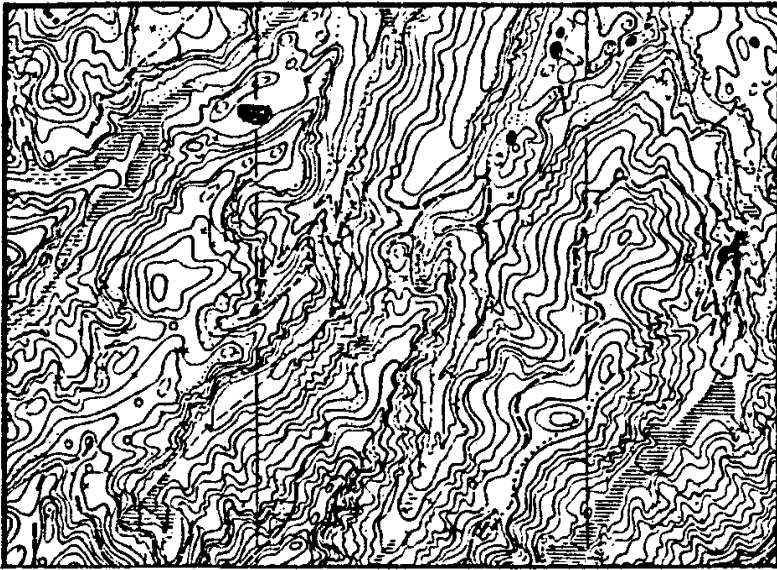
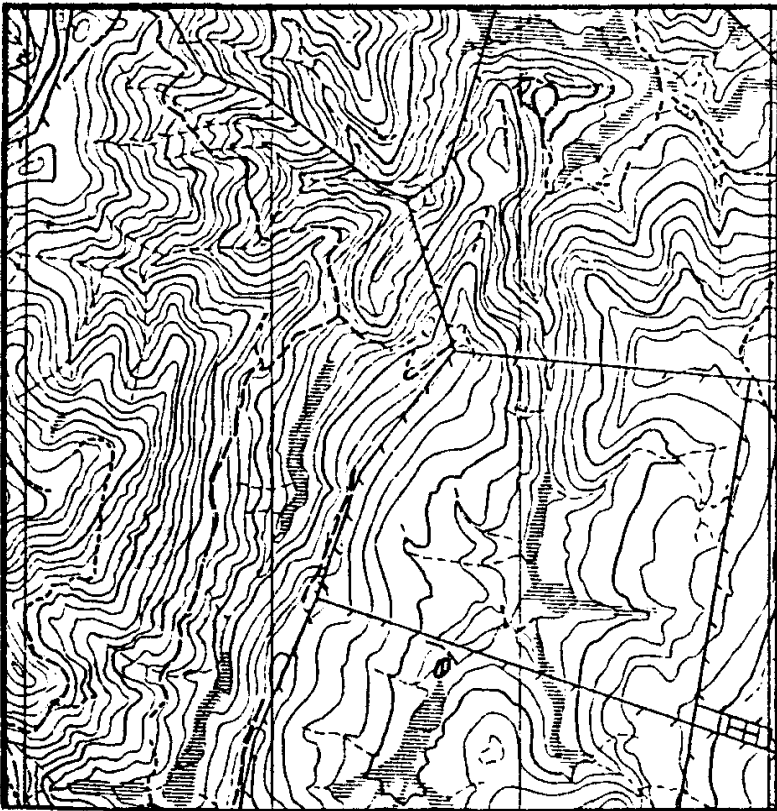


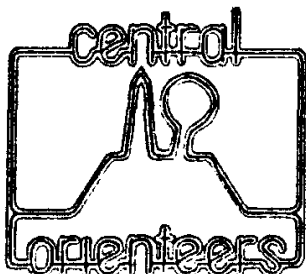
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What maps are these?



NORTH WEST
ORIENTEERING CLUB



May 1987

EDITORIAL

Well, here is May's issue at last. Sorry about the delay but the whole concept of the Easter break has taken on a new meaning for me.

Although I was disappointed not to get any feedback on the idea of colour-coded courses, I did receive some good articles for you to read.

Thanks to all contributors and especially Donna Cooper for her Letter 'O' on pages 10 & 11. I would like to see more in the magazine for juniors - is there a junior prepared to organise a regular monthly section with contributions from and competitions for the younger orienteers? If you have some ideas give me a call - maybe it does not have to be a junior at all, how about Aunty Flo or Uncle Jo?

