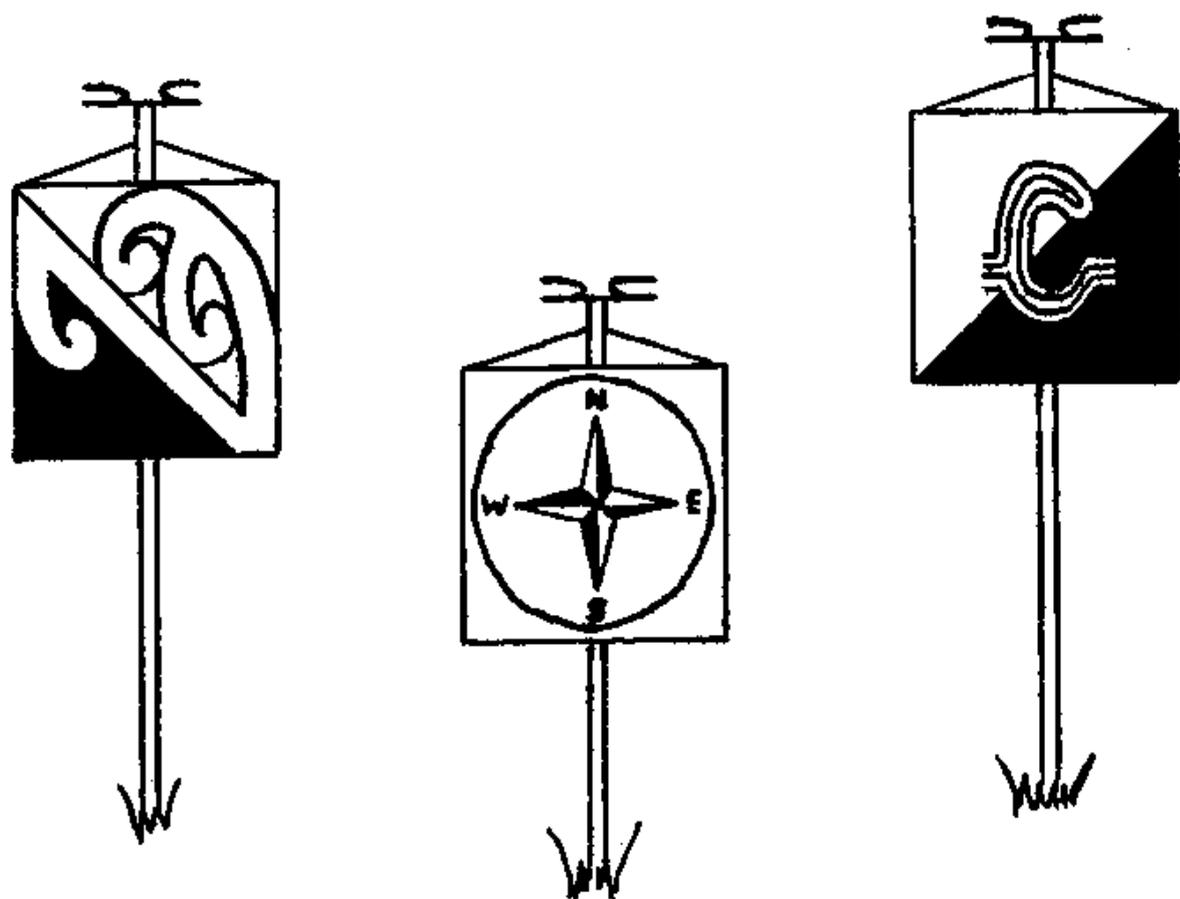


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EDITORIAL

Hello, welcome to the first issue of the "Auckland Orienteer". This magazine is for the members of each of the 3 Auckland clubs and will, I hope, contain items of interest from each club. Whether or not it does depends on you.

Marie Finken, Ray Baker and I have been grateful for the contributions received from members while we were responsible for our individual club magazines and it is essential that I continue to receive your comments on events, trips and orienteering in general if this magazine is to be successful.

There will be a section in each issue for news from each club, so if you feel your's is being neglected pass some news on to your club representative Central: Ray Baker, North West: Keith Stone (temporarily), South Auckland: Geoff Pilbrow; or better still write something yourself. The deadline for contributions is the 20th day of the previous month, as I will be endeavouring to have each month's issue distributed at the beginning of the month.

Now, how about the name for this notable publication. Do you think "Auckland Orienteer" sounds rather too much like the name of that other magazine from the other side of the Tasman? If so, do you have any other bright ideas? Send me your recommendations.

Finally, I would welcome your suggestions of the sort of things you would like to see in your magazine.

