Results OF NSL Event 8 Great Malvern Tuesday 19th February, 2008.

Short		
Judith Taylor	32:04	10 pts
Colin Palmer	35:00	NGOC
Carlo and Carol Pelusi	39:39	9 pts
Vickers Family	40:00	8 pts
Medium		
Peter Langmaid	47:30	10 pts
Paul Hammond	50:50	9 pts
Robert Vickers	55:50	8 pts
Long Course		
Dave Nevell	51:10	10 pts
John Embrey	54:50	9 pts
Brian Hughes	73:10	8 pts
Organiser/Planner Simon	10 pts	

Special thanks are due to Sue and Simon Vickers for going ahead with this event. Firstly, the family are not members of HOC, though they have been seen at MADO events. Secondly, what should have been a comfortable planning exercise for Simon turned into a feat of endurance as he swopped a job at Qinetiq (300m down the road) for one at Reading (2 hours drive), 10 days before the event.

It was good to welcome several newcomers to this esoteric form of the sport: Colin Palmer, Carol and Carlo Pelussi, Sue, Chris and Michael Vickers and their friend Candice Pearson. Also great to see Judith Taylor making a welcome return to the streets. Sue provided a much appreciated selection of drinks, cakes and pastries for the post-race analysis chat.

A frosty, cold, misty night added an extra twist to the navigational challenges set by Simon. After recent tight competition, the timings were much more spread out this time, with Judith taking advantage of the absence of stars Jacky Embrey and Alison Sloman to win the Short Course. Young Peter Langmaid is proving too much for the older competitors on the Medium, and Dave Nevell found the hills on the Long to his liking. The destination of the 3 trophies is now looking settled, more on that after the final event of the season at Lyppard Grange Community centre on Wednesday March 5th. Be there!

Brian Hughes