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NEWSLETTER Nov-Dec '81

Happenings

- November 15 CDOA Q/Y Roto-orangi, Hamilton O Club Champs. Brand new map, near Maungatautari, so an equal challenge to everyone. Courses for all grades so don't be put off by the word "Champs". Signposted from State Highway 1 just south of Cambridge, venue on Tironganga Road, off Norwegian Road. Certificates to winners in each grade.
- 28 CDOA Relays and Night Champs. Entries closed.
- December 6 CENTRAL CLUB A.G.M. 24 Dingle Road, 12.30 p.m. Event open 10 a.m. in Dingle Dell. Ice cream for kids. See note on A.G.M. below.
- January 30-31 All Night Relays, Taupo. Anyone wanting to run contact Geoff Bendall, Ph. 557-173.
- Mid-January Winstone's Forest Fun Run - to raise money for O-ing. More details later.
- March 27 Hound the Bays race. Why not get a team of orienteers together?
- 1985? Finland is staging the Veteran World 'O' Champs. Veterans are 35 and over. Who wants to enter?

New members - Welcome!

Robert Jessop, 40 Batkin Rd, Avondale 7	Phone 884-907
Kathryn Rogers, 12 Dickey St, Avondale 7	
Miss R. Thomas, 50 Allendale Rd, New Lynn 7	892-720
Mr J.M. Weber, 2A Pleasant Rd, Glen Eden 7	
Miss B. Hetherington, 34 Buxton St, Pt Chevalier	

Congratulations to Robert Jessop - 2nd in ACA Champs (M13).

AGM 6 December 1981 following event in Dingle Dell:

At the last AGA meeting a remit calling for a reduced number of OY events each year was lost. Central O Club supports 9 OYs each year as at present.

Central O Club intends to promote more forest promotional events.

Come to the AGM and express your views for planning next year's fixtures.

The proposal to have a caravan as a mobile office has been shelved.

Grants have been received from:	Auckland City Council	\$500
	One Tree Hill Borough Council	\$100
	Mt Wellington Borough Council	\$100.

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ORIENTEER OF THE YEAR 1981

A total of 150 entrants were received for the series, compared with 155 for series 1980. This year points were gained by 115 competitors in the various grades and it is encouraging to note that the maximum total of 100 was achieved in only four grades; evidence of the keener competitive element developing.

Notable were the close results in grades W13-14, W15-16, W21A, W43, M21A and M50. In reference to the attached list only those competitors who gained points are included. In addition it should be noted that some competitors who, on occasions, ran in grades other than that originally entered were not eligible for points in those cases; but of course would possibly affect other competitors' points. We look forward to the continued success of the "series" in 1982.

JIM DENYER

JOHN RIX HAS GIVEN US A GREAT REPORT ON THE FORTUNES, FUN, FALLIBILITY AND FATE, MET BY THE N.Z. TEAM TO THE 1981 WORLD CHAMPS IN SWITZERLAND:

WM 81, Switzerland, Sept 4th and 6th

Our first thoughts for a World Championships training squad were in 1979 when we realized that to a) improve or b) raise money we would have to put our heads together over a year ahead to choose the squad, hold training camps and get fundraising schemes off the ground. Looking back I think we can say this was the first time these things have been done successfully: five training camps were held (3 in Auckland, one each in Taupo and Kinleith) and a total of \$14,000 net was raised.

We flew via Singapore in mid August with a stopover there. The men tried a run at 7 a.m. from our hotel in the middle of the city - the air was thick and sticky and we ran a follow-my-leader memory route on our only street map. A good thing the selectors weren't there to see us, but in our defence there were a lot of unmapped features. Indian bureaucracy nearly drove us up the wall at Bombay when most of us were imprisoned in the transit lounge for four hours with no explanation in the middle of the night whilst the rest of the passengers sat on the plane and wondered the same thing.

