

MARCH DOCUMENT 2002

BE NICE!

Bruce Collins.

I've written in this magazine a number of times about calming down after your run before complaining about aspects of your course to planners and controllers. I'd just like to point out this is especially important during the Summer Series of events. This is a fun series and is often the training ground for planners and controllers doing their first events. A novice planner or controller can be easily put off doing events in the future if an experienced competitor finishes their run and immediately starts complaining. Think about it and please be constructive and gentle in any criticism you may have.

NEXT DOC EVENTS.

YODA - GREAT NASEBY TWO DAY - Entries due by 14 March.

Coaching Bonanza.

The 2002 version will start with a day long Conference in Timaru with speakers and sessions on assorted topics of interest and a Park Race in Centennial Park to stretch our legs. The speakers will include professionals external to our sport such as a Sport Psychologist or Exercise Physiologist, and workshops will cover an array of topics.

There is no charge for the day, but I do need people to register their interest by phoning or emailing me - asap! Details are below.

Wednesday and Thursday is the YODA two day at Naseby.

Friday is a day off at this stage, although coaching can be arranged if there is enough interest (phone or email me now). jan.ian@clear.net.nz

Saturday and Sunday are the South Island Champs down in sunny Southland.

Look forward to seeing you and your club members there!

Thanks,
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DUNEDIN ORIENTEERING CLUB ANNUAL REPORT FEBRUARY 2002

Margaret Tagg.

In December 2001 the Dunedin Orienteering Club celebrated the Club's 25th Anniversary. It was an occasion to celebrate the achievements of the past 25 years and to reflect on the enthusiasm, dedication and sheer hard work that many people have contributed over the years because of their love of orienteering. A display of photos at the 25th Party brought back memories for Club members and former Club members who attended and gave others an appreciation of the Club's history. Thanks to Lyn Foote, Judy Wilson, Bunny Rathbone and Claire Jordon for planning the enjoyable evening.

During the past year - actually a 15 month period due to a change in the date of the financial year from September to December - we have had many new "firsts". The Inaugural South Island All Night Relays event was held at Mt Ross in February, and in August the Otago Short O Champs were held at Allan's Beach and the Otago Adventure O Champs at Ross Creek. These were possible because there are people like Bruce and Sheryl Collins, Myles Thayer, Kevin Knowles and Barrie Foote willing to take on extra responsibility and commitment.

There has been an impressive calendar of events with a successful Summer Series on town maps, an OY series, Schools League, Spring Series, Otago Champs, Otago School Champs, Ski O Champs at Waiorau and Club Relays. Snowy weather caused postponement of the Otago Champs and cancellation of an event at Gladbrook which presented added challenges to the Planners, Controllers and Organizers. Gladbrook is now scheduled for April 2002. Some Club members have planned, controlled and organized for the first time and have reported that it actually is a lot of fun! Memorable events are Andrew Kelly's first planning at Ross Creek and Fiona Monks' planning at Town Belt North. Huge thanks are due to everyone who has helped make events so successful and enjoyable, especially to Annie Grant who organizes permission from landowners, makes endless phone calls to organize people to do the work for events and then does extra tasks herself if someone is unavailable. We are fortunate to have landowners who allow us to use their property and are grateful to them.

YODA people continue to make a great contribution to DOC with the April Fool's Day fun event, the Tour de O at Logan Park and the traditional Triple Treat event spanning the Ross Creek, Town Belt North and Town Belt South maps. As well, Julie Grant and Fran Cunninghame planned the Ski O. Unfortunately a Naseby weekend could not be held because the forest was closed, but there will be the opportunity for a YODA two-day event there after Easter 2002. These young orienteers manage all this in between work and study requirements and Michael Tagg is also YODA's keen representative on the Committee.

Many DOC members travel to participate in the National Champs and other Championship events with creditable results, to NZOF Development Squad training, to NZOF Junior Camp and of course the Edge Orienteering team, all DOC members with Bruce McLeod as navigator, won the Southern Traverse. Because the National Orienteering Championships are in the South Island at Easter it is hoped that many DOC members will participate. Champs are not just for the best orienteers because there are courses suitable for everyone.

