

SEPTEMBER DOCUMENT 2003

EVENTS NOTICES.

7 Sept event will be on the Town Belt North map, start at Prospect Park. There will be a map memory course (usual time 11:30 - 1 p.m.) and score courses (mass starts at 12.00 and 12.15).

CANTERBURY AND SI SCHOOL CHAMPS: Myles Thayer has some spare seats in the van for the trip to Christchurch 20/21 SEPTEMBER - be in quick and contact him if you want to join the Dunedin team going up.

MOUNTAIN BIKE

Saturday 20 September at Waikouaiti

Three Options:

4 Hour gutbuster - Start time is 11 a.m.

2 hour not too cruisy ride - Start time is 1 p.m.

1 hour cruisy ride - Start time is 2 p.m.

Pre enter for \$5 or entry on the day for \$10. Details and entry forms on the Club website www.dunedinorienteering.com or from Bruce at asbic@xtra.co.nz

WOMEN'S CAMP 2003 - 15-16th November - The foothills of Canterbury.

Here's a great opportunity for all the women out there keen to increase their technical proficiency in an all-women learning environment.

We have two of the best coaches available; Jan Davies and Jean Cory Wright (plenty of World Champs between those two!). Jean literally wrote the book on 'Teaching Orienteering'. As well as the elite aspect, these two have young families and assure me they know exactly what women (orienteers) want...I think this will be a great weekend (although like giving birth it is something I will never get to participate in!!).

No men, no kids

contact Jamie at coaching@nzorienteering.com or (03) 4792512 for an information sheet and to reserve your place.

maps: from Dalethorpe, Flock Hill and Acheron

head coaches: Jan Davies and Jean Cory-Wright

FROM THE PRESIDENT.

Myles Thayer.

August has been a more active month than the rest of the winter. It's great to see the days lengthening - Spring is on the way. We started the month with a mild sunny weekend and the Short O event on the Saturday at McLeod's Farm. The afternoon chasing start was as exciting as always and it's a lot of fun competing in an event where the winner is actually the first person to cross the finish line. The Sunday was our club relay champs and Jamie used a novel format to set excellent courses on town maps. The options offered for each team presented a unique challenge to match runners with courses. Many thanks to Jamie and Penny for introducing us to another new idea. A week

later YODA staged the latest Hillbilly Challenge at Seacliff. With the longest course being 22 km and the weather quite wintry the emphasis was on “challenge”. Then last weekend we had our fourth Orienteer of the Year event at Gladbrook. Again the weather was warm, calm and sunny and the salt lake reserve is an excellent place for a picnic. The courses looked fairly long when you were reading the notice board at the start but the results show that most people had quite fast runs.

The teams section of the Orienteer of the Year has been reasonable close until last weekend at Gladbrook. The Golds have consistently scored slightly ahead of the Blues all year but at Gladbrook they scored a nearly 3 to 1 victory. Unless the Blues can pull out a spectacular comeback at OY 5 in November, it looks as though the Golds have wrapped up the inaugural intra-club competition.

Things to look for in this issue of DOCument include the South Island Champs entry form and the current standings in the Orienteer of the Year competition. The South Island Champs weekend uses two new maps and there are courses for all abilities so we look forward to a great turn out. Remember, you have to enter this event by the closing date because we have pre-marked maps to print.

This month we welcome new member Jan Piggot and farewell Michael Tagg. Michael has been an active club member both in planning, controlling and organising events and with mapping. We wish Michael well with his career as a surveyor in Auckland.

NOTES FROM THE COMMITTEE

Jane Forsyth.

The committee reluctantly accepted the resignation of Michael Tagg, who has moved to Auckland.

Letters of thanks will be sent to the Smiths, who have also moved away from Dunedin, and to Dunedin City Ford and Ian Lambie who have been allowing us to park the caravan for many years. The caravan is now looking for a new home and several ideas were discussed at the meeting. Thanks to the McLeods, who commented that there is plenty of room at their farm!

Stuart Melville has re-joined the club after an absence. Apparently he's in France at the moment running at the World Athletic champs.

Michael Wood has completed mapping the Mt Ross Extension, and this will be used for the SI Challenge weekend in November. He is continuing with the re-map of Naseby and provided a progress report.

There was some discussion on the implications of the recent Christchurch court decision about the liability of event organisers for competitor safety. Although the case concerned a cycle race, it is likely to have repercussions for other sports, and the NZOF manager is monitoring the legal situation. It is likely that a set of guidelines will be produced for clubs.