Keith Stone

Your subscriptions are now due. A membership and subscription form is included with this issue and you are asked to complete it and send to your club treasurer with your cheque, now! Only financial members of a club will be eligible for points in the orienteer-of-the-year competition or be entitled to receive this magazine each month.

COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- 4 C One Tree Hill: Summer series event.
11 C Auckland Domain: Summer series event.
16 NW Riverhead: Recreation event.
18 C St. Kentigern College, Pakuranga: Summer series event.
23 WH Mangawhai: Whangarei Club event on Mangawhai North map. Start times 11.00am - 1.00pm.
22/23 Wai Tararua State Forest: Mountain marathon. If you entered you know about it, if not you are too late now.
25 C One Tree Hill: Summer series event.

MARCH

- 2 C Woodhill Forest: Selwyn Road map.
9 NW Shakespear Reserve, Whangaparaoa: Recreation event.
9 SA Papakura: Street event starting at Ray Small Park, off Elliott Street, Papakura.
15/16 SA Waiuku Forest: Junior training camp for South Auckland members.
22 C Woodhill Forest: Auckland Night Championships. Selwyn Road map. Details on page 18.
28/30 T Taupo: Easter 3-day Badge event. Details on page 14. Entries close 21 February.

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START TIMES

Events usually have start times between 10.00am and 1.00pm unless otherwise advised. The Summer Series events on Tuesday evenings have start times between 5.00pm and 7.00pm.

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ENTRY CLOSING DATES

FEBRUARY 21 Taupo Easter 3-Day event.
Send entries to:
Taupo Orienteering Club
P.O. Box 666
Taupo

▣ TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK

What do orienteers do in the off season? The Shuker(L), Crispe, Laurent and Pilbrow families from South Auckland and Cooper's from Te Aroha went to the Park for a few days at the end of December. (Also there were the Ingham's from Wellington).

The Tongariro Park Board run a very good summer series, with walks, climbs, caving, films, lectures, kids games and advice.

Conquering Ngauruhoe - The day started off warm enough but clouded over. We were away quite early so were able to watch the 'organised' trip for the day make it's way towards us; they were very quickly dubbed the 'ant trail'. There were 16 in our group and every person did his or her best on the day. Most of those who abandoned the attempt did so on the final cone which is 'two steps up, one slide back'; it was also getting decidedly cold. Ian, Neil and Doug raced away from the others and made the north rim while there was still something to see. Sally and Cedric were so close to the top when the weather closed in that they decided to go on; visibility was poor but I don't think Cedric minded the odd time I held his hand! We went to the south rim, peeped over, then retreated to a snowy saddle for a celebratory orange before a rapid descent. The scoria scree was fun to go down on; I have a few holes on my trouser bum to prove it. The cloud descended as fast as we did though it was pleasant walking back to the cars.

The weather deteriorated overnight so the next morning some of us stayed in bed till 10.00am. The following day we joined in with the Park Board's trip up Ruapehu. The plan was to utilise two ski lifts, but the second one wasn't working, so we had an extra hour's climb. We had 14 starters from our group with 100% success. Trudge, trudge, trudge; the extra hour's climb made it less pleasant for some. There were frequent stops to take photos, look at the view or ask a question. Visibility was variable but good, until the afternoon. We had lunch below the top in a semi-sheltered area and regained some energy. Snow crossings were hard as the snow got quite soft with so many footsteps. The rangers and their helpers were fantastic, boosting morale when spirits flagged; providing coffee to warm a cold and despondent body. One even took a kite and flew it while we ate lunch. (A small SADC voice was heard to say, "Who the hell would bring a kite up here?")

At Dome Hut we had another rest and some of us saw the Crater lake. Then FUN - some had brought plastic to slide on, while others just used the seat of their pants, as every downhill patch of snow became a slide. Almost every person skidded down with shrieks of laughter; it was a shame to run out of snow.

That night we occupied a road in the camp to celebrate our climbs. A nice young man came up to us with a bag of ice which was surplus to their requirements, so of course we had to use it all up!

Comments from those who conquered Ruapehu -
 Natalies: Fun. Total exhaustion. Snow slides best.
 Rachael: I had on four pairs of socks. The snow slide was best.
 Jacqui: The best bit was going down the hill. Dad owes me \$3 for getting to the top.
 Neil: We knocked the b.....s off. It's Ag-o-ny!
 Kelly: Tiring. Best bit was the flat bit at the top.
 Ian: Best bit was sliding down on my bum; worst bit was hitting a rock while sliding down on my bum.
 Geoff (While sitting on the snow for lunch): Even the haemorrhoids don't stand a chance!
 Bev L: The cuppa on the mount was a life saver and the ice axe was willingly used.
 Cedric (Of Ngauruhoe): The agony of going up and the ecstasy on getting to the top.
 Doug: Fell off, ask him. (Anyone wanting to know what fell off and what he was doing when it did, may ring Waiuku 58298 for an answer).
 Lindsay: Well worth the effort. Easier than putting on a Winstone Fun Run.
 Bev S: The kids amazed me with their efforts.
 Max: I thought Geoff said we were going round Ruapehu. Enjoyed the achievement despite no training.
 Sally: It was my second go at Ngauruhoe, I doubt I'll try it again, but I'd do Ruapehu again just for the slide down.