There have been opportunities for training and coaching with Training days at Logan Park with Jean Cory-Wright, at Kettle Park led by Lindsay Smith, a weekend of Coaching in May under Ray Pratt's leadership and Controller-Mapping-OCAD Clinics with Jim Lewis in December. All these people have passed on expertise very enthusiastically.

Progress with Mapping includes work done on the Pyramids and Logan Park maps, re-mapping underway at Seacliff and on an extension to McLeods Farm, and a new map of Chingford Park. Funding assistance from the Hillary Commission for training and mapping is appreciated. Also NZOF have given a grant to establish a permanent course at Chingford. Thanks to Barrie Foote for all his hours of work with OCAD to produce maps for events.

DOC membership numbers have been constant and the Committee trusts that the NZOF decisions to increase levies and abolish local membership will not result in financial difficulty. Sheryl Collins, Treasurer, has produced a budget which continues to keep membership and event fees as low as possible. This budget will work as long as people join the Club and come to events - and advertise to others as well!

The Allen family has capably looked after the controls and other equipment and now Dave Browning has offered to be responsible for the DOC gear. Thank you all for doing this important work when the gear is needed for

every event. Judy Browning is willing to be the Club's Honorary Auditor and the work involved in this responsibility is appreciated. Jennifer Hudson continues to produce DOCument very efficiently every month and in a move with the times many people will be getting the newsletter by email from now on. A school-student, Peter Wilson, set up a DOC website that is now being updated by Nick Mortimer and the Committee welcomes suggestions about the website.

Finally I would like to thank all Committee members for their work and commitment and for their willingness to always help out. We are fortunate to have Myles Thayer, who is an NZOF representative, as Secretary, and Sheryl as Treasurer. Jane Forsyth and Richard Thum are leaving the Committee. Jane has organized the coaching and been DOCument co-editor and Richard has helped with equipment and liased for Masters Games. Many thanks to you both for all you have done.

PAT EHRHARDT - Life Membership

Pat was present at the birth of DOC – she has remained an active and loyal member since that time. The record of her involvement and achievements is impressive.

As we browsed through old Documents one gains a sense of the vast contribution Pat has made to Dunedin Orienteering Club. She has fulfilled many roles and with each she has made a significant contribution.

Right from the early days she was an important contributor. We did locate amongst the material that she was responsible for the first drawing of the Jubilee Park map. 1:5000 with no contours.

We now want to provide a selection of some of the achievements of Pat over these years. It is not a total overview as we were limited to the material we could find but we think it will provide some insight into how the Club has benefited from her membership.

Pat has always been an eager participant at orienteering events. She has sometimes featured in the winning lists but she is most remembered for her tenacity in completing A level courses – she was there for the challenge not the glory.

Our journey of discovery really began in 1984. In this year Pat was the Treasurer. About this time the Club was rather busy planning for the APOC event in 1986.

In the mid eighties Pat was responsible for the instigation of our famous YY courses – the courses for the littlies. During this time there were many young children in the Club. Although Pat's children were a little older she took an interest in the participation of the young children. The YY were popular with many of the young children over several years. Many Clubs took an interest in the YY courses.

1986 – the achievement of Pat's family was noted. The Document commented that three generations of Pat's family were competing in orienteering events. No mean feat. At that time Pat's mum Marion Roscoe had won the W65 championship at Deeside in England. Pat as well as Chris, David and Penny were all competing in events.

It was also noted this year that Pat, despite her sore ankles finished on both days at the South Island Championships and came second in the W45A grade.

Also in this year it was mentioned in the Document that Pat and Chris had been seen on TV competing in a programme called Credit Card– they had come close to winning the big prize!

At the 10th Birthday celebrations in this year Pat along with Elizabeth Duke organized novelty events at Chingford Park. These events were enjoyed by a large turnout of people.

At this time Pat was a strong supporter of junior orienteering and was particularly active in promoting Orienteering at Kings High – this commitment has continued to the present day.

1988 saw Pat and Chris joining other members of DOC on the APOC trip to Australia.

During 1988 Pat was the publicity officer. That was the year she came third in W45A at the Otago Champs. In this particular year she was an active contributor to Document. To illustrate the diversity of her interest it was noted that she wrote an article bringing members up-to-date about technical aspects.

