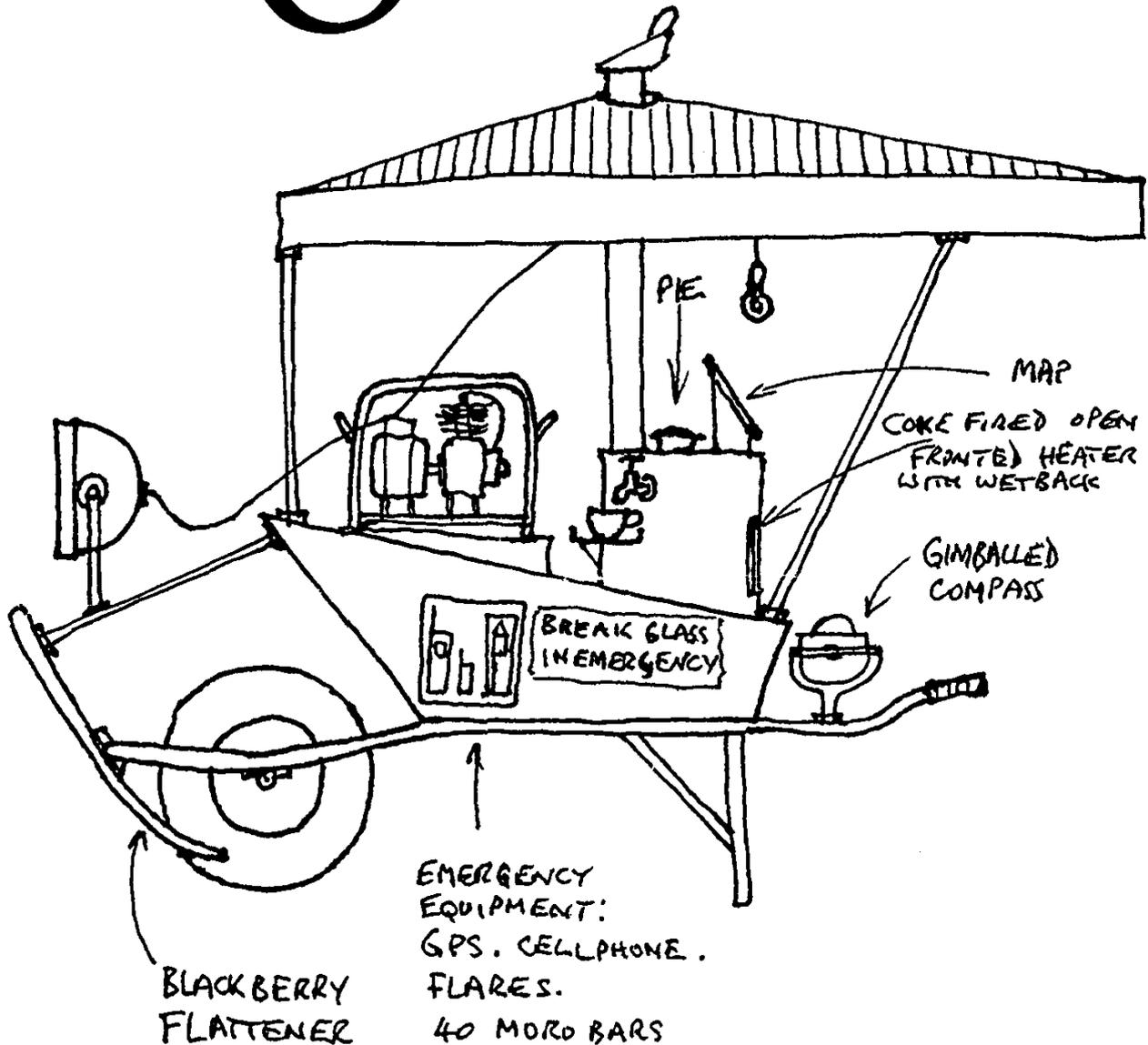


# The AUCKLAND ORIENTEER



In answer to some minor problems encountered by an "older gentleman", a small initial batch of orienteering aids (illustrated ) is to be constructed. To gauge future manufacturing requirements, would those interested in ordering please contact the Membership Secretary. Price would be in the region of \$3999.95. The Regional Council can see no problems, although they may require that storm water be channelled to the nearest stormwater drain; rear lights would not be mandatory however.

**SEPTEMBER 1997**

## MANY MOONS AGO

Soon after I began to edit this august organ, in October 1994, I prepared and printed a whole bunch of dates for the front cover, carrying them forward a LONG LONG way into the future. I'm still using them, and the last one is dated December 1997.

End of not very subtle hint.

(Still no firm bites. Jill? Are you keen?)

MR

PS Front page artistry courtesy of "Contour Lines", PAPO Newsletter.

## CALENDAR

Please call Club Secretaries for final confirmation of these details: (A) Auckland: Rae Powell 624 1513 (CM) Counties-Manukau: Linda Brighthouse 09 298 8380 (E) Egmont: Jay Paterson 06 751 3589 (H) Hamilton: Jim Barr 07 856 9501 (NW) NorthWest: Ann Fettes 827 5358 (P) Pinelands: Chris Jackson 07 886 5313 (R) Rotorua: Mark McKenna (07) 345 3318 (T) Taupo: Alison Mensen 07 378 0577 (WACO) Waikato and Auckland Universities: Shaun Collins 631 0204 (Wh) Whangarei: David Nevin 09 435 2415.