In all we had a good family holiday, tiring, but that fresh air was something else.

Post script - Rachael woke on the last morning with the MUMPS, and Geoff having forgotten his sun glasses the day before, was suffering from snow blindness for a few days.

Sally Pilbrow

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TAILPIECE

Following the discovery of mountains in the central North Island, the priest Ngatoro-i-rangi decided to climb one of the peaks and claim the surrounding land for his tribe, the Ngati Tuwharetoa. On reaching the summit in a snowstorm, Ngatoro-i-rangi was almost frozen and his strength failing. In desperation he called to his sisters in Hawaiki to send him fire - "Ka riro au i te tonga! Hafia mai he ahi moku!" (I am bourne away by the cold south wind! Send fire to warm me!)

Ngatoro-i-rangi's priestess sisters heard his request. They sent fire demons by way of an underground passage to White Is., Rotorua, Taupo and finally to the mountain top where he stood. Fire burst forth and Ngatoro-i-rangi was saved.

An unfortunate slave, Auruhoe, was thrown into the blazing crater to appease Ruaimoko, the volcano god.

DINE AND DANCE

COME AND ENJOY A NIGHT OUT AND MEET
YOUR FELLOW ORIENTEERS

WHERE : PINESONG LOUNGE
CLIFFVIEW DRIVE
GREEN BAY

WHEN : SATURDAY 8 MARCH

TIME : 7.30 PM

COST : \$18.00 EACH

THERE WILL BE A GREAT SMORGASBORD DINNER
AND DANCING TO A LIVE GROUP
ALL ORIENTEERS ARE WELCOME

SEND BOOKINGS AND CHEQUES TO :-
RAY KITCHENER, MILL ROAD, RD1 MANUREWA
BEFORE 24 FEBRUARY
MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO RAY KITCHENER

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MILO 7-DAY EVENT

As most of you will know, New Zealand's first international class multi-day event will be held in May. Although the Milo 7-day event is still three months away the organisers have been very busy attending to the million-and-one things that have to be done before an event of this size gets underway. Sponsorship received from Air New Zealand and Nestle's (Milo) has meant that the seven clubs involved should spare no effort to ensure that you, the competitor, should experience a top quality event.

Up to 31 December, which was the deadline for discount off the entry fees, 109 entries had been received, including from overseas, and there is still another two months before entries close on 31 March.

The organising team has received offers of help from a few volunteers and could do with one or two more to handle some of the preliminary and between events tasks. If you would like to help with a job, contact Phil Brodie on Ph. 535-9092. Each of the Auckland clubs is organising one of the seven days (as well as Hamilton, Pinelands, Rotorua and Taupo) and will be looking to their members to act as officials on their event day.

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▣ CENTRAL CHATTER

* From the Treasurer: A GREAT BIG THANKS to all the willing, and the not-so-willing, helpers that have attended the club's office work parties. (What a misnomer; who called those parties???) Through your efforts the club has raised a total of \$2069.60 from just five work efforts. The last two 7-hour efforts have resulted in a total of \$1460 being placed towards the club's mapping projects. We have found that some members when asked to attend, have offered all sorts of excuses as to why they cannot. No doubt some of those were genuine, because of the short notice given. We don't require all those contacted to be there for the full time, particularly on the all-day occasions. A couple of hours help is all that will be requested. If you can give more time then the committee expresses a great big thank you.

The club is given, at the most, only about two days notice of the work being available. The nature of the work is such that all club members from the age of ten can assist. By so assisting you are all helping to obtain for the club, new, high quality maps made by experienced overseas mappers.

If you haven't yet been approached and would like to help at the next party, then please contact me. If we can't raise the necessary manpower then some other club will benefit from this golden opportunity to raise money. Please don't let us default.

Next Central Club meeting is on 10 February, at the Nicholl's place, 12 Princes Street, Mt Roskill, commencing at 7.30pm. All members welcome.

STH AUCKLAND SALUTATIONS

- * Congratulations to the following students for passing their recent examinations.

