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COMING EVENTS

Events are on Sundays and start between 10 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. unless noted.

- Feb 6** See under training events
- February 8-10 **TAUPO NZOF Training Weekend.** Details in this newsletter.
- 10 **C ONE TREE HILL.** Setter: Karl Rogers.
- 17 **Club Committee Meeting** 11a.m. 24 Dingle Rd. St. Heliers
All interested members welcome to attend.
- 17 **BOP MT. MAUNGANUI CDOA O/Y event.** Native bush, steep.
- 24 **C CHURCHILL PARK.** Setter: Lyn Stevens.
- March 2 **C HANGERE MOUNTAIN**
- 2 **SA DUDER'S BEACH**
- 9 **SA WAIUKU FOREST 1st O/Y event.**
- 15 **P KINLEITH BADGE EVENT.** A Saturday event, starting times
not known yet. Excellent map and forest.

The remainder of the year's fixture list is presented below. Some of the dates for minor events are provisional. A more final list will be provided when it becomes available.

Mar 16	SA Waiuku (Training)	July 20	CDOA O/Y
23	NW Woodhill O/Y	27	C Long street and park O
30	C Totara Park	Aug 10	SA Drury O/Y
Apr 5-13	Major events in Australia. Entries close 15 Feb. (Ring John Gregory 656-908 for details)	17	CDOA O/Y
20	CDOA O/Y	17	SA Drury (Training)
27	C Woodhill O/Y	17	C Churchill Park
30	SA Schools Championship (At Richmond, Wed.)	24	NW Long O
May 4	C Clevedon	31	C Western Springs
11	N.Z. Relays Masterton	Sept 7	NW Woodhill O/Y
18	C Kapa Rd, Kohimarama	13	C Woodhill Night Champs.
25	SA Waiuku O/Y	21	CDOA O/Y
31-Jun 2	Woodhill 3-day event	28	SA Auckland Championship (Matakawa)
Jun 15	SA Waiuku (Training)	Oct 5	SA Matakawa (Training)
22	C Woodhill O/Y	12	C Woodhill O/Y
July 6	C Blockhouse Bay	26-28	T N.Z. Championships (Taupo)
13	NW Woodhill O/Y	Nov 2	NW Auckland Relays
20	SA Papakura	16	CDOA O/Y
		16	C Dingle Dell

Abbreviations C - Central Orienteering Club
 NW - North-West " "
 SA - South Auckland " "
 O/Y - Orienteer of the Year event
 CDOA - Central Districts (Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Taupo) Orienteering Association.
 Long O - Event at which some courses are longer than normal

FROM THE EDITOR

The 1980 orienteering season is now almost with us. This newsletter shows that there will be a good programme of events. The Auckland Orienteer of the Year (O/Y) series will provide regular forest events at the rate of about one a month. This year these events will be at Woodhill Forest, Waiuku Forest and near Drury. In addition there will be a number of events in the city and the usual Championship events. The keenest orienteers will be making trips south to some of the events in the Central Districts.

One thing we should concentrate on this year is getting out to the forest events without using too much petrol. In the next newsletter there will be details of a scheme to facilitate car pooling.

We must be careful not to damage fences and other property at our orienteering venues. Special care is necessary at One Tree Hill where damage to fences has occurred in the past. Make sure that children know to cross at stiles, the hinge end of a gate, or at a sturdy post.

I would like to hear suggestions of what members would like to read in their newsletters. Particularly welcome are contributions to it including those from our newest members. Offers of assistance with the typing would also be welcome. At the moment the typing is largely done by people who are slow, inaccurate and have no access to electric typewriters.

1979 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 16/12/79

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This has been a year of consolidation. Once again we are one of the largest clubs in the country with a total of 181 affiliated orienteers. We have organised 16 open events plus the closing day and a number of club runs and promotional competitions. The administrative workload has been spread fairly widely, we hope many have enjoyed their chance to show their skills and put something back into our labour-intensive sport without it being too onerous a task. I would like to pay tribute to Wallace for 'coordinating' the Coordinators at many of these events and assisting with publicity and often results.