## SEPTEMBER 1997

- Wed 3rd A Club meeting, 19:30, Selwyn Palmer's residence, 1/5 Aramutu Road, Mt Roskill
- Sun 7th NW **Spring Series Handicap, Muriwai North**  
10:00-12:30, setter Roel Michels, vetter Martin Girling, coordinator Matthew Crozier; signs Rimmer Road, SH16 approaching Helensville  
Handicap and event format details in recent issues. Last use of this map?
- T Raroa, signs from Broadlands Road  
Contact Kathleen Lonsdale 07 378 0818, 11:00-13:00
- Thu 11th NW Club meeting, 19:30, Garden/Gelderman residence, 23 Nixon Road, Henderson
- Sun 14th R CDOA OY6, Peka Block, 11:00-13:00  
signs Atiamuri Highway off SH5 south of Rotorua
- WACO **Training event Beautiful Hills, Woodhill Forest**  
Be there at 11:00, various trainign exercises available for two or three hours  
Enter the forest via Restall Road (Forest Headquarters) signs on SH16  
Everyone who turns up will gain from this session. Newcomers welcome.  
WACO's training events are highly regarded, try one and see for yourself.  
All levels of fitness and ability catered for, details contact Sean 631 0204
- 20/21 HB Informal two day event - Pukeora Hill & OY at Seafield Road
- Sun 21st H Pakaroa, 11:00-13:00, signs from Tauwhare
- A **Spring Series, Beautiful Hills, Woodhill Forest**

Signs at Forest Headquarters, Restall Road; 10:00-12:30  
 Setter Mark Stewart, Controller Darren Ashmore  
 Handicap and event format details in recent issues

Wh Tangiteroria, 11:00-13:00

Thu 25th Entries close Hamilton Labour W/e 3 day, Kallarney & Kawhia, form August issue

Sat 27th Entries close Auckland Champs 18/19 October, entry July *AUCKLAND ORIENTEER*

27-4 Veteran World Championships, Minnesota, USA

Sun 28th P Redwoods, north of Tokoroa, 11:00-13:00

30-2 NZOF Development Squad Training Camp, Rotorua

## OCTOBER 1997

4-5 D Senior Training Camp, Naseby

Sun 5th CM **Spring Series Handicap, Waiuku Forest**, signs from Tua Bridge  
 Handicap and event format details in recent issues

R Crater Block, 11:00-13:00, highway south of Rotorua

Fri 10th Entries close CDOA Champs New Plymouth 8/9 November, form in August issue

10-12 Women's Training Camp, Taupo, details July *AUCKLAND ORIENTEER*

Sun 12th T CDOA OY7, Opepe (Orupe?), signs Napier-Taupo highway, 15 mins from Taupo

Waco **Training event Woodhill**  
 Preparation for the Auckland Championships next weekend, details to be advised  
 in next issue.

Wh Mair Park, 11:00-13:00

Thu 16th AOA Meeting

Fri 17th Deadline for entries to Relay Championships, details in this issue

18/19 NW **Auckland Championships, Wounded Knee & Kaipara Knolls**  
 Entry form in July *AUCKLAND ORIENTEER*

Sun 19th P Greenpeaks, SH1 S of Tokoroa, 11:00-13:00

25/27 H **Labour Weekend 3 Day, Kallarney Lake, Kawhia**  
 Entry form in August *AUCKLAND ORIENTEER*

PAPO South Island Championships 3 Day, Dalethorpe, Acheron, Canterbury

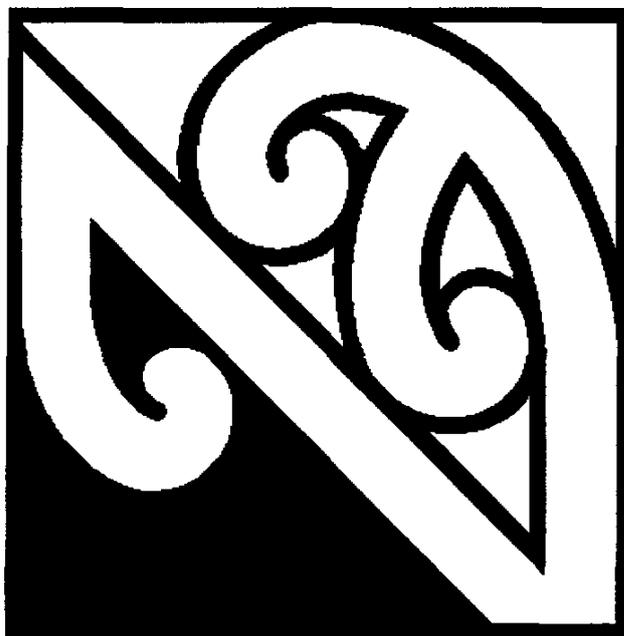
**November 1997**

2	CM	AOA Relays, Whiriwhiri Maioro
6	CM	Auckland Primary Schools Champs
8/9	E	CDOA Championships, Tuahoki & Hurworth, New Plymouth
9-16	All	National O-Week: Permanent courses!
16	H	Four Brothers
	Wh	Mangawhai
21		Deadline Junior Camp 15-20 December
22-23		Lactic Turkey Rock
	RK/W	Wellington Championships
23	R	Okere Falls

**December 1997**

1	HB	Rogaine, Smedley
3	H	Rose Gardens
6-7	HV	24hour rogaine, Wellington
7	R	Okawa Bay (?)
	Wh	TBA
10	H	Waikato University
15-20		Junior Camp, Muriwai
17	H	Hamilton Lake
?	Oz	5 day, Canberra

# NORTHWEST NEWSHOUND

**People**

Honourable mentions this month must go to Kirsten Ambler, Marquita Gelderman and Lesley Stone.