Rolf Boswell	School Certificate
Harley Brighthouse	School Certificate
Neil Crispe	School Certificate
Brian Gasson	'B' Bursary
Michael Gasson	University Entrance
Robyn Oldfield	University Entrance
Rodney Pilbrow	'A' Bursary
Mathew Todd	School Certificate

- * Don't forget if you have any news for the magazine contact Geoff Pilbrow, phone 298.5504.
- * The next South Auckland club meeting is on 3 March, at Colin Hope's place, 5c Landscape Road, Pukekohe, commencing at 7.30pm. All members are welcome.

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NORTH WEST NEWS

- * We are still lacking a Secretary despite the request for volunteers in the last magazine. Are our members so apathetic that they do not care whether we have a secretary or not? Maybe they think we should have one, so long as it's not them. We cannot function as a club without a secretary, so if the position is not filled by our next club meeting, maybe we will have to consider whether the North West club should continue or not.
- * Now for some good news.....
Congratulations to Louise Parr on passing School Certificate in all six subjects. Well done, Louise!
- * Congratulations also to Bronwen and David on the birth of their son Campbell. He completed his first event at Dingle Dell (with mother's help), at the age of 10 weeks.
- * The next North West club meeting is on 13 February at Birkdale Intermediate School, on the corner of Birkdale and Salisbury Roads, Birkdale, commencing at 7.30pm. All members are welcome.

ORIENTEERING IN AUCKLAND

Do we really want orienteering in Auckland to grow?? From observation the answer would have to be 'no'. If this is the real answer-which it may be- then we only need carry on as we are.

If however there is an honest objective of getting more people into orienteering clubs then we have to change our thinking and look critically at what we are doing. The biggest mistake is to say that orienteering is "different" from all other sports and not look around us for the real reasons people get involved with a particular sport. Sure, orienteering has some unique aspects which we all enjoy but it ultimately has to give people what they want from the sport, which are things which are no different from what other sports provide - physical enjoyment, the chance of success, meeting people, and regular social activities.

I believe orienteering's biggest lack as a sport is that it doesn't meet the needs of most people. Even if a New Zealander won the next World Championships and greatly increased the profile of the sport I doubt whether there would be long term membership gains simply because the sport at club level does not meet the needs of potential members. This is not to say that it isn't meeting the needs of current members, it is more that if we want to appeal to a wider audience then we have to recognize what these people want from the sport is different from what is currently provided. Also, I don't want to be critical of those people putting in many hours of hard work on club committees. They are doing invaluable work for current club members - which by and large is that group of enthusiasts who are active competitors at a regional and national level. The point is that by organizing activities catering mainly for the "top" orienteers (by which I mean those who compete regularly in OY level competition) our current structure does not facilitate increasing membership.

The main problems in this light that I see in Auckland Orienteering are:

- (1) It is still too difficult to find out when and where events are being held. The profile of the sport reflects this and is virtually non-existent in the media.
- (2) It is too easy for new people to turn up at an event, run it, have lunch, and go home without talking to anyone. Although there is help for real beginners it is not followed up.
- (3) Not enough attention is given to children. They like to do courses without Mum & Dad. It doesn't matter if it only takes 10 mins- they are happy to do it again or try another. Once the kids have got tired of trailing Dad round they won't want to come next time which greatly diminishes the chances of continued participation. Kids also like doing different things and running with others or with "top" orienteers. The variety of courses available at the moment doesn't really suit children.
- (4) There are no regular social activities. All other sports have an "after match function"

and regular social gatherings (usually at training sessions which orienteers also seem to avoid) and this is essential because people join sports for the social side as much as for the physical. Because orienteering lacks a social side it never attracts the thousands of potential members away from other sports as well as losing most of the juniors once they reach 18. Just compare the social activities of a harrier club with those of an orienteering club - is it any wonder that very few harriers are orienteers???

Admittedly having events in parks and forests on Sundays without clubrooms makes it difficult but certainly not impossible.

(5) People thrive on success and are discouraged by failure. Continually in orienteering they are confronted by negative feedback - particularly when first starting. They got lost, made a 20 min error, took 3 hours, or couldn't work the compass. By it's nature the sport is difficult, and for the new orienteer often overwhelming. What happened to you in your first events, or first forest event?? But we still send people out into the forest knowing they will get lost and hope they enjoy themselves!! And then we are surprised when they don't come back.

And what is worse is that we don't offer any training help in the technical skills to stop the negative feedback. This to me is crazy!! After getting people lost on Sundays we don't offer any way they can practise during the week before next Sunday. Other sports don't do this so why should we?? There are virtually no club training days with individual directed coaching or training "kits" or permanent courses which allow people to train in their own time.

(6) Many good local park areas are not being used because they need remapping. It is not difficult but it is not given the priority it deserves because of other mapping projects such as forest maps and maps for big events. This restricts the potential of attracting new people into the sport at a local level and limits where they can train.