1989 – this year Pat and Chris were welcomed back from Britain – it was noted that she was selling orienteering stickers.

In 1990 Pat was again the publicity officer. The breadth of her contribution was recognized over this year. She had planned an event at Naseby with Ian Holden as her controller. She had organized a Quiz night to assist with

Junior fund raising to Hamilton. She had then managed the juniors who had travelled to compete in Hamilton. An article from one of the juniors in a camp magazine complemented Pat on this role. On top of all these roles Pat was also looking after events – I can still recall Pat convincing people they should be planners, controllers or organizers.

In 1991 – she was on the committee. This year again her name appears in most results lists – often mid range but still an intrepid competitor. She was an organizer of events this year and had provided accommodation for Michael Wood while he was mapping.

In 1992 she retired from the committee but her contribution did not waver. Her name was regularly seen on the list of planners and controllers.

About this time there is mention of Pat's involvement in Ski O.

Pat organized a Junior Camp in Invercargill this year.

1993 was the year that Pat achieved the Foundation and Intermediate coaching certificate. This marked her long commitment to assisting with training and coaching within the Club. This involved work with both the juniors and senior members of the Club.

This year Pat was given a "Persistence Award" in recognition of her participation in an event at Waikaia. She spent a long time out in the sun that day. In fact of all the members of the Club Pat probably has had best value for money in terms of her event fees. She has made the most of every map she has been on.

This was the year in which Pat actually did get to hand a map in at the finish. She was overheard to say she had never before had to hand a map in at the completion of her course. Usually by the time she returned all other competitors had started so there was no interest in her map. However, it should perhaps be noted that in this event Pat had switched from an A course to a B.

During these years comment was often made about the interesting articles Pat had contributed to the Weekender.

In 1994 it was noted that Pat came second equal in the 120 minutes veteran women's event at the NZ Ski-O score championships.

1995 – saw Pat rejoining the committee. She took over responsibility for training.

In the period 1996 to 2000 Pat had numerous roles – vice president, training officer events coordinator and secondary schools coordinator.

The nineties were notable for her work in promoting the School series. Her commitment to Orienteering at Kings High school has a long history. She has an impressive record in terms of encouraging the juniors' participation in events. She has made a significant contribution to the organization of school championships. Pat was heavily involved in the school series. To support these events she had actively sought out sponsorship. She received flavoured milk for all competitors and goods to be used as sport prizes.

In 1996 Pat was actively involved in training and she shared her thoughts in Document. One particular article provided very constructive comment on what to do when one has had a bad run – her three basic possibilities were 1. sulk; 2. abuse the planner – a no-no she said but 3. to use the experience constructively. Her final comment was – plan an event yourself.

In 1997 there were are helpful training tips. This time Pat wrote about "simplification", that is coping with information overload when reading the map. She also encouraged people to enter major events. Pat was always promoting participation.

Pat once again retired from the committee in 1999. She has had years of very active involvement on the committee. But this has not meant the end of her commitment and work for Orienteering.

This is but a small snapshot of the significant contribution Pat has made to the Dunedin Orienteering Club.

As we searched old Club material we found Pat's name associated with map drawing, planning, controlling, organizing of events, schools series, YY, participation in club events and Otago and other provincial championships, South Island and New Zealand Championships, APOC, fund raising, the event organizer, coaching, training, junior camps, Masters orienteering, Ski orienteering, publicity and other promotional activities, articles in Documents, technical advice and there are probably other things – what hasn't she done in the Club.

Pat has seen the move from tin lids to controls as they are today. She has seen maps move from black and white without contour lines to the colour versions of today. She has seen many areas mapped, remapped, and

remapped. She has attended committee meetings at many different venues; she has seen many people come and go.

The award of Life Membership to Pat is totally justified.

NZOF Junior Orienteering Camp –Nelson Area 2001

Tane Cambridge.

15-19 Dec

It took 2 days and 10 hours of travelling to get me to Nelson. I travelled to Christchurch, stayed the night there with the Cory-Wright family who took me in a mini bus carrying the people from Christchurch. The camp was just out of Nelson in Wakefield, at the Bridge Valley Christian ranch.