Kirsten, who has been living with a keen orienteering family in Norway since April, turned in a magnificent performance in the second leg of the world champs relays in Norway in August. Her time was 5th fastest for that leg and pulled the team up from 11th to 7th place, to be followed by another excellent run by Tania Robinson (CMOC), taking the team to 6th place, before ending up with an excellent 9th final place. It goes to show what a huge difference that living and training in the terrain in Scandinavia, with its hugely developed club and training structures, can make.

It is also timely to recognise the achievements of all the World Championships team members. Many have made financial and career sacrifices, in maintaining their competitive levels half a world away from the highly motivated Scandinavians.

Kirsten's superb run must have been a thrill for Robin and Gay Ambler (expect bulk photos from shutter-bug Gay), who have had a magnificent holiday taking in WOC in Norway, the Scottish 6-

days and 5 days of R&R in Hawaii en route home.

Well done to Marquita, who not only completed the 2.1km course at Beautiful Hills, but was far from bringing up the rear of the field. Not bad going just 2 1/2 months after smashing her leg and while on crutches sinking into soft sandy tracks! How are those arm and shoulder muscles developing ?

Well done also to Lesley Stone for her ultra quick compilation and distribution of the results for Spring series event #1 on 17th August. It was in my letterbox before lunch on 19th August. Thanks to Geoff Mead and Les Paver for setting this event on a challenging map.

Di Michels has taken up night-time mountain biking at Woodhill forest - will this give her an unfair advantage in her daytime orienteering?!

Good luck to those club members off to the world veteran champs in Minnesota this month.

## Events

Roel Michels and Martin Girling are setting our next Spring series event on Muriwai North, which is likely to be the last use of this map, as it is rapidly being felled.

Don't forget to enter for the Auckland Champs (closing date for entries 27th September) to experience 2 great new maps: "Wounded Knee" and a new re-map of Kaipara Knolls.

## Mapping

Mike Beveridge has commenced fieldwork on a greatly enlarged 1:10000 re-map of Weiti Station. NWOC is fortunate in having an enthusiastic mapping team, and is currently well off for maps.

A proposed schedule of AOA events for 1998 was discussed at our August meeting and I was impressed by the enthusiasm of club members to add more NW events to an already busy calendar. The return to a longer OY series seems to be a popular decision.

## Training

Several club members are keen to attend the women's training camp at Taupo in October, and I'm sure that we can arrange to car-pool if transport is a problem. Details were in the July newsletter and are available from Judy Martin.

## Social

A very successful AOA social evening was held in July, with a great meal and hotly contested trivial pursuits competition. Lucky winners of a weekend away (in holiday baches offered by orienteers) were Terje and Mary Moen, Chris and Lorri O'Brien and Dave Middleton and Marquita Gelderman. (*What do Glen and Rob think about that? - MR*)

## Next club meetings

The September club meeting will be held at 19:30 on Thursday 11th September at Rob Garden and Marquita Gelderman's home, 23 Nixon Rd, RD2, Henderson.

The October meeting will be at Jill and Alistair Smithies' home, 4b Fairbanks Place, Glendene, at 19:30 on Thursday 09 October.

All NorthWest Club members are most welcome.

LISA MEAD 445 4555

# AUCKLAND APPALLED

(Appalled that no-one has volunteered to collect some chatter yet!)

## Next club meeting

The September club meeting will be at 19:30 on Wednesday 3rd at the Palmer residence, 1/5 Aramutu Road, Mt Roskill.

All Auckland Club members are welcome.

MARK ROBERTS 520 5993

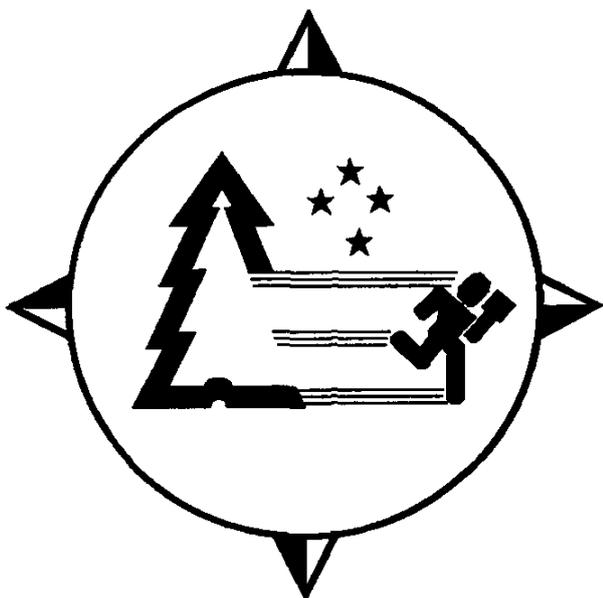
# COUNTIES- MANUKAU NEWS

Congratulations to Sarah Phelps and Emma Nelson for their performances in the NZ Secondary Schools Championships. Sarah was 3rd in the Intermediate Girls competition, and Emma was 4th in the Junior Girls.