(7) Orienteers are poor at passing on skills to others, particularly at mapping and running events. By keeping the knowledge restricted increases the problems - making it difficult and frustrating for new people to learn and putting the workload back on the shoulders of a few individuals who are then overworked. There are many opportunities for new people to participate in mapping and event setting but it takes time to teach them and supervise their early efforts. Too often this is avoided and the commitment gained by involving people is never attained, and they drift off to another sport.

HOW DO WE SOLVE THESE PROBLEMS IN AUCKLAND??

In the Auckland region I think there is tremendous potential for orienteering to increase the number of active members. My own views and solutions to the problems are given below. They are not the only ones and no doubt people will disagree with them but I would like to get people thinking for a change instead of accepting things as they are. There are two points to make on my comments:

(i) The biggest potential for new members comes from people who are "park" orienteers, who

don't want to travel long distances and run in national or regional level events. They may get to OY level eventually with the right encouragement but their main interest is enjoying orienteering at a local level. To attract these people means changing our approach from "lets run a summer series and see if they join" to actually altering the way the sport is run to retain these people by giving them what they want from the sport.

(ii) More work is involved by my suggestions and our current administration is already overworked. The question of "who is going to do it?" can be used conveniently as a way of not doing anything. If nobody is prepared to do the work then that is fine - everyone has commitments, but we must then accept that things won't change and not moan that membership is falling. However I believe that committees take too much work on themselves and do not pass enough on to other club members. It will only be by spreading the workload and getting more people to contribute that the sport will develop anyway as more skills and ideas are utilised.

My personal view on how orienteering in Auckland can be improved is based on a much more active Auckland Orienteering Association(AOA).

At present the AOA is a non-entity because it has no money and this lack of funds is used as an excuse why it can't take a more active role. But there is still a need for the AOA to be the driving force behind orienteering in the region simply because it can co-ordinate and combine the efforts of 3 clubs in a small geographic area. The clubs are still very important but by operating with a bigger membership base the AOA can do things that the individual clubs are too small to do or by involving more people can make them more worthwhile.

Suggestions for AOA activities include:

- * Preparation of promotional material such as pamphlets, beginners kits, stickers, displays media articles, talks to outside groups etc.
- * Co-ordinating mapping in the region using local and overseas mappers. Running courses to train locals in fieldwork and cartography skills.
- * Co-ordinate training activities where there can be individual or group coaching sessions during weekends or weekdays. For clubs to run their own training days for their own members is work which could be better utilized by including other clubs as well.
- * Set up permanent courses in parks and forests for all people to use.
- * Make up and sell "do-it-yourself" training kits for people to use in their own time. These could be park, street, or forest maps and have exercises in map memory, compass & pacing, route choice, visualisation, map reading at speed, and contours only. Levels of difficulty could be varied.
- * Co-ordinate Auckland park events as a programme by itself ensuring there are regular events and all possible maps are mapped and up to date.
- * Develop the social side of orienteering. This ultimately is more of a club activity but

needs encouragement to get started. This may take several forms such as a large tent for events, a permanent physical base for people to meet, or just regular training nights. A Wednesday night at 1 Tree Hill or using Athletic club facilities once a week are such possibilities. Overall a much more conscious effort needs to be made to meet the social needs of members.

- * Fundraise on a regional basis.
- * Produce a single high quality magazine for all 3 clubs.
- * Co-ordinate the promotion of the sport to achieve a much higher profile.
 - e.g. - greater use of the media for regular articles as well as information on when and where events are to be held.
 - target specific groups for promotion such as runners through adventure runs with maps. Make more efforts to combine with harrier clubs.
 - competitions with prizes in local parks
 - variety of events such as pushbike orienteering.
- * Continue the momentum of schools orienteering by having more events in suburban areas that children can get to.
- * Assist clubs with training more instructors for beginners and formal coaching programmes for club coaches.
- * Try to keep things simple. The multitude of grades and courses at OY level makes events very time consuming and difficult to set which does not help encourage people to volunteer. There needs to be an awareness at AOA level to develop simple formats for events.

How will the AOA get money to do all these things???

Presently the AOA receives a small fee from club subscriptions. In order to boost this it could get funds from:

- (1) It's own fundraising ventures.
- (2) A share of Forest Run proceeds.
- (3) Sponsorships.
- (4) More affiliation fees.
- (5) Rec & Sport and council grants.
- (6) A share of NZOF spending.

Who will do the work??

Not an easy question to answer but by more efficient allocation of work presently done three times by each club and encouraging new faces to contribute it must be possible to arrange.

