

DECEMBER DOCUMENT 2002

Other Clubs Entry Forms.

Jennifer has the entry form for the HB Rogaine being held on December 7. Ask if you want a copy.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER KYRI GIBSON.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Ciaran Thayer - BHS - best forward Bayfield HS 1st XV, and 7th form prize.

Jesse Robertson - KHS - School prizes for Tourism, Biology, Music and the Bremner Scholarship.

Tane Cambridge - KHS - School prize for Orienteering.

Peter Wilson - LPHS - Orienteering and Computer Studies.

Simon Allen - LPHS - Science.

Congratulations to those club members who also had a successful year and I failed to see your names in the ODT.

NEWS FROM THE COMMITTEE.

Mapping Update by Bruce Collins

Naseby felling may now not be as bad as we thought. There are some sample areas of production thinning and pole thinning which will be looked at over Xmas. Apparently new machinery and methods use most of the little branches and leave the area still runnable. So they say!

Jane has found a forested area between Milton and Lawrence on the west side of the road. Go up Burma Road just before Manuka Creek. George and Bruce have also found an area which may be OK in the next couple of years south of Milton.

If you see a likely area for a new map and you have time please go and have a closer look. If you don't have the time let me know anyway and hopefully we can get someone to have a look.

SOUTH ISLAND ALL NIGHT RELAYS 2003

Saturday night 8 March (& Sunday morning) Relays

Sunday morning (daylight!) 9 March OY event

Note that the date has now changed to the weekend of March 8 and 9 to avoid a clash with another event. The format will be different also with no

white leg in the relay. Leg 1 will be yellow, Leg 2 yellowy orange, leg 3 orange, leg 4 red and Leg 5 looooooong and red. White skill runners will be catered for will a separate race just for them before it gets dark.

Otherwise it will be more of the same fun navigating in the dark in the Middlemarch rocks. More prizes for best dressed, most noisy support and of course the fun competitions at the camping area.

Entry forms will be out in the new year with a closing date of mid February. If you can't wait until then for your entry form let me know and one will be emailed asap. Start thinking about teams now! Start thinking about what you will wear! Start thinking about new ways of making noise!!!

For more information contact Bruce Collins asbic@xtra.co.nz

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS.

Margaret Tagg.

Congratulations to Bunny Rathbone, winner of the Australian W60A Championship. Congratulations also to winners of events at the recent Canterbury Champs - George McLeod (M55A) both days, Eunice McLeod (W55A) Day 1, Pat Taylor (W55A) Day 2, Jane Cloete (W40B) Day 1 and all the other placegetters. Eighteen DOC members participated.

Here are some dates for your 2003 calendar-

Jan 31 Entries close for Southland Champs
 Feb 15 AGM and Night event at Waikouaiti (more details later)
 Feb 22,23 Southland Champs and South Island Challenge
 March 9 Night relays

And, with cheap Air NZ fares, we could plan for a big DOC contingent to the National Champs in Auckland at Easter!

Thanks to everyone for such a lot of wonderful work for the Dunedin Orienteering Club - especially bigger events, School Champs, Short O Champs and Relays.

See you at the Fun Event and Picnic at Kettle Park on Dec 8.

NZOF NEWS – NOVEMBER 2002

WORLD CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to New Zealand's medallists at the World Masters Championships held in Victoria, Australia during October. Most notably our three gold medallists: Marquita Gelderman (W35), Patricia Aspin (W55) and Ross Brighthouse (M55), but not forgetting Jill Dalton, silver in W55 and Jean Cory-Wright, bronze in W40.

MTBO CHAMPIONSHIPS

Well done WACO, one of our smallest clubs, for a successful New Zealand MTBO Championships on the 2/3 November. Now an annual event, these were NZ's third such championships with this year's open champions being Phil Wood (WACO) and Kelly Fogden (WHO).

SITUATION VACANT - COACHING DIRECTOR

The following position for 2003 is vacant.

Jan Davies has advised that she will not be renewing her contract as Coaching Director for 2003. Increased hours of alternative employment means Jan is unable to do justice to both jobs. The NZOF thanks Jan for her excellent and thorough service during 2002. The position of Coaching Director is now open (see separate advertisement); applications closing 31 December.

Applications are invited for the position of NZOF Coaching Director. This is a one-year contract appointment, approximately one-day a week, for which the primary role is to identify the needs and priorities of orienteering coaching within New Zealand. A dedicated "coaching" email address is provided.

The position is remunerated and the Coaching Director is responsible for coordinating NZOF's coaching services including the National Squad, Development Squad and the Primary and Secondary School Coordinators.

The applicant should have coaching experience and qualifications but the emphasis is on identifying needs and coordinating services to meet them. The Coaching Director is therefore encouraged to contract in specialised services rather than trying to undertake all coaching delivery themselves.

Position formally starts 1 January 2003 and it is hoped that the appointee will be effectively operating by 1 February.

A job description for the above position is available from NZOF General Manager, Stuart Payne, 171A Fifield Tce, Christchurch 8002.

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JALAS SPONSORSHIP

NZOF, and in particular the NZOF Development Squad, continues to benefit from sponsorship courtesy of The MAPsport Shop through the sales of J alas O-shoes. The NZOF thanks Michael Wood and The MAPsport Shop for this ongoing support for orienteering.

NZOF COMPETITION RULES ON PARTICIPATION IN MAJOR EVENTS

Up to 2002, some clubs had social members and NZOF operated a system whereby these social members could enter major events by way of a one-event affiliation levy. This year all club members became full NZOF members once their club paid a club affiliation levy. Accordingly it was decided to replace the "one-event affiliation levy" with a "one-event participation levy".

NZOF Competition Rule 6.2 was therefore amended to read:

"Entries to A level competitions shall be from persons affiliated to NZOF or an IOF member organisation, or who pay a one-event participation levy fixed by the NZOF council. In the case of a multi-day event, a one-event levy must be paid for each separate competition entered. This rule does not apply to the National Secondary School Championships."

At the same time Competition Rule 6.3, which deals with NZ Championship eligibility, was also reviewed with the following result:

"NZ championship titles may only be held by individual members of NZOF-affiliated clubs who are also NZ citizens or permanent residents, as defined by the NZ Immigration Service]. Payment of a one-event participation levy does not grant eligibility."

The use of the word "individual" means that being a club member via an institutional membership is not enough. With the amendment to Rule 6.3, national championships eligibility applies regardless of the status (ie A-level, B-level) of the event.

NEWS OF FORMER DOC MEMBERS.

Congratulations to Anitra Dowling who won W50 at WMOC.

Rick McGregor is arriving in Dunedin on about 18 December - a fleeting Christmas time visit. He has been climbing on rock walls at Yosemite, see the results on the website <http://www.irf.se/~rick/yosemite2002/>
His email address is <rick.mcgregor at rf.se>