All of the activities at the camp were based on Jean Cory-Wright's "The Little Book of Orienteering Techniques". We unpacked our o-gear and set out more or less straight away to go orienteering at a new map called Karaka. This was just a warm up to get us into orienteering mode. After the meal we had some games and get-to-know people activities, run by the D-squad.

Sunday morning we had a theory workshop on compass work. I found that I was not using my compass enough and need to use it a lot more often. We also worked on pacing. Next, it was out to the Bronte map to put these skills to the test. We worked on just using compass bearings to find particular objects to start with, then we applied them to the real thing.

Monday. Today the focus was relocation. We talked about ways of locating ourselves by using features on the map and compasses when we got lost. For the exercise at Eves Valley we worked with partners. One partner had one set of control points and the next attack points, e.g. control 2 and the attack point for 3. The other person had to put the map away while they were leading to the attack point. Once at the attack point they had to find whereabouts they were, then lead the partner to the control.

The map was not very accurate with a lot more dark green than the map showed. I was lead down a particularly nasty creek filled with blackberry, on the map this showed white.

We headed to the beach to make some contour models then some went to town and others went back to camp. After it was dark we headed out into the night for some night orienteering . The course was just around the camp so nobody got terribly lost. It was an interesting course as one of the

controls was on an island on the pond at the camp. Every team except for one was disqualified for punching wrong controls.

The morning workshop on Tuesday was about contours. For the exercise we went out to Takaka hill which was full of rocks. We were with partners again. One had a contour only map with the controls marked. The other had a full map. The contour only map was in some ways easier because there were no rocks to hide the contours. That evening we had some fun last night activities.

Wednesday morning was the camp champs, and after not much sleep the night before there were some tired people about. The champs were held at Rabbit Island where I was beaten by 1 second. The red course was a no result because one of the controls was in the wrong place, so that was a bit of a bummer. It was back to camp from where we all dispersed. One boy from Auckland had his flight delayed and had to stay an extra day.

We all had a wonderful time, learnt a lot and met some Orienteers from all over the country. Of the 28 people, I travelled the furthest to get there and was the Southern most person there. Three came from Auckland, about 10 came from Wellington, 2 from Chch, a few from Central North Island area, And of course some from both Nelson and Blenheim.

Thanks for the assistance to get there.

SUMMER SERIES.
4XO Summer Series Event 1,
Chingford Park on Wednesday 13 February 2002.

Bruce Collins.

It was great to have a new colour map of this area after having to make do with the old black and white one for so long. Congratulations to Jim Lewis for doing such a great job of the mapping and cartography. Nowadays we are spoilt with these good maps and orienteering is quite different from the old days when black and white maps were the norm. The map surprised a few who thought it would be very easy. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and I didn't hear any complaints from orange course competitors having to climb the hill twice!

Thanks to Sheryl for her job as controller and making sure I got everything right. No matter how well you think you have done something a fresh eye always finds some mistakes and this event wasn't an exception. Thanks also to Pat Ehrhardt, Gavin Craw and Jennifer Hudson for their help and

especially Tane Cambridge for collecting controls. Tane got the controls from the hill and then asked what else he could collect as he met me heading back to the car. I said that the master map was sitting on the bonnet of the car and he should take half and leave me the other half to do. When I got to the car I found he had decided to collect 8 controls and left me 3 to get in...and he still beat me back!

To fit 3.4km onto the orange course required two loops so I had a manned control back at the start/finish and I checked clipcards to make sure everyone was doing it in order. Two people were disqualified for failing to show their clipcard at the manned control. It pays to read the information notice!

Results of the 4XO Summer Series.

Event 1, held at Chingford Park on Wednesday 13 February.

CONTROLLERS REPORT - TOWN BELT NORTH

Jane Forsyth.

There was a great turnout for this event and I hope you all enjoyed it. Most of the comments I heard were very positive.

It was my first try at controlling. I had been to a course and had the theory – time to put it into practice. It started off well. Aaron had taped the control sites well in advance and I was able to visit them a fortnight ahead of the event. In a couple of cases the tapes had gone off the sites before I got there – kids have been making bike tracks through the bush and doing some landscaping and tree pruning. These new tracks (and jumps, and pits) are not on the map.

