

Marshal Coordinator's Report

- Only 5 marshals on the fell this year - all with previous experience.
- 2 pairs manned controls alongside Raynet personnel at controls 112 (1km South East of Slight Side about 60% of the way round Classic and 50% of the way round Medium) and 106 (Cold Pike, all courses, between 75% and 90% of the way round each of them).
- Dave Fenwick volunteered to 'mind' control 114 (A vulnerable control in Lingmell Col, only on the Classic course, 40% of the way round). There was no radio support at this control, but Dave recorded competitors passing through.
- Raynet supplied 5 personnel this year, 3 covering the manned controls and 2 at race control in the Stool End barn.
- The system of manually recording race numbers at the radio controls and relaying them back to race control via Raynet is tried and tested and works well. This allows checking of overdue competitors. Marshals stayed in place after the control closure time to account for any competitors arriving after the closure time until stood down by race control.
- Feedback from marshals at 112 was that things went smoothly and the competitors were cheerful and pleased to see them! It had been a long way from the start to the first manned checkpoint. The marshals thought it might have been an idea to have a manned checkpoint in a location somewhere like the Esk Hause area, for the Classic, to monitor progress before competitors disappeared over to the far west.
- Comment from one of the Raynet team - 'We provide cover for several events in the Lake District each year, but I find yours of great interest because it is held in different locations and presents our group, each time, with a radio communications challenge in hilly terrain'.

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