This is probably enough stirring for the moment. If you have any comments let's hear them voiced in public so we can get everyone involved and thinking.

AOA OY COMPETITION



There have been a few changes in the Auckland Orienteer-of-the-Year competition for this year.

Firstly, the number of events reverts to nine, from which your best five performances are selected.

Secondly, you don't have to enter the competition, you are automatically entered when you pay your club subscription. This should create more competition in some of the grades.

You will be entered in the grade in which you first run in the OY series. You may subsequently run in a different grade but will not be credited with any points unless prior to the event, you had informed the OY statistician, Keith Stone, that you wished to change grades.

For example, if competitor A runs M35A in OY1, M21A in OY2, then M35A in OY3, he will get points in the M35A grade for OY1 and OY3 and his run in OY2 will not affect the other competitors in the M21A grade.

Finally, grades M40B, M50B, W40B and W50B have been dropped through lack of entries and there are changes to grade combinations on some of the courses. The recommendations of the AOA Technical Officer, John Rix, are as follows -

Course	Length kms	Degree of Difficulty	Grades
1	9-11	Hard	M21E
2	7-8	Hard	M35A, W21E
3	6-7	Hard	M19A, M21A, M40A, M45A
4	4.5-5.5	Hard	M17A, M50A, M21B, W19A, W21A, W35A
5	4-4.5	Medium	M15A, M35B, W17A, W21B
6	3.5-4	Hard	M55A, W40A, W45A
7	3-3.5	Easy/Med	M13A, M15-18B, M21C, M45B, W13A, W15A, W35B
8	2-3	Hard	M60A, W50A, W55A
9	1.5-2.5	Easy	M12A, W12A, W15-18B, W21C, W45B
10	1.5-2	Easy	M12-14B, W12-14B

TAUPO
EASTER 3-DAY
Friday 28 March
to
Sunday 30 March
1986



MAP DETAILS: Day 1: KINLOCH. New map 21km west of Taupo. 1:10000 scale, 5m contours. Mature forest, young farm forest, intricately gullied farm and some swamps.

Day 2: WAINUI. New map 11km sth of Iwatahi (21km east of Taupo). 1:15000 scale, 3m contours. 12 year old pine forest, moderate runnability with numerous small gullies.

Day 3: OPEPE. Map used once for CDDA Champs 13km east of Taupo. 1:10000 scale, 5m contours. Very intricate contours on open farm land with patches of native bush.

ORGANISERS: Terry Brighthouse, Tony Trass, Jim Lewis

CLOSING DATE: Entries close 21 February. Late entries will be accepted up to 28 February provided they are accompanied by a late entry fee of \$9.00. Any entry received after 28 February will only be accepted at the organiser's discretion and will be classed as unofficial.

PAYMENT: Make cheques payable to Taupo Orienteering Club and send entries to P O Box 666, Taupo.

T-SHIRTS: Commemorative t-shirt will be red with black logo. The cost is \$10.00 each.

PRIZEGIVING: On Sunday evening at a venue in Taupo.

NZOF AGM: Is being held in Taupo on Monday 31 March, all welcome.

ACCOMMODATION: Pinelands Club have offered to run the Iwatahi Camp. Book with them c/- Pinelands Club, 12 Riverview Street, Putaruru. For alternative accommodation book early as Taupo is at a premium for long weekends.

GRADES and APPROXIMATE WINNING TIMES:

Class	Time Min.	Difficulty	Entry Fee	Class	Time Min.	Difficulty	Entry Fee
M12	20	VE	\$12	W12	20	VE	\$12
M13-14A	35	M	\$12	W13-14A	25	E	\$12
M13-14B	25	VE	\$12	W13-14B	20	VE	\$12
M15-16A	40	MH	\$12	W15-16A	30	M	\$12
M15-16B	30	E	\$12	W15-16B	25	E	\$12
M17	45	H	\$12	W17	40	M	\$12
M19	50	VH	\$18	W19	50	H	\$18
M21E	70	VH	\$18	W21E	60	VH	\$18
M21A	60	VH	\$18	W21A	50	H	\$18
M21B	50	MH	\$18	W21B	40	M	\$18
M21C	40	E	\$18	W21C	25	E	\$18
M35A	50	VH	\$18	W35A	40	H	\$18
M35B	45	M	\$18	W35B	35	M	\$18
M40A	50	VH	\$18	W40A	40	H	\$18
M40B	40	M	\$18	W40B	30	E	\$18
M45A	50	VH	\$18	W45A	35	H	\$18
M45B	40	M	\$18	W45B	30	E	\$18
M50	45	H	\$18	W50	30	MH	\$18
M55	40	H	\$18				

Difficulty Ratings: V=Very, H=Hard, M=Medium, E=Easy

ENTRY FEES: Above fees include NZDF levy and are for the three days of competition. Family maximum \$48.00.