We are also indebted to our regular club officers who have handled the areas of publicity, membership, fixtures, equipment and newsletters. The last two in particular require an enormous amount of time and we are very grateful to Tony, John and Karl. The newsletter format has been standardised and I am sure you would wish me to congratulate the editors on the consistently high standard of the ten issues. Last and by no means least the work of Wallace as secretary and treasurer has been prodigious, even superhuman at times as he kept the ship going alternately being captain, purser and crew.

The main events for the year for the club were the Schools Championships and the AOA Relays, both of which ran exactly according to their well-laid plans. The schools event attracted some 250 competitors almost all of whom finished the courses, and with the aid of no less than nine finish officials results were posted in record time. The relays meeting unfortunately didn't attract as

many people but there was a good turnout from the Auckland clubs and the event was extremely well-organised and enjoyed by all. An original departure from previous years was the organising of orienteering events for two Business Houses runners groups, the first a mass start street event and the second a twilight score event in One Tree Hill. Both were Wallace's brainchild, ran slickly and seemed to be extremely popular. The sight of nearly three hundred people descending on their maps at one time had to be seen to be believed.

This year we released three new colour maps bringing the club's total to nine. Dingle Bell and Mangere Mountain are excellent production areas and a valuable addition to our stock; we are indebted to Ralph King for the many hundreds of hours he put into the new Woodhill map, our first. Five other city areas and one forest area are in varying degrees of completion by different people and I have at least three areas up my sleeve in case anyone feels left out.

For the first time this year we held a number of social runs in conjunction with club committee meetings. Venues ranged across the city with a score event in One Tree Hill, an evening run at St Heliers night events at Mangere and Avondale and a twilight event on a new street map at Bucklands Beach. Turnouts were very disappointing in view of their proximity and the time that went into preparing the events. I hope more effort will be made to attend any future such events, they are only once a month and can be great fun.

Considering some individual performances, we congratulate the following:-

AOA O/Y	1st	James Brewis, Simon Clendon, Tanya Nicholls
	2nd	Kirsten Nicholls, Tom Clendon, Carol Pearce, John Pearce, Jim Denyer and Doug Morris.
	3rd	John Gregory, Sam Small
NZOF Chps	1st	James Brewis, Simon Clendon, Tom Clendon, Wallace
	2nd	Kirsten, Bob Johnson and Tony Nicholls
	3rd	Alex Brewis.
AOA Chps.	1st	Simon, Bob, Grant Plimmer, Tony Nicholls
	2nd	James Brewis, Tanya, Lyn Stevens, Wallace
	3rd	John Pearce, Margaret Nicholls.

Looking to next year I hope we can continue to offer some innovative ideas; another course setting competition, an AOA night championships (already approved on the calendar) and perhaps some scribed maps. Top orienteers are going to have to train more as world standards at last hit us in next year's competitions in Australia- e.g. NZ1's will run 16km. Those who want challenge, variety and a change from Woodhill are going to travel more to the Central Districts, and there they are hopefully going to do some more mapping! We look forward to hosting two big events in the next 15 months, the 3-day events in Woodhill on Queen's birthday weekend and in Jan 1981, we are going to need all our resources for these events to go smoothly. The social side of orienteering got a huge boost this year from the Taupo 3 day and December trial, the Internationalland the NZ Champs. I urge all of our club's members to make the effort to participate in these major events.

Most of this year's 'executive' are willing to continue but by next year it will be time for some new faces to take things over- now is the time to start thinking about it! In closing, I would like to thank John and Carol Pearce for their support and enthusiasm and hope that they have now recovered from the shock of running in Rotoehu Forest and mapping One Tree Hill within a week or two of arriving in N.Z. Now they are off, we wish them well, perhaps we could exchange newsletters between clubs.

JOHN RIX

EXTRACTS FROM THE TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance \$1376.37 (Balance at 11/12/78 \$119.90)

Don't think for a moment that we are flush, for, as the President stated in his Report there are 5 city and 1 forest area maps to print in the new year. Photogrammetry of the forest area will cost \$500 and each coloured map will cost \$300 to print. In total we expect to pay \$2,300 which is \$1000 more than we have amassed. Each map will therefore need sponsorship of \$200 if we are to make ends meet. Map makers should initiate this now - don't wait until the map is ready to print, else we shall not be able to approve it.