Keith Stone

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Address for contributions -

8 Agathis Avenue, Mairangi Bay, Auckland 10.

COMING EVENTS

MAY

- 10 C One Tree Hill; Park event.
Woodhill Forest; Winstone Forest Run, 5km and 10km runs.
Details in last months mag. Entries taken on the day.
- 16/17 Waiuku area; Junior Training Camp. More training for the
junior squad and other interested non-beginners. If you want
to go contact John Rix on phone 276-4901 without delay.
- 17 NW Long Bay Regional Reserve; Promotion park and farm event at
ARA reserve.
- SA Waiuku Forest; Promotion forest event.
- T Taupo; CDOA OY3 on Kinloch map. Farmland and forest map.
Follow O-signs from SH1 turn-off just north of Taupo.
- 24 C Woodhill Forest; AOA OY3 on Telephone Track map. Details on
page 15.
- 30 SA Port Waikato; (Huriwai) } Queens Birthday 3-Day Badge Event
31 WH Whangarei; (Glenbervie) } and NZ team trial (Days 1 & 2).
1 C Woodhill ; (Quarry Road) } Details and entry form in April
magazine.

JUNE

- 7 C Manurewa; Promotion park and farm event at Totara Park.
- 14 SA Waiuku Forest; Promotion forest event.
- 21 NW Shakespear Regional Reserve; Promotion park and farm event at
ARA reserve at the end of the Whangaparaoa Peninsula.
- P Tokoroa; CDOA OY4 on Okama map. 50/50 forest/farm area used
for NZ Relays in 1984. Signposted off SH1 just past inter-
section with SH30, opposite Atiamuri.
- 28 SA Waiuku Forest; AOA OY4 on Waiuku Forest map. Refer page 15
for details.

START TIMES

Events can usually be started any time between 10.00am and 1.00pm.
Central Districts OY events start between 11.00am and 1.00pm.

CLOSING DATES FOR ENTRIES

April 30 Queen's Birthday 3-day Event
Entries to: Barry Tuck, 14 Estelle Place, Pakuranga, Akld 6

▣ COVER QUIZ

Were you able to correctly identify the maps on April's cover?

They were -	Top left	Riverhead
	Bottom left	Huriwai
	Right	Mangawhai North

I have managed to guess them all right so far, but this month's maps look much more difficult. Answers from Chris O'Brien in next month's magazine.

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▣ DO NOT READ THIS ! I REPEAT, DO NOT READ THIS

There would be a distinct chance, if you did read this, that you might actually understand what I'm trying to say, while in fact you are mostly loathe (I believe) to do so.

So don't on any account read on; put this magazine aside right now in fact chuck it in the incinerator without further delay. Otherwise you might come to understand how frustrating can be the role of an O-organiser, especially one handling a pre-entry event.

In the March issue of the Auckland Orienteer, pre-entrants were advised of the terms relating to OY2, and were asked to return their forms to me before 3 April, with cheques made out to NWOC and including two self-addressed non-stamped envelopes, each about 110 x 220mm.

Murphy's Law was rampant. We received :-

Envelopes of every size and shape, some so small as to be more suitable for keeping business cards in.

Some stamped.

Some without addresses.

Entries without envelopes (about 20% of the total)

Entries without cheques.

Entries with cheques made out to other than NWOC.

One entry without cheque or envelopes.

Late entries with an amusing selection of excuses, eg. "My son has a squirrel complex", "I am moving house", "I've lost the form", "I've lost the magazine", "I've lost my reading glasses".

Have you got this far? You really shouldn't have - you might just do it right next time, and make the co-ordinator's job too easy. Of course I wouldn't get the laughs out of it then, but it just might be worth it next time - if there is a next time.

John Fettes

█ **EASTER 4-DAY - DAY 1**
- THROUGH THE EYES OF AN M45A'er

When reading in the programme that the starter may exclude competitors who were inadequately clad, one wondered what we were in for. Much to our surprise Easter in the Wellington region was near perfect. Sunny, dry days made for long and enthusiastic post-mortems on each days events. The carnival was well organised and the effort put in by the Wellington Orienteering Association was much appreciated.

Day One was at Forest Hill in the Tararua Ranges. Courses were tough and well planned through young forest and some steep farmland. It was surprising how many people did 180's from the start triangle - well known names too, like Aspin and Brighthouse etc.