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1986 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Dates of some important events this year :-

May	1	World Cup, Norway
	10-18	7-Day, New Zealand
	17,24	World Cup, North America
Jul	5-12	6-Day, France
	13-19	WOC Training Camp 1, France
	15-18	Veteran Championships, Norway
	20	World Cup, Sweden
	22-26	5-Day O-Ringen, Sweden
Aug	7	World Cup, Czechoslovakia
	10	World Cup, Hungary
Sept	4,6	Aust/NZ Challenge, South Aust.
Oct	5	World Cup, Switzerland



NZOF NEWS

N.Z.O.F. AFFILIATION FEES AND EVENT LEVIES

This year's affiliation fees are:-

Senior (19+)	\$ 6.50
Junior	\$ 4.00
Family	\$17.00

These fees are included in your club subscriptions.

Event levies for all Badge and National events, including relays, are still 50c per competitor. Clubs must include this levy in their entry fee.

N.Z. MOUNTAIN SAFETY COUNCIL

Mr Alan Trist, Executive Director of the Mountain Safety Council, attended a recent NZOF Management Committee meeting. He is of the opinion that our two organisations can work together more closely for mutual benefit, and sees orienteering as a way in which their members could acquire skills in compass work and map-reading. In turn his organisation could assist us with the production of promotional type material and with financial assistance in the production of maps.

The Management Committee will be pursuing this further but in the meantime clubs should co-operate with local committees of the Mountain Safety Council and assist with the organisation and running of training events whenever possible.

FIXTURES

Waitangi Day week-end, early February 1987, is available for a multi-day event if any club is interested.

VIDEOS

Clubs are reminded that hired videos must be returned to Leo Homes promptly. Video hiring fees are payable when orders are placed. A video of the 1985 World Championships has been ordered and should be available soon.

O-RINGEN

O-Ringen for 1986 will be held in Boras, Sweden from 20-25 July. The NZOF Secretary has entry forms.

PUBLICATIONS

Two new training manuals have been published by the Canadian Orienteering Federation, "Orienteering Skills and Strategies" and "Orienteering Training and Performance". The first is available now, see opposite page. Order from Orienteering Ontario, 1220 Sheppard Ave East, Willowdale, Ontario, Canada, M2K 2X1. Cost is C\$16.00 each plus C\$7.50 for shipping and handling.

NZOF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held in Taupo on Monday 31 March 1986. This is Easter Monday and follows the Taupo Club's 3-Day event.

Nominations are called for the positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, together with sub-committee convenors. These were due with the NZOF Secretary by 27 January, as were any remits or rule changes.

SELECTORS

A postal ballot elected Robyn Davies (Pinelands) and Bryan Hall (Taupo) as NZOF selectors.

TEAM MANAGER

Jill Dalton (South Auckland) was elected Team Manager for the 1986 Australia - New Zealand Challenge by postal ballot.

Congratulations Jill.

PINELANDS ORIENTEERING CLUB

IWITAHİ CAMP - EASTER 1986

10	2 berth cabins	<u>Excellent facilities</u> - dining room
3	3 berth cabins (roomy)	- sports field
8	5 berth cabins	- recreation hall
		- showers (hot)

Meals to be provided: Friday - dinner
Saturday - breakfast, lunch, dinner
Sunday - breakfast, lunch, dinner
Monday - breakfast

* Hot water is available for thermos flasks; tea, coffee, milk will be available for supper but bring your own biscuits and cakes!

* Cutlery and crockery is provided but remember to bring your own pillowslip, linen, blankets, or sleeping bags!

* Accommodation includes food - please note there is no cooking in cabins, and no BBQs are allowed - Education Camp regulations because of fire risk. No caravans, tents, or campervans are allowed - Health Department requirements.

Please note: no dogs or pets! Please - no heaters in cabins either.

* Fees: Adults - \$45.00) Full payment required with reservation.
5-18 yrs - \$35.00)
Under 5yrs - \$20.00) Cheques payable to "Pinelands Orienteering Club"

* Entries must be in by 28 February, with money - first in will be allotted cabins until camp is full. Single entries will be put in with similar age group where possible. Please return Registration form to: John Davies,

12 Riverview St
Putaruru.

Enquiries: Ph.080-8209

* Iwitihi township is 26km from Taupo, on Napier Highway, and the Education Camp is 3km along side road to north.



