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INTER-SERVICE AND INTER-CORPS
ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS 1980
ARMY NIGHT ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The night event was run on a new map and it combined the Southern Night Championships. This event was staged with a handful of helpers from Larkhill Garrison and the controller Major Mike Roach. It has been a trying year with one thing or another but organising an event of this size on our doorstep made it all worthwhile. Perhaps next year another corps would like to do the same! It was anyone's guess who would win this year and after the night event the Engineers were two minutes ahead of the Gunners with REME in third place. The positions changed after the day event with the Gunners on form and beating the Engineers by 21 minutes with REME remaining in third place. REME had a couple of their regular team missing notably Major Alan Meekings. In the past (going back a bit now) REME dominated this competition but not any more. Well done the Engineers who have moved up from 6th place last year to runners up this year. If they continue improving at this rate they might even beat the Gunners next year. 2Lt Chris Hirst, the reigning British Champion, was on form in the New Forest by beating our Swedish guests and winning the day course. He was placed second on the night course 3 minutes behind U. Wallin of the Swedish Army. It was good to see the Swedish Army entering a team and I do hope they enjoyed orienteering on Salisbury Plain which is slightly different terrain than they are normally used to. They were leading after the night event but unfortunately a member of their team missed a control on the day course. I have however calculated a team time to compare our performances by inserting their next runner. Our thanks must go once again to Southampton OC for staging the day course.

INTER SERVICE CHAMPIONSHIPS

2. I changed the rules for this competition to accommodate the RAF but I still wanted them to nominate their teams. My reason for this was I thought obvious and fair. The RAF were still unhappy and failed to complete the team declaration form. Talking from the organisers viewpoint I thought this unreasonable.

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ANNEX A TO GNY 2754
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INTER-SERVICE RESULTS

1. ARMY

2LT	C	HIRST	58.55	
CAPT	G	GRANT	63.32	
CDT	Q	HARDING	63.46	not eligible
LT	J	DOWTY	65.57	
	D	KINGHAM	73.09	
CAPT	P	HALL	83.03	
				TOTAL 408.22

2. ROYAL MARINES

CAPT	M	WIMPENNY	69.06	
MAJ	J	THOMSON	73.32	
MAJ	G	SHERIDAN	75.22	
LT	D	BOYD	92.49	
CAPT	A	NEWING	100.58	
MAJ	D	KEELAN	111.21	
				TOTAL 523.08

3. ROYAL AIR FORCE

FAILED TO COMPLETE A TEAM DECLARATION FORM

INTER-CORPS RESULTS

1. ROYAL ARTILLERY 'A'

			NIGHT	DAY	
CAPT	M	MANSON	75.58	80.45	
MAJ	I	DURIE	*73.45	80.57	
2LT	J	DOWTY	*60.07	65.57	
LT	H	DRUMMOND	108.56	77.35	
SGT	M	GOODE	77.54	89.12	
CAPT	G	GRANT	*58.10	63.32	
			189.02	457.58	
				189.02	TOTAL 647.00

2. ROYAL ENGINEERS 'A'

			NIGHT	DAY	
CAPT	N	FRESSON	*66.07	67.59	
	A	VICKERS	77.00	73.25	
	D	KINGHAM	*62.38	73.09	
	J	MURSELL	-	82.47	
	L	HUNT	82.40	95.10	
	G	DALE	*58.57	88.30	
			187.42	481.00	
				187.42	TOTAL 668.42

*BEST THREE

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

1.	PTE	H	BUDDEN	WRAC	82.22
2.	WO2		ROSEWELL	WRAC	83.24
3.	LT		FLETCHER	R SIGS TA WRAC	91.57
4.	LCPL	P	WEBB	WRAC	93.11
5.	SGT		POULTER	R SIGS TA WRAC	110.00
6.	2LT	H	WALKER	R SIGS TA WRAC	119.26
7.	LT	S	FENNEY	R SIGS TA WRAC	138.16
8.	2LT	J	IVETT	R SIGS TA WRAC	141.30
9.	2LT		DORRIES	R SIGS TA WRAC	166.46