As I took off to the start triangle I folded my map so that just my course was showing. After much hesitancy deciding which way to go, and not wanting to run back through the start area, I crashed through the forest in search of No.1 control. Reached the circle area in a couple of minutes and found a control on a log in a stream, but alas the wrong code. Much silent cursing and rushing about. Was I in the wrong gully? Over a spur and into the next gully complex. Bingo - my control. As I made my way to No.2 control I thought 'Gee, I hope the other 17 controls won't be like that', half blaming the course setter.

No.2 control was just where it should have been. Then across the road through the start area (the only bad feature of the course) and into dark, low forest. Found my site but it was an earth bank whereas I was looking for a re-entrant (top). Went back to the road, where I felt like a fool, more bearings, then back to the earth bank. 'Help! What's wrong with me?' Wandered around in a daze and went higher up the slope by 50 metres nearer the sunlight and what did I find - my control No.3. Off I sped, much happier, to control sites 4 and 5. No problems in the forest thinnings as we are used to these in Woodhill.

Set compass for control 6 (No.34), bottom of a small hill. After a few minutes arrived at No.76, a shallow re-entrant. What's this!?!? Should be a hill. Lay on ground to look for red flag on green hill. No luck. Ran around in circles and found three more controls. None mine. I sat on top of a knoll with a flag on, hands on head. A female orienteer came by and asked if I was okay. I said, 'Yes, but I am lost', so she kindly showed me where I was. Off I went again, like a tortoise, checking everything that was on the map. It must have taken 10 - 12 minutes to cover the 200 metres to the control site. All of a sudden there was a flag; Hurray! Checked the number, Oh S...! No.76 again. As I rushed back around the forest, into streams, up banks, I began to taste the pizza I had eaten the previous night in Tokoroa. The only thing that kept it down was the horrible cheese which acted like a lead weight and refused to let the pizza move in any direction. After 40 minutes hunting for control 34 I sat down and opened up my map to see if I was on the right planet. It was then that I discovered I had picked up a course 4 map at the start, instead of course 3.

Back to the start I trudged. Yes, the map boxes were all next to each other. There was no grid or anyone checking courses against numbers, so it was easy enough to make a mistake if you were not concentrating. I had been busy chatting to an old friend - no excuse.

It was a 20 minute walk back down to the finish. I was given another start time (unofficial), cadged a motor bike ride back up to the start, and a tired 45'er took off again. No problem at the start this time. I had a reasonable time of 73.47, still 7 minutes behind the winner, Keith Stone, but 6 minutes ahead of the official 2nd placed orienteer, Graham Fortune.

Well, I won't take the wrong map again in a hurry but then there are a dozen other things that can go wrong. The answer is to concentrate.

Terry Nuthall

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■ EASTER 1987

I staggered out of bed in Taihape to find Easter had begun with a beautiful, fine, cool, Autumn day and our camping ground was swarming with orienteers. We continued our journey south and the forest became clearly visible up on a hill as we approached Palmerston North. The views, once we were up there, were fantastic.

It didn't take long to spot the large water tank - our last control. I spent several hours sitting in the sun watching orienteers scurrying in and out of the trees before dashing to the finish. Eventually it was time to make the long climb to the start, how pleasant meandering up the hillside in the brilliant sunshine. The tension was building but I couldn't bring myself to use the loo so strategically placed alongside the start. At last we were off, winding our way downhill again, zig-zagging across the slopes, dodging rock cliffs and sliding down steep pine-needled slopes and finally reaching 'that' water-tank. What a steep run to the finish! That cup of tea afterwards went down a treat.

We adjourned to the Doolan's home in Palmerston North for hot showers, a tasty meal and a comfortable bed. Next morning it was off early again, this time to Stronvar, near Masterton.

The fine drizzle that was falling when we arrived soon cleared. Once again the last control was clearly visible - on top of a small knoll, 200 metres from the finish. It was fairly flat to the finish but very uneven underfoot; watching the contestants clamber up to the control then head for the finish made entertaining viewing. It was a relief to get out on my course. On finishing I calculated my time quickly; about 50 minutes! I raced over to the results only to see that Lesley Stone had done it in 40 minutes. I felt so awful - depressed. I later learned that my time was actually 42 minutes. What a relief!

I don't think I have ever been so pleased with a result.

Meanwhile poor Keith Stone struggled home with a broken arm; a fence he was crossing had collapsed. What bad luck! Rumour has it his face fell a mile when told he couldn't run on day 3. He really did ask!