Also doing well in the World Champs in Scandinavia was Tania Robinson with a 25th placing the Classic and 24th in the Short-O.

## Coming events

Spring Series, Sunday October 5th, signs from Tua bridge.



## Club meetings

The August meeting will be held at 19:30 on Wednesday 6th August at the Brighthouse residence, 27 Coulthard Terrace, Papakura.

All Counties-Manukau Club members are welcome.

MARGARET BRIFFETT 294 7613

# WORLD O CHAMPS 1997 : NORWAY

Auckland was well represented at the 1997 World Orienteering Championships held in Grimstad, Norway during 9th-17th August. Amongst the 12-strong NZ Team were Kirsten Ambler, Darren Ashmore, Shaun Collins, Rob Jessop, Alistair Landels, Tania Robinson, and Rachel Smith.

There was also loud and enthusiastic Auckland support from adoring fans in the form of Gay and Robin Ambler, Sasha Middleton, Jo Henderson, Madeline Barr, Stu Barr, Brent Edwards and Rebecca Smith. Alistair and Jean Cory-Wright were Team Manager and women's coach respectively.

The weather was hot (30 degrees), the terrain technical, the going often steep and tough, and

the competition as good as it gets. With this in mind, several team members spent weeks or months training and racing in Norwegian terrain prior to the Championships. Kirsten has been living in Norway since early this year.

Unlike previous WOC's, all of the competition areas had been run on before, but these had been out of bounds since 1992 when Norway was named as host country. But maps bordering race areas were available for use, so training was possible on terrain that was identical to the maps used for the World Champs races.

So, what was it like in the forest? Mostly ankle height blueberries underfoot, sometimes loose rocks as well. Bare rock (very fast) on the tops, and often marshes (some large and open, medium fast) in the bottoms. Many maps had little noticeable climb which could make navigation difficult (no big hills to bang into).

After a week of training, trials were held to finalise who would run the Classic, the Short and the Relay (4 allowed in each). The selectors back in NZ chose the following:

## Women

All 3 races: Tania, Antonia Wood, Jenni Adams

Short and Relay: Kirsten

Classic only: Rachel

## Men

All 3 races: Darren, Bruce McLeod

Short and Relay: Alistair Landels

Classic and Short: Aidan Boswell

Classic and Relay: Greg Barbour

Alistair elected not to run in the WOC Classic, citing a less than full buildup to WOC and a desire to save himself for the other 2 races. Rob Jessop had bad luck with injuries, twisting both ankles on a number of occasions in the rocky terrain so that he could no longer run at full speed. He was named as reserve for the Short-O. Shaun ran extremely well for his first outing in Europe, but was just off the pace of the more experienced runners. He was reserve for the Classic race.

The World Champs week got underway with the Opening Ceremony held the evening before the first race. This comprised of a parade of the teams around the local athletics track and a welcome from the IOF and the people of

Grimstad. Displays of Norwegian music and dance followed. The ceremony was overlong but memorable for the rendition of the official WOC song "We are bushmen" performed by a manic dancer who turned out to be the creator of the piece (Norwegian bloke, English lyrics - a one man Abba).

### Classic

The qualifying race to make the Classic final was held the day before the final itself. It consisted of 2 heats (each heat being a similar length but slightly different course) with the top 30 (of 52 starters) in each heat going through to the final.

The women ran brilliantly (5.2km) with each one qualifying. There were a few anxious moments as Rachel sat on 28th place for a while with some women in her heat still to finish. But time ticked on and soon we knew she was secure. The commentators were obviously impressed, specifically announcing to the crowd the Kiwi women's success.

In the men's qualification (8.4km, 70 runners in each heat), Darren and Bruce McLeod initially looked to be OK, but as later starters came in ahead of them, they gradually dropped towards and then past the cutoff position. Darren finished in 32nd place missing 30th spot by 26 seconds. Bruce also finished 32nd (different heat) 63 seconds off the qualifying mark. So very, very close. Greg Barbour was 35th - 2 minutes behind the cutoff.

Joy for the women, disappointment for the men. The fierce heat may have played a part - some of the men saying they felt drained from the beginning of the race.

The weather for the Classic final was no better - 30 degrees and no wind. The flags were out in force, draped along the finish chute, hanging from trees, painted on people's faces. They were mostly Norwegian of course but Swedish supporters had also turned up in force hoping their man Jorgen Martensson could defend his title from 1995. (The winner of the women's race in Germany, Katalin Olah of Hungary, was not present.)

Results were speedy, with intermediate times from the forest going up as soon as runners had passed each manned control. Even closer to the action was the commentary from some of the controls.