You may rightly observe that \$610 of our liquid funds is earmarked for a caravan. When first mooted some members agreed to lend us \$1000 - the only way, I believe, to get this project floated, in view of its lower priority to mapping.

Careful budgeting will be required next year to regulate cash flow to meet map printing costs. Event revenue is analysed separately and highlights its importance. Purposefully we've set a heavy programme and will be relying on good attendance. Therefore a concerted promotional effort is needed. Bring a new friend each time to every event and follow up his/her progress to ensure continuity.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President	J. Rix
Secretary/Treasurer	Wallace Bottonley
Equipment	Tony Nicholls
Newsletter Editor	Karl Rogers
Mapping	John Gregory
Mapping Assistant	Tom Clendon
Publicity	Geoff Bendell

all were elected unopposed

It was moved that the Committee finalise appointments in the following areas: Fixtures, Promotion, Membership, Instruction.

GENERAL BUSINESS

General business at the AGM

- 1) Suggested that club meetings be held at 10 a.m. on the day of another club's event.
- 2) Suggested more personal contact through pyramid system
- 3) " social mid-week runs be separate from committee meetings and other clubs be invited.

These ideas all had considerable support and will be given a trial.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

The committee had supported keeping subscriptions the same as in 1979. However, the feeling of the meeting was that, in view of continuing inflation, subscriptions be raised by \$1 in each membership category. The 1980 subscriptions are Junior \$4 Senior \$8 Family \$13

AFTER THE AGM

The AGM was followed by

i A novelty O event (see setter's report)

ii A BBQ

iii Children's games (fiercely contested for ice cream prizes)

iv Swimming

It was a most enjoyable day - Thank you John Rix for organizing it.

Central's Closing Day Event 1970 - King's College, Dec. 16th

Setter's Report

This was not a 'normal' event as any survivor will testify, but plenty of mental and physical exercise was gained by most which was the object of the whole thing. It was really designed for runners rather than walkers as the latter wouldn't really have had time to go back and forth if they were unfortunate enough to investigate false clues.

The points system was as follows: Brain teasers 40 pts, Finding the master maps 40 pts, O course 90 pts, time points 100 minus elapsed time in minutes.

Results: John Pearce 204, Andrew Brewis 201, Karl Rogers 201, Wallace Bottomley 180, Carol and James Pearce 172, Vivienne Rix 167, Tom Clendon sr 164, Ian Bamford 155, Tom Clendon Jr 137, Grant Blimner 135, R Brewis 84, John Bottomley 72, Denyers 40.

A word of explanation: A bearing of 246° took you to the second control from the 1st of a group of 4, 50 m away was the map which led you to the marsh, the other three maps of course led you up the garden path. The cryptic clue led you to the Range with a labelled kauri tree nearby that had to be found. The brain teasers were to keep you busy on the false trails and were solved as follows: 'King Abe' bearing; 'Attractive property Chinese origin' was magnetite, 'Entire O Ring E was orienteering, 'Toe Hour' was Rotochu.

JOHN RIX

MAJOR EVENT REPORT

Badge Event at Hauko 8th Dec 1970

This was a key event for serious orienteers as it was a selection race for the 1980 Australian tour and a badge event to boot. The map used was the one from the Easter 3 Day 1970, definitely one of the best mapped and nicest areas we have, even if one feels a bit at sea in the middle of it. It was disappointing therefore that only 12 Central people made the effort to get there.