Off to the Hutt Valley, confident we could find a motel room for the night. Several hours later we had combed the Hutt Valley, crossed Haywards Hill and were heading north on SH1. At Paekakariki we panicked but one phone call to the Dryden family saw us with beds for the night and Helen insisted on cooking us a delicious meal. I do hope any southern orienteer visiting Auckland and finding themselves in a similar position wouldn't hesitate to phone us.

Sunday dawned, a typical sunny Wellington day. It was beautiful up on the hills overlooking Porirua Harbour. Another late start saw me watching orienteers racing in to the finish. I timed several rivals at around 40 minutes and then headed off for my start. The first hill was the worst, once over that and I was away. Lesley greeted me at the finish with the news that she had had a bad run and I had taken only 32 minutes - that's pretty good. A few minutes later Tricia Aspin finished on the same course in 23 minutes - that's incredible!!

Day 4 was another glorious day. Off to Waiterere Forest - just like Woodhill so we should feel at home. I had a pretty good run and then had an agonizing wait for Lesley to finish. The result - my first ever win in a major event in the A grade, what a thrill. Life really does begin at 40!!

Lorri O'Brien

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■ 1989 AND ALL THAT . . .

Ever heard mysterious words like APOC, WOCARN, MILO and J150 bandied about and wondered what they meant? January 1989 will give you the chance to find out!

From 6th to 15th, at various venues in the South Island, PAPO, DOC and SOC will be hosting seven days of orienteering. We haven't got a name for our 7-day series yet, but it's sure to be as much fun as the others were.

We're expecting lots of people to come to the South Island for the event. Planning is already underway; several of us have been searching Southland for suitable areas to map. During the next two years the pace will hot up as the organisation really gets off the ground. For the moment, just make a note in your diaries of the dates and plan to have a great orienteering holiday around the South Island.

From Southland Orienteering Club Newsletter, March 1987
(As seen in Hamilton Club Newsletter, April 1987)

▣ SECONDARY SCHOOL CHAMPS

162 boys in 30 teams and 170 girls in 33 teams competed at Ambury Park on 23 April in the Auckland Secondary School Championships. Unfortunately the weather was not as pleasant as it could have been, with intermittent squally showers during the day.

In his co-ordinator's report, Colin Regan mentioned that it was obvious that some teams had spent little time learning about orienteering. Some teachers must have expected that their children would learn as they ran around and of course this is not good for the children, and not good for orienteering.

The majority of the teams though, had had the benefit of some coaching; it is surprising how many orienteers are also school teachers.

RESULTS : GIRLS

1. Rosehill College A 57.26 (Karan Wildman, Kim Fuller, Barbara Batty, Haylee Potter)
2. Rangitoto College B 64.37 (Alison Stone, Jeni Martin, Brenda Stone, Donna Cooper)
3. Waiuku College A 70.07 (Sue Snedden, Jillian Thomson, Rondalynn Aldridge, Louise Muir)

BOYS

1. Kings College A 63.40 (Rob Brewis, Gordon Walker, Rolf Boswell, Si Leitch)
2. Edgewater College A 70.10 (Darren Ashmore, Tony Reddish, Brett Ashmore, Damien Reddish)
3. Rosehill College A 71.50 (Matthew Todd, Stephen Shale, John Shale, Aaron Wood)

1ST THREE ON EACH COURSE : GIRLS

- C 1 : Karan Wildman 11.07, Louise Parr 13.51, Alison Stone 13.57
C 2 : Jeni Martin 16.28, Haylee Potter 18.11, Penny Clendon 18.22
C 3 : Roxanne Oakes 18.23, Louise Muir 20.17, Emma Russell 22.27
C 4 : Kim Fuller 12.56, Nicola Davey 16.29, Brenda Stone 16.54
C 5 : Tania Robinson 11.37, Barbara Batty 15.12, Rondalynn Aldridge 18.44
C 6 : Sue Snedden 14.58, Donna Cooper 17.18, Bernice Landels 19.13

BOYS

- C 1 : Brian Maloney 16.53, Glen Liddington 16.54, Matthew Todd 17.35
C 2 : Rolf Boswell 16.21, Darren Ashmore 16.23, Stewart Young 18.35
C 3 : Aidan Boswell 17.01, Brett Ashmore 17.59, Llewelyn McGivern 21.03
C 4 : Gordon Walker 15.24, Damon Jakeman 17.24, Damien Reddish 18.27
C 5 : Rob Brewis 15.14, Bruce McKay 17.16, Tony Reddish 17.21
C 6 : Si Leitch 16.41, Stephen Shale 17.39, Craig Thomson 21.41

▣ OTAGO CHAMPIONSHIPS

While on holiday in the South Island, Tricia and I attended the Otago Orienteering Champs held on the Seacliff map, which is 20km north of Dunedin on the coast. This was a well-attended event with good representation from all three S.I. clubs.