"I can hear someone approaching the control, it

looks like Tania Robinson of New Zealand, yes it is. She has stopped, 10m away from me now. She can't see the control... looking at her map. She's turning away from the control, she's going away. Now she has stopped again. She has turned around, she's running towards me... she is punching... NOW. And I make that a new best intermediate time of 36:10"

This was all very exciting, and Tania stayed at the top of the list for half the morning. Added to this was early starter Antonia Wood finishing with the best time to that point, so that the women's results board was dominated by Kiwis for a while. But the fastest runners of the day before had started last and soon their superior form would begin to show through.

We waited for Tania. Her time midway round the course was 5 minutes faster than Antonia's, but some errors near the end cost her, and that advantage was reduced to just a few seconds by the finish. Tania finished 25th, Antonia 26th - a great result - 2 women in the top 30. Rachel ran a steady race for 53rd. Jenni Adams was 57th.

Norway took victory in both the men and women (Petter Thoresen and Hanne Stanstad) - the men's event ending up a cross-country race between the final 3 starters who ran a large part of the course together. With a start interval of only 2 minutes, runners catching each other was inevitable. Petter ended up running down the finish chute with the 2 other runners - defending champion Jorgen Martenssen who he had caught 2 minutes and Denmark's Carsten Jorgenssen who he had caught 4 minutes. This finished 1st, 2nd and 4th. Shortening start intervals for the benefit of the media (this was the reason given) has to be questioned when it so obviously has a big impact on the final results.

### Short-O

The Short race was held 2 days later, following a rest day during which those of us spectating were able to compete on the Classic map. (Rather them than me!) The Short-O also had a qualification - 4 heats this time, held in the morning with the final in the afternoon. The top 15 in each heat to go through to the final of 60 starters.

Times were not added together as they were at the NZ Champs; medals were decided on the Final results only. Even the slightest of errors here would cost places, and in the flattish

technical terrain, navigation had to be spot on. Alistair Landels ran a steady but error-free race for 7th spot to qualify easily. The other 3 men had controls where they missed, all finishing a minute or two behind the magic 15th spot. In the women's heats, Tania and Antonia finished 10th in their respective heats, Jenni was 14th. Kirsten just missed out.

The finish area for the Short Final was set up perfectly in a hollow in a farmer's field. Spectators had a clear view across the gully to the final control, from which runners dropped down for an uphill run to the finish line. Crowds lined the chute waving more flags and sounding cow bells.

As with the Classic, the fastest from the qualification started last, so eventual winners were expected to emerge from the tail end of the start list. Tania and Antonia were well up among the early finishers and eventually placed 24th and 30th respectively. Alistair ran strongly with no errors to also finish 24th, three minutes behind 1st place.

But the new World Champions in Short-O were decided in the final seconds of both the men's and women's races. Lucie Bohm of Austria was the last starter for the women, and many hoped she would come through amongst a host of Scandinavians already dominating the competition. The commentary followed her progress through the forest and at each radio control she was within seconds of the lead time.

In the finish area, the current leader (surprisingly a Norwegian) waited, knowing she was guaranteed a silver medal at least, with only Lucie able to deny her the gold. With less than 60 seconds left there was a flash of red in the trees, and the Austrian appeared, punched and headed for the finish chute. Amongst several thousand cheering spectators, Lucie was the only one who didn't know she was about to become World Champion.

Over the line, she collapsed and was mobbed by the press contingent, her cheering compatriots on all sides madly celebrating the first ever Austrian medal. (By the way, she lives and trains in Stockholm). The men's finish was even closer, except the commentators had given up on Janne Salmi of Finland, the final runner in the forest. He was not picked up at the second to last control.

As the commentator announced "Janne has 30 seconds to finish, we haven't heard anything; I

think he is too late", a blue O suit shot out of the forest from an unexpected direction. It was him! The run-in was taking an average of 25 seconds, but Janne didn't need to know the details - the crowd told him something was up. He crossed the line with 4 seconds to spare.

## Men's Relay

And so to the relay. This utilised the same finish area as the Short, and the final controls were even over the same terrain. But most of the race ran on an adjacent map. A spectator control had the runners looping through the finish area part way round their courses. The men had 2 long legs to start (10.6 km each) and 2 shorter legs for the 3rd and 4th runners (7.6km).

Alistair Landels led off, and at the spectator control he was in 8th place running with a lead bunch 2 minutes behind the breakaway Swedish runner. All of the runners passing through looked exhausted after 6km of their course and it was obvious the rough terrain and high heat once again were taking their toll.

Alistair lost the bunch he was running with after missing a minute at a control where the flag had fallen over (a subsequent protest from NZ was overruled). He handed over to Greg Barbour in 14th place some 12 minutes behind the leader. NZ lost a few places on the 2nd leg, but then news came of disqualifications for mispunching.

First the Italians, then the Lithuanians and the Latvians - disaster for them. Bruce ran a steady 3rd leg to maintain the team in around 17th place when he handed over to Darren. The Swedes were leading by several minutes at this stage but rumour of problems arose when the Swedish team management were seen grouped around some of the organisers and the team manager was called to the officials tent. Then came the announcement. The Swedish second leg runner had run straight past the 4th control. The team was disqualified.

(This is one of the problems with the electronic punching system used at WOC and now common at large events in Europe. There is no clip card and therefore no empty box to tell a runner they have missed out a control.) So 4 teams disqualified - NZ's position was improving all the time.