All was soon forgotten in the excitement of touching down in Europe - Dieter Wolf and Anitra Dowling met us at Zurich airport, we picked up our rental minibus and with chauffeur Rolf Wagner we set off, with everything going exactly according to plan. It seemed strange to be in the peaceful countryside within half an hour having coffee at Dieter's, and examining his enormous map collection, talking like old times. After a couple of shopping stops, which impressed us with the huge range of high quality goods, we had a splendid lunch at Rolf's home and journeyed another 1½ hours to Sellamatt, a small cluster of houses way up on a mountainside in the N.E. of the country. A huge meal awaited us served by a waiter mysteriously deaf to our requests for water; later we found why, he got a commission on all the drinks he sold!

Bright and early next morning we assembled at the back door for Dieter's first exercise: 7.2 km on contours only with paper controls, that is if the cows hadn't eaten them. The chalet we were in was just on the mapped area, a beautiful 6 km² slab of mountainside decorated with all manner of rocky protuberances, and 80% open but with some fiendish forested areas. Mistakes that morning? Yes, but it was reassuring to know it was the same sport as at home, and we all got round. Next day we saw all the other colours on the map on our two exercises. Did it help? Well, we just made different mistakes but not all entirely our fault... the second exercise started on the far side of the map and SOMEONE started us on a parallel feature about 70 m from where we should have been so when we ran 200 m SE to the first control we were all off the mapped area! Of course we should have picked this up, but I can honestly say I've ever been in a worse area: a steep, overgrown jungle of boulders up to house size that defied any simplification. I was one of the last to find the control and I did some rapid calculating to estimate my km rate: 180 mins/km which gave me cause for concern for the 14 km of the World Champs.

Things weren't so bad after this and the days started flying by - the weather was superb, the scenery beautiful, the food ample and nothing to do but travel and orienteer. This was the life! We attended a club training evening at St Gallen - if you have ever thought our events are sometimes poorly advertised or signposted then you should have tried this one! Another day, a depressingly cold and wet one, we ran the World Student Champs course (see the IOF Report doing the club rounds). For the first time I got that "total exhaustion" feeling and had to walk up the hills after about 1½ hours, but it was great terrain. After 5 days at Sellamatt we had a day's scenic drive through the Oberall and snowclad Susten passes to the WM centre, an attractive site of various residential blocks with a beautiful outlook over Lake Thun. Not many were in residence - the only countries who attend the third and last training camp are the ones too poor or too far away to attend the earlier camps.

About ten different areas within two hours' drive had "nets" of 30 or so controls laid out with pre-printed maps available. You could either follow their suggested course or do your own thing with or without the controls. Over the next eight days we chose four areas that had the most interesting or more relevant terrain. In addition we ran the "camp champs" as our first trial and chose a likely relay area as the second. The last two days' training were an informal race on the Sunday before the WM and a second long trek out to the French border to look at likely Relay terrain, which we knew would be flatter, faster and rocky compared with the steep and "gullied" individual area.

Our first trial (see sample map, leg 4-5) brought home the problem of long leg route choice, something we don't get very much practice with at home. My "countouring" route on this leg involved climbing in and out of no less than 12 gullies some of which turned out to be 20cm deep! By far the fastest was to climb out of trouble and take a distant track. Trial two was just between ourselves way down on the French border and after a few traffic problems it seemed to take most of the morning to get there, but the sun was shining and it was hot and dry. With some concern we discovered that the whole area was liberally sprinkled with limestone rocks, boulders and cracks eagerly waiting to swallow or twist unsuspecting ankles. The contour interpretation was much more subtle than we had encountered, in fact Maurice Ongania and Liisa V. had both recently lost ½ hour on this map! Control 8 caused us some amusement - we knew you could never guarantee all controls to be present, as they were set up weeks or months before, and Anitra had gone out, clad in the minimum of clothing, to check on the more distant ones. It was much to my surprise though when I came to the site to find not a control flag but a lady's T-shirt ... the implications of this much have upset our two younger men as Keith finished 4th and Kevin d.n.f'd.

