

ARMY INTER CORPS ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS – Ex CUNNING RUNNER

1. **Background.** After a three year trial the Army Orienteering Association (AOA) has decided to remove the Army Reserve (AR) and University Officer Training Corps (UOTCs) competitions from the Inter Corps Orienteering Championship weekend. The Inter Corps will revert back to its historical format and focus on providing an environment for the Corps to compete against each other exploiting world-class UK based civilian events. This decision was based upon a number of issues that have arisen over the last couple of years. The removed competitions will now reside as follows:

- a. **AR Competition:** Within the Army Inter Unit Orienteering Championships, Ex SMART RUNNER; where AR units will compete as 'one-Army' with no distinction between Regular and Reserve units. This is a credible option as the format in use is an open competition, enabling units to enter the class the fits their teams' ability.
- b. **UOTC Competition:** Within the Queen's Challenge Cup (QCC) which provide a credible option for hosting UOTC Orienteering Championships.

2. **General.** Ex CUNNING RUNNER is the name given to the Army Inter Corps Orienteering Championship. The event usually takes place in November. The competition is usually organised within a major civilian night and day cross country event. The outline for Ex CUNNING RUNNER is:

- a. **Day 1:** Night cross-country orienteering race.
- b. **Day 2:** Day cross-country orienteering race.

3. **Class and Course Details.** Competitors will compete on the following courses:

Time	Colour Coded Course	Teams	Army Individual Night Classes
Inter Corps Senior Long			
Teams of 6			
Night	Blue	Best 4 to count	M21L, M35L, M40L, M45L & M50+
Day	Brown	Best 5 to count	n/a
Inter Corps Senior Short & Women			
Teams of 4			
Night	Green	Best 2 to count	W21L, W35L & W40L+ M21S, M35S, M40S, M45S & M50S
Day	Blue	Best 3 to count	
U25 Competition			
Teams of 6			
Night	Long Orange*	n/a	W21S, W35S, MU25 & WU25
Day	Long Orange	Best 3 to count	

*or equivalent TD3 course for night event

4. **Request for comments.** Corps Secretaries are requested to comment on the format of the competition.