But Darren was doing plenty of work to make up further. Looking comfortable as he came through the spectator control, he had already passed the

in-form Japanese team and had caught the Estonians 6 minutes. He brought the team home in 13th position with a clean run - his best of the competition. The men's relay was won in a nail biting finish by Denmark. Their last leg runner Allan Mogensen (1993 World Champion in the Classic) overhauled Finland in the final controls and sprinted in to take victory by 5 seconds after 4 hours of racing.

### Women's Relay

The women had 2 short legs to start (3.9km) each, Jenni bringing us home in the top 10 and handing over to Kirsten who had an excellent run to hold our position. Tania ran 3rd leg and when she came through the spectator control she was in a fantastic 6th place which she held to the finish, sending Antonia Wood off for the final leg (6.4km) with a 3 minute cushion back to the Australian team.

Antonia ran a strong first part of the course and was still in 6th when she came through the spectator control. However Australia were now only 40 seconds adrift, and their runner Nicki Taws, an ex-Australian mountain running champion, looked in good shape. Antonia had to dig hard and hit every control to hold her place.

The fans waited... All courses were laid out so that runners could be seen crossing an open field a few minutes before the finish. Expectant NZ (and Australian) eyes were fixed in this direction hoping the next o-suit would be theirs. Then she appeared - yellow and green, it was Nicki Taws. No Antonia in sight.

Still 7th was possible... then Antonia appeared at the last control, but there were 2 other women with her. Were they final leg runners or only completing leg 3 having been lapped? As they came round the corner up the finish chute, the '4' on their race numbers was plain. Russia and Croatia pipped New Zealand on the line. A cruel finish for Antonia after such a great performance, but enormous experience for the future.

So the first ever World Champs top 10 placing for New Zealand. 9th place and 4 seconds away from 7th. A very impressive result - and achieved with Marquita Gelderman out of action. Things look bright indeed.

That was WOC. Lots of other stuff happened, lots learned to build on. The team were superb - a real team. The supporters were loud. Jean made a huge difference as womens coach. New

Zealand is really starting to figure on the international scene. Squad members are extremely committed, and many won't be seen back here for while. Several that are based here will be away for a large part of next winter. Training and racing in Europe are a big part of continued success.

Thoughts and plans are now focused on World Cups next year, and of course the next World Championships - Scotland 1999. Och aye!

ALISTAIR CORY-WRIGHT [AOC], NZ TEAM  
MANAGER

## AUCKLAND RELAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

### Sunday 2nd November 1997

Counties Manukau OC presents the 1997 Auckland Relay Championships. The format used successfully for the last three years will be used again.

Course Setter is Patricia Aspin, Controller Wayne Aspin, Co-ordinator Hillary Isles. Venue is Whiriwhiri Maioro, west of Pukekohe.

### Event format

Club teams of 4 people will be randomly selected from a ranked list of club members - one person from each quarter of the list. This format allows reasonably evenly matched teams to compete against one another in a score type event.

Each team member gets a map with all 40 controls marked. The team has 15 minutes to organise who is to punch each control. The first team to get all 40 controls punched and return to the event centre is the winner. All 4 team members must cross the finish line together. Team members who punch all of the controls allocated to them must wait at an assembly point 50m from the Finish until the remaining team members join them.

The winner of the inter-club competition is decided by the lowest total of the club's first three teams' finish positions.

### Eligibility

Only clubs affiliated to the Auckland Orienteering

Association may compete for the Relay Shield. Composite teams or teams from other clubs are welcome to compete unofficially for the honourable distinction of being the fastest team.

Competitors should bring a pencil or pen for marking their allotted controls.

### Times

10:30	Team draw
10:45ish	Map issue
11:00ish	Mass start

### Entries

Contact your club co-ordinator to enter this prestigious event.

Auckland	Rae Powell	624 1513
NorthWest	Ann Fettes	827 5358
Counties-M	Linda Brighthouse	298 8380
WACO	Shaun Collins	631 0204
Whangarei	Dick Rankin	09 434 6499

Entry fee is \$5 per person, \$15 family maximum, to be collected by your club co-ordinator. Entries to co-ordinators close on 17th October.

### Enter now!

This type of event engenders a real team spirit, it's a lot of fun.

For more information contact Rob Hattie 09 299 6394

## AN INVITATION

Judy and Laurie would like to be asked to set up a one or two day orienteering happening here in Whangamata for any group or groups wishing to take advantage of our Whanga forest, beach, craft trails, gold mining relics, bush walks etc. And of course - of our challenging map.

We have in mind the sort of arrangement we set out to organise last autumn: accommodation, food and events for a group orienteering weekend.

The cost of dinner bed and breakfast would be about \$20.00. Map = \$5.00.

The request could come from for example from a school group eg from Birkenhead; from a group of enthusiastic juniors eg Robbie's; or from the

AOA junior training squad; or from a club.

The "events" could be of a training nature, a competitive nature or more for fun and may be timed in such a way as to provide opportunity to do other than orienteering things.

We'd much prefer to have the group: decide what it would like to have us do, give us any necessary information - numbers etc - and be responsible for the cash.

