano toblero event secono	MV. Meanwhile la Ward won a one for finishing d in WV. (enough ate news!)	running the light green course, 81/81 day one, 15/66 day two. A great comeback Sam. Paul Van Dam also ran LG finishing 12th day one	
Monday, Beverley Club Night is again at Houghton Woods.		John E place a M70s. homela	ngratulations to Butler for third at the JK 2014 in Being back in his and obviously vidends.	and 17th day two. Poacher Post Script So after two events on the medium course, I've now notched up 7.8km actual running distance, compared to 6.8km straight line course distance.	

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