Brief results were as follows: M21 1st 67.14, J. Rix 67.40., J. Pearce 67.07, K. Rogers 141.16; M35, 1st 63.24, J. Gregory 79.52; M17 T. Clendon 1st 82.49; M43 1st 58.47, G. Bendall 65.20, T. Clendon Sr 124.21; M21 1st 63.47, C. Pearce 85.33; M35 1st H. Nicholls 64.41, M15 1st 53.33; S: Clendon 57.49; M13 1st 55.39, J. Brewis 114.12

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AOA NEWS

The AOA AGM was held on 11/12/79. The Office Holders for 1980 are
Chairman: Ross Brighthouse (SA) Vice-chairman: Ray Sheldon (SA)
Secretary: Dave Morrison (NW) Treasurer: Selwyn Palmer (SA)
John Rix, Wallace Bottomley and Dave Knight attended the meeting
The next AOA meeting will be on 5/2/80 at Peart House, King's College 8p.m.

NZOF NEWS

The NZOF constitution was discussed at a recent meeting and AGM voting was confirmed as being on a proportional basis (i.e. clubs with large numbers all affiliated to the NZOF get more votes than small clubs).

The NZOF plan to distribute glossy coloured orienteering brochures to all clubs in N.Z. for use in promoting the sport.

A training squad for the 1981 World Champs (Switzerland) has been formed with Rolf Wagner (N.W. Club) as team manager and John Robinson (S.A.) as coach. It is hoped training activities and fundraising will take place this year. Anyone who has ideas to contribute please contact John Rix.

A South Island Championships is being held this year. There will be an instruction weekend at Taupo from 8-10th Feb, with the next Executive meeting of the N.Z.O.F. on the Sunday. The N.Z. team for the Australian visit in April this year was announced before Xmas and travel plans for the team and supporters are more or less finalised. Central's representatives are: Tom and Simon Clendon, Geoff Bendall, John Gregory and John Rix. (The Nicholls were not available)

The N.Z.O.F. AGM will be held at Putaruru at 9 a.m. on 16th Feb. (Venue: High School ?). To make nominations or to send receipts ring John Rix immediately.

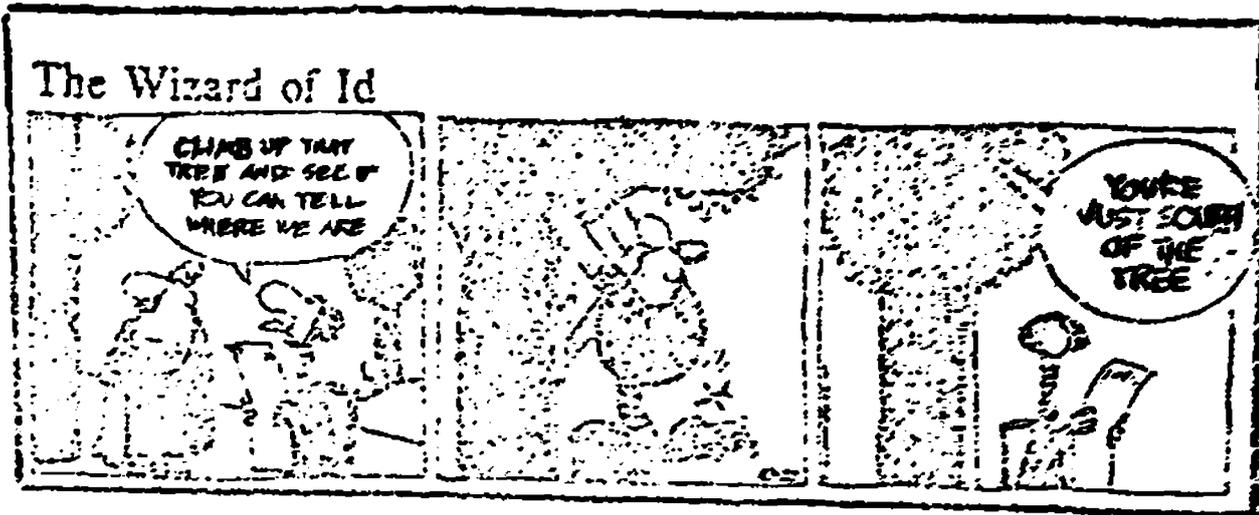
WORLD O NEWS

Italy and Korea (South) are now affiliated to the IOF. The total number of affiliated countries is now 25. Singapore has now become an associate member.

The World Championships will be in Switzerland in 1981, Hungary 1983, and possibly Australia in 1985.