Seacliff is one of the better farm/native forest areas in NZ and has recently been re-mapped to a high standard. The courses were challenging and well set out, and although tending to have the odd weak leg, made the orienteer concentrate most of the way, with minor route choice on most legs.

The OY next day was on the excellent Pyramids map, which is an extensive grassed sand-dune area with numerous depressions. The basic technique for this terrain was straight and fast, or window orienteering. I was a bit disappointed with course 2 which tended to have a few obvious handrails.

In the M21A grade, Neil Sutherland (36), Don Bruce and Alistair Metherell fought the top placings with Neil winning both days. Neil would certainly give the leading N.I. M35A's a good run for their money if he could make himself available for the NZ trials. All three have the ability to be in the top 10 in the M21E grade. Anitra Dowling also ran in the M21A grade, placing 5th and 4th in good times, ample proof of good fitness. Joy Talbot was only several minutes behind Anitra on Day 2 with a good run.

Tricia Aspin won the W21A Otago Champs and Jo Guest won Day 2. From memory, other orienteers to impress were Simon Smythfield (M35A), a second year orienteer who was 2nd to me each day, and only 2 minutes behind; Barry Foote and Alex Cook had good times in the M21A; Svend Peterson (55) cleaned out the M45 grade; Ann Scott and Bunny Rathbone fought out the W35A; Nathan Foote (14) proved a handful for the M15 grade and Jenny Adams won both days in the W17 grade, a potential top elite woman orienteer here.

Overall I was impressed with the strength of orienteering 'Down South' and given more technical terrain and more regular competitive events they will certainly match the northerners and make inroads into New Zealand representation.











In summary, this was a well organised event and northerners can be assured of likewise events for the 1989 South 7-Day event.













Wayne Aspin








Letter 'O'






Can you decipher this?


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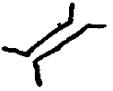
The  is now a  because of a  fire. The  failed so the  is singed and our  is half black. All of the surrounding area including all the  is -ed. Two -s and the  are still standing. The  prevented the fire spreading onto the .


Also down our  the  collapsed causing the  to break. Now the  has overflowed onto the  forming a -y .


Do you remember how  and I hurt our -s? ,  is , but


•-'s is still causing  pain occasionally. Mainly on the l.l


Now it is  we use the  as a substitute for a .

•-'s  is improving and he always seems to get the right cards.





V-rica is still doing  in her spare time.

We went to •O story at O-s theatre. I gave it a  IL mark.



Don't you love the two new television programmes: → 

↓  show.

I do.

^ I've written alot. Must dash, as I'm feeling  and will continue  the   bye for now.

Love 

PS- Our new  will be like a .

- And yes we love the 

(Donna Cooper)

SOUTH AUCKLAND NEWS
WHISPERINGS FROM THE WEASEL-ESS

Welcome to our new members - Peter & Patrick Murphy, Tony Lawrence, Ian Street, Glen Liddington, Sharon Stott, Tony Newman, Stuart & Denise Berry, and also the young Tremains, Mary-Clair, Tony & Grant.



The Club Office Bearers for 1987 are :

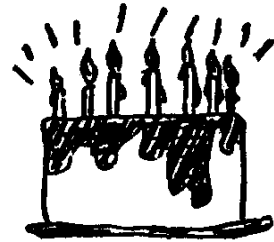
President	John Robinson
Secretary	Rosemary Gatland
Treasurer	Bruce Hendrie
Publicity	Jill Evans
Relay Selectors	Lyndsay Shuker & ????

The Lewis Family is on the move again; this time not overseas but staying in Papakura. 23 Park Estate Road is their new address.

Also moved are Stephanie, Nichola & Leigh Hatwell, to Te Kauwhata. We hope things settle nicely for you now.

Stephen Gummer is unable to compete this year due to a cartilage problem. By the time this magazine is out the operation will be over. Good luck for recovery, we'll see you and your family next year.

Happy Birthday to Mrs Elsa Moen on April 12th - 75 years old. Well done! All together now - Happy Birthday to you Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday dear Elsa, Happy Birthday to you.



We are pleased to hear that Raewyn Brighthouse is now feeling much better and we look forward to seeing you out and about, Raewyn.