In between hard days we did a little shopping locally and sightseeing. The highlight here was the train trip from Grindelwald, right at the foot of the dark icy north face of the Eiger past Kleine Scheidegg and up through snow and glacier to the top of the Jungfrau range. In fact, every day had its scenic moments as we wound our way through picturesque villages and along tortuous tracks up to our isolated training areas.



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The opening ceremony was soon upon us as we paraded through the streets of Thun to the sound of a band with the rain just tipping down. The well-known orienteering countries used this as an opportunity to show off not only their smart tracksuits but also matching wet-weather gear down to lace-up gumboots. The Thursday of the WM week was the warm-up event, a miniature run through of the individual course in similar terrain. The weather had changed from the preceding sunny weeks to a dismal dampness. The individual day soon dawned and we arose and departed at times appropriate to our starts, Phyllis being first off had to leave before 7 am whereas Keith left 3 hours later. We assembled high up on a grassy mountainside, a low mist hanging everywhere and the dark forest beneath us.

Somewhere, 4 km away at the finish awaited several thousand people and the TV cameras. Then followed several hours of complete concentration for most of us! Though not perfect of course, I was pleased with all except for 2 controls, one I knew would be risky, the other was an inexcusable error off a track, so I finished 62nd in 2 hr 15-01 for the 14 km and 580m climb. Our other placings were Keith 71st, Kevin 78th and Ross 79. In the women we had Anitra 44th, Cathy 51st, Wendy 68th, Phyllis 70th. Following a splendid banquet that night for all competitors we had a day's recovery and then the Relay on the Sunday.

For the Australians anyway this was the major event but we were going to take it as it came. An early departure and a 1½ hour train ride took us to near the French border in the smooth Jura mountain range. As we had learnt on our training maps it was fairly fast, intricate and rocky, only this time there was a complex network of small paths and tracks. Ross ran well for the men but the rest of us lost a lot of time and we finished a poor 20 out of 21. The women fared better with a great opening leg by Anitra to come 12th out of 18, our best performance to date.

Why are the Scandinavians so far ahead of us? Better fitness, years of competitive experience, plus some other factor I can't isolate. On any leg whatever route I ran or however fast I was still beaten by a minute or so if it was short, and much more if it was longer! Disappointing - but we learnt a lot and I hope we can plough our experiences back for WM 83 and 85.

WM STANDS FOR THE GERMAN WELTMEISTERSCHAFTEN OR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP.

The N.Z. team was: Colin Battley, Ross Brighthouse, Keith Hatwell, Kevin Ireland, John Rix, Wendy Barker, Anitra Dowling, Kathy Hatwell, Phyllis Snedden.