My main concerns at this stage were that the white course had several road crossings – we would put up a notice that littlies should be accompanied by an older person – and that one orange control could easily be clipped out of order which would give an unfair advantage. We picked a new control site for this. The new site was not on the OCAD map. We picked another new site. Unfortunately this was in an area where the map is not perfect – there are more features that could be interpreted as clearings than the two that are shown – which caused some comment.

On the day of the event, Aaron put out the controls deep in the bush in the middle of the day. However those on street corners etc could not be put out

till just before the event, as they are sometimes interfered with in this area. I thought I had allowed enough time on Wednesday afternoon to check the controls, but it turned out that I had not. There was a minor glitch with the white course control descriptions and I hand-amended these while Aaron placed the 15 white course controls. By the time I had finished, there was only time to check some of the orange controls, plus those that were right on the road that I could drive past.

Then the punters turned up and it was time to hand out the maps. Uh-oh. The green had disappeared off most of the bush areas, which affected many of the orange controls. By no stretch of the imagination is most of the Town Belt bush "fast run". A notice was needed to warn competitors of this. And there was no legend on the white course maps. Of course it is white course people (often newcomers) who really need a legend to explain what those funny colours mean. Anyway then the maps ran out partway through and Aaron had to make a dash home to get some of the old ones. I hope no-one felt unduly disadvantaged by either any imperfections of the map they got, or any mismatch between the master map and the one they were issued with.

As people came back from the orange course, some commented on the placement of controls and wouldn't you know it, these were the sites where I had not seen the tape on my first visit, nor checked the site on the day. Another problem, which I don't think affected anyone, was that some girls were seen interfering with a white/yellow control (they were roundly told off by Pat Taylor). And finally, a yellow course control was missing when we went to collect it, and when I finally found it the next day it was at least 50m from where it should have been. Since no-one commented, I suppose it must have been moved after everyone had been through.

Controlling was fun but I have learned some important things to work on next time. Check everything as early as you can - and check everything! Oh, and no-one was run over on the white course.

Results for Event 2, held at Town Belt North on Wednesday 20 February.

WAIKOUAITI NIGHT O - SATURDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2002

Bruce & Sheryl Collins.

After a BBQ at our place and then an AGM it was pleasing so many tackled the night O as well. It was a beautiful evening and not cold.

Living on the map makes you a bit lazy and we didn't check control sites before putting controls out that afternoon. Murphy's law applied and there was a tree down over one track and there were a few overgrown areas. Added to that someone had put horses into the pony club area that afternoon so we had to change a course and also we carefully marked the area out of bounds. Now the interesting thing is how does a competitor know they are avoiding the out of bounds area if they don't mark it on their map?!!!! Lots of people went through the area to be confronted by 4 shining eyes staring back them!! Luckily the horses were less scared than the humans! Next time please mark down the out of bounds areas and don't rely on memory.

Bruce showed his ability in winning the long course in almost half the time of everybody else. He started last and was first one home, waited 20 or so minutes, collected all the bottom forest controls and was still back before a few people. That night running in training and winning the Southern Traverse must be a help! Thanks Bruce and also Kevin, Annie and Margaret for the control collecting (and also the others that offered)

PLANNER'S REPORT –NARROWDALE.

Michael Tagg

Narrowdale is a deceptive map. At first glance it looks uncomplicated and regular, with definite features and a simple structure. On the ground it has one of the most run-able forest floors –clean and soft with ideal visibility... so long as you're running across it, not up or down.

Narrowdale is a physical map, there's no two ways about it, and so to run a course there you have to be prepared for hills. This makes the job of the planner difficult as they strive for a fair course that minimises the climb whilst maintaining route choice and navigation.

My golden rule for planning is to start from the lowest course and work your way up. It's far easier to start a red course from the end of a white course than it is to build up a white course when your start is in the middle of the complicated forest. Narrowdale quite frankly sucks for planning white and yellow courses due to the bizarre lack of tracks and fences, plus the physical nature of the map. With my start solidly fixed by the only possible white course location (reluctantly running around a paddock like so many white courses do) my options for yellow courses became equally slim.