The June club meeting will be at Pilbrows', 120 Porchester Road, Papakura. All meetings are at 7.45pm on the first Monday of each month and all members are welcome to attend.

<u>CHORES LIST</u>	<u>SETTER</u>	<u>VETTER</u>	<u>CO-ORDINATOR</u>
May 3 Redoubt	Unni	& Neil Lewis	Jeanine Browne
17 Waiuku Forest	Sue	& Jim Snedden	Bev Laurent
30 Huriwai	Peter Morrison	Athol Oldfield	Jill Dalton .
Jun 14 Waiuku Forest	Stephanie	& Keith Hatwell	Bev Laurent
28 Waiuku Forest	Ian Currie	Phyl Snedden	Lyndsay Shuker
Jul 12 Waiuku Forest	Rolf	& Jeanette Boswell	Bev Laurent

APOLOGIES: At the recent OY1 at Pollok :

- Carey Martin won W21E but was missed from the results. Her clip card was eventually found under a lot of tape.
- Maurice Penney's time was mis-calculated. I have been assured that both have been given their correct times.

Please note that all the events to be held in Waiuku Forest this year are to be included in the AOA calendar regardless of any Training Weekends that are being held at the same time.

It was commented at the recent SA meeting that any new people around would not know many of the abbreviations we use, such as WM, WOC, and other more general terms. SOMEONE was not at the meeting to volunteer to explain. Help please?

The Weasel

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▣ NORTH WEST NEWS



Welcome to Israil Foreman, Marilyn Harrison, Kirk, Jan, Martin and Shannon Stickels and Robert Kingston, all new members. Also good to see Peter Schofield back at the last few events.

David Bliss collects this year's award for most generous club member - he paid his subs twice. Good one Dave.

Congratulations to 7 year old Nicholas Foster who completed the wayfarer course on each day of the Easter 4-Day event, two days completely unaided. Well done Nicholas.

Following their recent good performance in the Waiouru Mountain Marathon, the Meads must have decided to have a go at the real thing. Whatever the reason, Geoff and Lisa lined up with over 2500 others at the Rotorua Government Gardens on Saturday 2 May for a run around the lake. Both ran great times; Lisa 3¼ hours and Geoff under 3 hours.

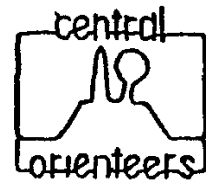
On 11 June we are having a club evening at the Stone's home in Mairangi Bay, to discuss 'Course Setting'. Some of the club's more experienced course planners will tell us all about setting courses, so this should be a very informative evening. More details next month but mark your calendar now.

Ann Fettes still has some club sweatshirts for sale. These are long-sleeved grey marl with the club badge in red, excellent value at \$18.00 each. All sizes are available. Phone Ann at 875-358. The club also has some red and white embroidered club badges for sale at \$5.00 each and the same design as a sticky label for only \$1.00 each. These can be bought from Les Paver at any club event.

Latest news from Judy Martin in the UK is that the JK went well in good weather. Judy finished 6th in the individual race and 3rd in the veteran women's relay. More details when she returns soon.

Don't forget our monthly club meeting is held at Birkdale Primary School, corner Birkdale & Salisbury Roads, Birkdale on the first Thursday of every month commencing at 7.30pm. All members are welcome.

▣ CENTRAL CHATTER



Welcome to the following new members :

Patrick Gladding; Russell Ireland; Joanne MacKay;
Jenny Rattenbury; Alistair Stewart; Matthew Taylor;
Ian and Vivienne Cruikshank; Ian, Angus, Gordon and Colin Walker; plus
very warm 'Welcome Backs' to Beryl and Ian McKenzie and John Everett.

Image update - O-suit design competition for juniors

At their last meeting the committee decided that the Club's image needs to be updated and one idea put forward was a competition for the junior members to design a new O-suit. The colours will remain the same - light blue, dark blue, with red trim - but the combination of these colours is up to the designer. The proposed prize is a \$50.00 voucher plus an O-suit of the winning design. Closing date for the competition is 30 June. For further details contact one of the following :- Leon McGivern ph 564 567; Barry Tuck ph 567-414; Jill Roberts ph 884-375.

Also in line with thoughts on image updating, club members will be contacted during the next few weeks to get their ideas on whether they would prefer the Club to have a club T-shirt, sweat shirt, or track suit top. Please give this some thought.