Some Swiss snippets all 1:15000, 5m

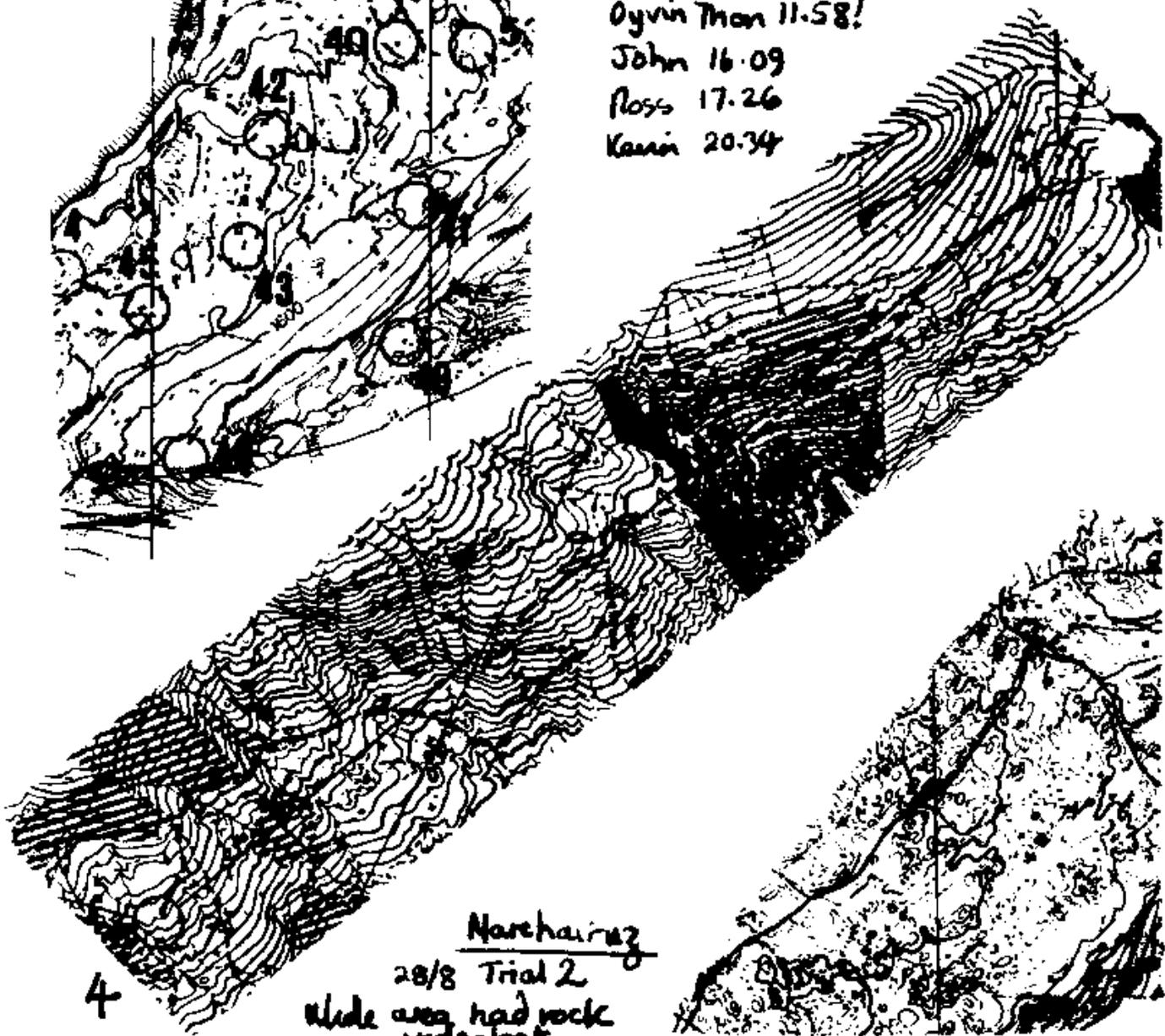


Hovsaga 26/8
Camp Champs
and our trial 1
Men leg 4-5
Ross - A approx
John - B
Colin - C approx
All the fastest were
via C
Men's course 9km, 5800

Bouwald 25/8 - training



Les Alpettes - WM Individual
Men leg 3-4, 2.1k
Oyvind Mon 11.58!
John 16.09
Ross 17.26
Karin 20.34



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28/8 Trial 2
Wide area had rock
underfoot

1982.....the Cadbury AUSTRALIAN ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS will be held in Queensland's Granite Belt..... September 25-26..... twenty square km of outstanding 'O' country.

1982..... XII COMMONWEALTH GAMES in Brisbane, Queensland's sunshine capital.....
..... September 30 to October 9.

PLAN AHEAD. Plan your visit to Queensland in 1982.

STANTHORPE will be the orienteering competition centre, and will provide accomodation and facilities. Stanthorpe is a beautiful town of 8,500 friendly persons. Distant 200 km Southwest from Brisbane. At 915 metres above sea level it offers cool nights, no humidity, no mosquitoes, no smog, and many outstanding scenic attractions.

Average September temperatures - 18.7°C max / 4.9°C min

Average September rainfall - 53.3 mm = 2.1"

At Stanthorpe the 'Top of the Town Caravan Village' has been booked, and a number of motel rooms pencilled in. Booking details will be publicised in approximately 12 months time, along with entry forms and all other 'O' details.