Narrowdale courses must be kept small so I ran my Short Yellow down the closest feasible linear feature... the dodgy indistinct track beside the rickety

old fence! I'm not best friends with these features because they both eventually decided to bury themselves under half of the forest's fallen trees before submerging into the swamp. The upshot from this course was that I broke my taping distance record by a staggering 180m.

I was feeling a little nervous that the Long Yellow would be too straightforward and short (3.1km) due to the fact that it largely followed linear feature #2... the forest track. These fears were quashed however with the winning speed was only 18min/km, to me indicating that there was adequate navigational challenge.

The Orange course contained the only blemish of the day. Course notes indicated that the Red courses would be affected by numerous unmarked motorbike tracks. In hindsight one of these tracks could have confused the Orange runners between controls 3 and 4. It's a shame that this was overlooked by the (unconfusable?) planning team of myself and Bunny.

Bunny did an outstanding job as Controller, being patient and understanding of an often disorganised and distracted student (it was Orientation week after all) and doing a phenomenal job of visiting all control sites. The job is also made easier when the organising team is as organised as Ev made them **J**

Right... so what was I up to? Oh yeah, the Short Red really was just that, but even the peaceful sounding 2.9km was transformed by the Narrowdale monster into a challenge for many competitors. With average speeds of 28min/km the hills gobbled a few DOC members that perhaps have gone too long without "real" Orienteering (roll on Nationals and Naseby!).

Then there was the Long Red.

Aptly named, this course drew vividly mixed reactions. Yes it was long and yes it was hard, but no more so than the course information stated. Admittedly the gap between the two Red courses was large, but with only six courses in the OY format it is impossible to satisfy every ability level. There is a massive difference between the best and worst Red runners in the club and the hills compounded this problem over the length of the course. The Short Red was easily long enough (as shown by the high times) while the Long Red was necessary to cater for the top competitors (the winning time of 70mins was a satisfactory outcome).

It will be very interesting to see how the remaining OY planners design their courses, in an attempt to provide a manageable short course and a long course that tests DOC's expanding ranks of top notch Orienteers.

CONTROLLERS REPORT.

Bunny Rathbone.

The first Orienteer of the Year Series is over. It was a great cool day to orienteer in. We needed those cool temperatures to be able to keep running up and down those steep hills and gullies.

The forest is opening up more in a lot of places with the kanuka gradually dying out underneath the over shadowing pines so that the visibility is improved. In contrast some of the blackberry and bush lawyer is spreading so that these areas need recognising and avoiding. Some overall field checking on vegetation would make a difference to route choice decision making, especially for the Red course runners. Today's experience showed that some dark green (fight) areas had improved their runnability, some had extended and become more passable and others had remained the same. This is not to say that the Planner and Controller were unaware of this but some runners took more risks than they should have done.

In my observation, and I'm sure in yours also, the trees look very mature and ready to sell. Who knows when the go-ahead to cut will come and any field checking may be a waste of time. It's very interesting to note that we used part of Kuri Bush for 4 years, Akatore for 3 years and have used Narrowdale so far for 6 years.

It was a pleasure to be a Controller for this event as Michael knew what he wanted to do for his course planning. Route choice for the Red courses was achieved without the road/track option being the optimum every time. As other planners have found before, white and yellow courses are hardest to plan without the larger network of tracks and fences found on other maps. We worked on the premise that those who had done White and Yellow last year would have moved up a grade this year and could avoid the slightly rehashed version that had been done before. There is also a limit as to how much taping can be done within these courses.

Out of town events attract orange and red runners but often white and yellow are down in numbers in comparison to Town events. There were 2 white competitors today,. Narrowdale is unforgivingly steep and it is a long way around the tops of gullies to get from one side to the other so often courses do take a long time to finish. I am sure you all had a good time.

I am thankful for Michael's enthusiasm to keep going on working at all the chores needing to be done to complete a satisfactory event and especially thankful for his youthful speed at collecting controls while I had only half the distance to collect my share.

Finally who would have guessed that a digger was going to be working so close to our Registration and Finish areas all day and the Golf Club would be carting stuff in between these two areas as well.

Ev Smith and her band of willing helpers assured the success of the organising, Fran, Julie and Margaret's help in control collecting was much appreciated and publicity for the event was excellent. Thanks to Myles Thayer.

See you all at the All Night Relays.