The sooner decisions are made the better our chances of booking preferred accommodation eg The Bedshed.

Interested?

Laurie & Judy

## TAMAKI

### Sunday 24th August

What a wonderful spring day. Great to see such a good turnout for a park/streets event. There were many who didn't put up their results (Michal? Neil? Helen? ...) but we sold over 80 maps.

Particularly good to see some new or near new faces. We hope that you enjoyed the day and look forward to seeing you again soon. We set the courses fairly long for a park event, as there were a few nice areas that some of you may not have explored before and we thought you may enjoy.

Fortunately the weather meant it was a pleasant day to enjoy being out. It was rather frustrating that two controls were stolen, one affecting the later starters on course 1 and 2 and the other the last out on course 3. Sorry to those who wasted time hunting in vain for a control that actually had been sitting right out in the open on the edge of the track.

I do wonder if that control in Glover Park had been removed by an irate cliff-top land owner who didn't approve of some rather over-intrepid orienteers who decided to take on the fight across the cliff from Achilles Point to Glover Park - it is public land but I suspect the landowners prefer to forget that fact!

We actually had done all in our power to make it obvious on the map that you couldn't get through that way, feeling it was unsafe, but some people like a challenge, don't they Rob and Brent! Next

time we set on this map we will plan it for a low tide and offer some interesting mudflat route choices.

JOANNA & ALISTAIR STEWART

**Course 1**

Brent Edwards 58:51

36 hours back in the country from the World Champs

Darren Ashmore 59:46

Just back from the World Champs

Rob Crawford 61:50

With a hangover?

Guy Cory-Wright 63:26

Grant Beaumont 87:02

Only 2nd O event

Peter Godfrey 92:10

Mark Roberts 94:00

Allan Janes 94:22

Martin Barber 102:30

Thanks for bringing the crowd along

John Powell 104:02

A Leenarts 105:00

Bert Chapman 126:43

Hope the calf muscle is coming right

Tim Renton & Anthony Warren 141:27

First ever O event

**Course 2**

Charlotte Marra 62:00

Lyn Stanton 62:24

Pat Murphy 63:00

Toni Fotherby 64:32

Great family rivalry here

Steve Fotherby 64:37

Father just pipped by daughter

C Paice 71:28

Modified course?

Sarah Beaumont 76:14

Well done encouraging your father to have a go

Fiona Monks 76:50

A good start to the fitness recovery

Maurice Penney 77:44

Frank Parr 82:25

Lesley Hodder 82:32

Doug O'Shea 90:07

Mary Langdon 91:30

Phillip Barber 104:30

Rae Powell 115:30

**Course 3**

SB Hodder 37:37

Christine Crate 42:50

Sally Wilson & Amy Wright 50:00

Lisa Brooks 54:00

Manurewa Pathfinders 56:48

Bereneice Cathro 61:50

Vivienne Leigh 65:52

Jessica Cathro 78:19

Arnold Leigh 85:15

Sam Murphy 112:00

Kamalvis 152:00

Control 11 had been stolen before you got there, sorry

**Course 4**

Jenny Vinsen 16:12

Amy Wright 17:12

Samuel Cathro 31:00

Rodenburg Family 40:53

This is the way to get into orienteering

Chantelle, Vaine & Iro 48:00

Helen Wilson 60:00

Only 10 years old

Mrs Ravea? 86:38

Mary Mare 86:40

**BEAUTIFUL HILLS**

**Sunday 3rd August**

Controller Janice Cyprian

Setter John Powell

Organiser Alex Weir

What a lucky bunch. No rain, only a \$4 entry fee, course lengths to give you 15% more O time and a lot of demanding technical orienteering on courses 1, 2 and 3.

I was not surprised that more than a few on courses 1,2 and 3 had difficulty with leg DH - P. The intricate knoll features parallel to the track to

the west of the control, the restricted visibility and the indefinite track bend all posed problems. For rapid location of the control you would have had to have known exactly where you were on arriving at the knolls and then to accurately read the knoll features as you traversed them either north or south.

I was surprised by the difficulty some course 3 people had in finding control 3 (W, small depression) from the track junction. Sole reliance on a compass bearing would have led you astray, partly because the junction is mapped about 30m north of its position in relation to the control, and also because of the difficulty in accurately following a compass bearing in the scrubby terrain.

The uphill native bush leg on courses 1 and 2, J (re-entrant) to CK (small depression) was a leg on the men's World Cup course.

I had expected the visible re-entrant from the junction, the prominent knoll to the south of the control and the short distance from the track junction to have made this an easy control to locate. Members of the "Headless Chickens", a well known orienteering group which can be heard chanting laments in forest settings, were the likely culprits.

My thanks to Alex and helpers for setting up the gear and for considerable ingenuity in erecting the tunnel tent, not having done it before. Next time I will give you the poles which match the tent! I thought it would be in the interests of my personal safety that you found this out through the newsletter rather than me telling you as you struggled with the gear.

We had the unusual occurrence of a W21E doing the beginners course. Marquita went around on crutches giving Grant Campbell his first win over an elite NZ representative.

Great initiative was displayed by a couple who wanted a discount, which they received, for using a pre-loved map. The club committee considered this precedent and did not approve on the grounds that the print cost of a map is a small part of the costs of an event. No discounts will be given in future. So there.