Low-key leisure event

Leon and Barbara McGivern & Sons organised the first low-key leisure event at the Domain on Easter Sunday. Chatterbox went along to observe the proceedings and all seemed to be running very smoothly in spite of a couple of minor hitches. What do you do when you discover that the City Council has deposited a series of 'knolls' of earth all around your 'knoll' control? Everyone was quite happy to 'do-it-yourself' with master-maps, master control descriptions, self start and finish. The next low-key event is at One Tree Hill on 10 May.

Club news

How about this for dedication - At the first OY at Pollok, a certain M15 lost his map when he slid down a steep slope. Not to be outdone he returned to the start, picked up another map, re-marked his course, re-located and completed the course - and won!

Club meetings

The next two Club meetings are as follows :

Wed 6 May Peter Johnson's, 1/49 Felton Matthew Avenue. Ph 589-548.
Wed 3 June Terry Nuthall's, 30 Epsom Avenue. Ph 689-427.

All club members are welcome at these meetings.

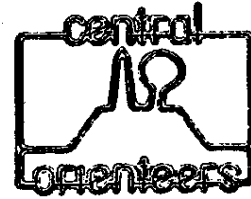
Congratulations to Alistair Landels for winning the Easter 4-Day event.

That's all for this month.

Chatterbox

▣ **AOA OY3 EVENT**

Date : 24 May
Club : Central
Map : Telephone Track
Scale : 1:10000
Contour Interval : 2.5 metres
Terrain : Mature forest on sand dunes.
Planner : Alistair Landels
Controller : Alistair Cory-Wright
Co-Ordinator : Guy Cory-Wright
Location : Woodhill Forest. Entrance via Forest Headquarters



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▣ **AOA OY4 EVENT**

Date : 28 June
Club : South Auckland
Map : Waiuku South
Scale : 1:15000
Contour Interval : 4 metres
Terrain : Mature forest on sand dunes.
Planner : Ian Currie
Controller : Phyl Snedden
Co-Ordinator : Lyndsay Shuker
Location : Waiuku Forest. Entrance via Forest Headquarters.



▣ MY APOLOGIES

I was really trained to be a mother and found this a time consuming career, full of pitfalls. Many a time I got lost in the forest of trivialities - how many weetbix do you need to fill six kids for three days, etc, etc. Or bogged in the swamps of misdirected sympathy - I have no friends; no money; every one is wearing summer dresses - in June? Or puffed and frustrated chasing and urging 15 year old son to mow the lawn.

But finally I arrived at the finish emerging almost unscathed, though a little grey at the temples and wobbly at the knees. At last I could quietly write a letter, read a book, go to the toilet!, and help with results for an OY.

Simple, relatively speaking. Except for the relatives, and the deadline of a reporter ringing for results an hour after I arrive home, plus screaming grandson wanting spaghetti (not beans!), and a darling new granddaughter placed on my knee as I struggle to compute finish times.

Perhaps one can be forgiven the odd mistake; naturally my 'odd' mistake had to be a 21E and 1st place, no less. Apologies to Carey. Think Carey, this could be you 40 years on. You too could have the joy of seeing your family in ever increasing numbers, crowding round your knees as you struggle through 'Results'.

Next time please give me picking up controls, far from the madding crowd.

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▣ BITS & PIECES

- When people run more than one course at an event they should indicate '2nd run' on the results part of their clipcard so that it can be recorded as such in the results. Nobody minds if someone runs a second course (or even a third), but often they will gain an advantage over those doing the course for the first time and this fact should be apparent in the results. If you are going to run more than one course at an OY event your first run should be on your correct grade as any subsequent run will not be eligible for OY points.
- An excerpt from a letter to the editor of Compass Sport magazine - "Whether controls act as either turning points or end-of-leg markers is immaterial: in fact, finding a control marker with a code which matches one on your control description list just gives the game away!

"It seems that there is a small but growing group of orienteers (they usually get themselves organised into 'squads') who have clearly been mis-schooled into believing that the whole point of the sport is to know where you are all the time, and to come back out of the forest as quickly as possible. Presumably these people are under even more severe time constraints than the rest of us; it's only because the organiser wants to go home, or our family wishes to see us again before the day is out that we others emerge at all!"

- In Britain, orienteering will receive a Sports Council grant of £120,000 this year, which when added to other income of the British Orienteering Federation will give them £220,000 to spend. This is still £40,000 less than the BOF had requested so some planned activities have had to be reduced, for example overseas training and competition tours by representative teams have been cut back from a planned 17 to 13. (Oh dear, how sad!)



