

MAY DOCUMENT 2006

EVENTS

YODA events have a different and fun format. There are 2 short courses with the runners 30 seconds apart on the first course and the second course having a chasing start.

FROM THE COMMITTEE

Jane Forsyth

We congratulate Riki Cambridge on his selection to the Development Squad, announced by NZOF in March.

Entry forms are available for the NZ Secondary Schools Champs (Auckland) and the Queens Birthday 3-day event (Rotorua). Jennifer Hudson has these if anyone's interested.

Annie Grant has been working on obtaining funding for the ski-O and the committee agreed to apply to several charitable and sporting foundations.

It was agreed to hold the Night Relays and Masters Games events (both occur near the start of the year) in alternate years. Masters Games will follow the format that was successful this year, i.e. a short and a classic, with opportunity for club members to run both events after the official MG event.

Nick Mortimer reported some statistics from the web site. Total hits since 1st January were 1608, with an average of 10 visitors per day. Clearly the web site is popular and useful. Our thanks to Nick for his ongoing work on it.

We agreed there was a need for a controllers' course and Jane F will be organising this - watch this space. Provisional date is in October.

NEWS of former DOC members and of members known to us from other clubs.

Email from **Martin Sellens**

I'm jealous of Mark doing the Coast-to-Coast as it was always one of my (as yet unfulfilled; and let's be realistic, not now likely to be) ambitions. How did he get on? I remember Jim Cotter winning several years back and wonder if he's still taking part.

As you enter autumn, so we are finally emerging into Spring. Just got back from a week's holiday on Madeira which was lovely but already seems so long ago. Perhaps the better weather will get me out training.

Best wishes to you all; and to others in DOC old enough to remember the early 90s.

Andrea McDiarmid (SOC) married Scott Patterson in Queenstown 18 February 2006.

Hayley Hudson, aged 4 months, daughter of Mark Hudson (formally DOC) "competed" in her first ever Orienteering event on Mum, Debbie's back at the Nationals.

NZOF DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

Women		Men	
Tineke Berthelsen	Hamilton	Simon Addison	Hamilton
Sarah Gray	Nelson	Daniel Barnfield	Peninsula & Plains
Lizzie Ingham	Wellington	Simon Bloomberg	Peninsula & Plains
Greta Knarston	Counties Manukau	Riki Cambridge	Dunedin
Cara McDonald	Hawkes Bay	Simon Jager	Auckland
Amber Morrison	Hawkes Bay	Alastair Long	Counties Manukau
Frances Peat	Counties Manukau	Scott McDoanld	Hawkes Bay
Tessa Ramsden	Red Kiwi	Sam McNally	Rotorua
Kate Rea	Hutt Valley	Cairan Murphy	Counties Manukau
Imogene Scott	Auckland	Andrew Peat	Counties Manukau
Kirsty Turner	Wellington	Thomas Reynolds	North West
Georgia Whitla	Peninsula & Plains	Jack Vincent	Hawkes Bay

NEW ZEALAND TEAM to contest a TEST MATCH against AUSTRALIA Auckland, 3 – 5 June

Women		Men	
Lara Prince	PAPO Orienteers	Darren Ashmore	Taupo OC
Tania Robinson	Counties Manukau	Karl Dravitzki	Taranaki
Rachel Smith	North West OC	Chris Forne	PAPO Orienteers
Rebecca Smith	Auckland OC	Rob Jessop	Auckland OC
		Manager Clem Larsen	

NATIONALS '06

Jane Forsyth

Many DOC people travelled to Marlborough and Nelson for the national competitions this year. Considering the distance 20-something was a good turnout. The 2 small local clubs did a great job serving up something quite different on every day, and of course the weather was perfect as well, as we expect in that part of the world.

The first day (Good Friday) was a sprint event, a short race with a lot of decisions to make quickly on the run. This was held at Brayshaw Park on the outskirts of Blenheim - a little railway, a go-kart track, an olive grove, lots of old farm machinery etc - you get the picture - a lot of things to hide a control flag behind or inside, within a small area. It was easy to overshoot before you got used to the scale of the map and how the buildings were represented. Several DOC people did well here, such and Ben and Jackie Ludgate who each came 3rd in their class, Matt Radford and Brendan Thayer who came 2nd and 3rd in theirs, and Brian Buschl and Kev Knowles who were 1st and 2nd in their class too. Bunny Rathbone won her class and so did Ian Holden (running in Nelson colours now but I'm still going to claim him as one of ours).