STANTHORPE & DISTRICT offers you :-

- lots of orchards and wineries
- springtime paradise of flowers
- gem fossickers park
- sun-powered Eukeby complex
- Girraween National Park
- outstanding granite rock formations
- heated olympic swimming pool
- and so much more

BEYOND STANTHORPE the scope is unlimited :-

- Brisbane & the Commonwealth Games
- Great Barrier Reef
- Gold Coast

AUSTRALIA '82

Ever second year a crowd of New Zealand orienteers flies across to Australia to compete with the Ossies. The excuse to go is a challenge match between our two countries. An excellent aspect to the challenge is that it includes nearly every grade from M and W13 to M50, not just the elite 21 grades.

In 1980 the official team of about 46 was well outnumbered by supporters and other orienteers of all grades and standards. In that last visit 50 Kiwis did the tour by bus coach, camping each night, with the meals cooked by the coach crew. All had a tremendous time, running between 6 and 11 events, about one every second day. In between orienteering they became tourists. The coach driver captain knew his stuff, looking after the crew all the time.

The provisional programme for the 1982 visit is:

Fri 17	Septemcer	Arrive Sydney
Sat 18		Event in Sydney region (minor)
Sun 19		Event in Sydney region (major)
Mon 20		Travel to Cessnock (vineyards)
Tues 21		Event at Singleton
Wed 22		Travel to Armidale
Thur 23		Event at Armidale
Fri 24		Travel to Stanthorpe
Sat 25		Challenge Event (Individual)
Sun 26		Challenge Event (Relay)
Mon 27		Return home from Brisbane (or stay on for the Games)

The organisers report that mapping of the Championship Area is well advanced. "A team of very experienced helpers is working to make this a very good event even though it is a first time for Queensland. We have selected a very interesting area with rather unusual and massive rock detail."

More details later. Thanks to Rotorua O Club for this information from their newsletter.

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Those who missed the prizegiving after the Auckland Relays on November 1 would have missed the tribute to Ralph King. When Tony Nicholls presented him with a scroll depicting Ralph's longtime mapmaking energies, he said "Thanks Ralph" with this comment:

Glossing over the pages of New Zealand orienteering maps, I find that dating from 1971 to 1980, the majority bear a small logo - "by R. King."

At the University Hall in 1974 Ralph expressed the urgency for mapping fees, pens and fieldwork assistance. With no response the maps kept coming in and the sport expanded.

Each club has not become more independent, but without the R. King dedication, we wouldn't have survived.

AUCKLAND RELAY CHAMPS, Matakanaau South, 1 Nov 1981

This event was held on a cold, wet blustery day but this didn't appear to affect attendance significantly. The previous night's rain had made all slopes extremely slippery so running times were slower than they might have been.

The terrain covered by most of the maps appeared to involve a steep, treacherous descent to the first control, and from then on crossed undulating farmland with many surprises such as "shoe hungry" marshes, hidden crumble wades and steep slippery banks. The course eventually circled round past some rather nervous-looking cows to the mass final control at the base of an extremely demanding path to the finish.

Orienteers arriving at the finish appeared to come in in all sorts of conditions - from a few spots of mud on the shoes to being covered from head to toe in mud with clothes ripped and in one case a bleeding nose - caused by an argument between a road and an orienteer's nose!

Most people seemed to enjoy the event:- the course was well set with reasonable distances to be covered by all. The only problem that arose was the delay in posting results on the results board.

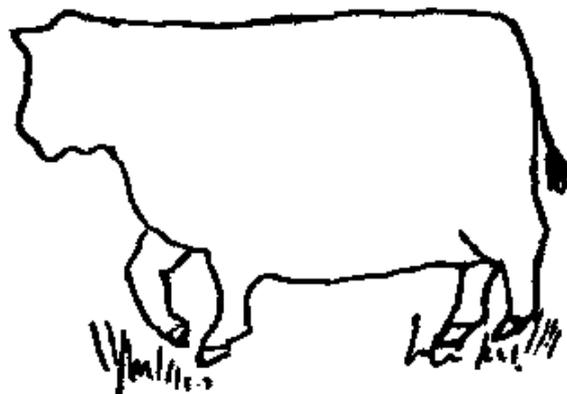
The day was pleasantly rounded off by a large afternoon tea and prizegiving, concluding the year's competitive Orienteering events.