### Course 1 5.4km / 200m

Philip Wood	65.12
Bryan Teahan	71.18
Dave Middleton	73.01

Rob Garden	73.19
Michal Glowacki	74.17
Matt Tuck	75.50
Guy Cory-Wright	79.32
Stuart Middleton	85.20
Les Warren	87.25
Roel Michels	95.18
Mark Lawson	97.45
Alistair Stewart	99.25
Mike Beveridge	121.22
Michael Hood	178.32

### Course 2 4.2km / 170m

Mark McLean	71.20
Jonine Nash	74.05
Michelle Nash	76.05
Mike Marra	79.12
Lisa Mead	82.22
Selwyn Palmer	96.45
Rob Hattie	99.03
David Stewart	105.15
Asta Wistrand	129.46
Bert Chapman	147.15
Les Paver	DNF

### Course 3 2.9km / 130m

Paulette Ashmore	67.43
Joanne Stewart	68.32
Jan Smithies	77.01
Clive Bolt	77.53
Di Michels	84.00
Ann Smithies	92.28
Chris Gelderman	98.30
Andy Brewis	102.00
Helen Bolt	103.00
Jill Brewis	124.59

### Course 4 2.4km / 60m

T Glowacki	35.10
Yett Gelderman	46.45
Heather Clendon	54.55
Sarah Beaumont	55.08

Tom Clendon	56.03
<b>Course 5</b>	<b>1.8km / 60m</b>
Grant Campbell	25.40
Marquita Gelderman	60.49

JOHN POWELL [AOC]

## ETCETERA

### Women's training camp

Ann Fettes offers seats in her car for the trip to the Women's Training Camp at Taupo on October 10/12. She also has entry forms. Ann can be contacted on 827 5358 or afettes@iconz.co.nz.

### A sign?

"Alan was taking [a sign] off the Tait Road signpost when a pitbull from the house across the road thought he'd have a piece of him. Out it bounded, Alan ready to defend himself with his hammer, when SMACK! One dead dog - splattered by a car."

FROM "COMPASS POINTS" - HBOC  
NEWSLETTER

### Taking responsibility

Interesting to note in recent issues of "Tales of WOA", the Wellington area newsletter, that Hutt Valley OC's committee has adopted a new strategy for coping with insufficient volunteers. They simply cancel the event with no further ado, making this fact extremely public in advance in the newsletter.

It seems that they had suffered from committee members burning out because of all of the slots they were filling.

I'm impressed.

MR

### Junior Training Camp - Help Required

Auckland is hosting a NZOF Junior Training Camp from 15th-20th December. The camp is based at Houghton's Bush camp, but while at the camp the juniors will be travelling to various maps in the Woodhill region. Transportation is a

problem.

If anyone has access to a van or minibus which could be borrowed (with or without driver) for some or all of the five days of the camp, we would very much like to hear from them. One possibility would be a school van which is not required at this time of the year.

There will be a number of cars at the camp but not enough to transport everyone. If anyone has any ideas could they please get in touch with me.

Thanks

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The deadline for contributions for the October AUCKLAND ORIENTEER is Saturday 20th September.

Disks or email please, if you can; ASCII text with no hard returns, or Microsoft Word, on DOS 3.5" disks for preference. Please don't format your document with spaces or tabs, it takes me ages to get rid of them all.

I would prefer not to have to return your disk, but just ask and I will give you as many disks as you want, I have hundreds of them.

If you can't supply on disk, and the article is fairly long, please supply as camera-ready copy, on A4 with a 16mm border all round (265mm x 178mm), and font size at 11 points. Careful! This border is smaller than your WP or typewriter would normally be set up for,

and the font size is bigger.

*I am prepared to type contributions if necessary.*

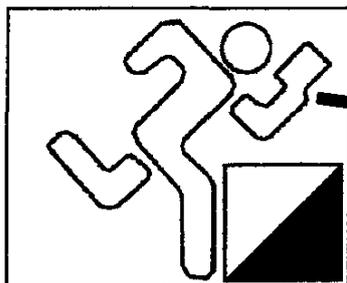
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*MARK ROBERTS 520 5993*



## NZOF JUNIOR TRAINING CAMP

Houghtons Bush, Muriwai, Auckland  
15<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> December 97

**Are you** 13-16 years  
Orienteer at yellow level and above.  
Affiliated to NZOF.

Then this  
camp is for  
**YOU**



**Why** Camps are great fun, you make lots of new friends, and you become a better orienteer. Result - you can't wait to get to the next event.

**When** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December 5pm to Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December (finish about 2pm)

**Where** Houghtons Bush Camp situated near Muriwai Beach, in a bush setting on the Muriwai Map. Confidence course, playing fields, surf beach.

**What** Training exercises in the morning; fun activities in the afternoons; an hour or so of follow-up O activities in the evenings.

**Cost** \$130 covering accommodation, food, orienteering expenses and entertainment.

Travel assistance is available through the NZOF Coaching Director for those coming from outside the Auckland area.

**Deadline** Applications close 21st November 1997.

Confirmation / final information will be sent to you by early December.

**Info** For further details contact Joanna Stewart, 38a Glendowie Rd, Glendowie, Auckland 5.

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