NZOF NEWS - FEBRUARY 2002

CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to our NZ Orienteering Team who conquered Australia in the recent challenge, winning both Individual and Relay events, 14-9 and 13-10 respectively. Our thanks also to the clubs in the lower North Island who successfully organised the various events, especially Alan Horn and the Wellington club, and to John Doolan for stepping in at short notice to act as Team Manager.

APPOINTMENTS

NZOF is pleased to announce the following appointments:

Jan Davies (PAPO), Coaching Director,

Lindsay & Evlynn Smith (Dunedin), Editors, "New Zealand Orienteering",

Ray Pratt (PAPO), Coaching Coordinator Development Squad,

Royce Mills (Red Kiwis), Technical Committee,

Terje Moen (North West), Technical Committee,

Annie Sanderson (Egmont), JWOC 2002 Manager

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VACANCIES

The following vacancy remains outstanding.

Development Squad Manager.

Those interested in this position should contact the General Manager for a job description.

PRIME MINISTER'S SCHOLARSHIPS

The NZOF Council congratulates the following on the award of sports scholarships for 2002: Stuart Barr (Wellington), Lisa Frith (North West), Rachel Smith (PAPO) and Rebecca Smith (Auckland).

NZOF MEMBERSHIP

Total membership (social and affiliated) for 2001 increased for the third successive year and has now reached 1572. As from 1 January of this year, all club members will be full members of NZOF upon their club affiliating.

COACHING BONANZA

The 2002 National Championships, as was the case this year, will be followed by a Coaching Bonanza, to be held in conjunction with two days of events at Naseby organised by Dunedin's YODA. Orienteers are invited to make a full week of their southern adventure: Nationals at Easter, Coaching Bonanza during the week and the South Island Championships at Southland on the following weekend.

NATIONAL SQUAD

The squad for 2002 is as follows:

Elite, A, and B categories have been discontinued.

WOMEN - Jenni Adams (PAPO), Melissa Edwards (WACO), Lisa Frith (NW), Marquita Gelderman (NW), Tania Robinson (CM), Rachael Smith (PAPO), Rebecca Smith (Auckland) and Antonia Wood (HV).

MEN - Michael Adams (PAPO), Darren Ashmore (Auckland), Greg Barbour (Egmont – overseas), Stuart Barr (Wellington), Alistair Cory-Wright (PAPO), Karl Dravitzki (Egmont), Brent Edwards (Counties-Manukau), Greg Flynn (WACO), Michal Glowacki (WACO – overseas), Robert Jessop (Auckland), Neil Kerrison (Egmont), Alistair Landels (Auckland – overseas), Mark Lawson (NW), Jason Markham (PAPO), Aaron Prince (PAPO), James Stewart (PAPO) and Phil Wood (WACO).

DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

Those invited to join the Squad for 2002 are as follows:

MEN - Keith Agmen (TOPS), James Bradshaw (Wellington), Bryn Davies (Red Kiwis), Robert Holdaway (Marlborough), Chris Ingham (Wellington), Dion Kennedy (Southland), Douglas Kwan (Auckland), Andrew McCarthy (Hutt Valley), Ross Morrison (Hawkes Bay), Todd Oates (Hawkes Bay), Martin Peat (Counties-Manukau), Tim Renton (Auckland), Michael Smithson (PAPO), David Stewart (Auckland), Bryan Stokes (PAPO),

Michael Tagg (Dunedin), Ciaran Thayer (Dunedin), and Andrew Thompson (Wellington).

WOMEN - Kate Bodger (PAPO), Marijke Currie (Auckland), Victoria Glover (Wellington), Amy Holden (Wellington), Penny Kane (Dunedin), Lise Moen (North West), Fiona Monks (Dunedin), Claire Paterson (Red Kiwis), Lara Prince (PAPO), Natalie Rouse (Counties-Manukau) and Jayne Shuker (Counties-Manukau).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2002 Annual General Meeting of the NZOF will be held in conjunction with the National Championships on Good Friday, 29 March at Tekapo.

OLD CARPET REQUEST.

Thank you to all those in the past who have supplied me with old carpet. More is needed for my garden development so if you are thinking of replacing your worn carpet please give me a buzz and I'll come and collect it.

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