My thanks to all concerned.

WILLIAM BRUCE

C.O.C. teams won three of the Relay Events, as well as other placings. The winning teams were:

Mixed A: John Rix, Andrew Brawis, John Gregory
Mixed B: William Bruce, Martin Newton, Jill Brawis
Mixed 15-18: Simon Clendon, Robert Jessop, Robert Crawford



'ORIENTEER OF THE YEAR' - TOTAL POINTS 1981

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOTAL POINTS</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOTAL POINTS</u>
<u>M12</u>		<u>W12</u>	
BREVIS R	100	OLDFIELD R	97
BOTTOMLEY J	21.7	CLENDON J	68.3
		STONE A	55.2
		CLENDON P	46.7
		ROBINSON T	40
		SHELDON K	26
		SNEDDON S	8
<u>M13-14</u>		<u>W13-14</u>	
BREVIS J	96.4	MOORE A	91.3
BELL P	87.9	NICHOLS K	87.2
BRIGHOUSE J	67.6	NICHOLS T	75.8
BELL A	57		
SNEDDON S	39.9		
SHELDON M	30.7		
SNEDDON C	23.5		
BOTTOMLEY JA	9		
SHUKER G	1		
<u>M15-16</u>		<u>W15-16</u>	
CLENDON S	100	BROOME J	90
CRATFORD R	92.3	ASPIN L	89.8
MOORE H	16	CUNNINGHAM J	66.9
RYDER A	13	ROLFE M	53
		FETTES J	35
		BREVIS A	2
<u>M17-18</u>		<u>W17-18</u>	
MCDONALD S	80	NO POINTS GAINED	
<u>M19-20</u>			
BRUCE Y	86		
POWELL R	12.8		
<u>M21A</u>		<u>W21A</u>	
BRIGHOUSE R	97	ASPIN P	94
RIX J	72	ROBINSON Y	92.4
ROBINSON J	70.5	FETTES C	91.6
MORRIS T	70.1	SNEDDON P	40
MELBOSE D	61.2	GATLAND R	38.3
BATFLEY C	37.3	EVANS J	31.9
HATWELL K	21	MORRIS M	25.5
HENDRIE B	16.2	DEWIZE S	17.8
WAGNER R	13	HATWELL C	15.4
ROGERS D	12	MOORE R	13
PALMER S	10		
REEVES A	3		

M21B

FOSTER S	94.9
BOLT C	46
EVANS G	39.2
NEFTON H	37.5
BAKER R	26.8
GILACOUR J	20.5
IDOINE B	19.3
PLIMMER G	8.3
ADAMS C	7
STEVENS L	3

M35

SHUKER B	100.
STONE K	75
BRAY C	74
ASPIN W	67.5
GREGORY J	66.3
SHELDON R	49.7
WELSH K	19
ROLFE D	12
STEVENS L	4

M43

REHDALL G	85.2
BREWIS A	62.8
BOTTOMLEY W	51
STEINEMANN P	37.6
DENYER J	29
CLENDON T.	27
MACKINLAY I	11
POWELL R	4

M50

MELLSOP P	93.1
BAXTER L	86
BROWNE K	81.1
LONSDALE A	59.2
BAMFORD I	43.5
KING R	26
SMALL S	6
MORRIS D	2

M56+

OLDFIELD A	51.3
RYDER N	39.3

W21B

O'BRIEN L	79.3
TAYLOR J	52.1
RYDER S	20.3
BOLT M	14.5
GREGORY B	14
WAGNER E	14
PLIMMER B	8
NICHIE M	8
DOLBLE D	3

W35

BELL J	93
STONE L	62
SHELDON J	34
SHUKER R	21.6
STEINEMANN N	20
PETRIE C	1

W43

RYDER B	81.2
FETTES A	78.9
WEEKES H	71
HATWELL M	58.3
BREWIS J	46
CLENDON M	23.2

W50

OLDFIELD D	100
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