The next day was the "classic" event, i.e. long and complex. This was held at Canaan Downs on top of the Takaka Hill - an area of marble with a lot of rock outcrops and lots of pits or tomos, the best-known one being the huge Harwoods Hole where the cavers go. The orienteering map was pretty amazing, with streams that flow down into a big hole, deep uncrossable ravines that you have to find a way round, and a mixture of open beech forest and farmland. It was a fantastic area to compete in, although fewer of us were able to do well: Riki Cambridge 3rd in M20A, Dave Browning 2nd in M55, Bunny 2nd in W65A and Ian H winning M70A. In the B grades, Jane Cloete won W50B and Jackie Ludgate was 2nd in W21B.

Many people went in for a walk along the Doc track to Harwoods Hole after the event. Most of them got there. I had a slight mishap and was glad the ambulance was still at the event centre and that I was travelling with a nurse (Jane C).

The Easter Sunday race was at Rabbit Island, a sand dune pine forest close to Nelson, and completely different terrain again from the previous days. This was “middle distance” (the distance formerly known as “short”). Despite its brevity there were plenty of ways to stuff up, like trying to get through an area of pine thinnings that an alert person would have realised would be slower than running round on the track. Funny how you don't see the best route until after you finish the race. However Andrea and Kev Knowles both came 3rd in their classes, Ian and Bunny both won theirs and Jane Cloete came 2nd in hers while Jackie came 3rd.

And finally it was back to Blenheim for the relays, at the Wither Hills farm park, which was spurs and gullies with a few patches of trees. There were 6 official DOC teams, the best one (Matt Scott, Dave Browning, Matt Radford) placing 6th and the next best one (Tane Cambridge, Ryan Cambridge, Brendan Thayer) coming 9th. Some of us also ran in unofficial teams, and I think everyone enjoyed the experience of a fast orange course to end on a high note.

This is a very abbreviated account of the club's results, as I have only gone down to 3rd place, and there were plenty of meritorious 4th and 5ths too, but I had to draw the line somewhere! However it is worth mentioning our best placings in the elite men's grade, where Tane placed 11th on the first day and Matt Scott also 11th on the second day. Additional placings are -in the long event, Kev Knowles was 2nd and Brian Buschl 3rd in M35A -in the middle event, Isabella Peschke came 2nd in W21C - apologies to anyone left out

My thanks to the Marlborough and Nelson clubs for some very fine maps and well-organised events.

BAKER'S DOZEN ROGAINE – 13 Hour Event

Reprinted due to the top part of the results having been cut off the top last month.

Team No		Class	
24	Rob Jessop & Denis de Monchy	Christchurch	M 1990
5	Mondo Kopua & Colin Hope	Blenheim	M 1640
7	Anne & Bill Kennedy, Peter Squires	Christchurch	X V 1556
14	Duncan Sherratt & Kathy Conlan	Christchurch	X 1506
22	John McKinnel & Kevin Duggan	Ettrick	M 1460
10	Russell Godfrey, Maggie Pasek, Daniel Johnston	Dunedin	X 1372
16	Mark Flintoft & Craig Tolson	Christchurch	M 1308
20	Mary Jowett & Jaquie Ffiske	Queenstown	W 1260
25	Antoine Arcand & Dougall Allan	Dunedin	M 1214
13	Tim Jowett, Russell & Phillip Nicholls	Dunedin	M 1190
12	Francesca Cunninghame & Brent Barratt	Dunedin	X 1024
26	Peter Weinig & Amy Weaver	Dunedin	X 1008
18	Kathrin Mueller & Andrea Gasser	Christchurch	X 838
2	Bob Cunninghame & Laurie Kennedy	Dunedin	M V 792
	Heidi McQuillan, Gustaff Eriksson, Penny Stark, Courtney		
28	Knyvett	Dunedin	X 760
6	, Helen & Kelvin Hanson, Tracy Randall, Steve Havard	Dunedin	X 438
11	Ed Stevens, Jim Kerse, Michael Topper	Dunedin	M 410
19	Bill Taine & Steve Earnshaw (Finished after 9.30 pm)	Timaru	M 0

BAKER'S DOZEN ROGAINE – 6 Hour Event

Team			Grade	Points
Number	Team Members			
21	Alan & Trish Foote	Invercargill	XV	788

4	Jane Forsyth & Myles Thayer	Dunedin	XV	686
23	Riki Cambridge, Joel Anderson, Tessa Ramsden	Dunedin	X	680
27	Catherine Brown & Philip Watson	Winton	X	584
1	Jennifer & Grant Hudson, Blair Marcus	Dunedin	XV	520
17	Ben & Jackie Ludgate, Shawnda Morrison	Dunedin	X	480
15	Allan, David & Michelle Grant, Jane ----.	Dunedin	X	460
29	Frith & Jim Dollimore	Dunedin	X	448
8	Bunny Rathbone & Ann Scott	Dunedin	WV	406
9	Matt & Margaret Coyle, Aidan & Bonnie Shotbolt	Dunedin	X	316
3	Alexandra, Rose and Max Cunninghame	Dunedin	X	138
AVAILABLE POINTS (incl. 122 bonus points)				3432

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CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to the Nelson and Marlborough clubs for a hugely successful national championships. The weather was excellent, the venues were attractive, the organisation was smooth and the competition was exciting with a desperate sprint finish to seal the mixed long relay race. A big thanks to Wayne Gray, Graeme Ellis, Alison Macdonald and the rest of the team.

