Use of SI equipment—a guide for planners

You will have been supplied with all the control units you need, including those programmed as Clear, Check, Start and Finish. These are all of the newer type which retain their programming even when “switched off”. They can be used by simply positioning them where required. They will wake up when the first person visits them and “dibs”. However, this creates a slight time disadvantage so you may prefer to dib them all as you put them out. This has the added advantage of checking that they are all working.

Once woken up in this way they are programmed to stay awake for 2 hours, but will wake up again if punched by someone after 2 hours has passed.

The internal clocks in the units keep quite good time, but will wander by a few seconds after a week or so. Therefore you will also have received the kit in picture 1. This should be used to synchronise the time on all units before use. The procedure only takes a few minutes and is as follows: turn on the SI-master using the Service Off key. Use the key again so that “TIMEMA” appears in the LCD window. Place the graphite induction stick in the dibbing hole as shown in picture 2. The unit is now ready to set the clock times on all other units. Simply place each unit in turn onto the induction stick, as shown in picture 3. In a moment the unit is automatically turned on and the clock is synchronised. This is acknowledged by a beep and flash, as you see in picture 4. Repeat for all units, or if very pressed for time, do just start and finish units. After setting the clocks, if not immediately using the units, turn them off with the Service Off key, to conserve battery life.

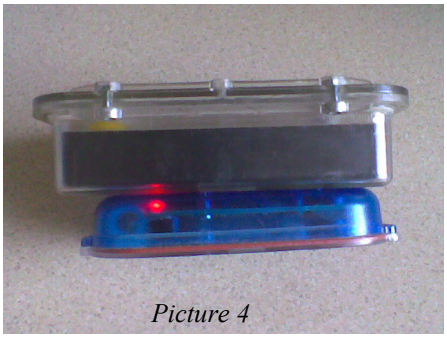
Picture 1

Picture 2

Picture 3

The Clear Backup key should be used to clear the memory of the Check box before use. This ensures that a proper safety check can be run during the event. It is good practice to clear the memories of all other units before an event, but this is not essential.

When collecting controls after your event, please use the Service Off key to turn them all off and reduce battery usage.


Picture 4

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