The 1979 World Championships were held in Finland in September. New Zealand placings were: Men John Robinson 49th, Graham Frith 71st, Gordon Pirie 75th, and Greg Whitecliffe 76th (78 finishers). Women Eileen Frith 45th, Anitra Dowling 58th, Valerie Robinson 59th (69 finishers). In the relays the men were disqualified for running out of order. The women were 15th (17 starters) less than one minute behind Australia.

The championships were again dominated by the Scandinavians. In the men's individual event Norwegians were 1st, 2nd and 3rd with Swedes occupying the next 3 places. In the women's individual Finns took the top 2 places and were followed by a Swede, a Swiss, another Swede and then a Norwegian. The best-placed Australians were Geoff Lawford (29th) and Sue Key (35th).



TRAINING EVENTS

It has been argued that N.Z. orienteers interested in raising the standard of their navigation should train in the forest practicing the various skills. Those with the enthusiasm for this will have a number of opportunities this year.

The North West club is holding 3 training sessions in February at Otakarini Topu in Goodhill Forest (entry via Riazar Rd). The dates and times are:

- Wed Feb 6 (Maitangi Day) 10 a.m.
- Sat Feb 16 9 a.m.
- Sat Feb 23 9 a.m.

The supervisor at the first of these will be Dieter Wolf (10th in 1979 World Champs and a good communicator). For further information ring John Ranson (4447202)

NZOF Training Weekend

The following information has been received. If you are planning to go and would like a ride, Geoff Bendall is taking his car and offering 2 spare seats (first in, first served; ring 257175).

N.Z.O.F. TRAINING WEEKEND

TAUPO: Based at Iwitihi Education Camp. February 8th, 9th and 10th.

Friday; 8 pm. outline of weekend programme and discussion.

Saturday; 9 am start.

Sunday; 9 am start, finish about 3 pm.

Come along and make the weekend a success.

TRAINING: Initial plans are to have those attending the training divided into several groups based on ability. eg. elite and experienced, experienced but slower, less experienced and juniors. Various techniques and methods for improving your 'O' ability will be explained and practiced. We expect to have the assistance of Dieter Wolf of Switzerland (10 th at 15 79) in planning and supervising the instruction. Evenings will be devoted to discussions, films, slides etc. Bring pencil and paper.

ACCOMMODATION: The weekend will be based at the Iwitihi Camp (24 km from Taupo on the Napier Highway) for which a small fee will be made to cover costs. The fee will be dependent to some extent to the numbers attending.

Taupo Weekend Cont'd

NAME	ADDRESS	Ph. No.	GRADE	COACHING Yes/No

Number for camp accommodation..

Number for Camp dinner and two breakfasts..

To: Mrs. E. Brighthouse,
26 Sunset St.,
TAUPO.

Ph. 89851 (evenings)

MEALS: Arrangements have been made to provide a hot basic meal on the Sat. evening and breakfasts for both Sat. and Sun. You will need to provide your own lunches and these will probably be eaten out in the forest. The kitchen and dining room will definitely not be available for individuals to do any cooking. The meals will be as cheap as possible.

FEES: If sufficient numbers attend we expect to keep the total cost for the Camp fee, dinner and two breakfasts, maps, clip cards, plastic bags, etc. to less than \$10 per person.

We require a close estimate of numbers in order to organise the Camp accommodation meals and training sessions so would those interested please fill in the form and return it to Elaine Brighthouse, 26 Sunset St., Taupo before Monday 4 th Feb. or ring Taupo 89851 in the evening with details. (Please note we will be away from Jan.22 nd to 28 th.)

Mapping News (Woodhill Forest)

There has been a hold up in the production of the photogrammetric base map of the area north of Forest H.Q. It was hoped to use this for the June 3 Day event but we will probably have to make alternative plans for one of the days. We sent over to Norway the 1953 photos of this area but the trees proved to be still too dense so now we have sent 1040 photos so they are working on these. John Rix and Don Rolfe (N.M.) have made several visits to the southern part of the forest to be used for future maps but there is trouble here with a high level of lupin.