

UK Masters Cup – 2011 Operation



Introduction

The proposal is to provide a competition for veteran/masters (M/W35+) orienteers based on a subset of the current programme of Level A and some Level B events.

2011 will be a trial year with the intention of providing a finals event in the future.

Principles of the UK Masters Cup

The principles of the UK Masters Cup (UKMC) are similar to those of the UK Cup:

- Encourage greater quality competition.
- Use a simple position based scoring system (rather than the national rankings).
- Encourage participation in more events.
- Provide as much variety in terrain type and geographical locations as possible
- Promote alternative competition formats.
- Provide a competition that is recognised and respected.
- Provide competition over a ten-month period (January to October)

Classes

The competition will be based on the five-year age groups for men and women from M/W35. Where events included in the UK Masters' Cup use a different class structure, e.g. urban events, classes will be disaggregated for the purpose of the UKMC scoring. Runners will have to run the designated long course for their age class in order to be competitive and organisers will need to state this in event pre-entry details.

Scoring

Position	Points
1 st	60
2 nd	55
3 rd	51
4 th	48
5 th	46
6 th	45
7 th	44
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48 th	3
49 th	2

Overall scores will be the best 8 from the designated events (see programme below)

Designated events

Date	Event	Level/Type	Assoc
22 Jan	Edinburgh City Race, Burns Weekend	B/U	SOA
5 Feb	British Night Champs, Bentley Woods, Tamworth	A / N	WMOA
20 Feb	Midland Champs, Sheringham	A/L	EAOA
26 Feb	Twin Peak Middle Distance, Bleathwaite	B/M	NWOA
6 Mar	Welsh Championships	B/L	WOA
13 Mar	Southern Champs, Henley	B/L	SCOA
27 Mar	Northern Champs, Northumberland	A/L	NEOA
9 Apr	British Sprint Championships, Brighton	A/S	SEOA
10 Apr	British Middle Championships, Crawley	A/M	SEOA
22 April	JK Sprint, Belfast	A/S	NIOA
23/24 April	JK Individual Days 2 & 3 combined, County Down	A/L	NIOA
14 May	British Long Championships, Wharnccliffe	A/L	YHOA
21 May	Bigland Middle distance	B/M	NWOA
29 May	Scottish Championships (ESOC)	A/L	SOA
31 July	Day 1 of Scottish 6 Days, Oban	B/L	SOA
5 August	Day 5 of Scottish 6 Days, Oban	B/L	SOA
10 Sep	City of London Urban Race	B/U	SEOA
17/18 Sep	Caddihoe Chase	B	SWOA
22 Oct	Cambridge City Race	B/U	EAOA

The balance of events for 2011 will be: 2 Sprint, 3 Urban, 3 Middle, 9 Long, 1 Chase and 1 Night; 19 in total.

Competition Co-ordinator

Eddie Harwood has agreed to coordinate the competition.

Ranald Macdonald, Chair, Senior Competitions Group

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