NZOF AGM 2006

The AGM re-elected Rob Crawford as President and Paul Dalton as Vice-President. The High Competition Season remit proposed by CMOC was adopted as a draft format and referred to the NZOF Council and its Technical Committee.

SILVA AWARDS

The following awards sponsored by Silva, through the NZOF's sponsorship agreement with Ampro Sales, were announced at the AGM.

- Silva Award for services to orienteering in NZ: **Ross Brighthouse** (Counties Manukau).
- Silva International Performance of 2005: **Marquita Gelderman** (North West) for 4th, Middle Distance final at WOC MTBO in Slovakia.
- Silva Administrator for 2005: NZ Schools Pre-Tour Manager, **Beverley Holder** (Wellington).
- Ampro Compass Club Growth-Development Award: **Marlborough OC**.
- Silva Coach of 2005: **Neil Kerrison** (Taranaki).
- Silva Magazine of 2005: **The Auckland Orienteer**, edited by Madeleine Collins for Auckland A.

OTHER AWARDS

The President's Award for volunteer service at club level went to **Lance Eccles** (Rotorua) and the Brighthouse Trophy for the best performances across the 2005 Nationals and Area Championships was won by **Patricia Aspin** (Counties Manukau).

A new annual award for best international junior performance of the year was also presented. This was the Kapiti HAVOC trophy donated by Kapiti HAVOC upon its dissolution as club last year. For 2005 the winner was **Lizzie Ingham** (Wellington).

DEVELOPMENT FUNDING

This year, the NZOF Council has approved two development grants to date. These have been to:

- Red Kiwi OC towards a new permanent course at the Bason Botanic Gardens, Wanganui.
- Auckland OC, under the Silva Schools programme, to assist with the holding of this year's Silva NZ Secondary School Championships.

APPOINTMENTS

Recent appointments made:

- Beverley Holder, NZ Schools Tour 2006, Pre-Tour Manager
- Rob Garden, WOC MTBO 2006 Team Manager
- Alastair Landels, WOC 2006 Coach
- Michael Wood, Convenor NZOF MTBO Committee and Convenor NZOF Rogaine Committee
- and for JWOC 2007: Derek Morrison, Manager/coach; Martin Peat, Assistant Manager and Mark Lawson, Assistant Coach.

NEW NZOF COUNCILLOR

With Myles Thayer standing down from the NZOF Council, the South Island clubs have appointed Trish Faulkner (PAPO) as their new representative. The NZOF thanks Myles for his five years service on the Council.

AMENDMENTS TO INCORPORATED SOCIETIES ACT

Recent changes to the Incorporated Societies Act, although relatively minor, make filing requirements easier for people involved with incorporated societies. The amendments can be found on the Ministry of Economic Development's website, www.biz.org.nz, or alternatively are available from the NZOF General Manager. A majority of clubs affiliated with the NZOF are incorporated but a few remain unincorporated. Recent disadvantages for clubs of not being incorporated include not being able to apply for gaming trust funding for those selected for NZ teams and not being able to take out land access permits with the Crown. The NZOF continues to urge all clubs to become incorporated.

VACANCY: NZ SCHOOLS TOUR, ON-TOUR MANAGER

Applications are invited for the position of On-Tour Manager for the NZ Schools Team to compete in the Australian Schools Championships in Western Australia, 3 and 4 October. Direct expenses will be reimbursed within the budget. A job description is available from the General Manager. Applications close 30 April.

VACANCY: NOS COACHING COORDINATOR

Applications are invited for the position of Coaching Coordinator of the National Squad. This is a two year appointment through to the completion of WOC 2007. Direct expenses will be reimbursed within the budget. A job description is available from the General Manager.

VACANCY: MEDIA OFFICER

Applications are invited for the position of NZOF Media Officer. This is a one year volunteer appointment. The primary role of the Media Officer is to foster and promote orienteering through the various forms of media in New Zealand. A fax machine is available and direct expenses will be reimbursed within the budget. A job description is available from the General Manager.