AUCKLAND NIGHT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Date : Saturday 22 March

Club : Central

Map : Selwyn Road, Woodhill Forest

Scale : 1:15000

Contour Interval : 5m

Terrain : Open, mature forest. Excellent visibility and runnability

Courses :

- 1 - 7km M21, M35, M40, W21
- 2 - 5km M15, M17, M19, M45+
W19, W35
- 3 - 3.5km W15, W17, W40+
- 4 - 2km M12, M13, W12, W13

with entries accepted on the night

Location : Follow orienteering signs from Woodhill Forest Headquarters

This event has been brought forward in the calendar so that the weather will be warmer and hopefully, drier. Entries for this event have not been too good in recent years, so Central are looking for a better turnout this year.

Prior to the Night Champs there will be a novelty event from 2.00 - 4.30pm on the Saturday afternoon, followed by a barbecue. The Night Champs will commence when it is dark enough, possibly 7.00 - 7.30pm.



WHODUNNIT??

This month we have a real live mystery to solve. The real names of the participants have been disguised to protect the innocent.

Send your answers to the Editor by 20 February to Be in to win a three month course at the Otahuhu CIB.

THE SCORE

After the ADA relays a bunch of suspicious characters are seen hanging around dismantling tents, trees, caravans and anything that moves. Several run off into the bush - THE COLLECTORS - and come back carrying 52 controls which are all placed on the ground in Conifer Grove. Pelwyn Salmer adds a few he brought out to use as stakes for taping. Daul Palton also adds the spare controls not used in the event.

A later check proves all the controls came in from the forest - none were missed.

THE CRIME

Somewhere between Conifer Grove and John Gregory's place six controls disappear.

Now read on

Riv Vix and Brosemary Rodie check off all the controls they need for the School's Champs three days later. All the controls are loaded into Vix's and Pelwyn Salmer's cars and leave the forest. Vix has taken 24 aluminium controls for the school's event and some old metal ones for taping. Salmer has a few for the event he is running for the police.

The mystery is that after the controls are returned, all those used in the school's event, including the metal ones used for taping, are accounted for. Salmer brings back all the ones he used.....but six controls neither claim to have used are missing. If Vix doesn't have six aluminium controls, and Salmer doesn't either - who has???

THE SUSPECTS

The Forest Service
The Police
South Auckland Club
North West Club
Pelwyn Salmer)
Riv Vix) most suspicious characters
Brosemary Rodie)
McEon L'Givern extremely suspicious character
Daul Palton
Bril Phrodie)
Ash Mikenore) the organisers acting in cahoots
YOU!!

The first correct entry accompanied by the six missing controls as documentary evidence will win this month's prize. The suspect receiving the most "guilty" votes will be required to donate six Steinlagers to the charity of the Editor's choice.

SO COME ON - GET THINKING AND WORK OUT WHODUNNIT AND WHY??

1986 PROGRAMME

(Subject to alteration)

Apr	6	SA	OY1 : Ngapuriri
	13	SA	Recreation
	13	P	CDOA OY2
	20	NW	OY2 : Mission Coast Road
	25/27	W/HV	Anzac 3-Day
	27	SA	OY3 : Awhitu
May	1	C	Secondary Schools Championships
	4	C	Recreation
	4		Winstone Forest Run
	10/18		Milo International 7-Day
	31/2	HB	Orienteering Workshop
	31	NW	Claytons 3-Day : Puketapu Road
June	1	C	Claytons 3-Day : Selwyn Road
	2	SA	Claytons 3-Day : Waiuku Forest
	8	C	OY4 : Telephone Track
	15	C	Recreation / Training
	15	H	CDOA OY3
	22	NW	OY5 : Weiti Station
	29	NW	Recreation / Training
July	6	C	Recreation : Totara Park
	13	SA	Recreation : Redoubt Road
	20	SA	Recreation : Mt Richmond
	20	NW	Recreation
	27	C	OY6 : Mushroom Road
Aug	3	C	Recreation / Training
	3	SA	Recreation
	3	H	CDOA OY4
	10	NW	OY7
	17	P	Central Districts Champs
	24	C	Recreation
	31	NW	Recreation
	31	SA	Recreation
Sept	7	C	Recreation
	14	SA	OY8 : Taurangaruru
	14	T	CDOA OY5 : Te Whakao
	17	SA	Franklin Primary School Champs
	21	NW	Recreation
	28	C	OY9 : Quarry Road
	28	R	CDOA OY6
Oct	5	NW	Auckland Relay Championships
	12	SA	Auckland Championships
	19	C	Recreation
	19	T	CDOA OY7 : Wainui
	25	C	New Zealand Championships
	26	SA	New Zealand Relay Champs
	27	NW	N.Z. Score Event Champs
	30	NW	Auckland Primary School Champs
Nov	2	SA	Closing Day : Matakawau
	9	NW	Recreation
	16	W	Wellington Championships
	22/23		South Island Championships