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KATOA PO QUESTIONNAIRE
OR WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THE MIDNIGHT REVELLERS?

Taupo Orienteering Club hosts the All Night Relays each summer on the Saturday night of Auckland Anniversary weekend. Why were YOU not at the 1987 Relays?

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| Exhausted after a summer holiday at Club Med? | YES/NO |
| Had to mow the lawns to find your front door? | YES/NO |
| Exhausted after Red Kiwis orienteering fiesta? | YES/NO |
| Scared of spooks? | YES/NO |
| Scared of being beaten by an M12 on Course 6? | YES/NO |
| Need new glasses? - batteries? - torch bulbs? | YES/NO |
| Do you only do it at the full moon? | YES/NO |
| Have the courses been too difficult in recent years? | YES/NO |
| Is it hard to organise a team over the X'mas period? | YES/NO |
| Are the course grade restrictions a problem? | YES/NO |
| Should the event start earlier in the evening? | YES/NO |
| Should the event be several weeks later? | YES/NO |

Our thanks to all those who have already commented on the event in various newsletter articles.

May we have comments please from YOU:



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NEW ZEALAND ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS 1987

Saturday 24 October - WARM-UP EVENT on terrain similar to the Championship venue

Sunday 25 October - INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS at Paitataramoa which roughly translates as being a good place for brambles! But Terry Brighthouse is producing a map to his usual fine standards and assures us that it's all fast running with good visibility. It's gullied terrain with 4 and 10 year old Radiata Pines planted on grazed farmland. And it's only 20 km north east of Taupo.

On the Sunday evening we have the prizes presentation - a brief, painless ceremony - at a hui at Taupo-nui-a-Tia College Hall, Spa Road. Your evening nosh will be available at a cost to undercut any takeaways. We'll try to find music to keep both the 17-18 and 50-55. grades dancing!

Monday 26 October - RELAY CHAMPIONSHIPS hosted by Hawkes Bay Orienteering Club just one hour's drive from Taupo on the Taupo-Napier Highway, near the Mohaka River Bridge. They tell us the slopes are "gentle to steep" which probably means a downhill start and an uphill finish! The area is planted in 10 year old Radiata with small areas of farmland: good running and visibility.

ACCOMMODATION is always at a premium at Taupo on Labour weekend, especially this year as there are other sporting events on in town. So book now. Contact our friendly sponsor the Lake Taupo Holiday Park newly opened opposite the A.C. Baths to bulk book for your Club members. Rumour has it some Wellington orienteers are already booked there so you'll be in good company!

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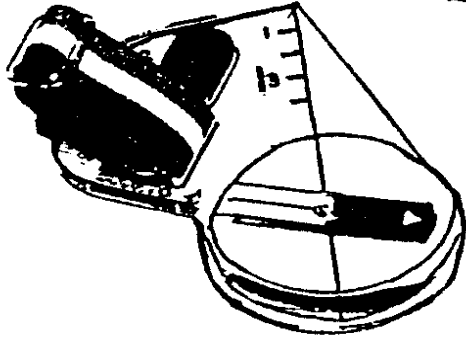
IF

- You haven't got wet feet . . .
- Your socks come clean within two washes . . .
- There is no bubble in your compass . . .
- You buy a new map bag for each event . . .
- You use a thumb compass . . .
- At the finish you are loud in praise of the course . . .
- After your run you sneak away without speaking to anyone . . .
- You aspire to be a planner . . .
- You are a planner . . .
- You are a controller . . .
- You orienteer and your spouse doesn't . . .
- Your spouse orienteers and you don't . . .
- You understand all this . . .
- You write to *CompassSport* . . .

THEN

- you haven't run yet
- you haven't been trying very hard
- you must have gone round the climb I went over
- you are too disorganised to remember the old one
- you must be: a) a poser
b) a contortionist
- you must be: a) the planner
b) his mother
c) the controller
d) the winner
e) unbalanced
- you have just: a) fallen over the string course and said a very loud very rude word.
b) mispunched
c) picked up the wrong control description and never noticed
- you have delusions of adequacy
- you have few illusions left
- you have learnt to live with your own inadequacies
AND you are now learning to live with other people's
AND you enjoy pain!
- you must be: a) separated
b) divorced
c) united despite a lack of mutual understanding
- you must be exceedingly tolerant
- you have a chronic case of *dementia orientatis*
- you are obviously a candidate for nomination at the next AGM

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