In the meantime, controllers, planners and organisers should be aware of potential hazards to people attending an event, and make sure that people are made aware of these hazards e.g. by way of notices at the caravan or during a briefing.

A Kiwisport coordinator is needed - this job would suit someone who has some connections with schools - please contact Annie Grant if interested.

We welcome back Bunny Rathbone from her extended overseas trip and hope to hear more about her travels when she has time.

GOING GLOBE-O

Wayne Patrick.

Life, it seems, is turning into one very long-distance map memory event. When I left Dunedin in September 1999, I knew the first leg would take me to Cambridge for a Ph.D. It was only early this year, however, that the second leg was revealed to me. Having submitted my thesis¹ in mid-April, and having been grilled about it for three hours on June 10th, two days later I found myself on Delta Airlines flight 9, bound for a new post-doc research job here at Emory University in Atlanta.

Quite apart from being the home of Coca-Cola, CNN and the Braves, Atlanta is also where GAOC, the Georgia Orienteering Club, is based. Despite Georgia being the size of the South Island, with a population of 8.4 million, GAOC appears to be the only club in the state. And I thought orienteering was a minority sport in New Zealand! It is also clearly full of sensible types, as there have been no events since I've been here. It being in the 30s with close to 100% humidity every day at the moment, I'm beginning to understand why things don't get going until September. Meanwhile, I'm eyeing up the World Rogaine Champs, being held in Arizona in May next year. All I need now is to convince some suitably gullible orienteer to drag me around the hills for 24 hours...any takers down there in Dunedin?

As for the next leg on my multi-continent map memory course? Well I know the finish circles lie back in New Zealand, but I don't know how many legs remain, and nor am I ruling out dog-legs. It would ruin the event if I did, right?

NEWS OF DOC AND FORMER DOC MEMBERS.

Michael Tagg is now in Auckland where he has a surveying job. Congratulations Michael.

Wayne Patrick who has completed his doctorate now has an academic post-doc job at Emory University in Atlanta.

Sellens family in Colchester: Chris is in Lithuania on a pre junior world training camp and planning to study chemistry at Sheffield University.

3D MALL-O IN CANADA (CALGARY SPECIFICALLY)

Ben Ludgate and Jackie Wilson, Calgary, Alberta, Canada (although we'll probably be somewhere else now - not sure where!).

Ben and Jackie have been travelling through British Columbia and Alberta in Canada, and are about to venture over to the east coast. In our travels we have seen and heard of (but haven't actually been able to make it to) some interesting orienteering events and

¹ With the rather racy title, "Elucidating the evolution of $(\beta\alpha)_8$ -barrel proteins by rational design and random mutation", for those who are interested in such things.

courses. However, we have devised a new form of orienteering for the people of Calgary. We are not sure if this event has been staged before but we thought we would introduce DOC to it anyway, for future use as a competitive event (although it may mean travelling to Calgary as we can't think of anywhere near Dunedin where it could be held). It all started with the street names here - 1st Avenue SW, 1st Street SE, 4th Avenue SW and SE, 5th Avenue and Street SE and SW - and this is just in the downtown area - we're too scared to venture further as we may really get lost! We have a small northern hemisphere compass my uncle bought at a coffee store in London (he thought it may come in handy over here) and we have used it. The streets are OK after a while, but the thing with Calgary is that in winter it gets really really cold, so being soft as they are they decided not to go outside. They have linked all of the downtown shopping and office buildings using overground walkways - not just like a normal walkway, but 15 km of walkway!!! Going from one shopping area to another with no natural landmarks to use, and a limited city map, and our amazing coffee store compass we decided that it would make a great event. We were orienting our map and using our fantastic sense of direction, but the escalators threw us off so we decided the event should be called "3D Mall-O". It would be great fun. Finding hidden passageways between stores, locating the escalator going the direction you want, with plenty of drink stations, and as many washrooms (oops, sorry about that - toilets!!) as you may want (no more digging holes). We think it could catch on.

We may actually make it to a few events over here (we visited MapTown today - a fantastic store) and give it a go, rather than just inventing events. It made an interesting twist to our shopping!

2003 OY Series

		Event Number				Total			Event Number				Total
	team	1	2	3	4		team	1	2	3	4		
Course 1							Course 3						
MEN							MEN						
Tane Cambridge	G	862	796	1000	861	3519	Brendan Thayer	B	980	988		1000	2968
Brian Buschl	G	795	670	829	762	3055	Ben Ludgate	G	1000				1000
George McLeod	G		783	899	614	2296	Allan Grant	G		1000			1000
Jim Cotter	G		1000		1000	2000	Jesse Robertson	G				985	985
Matt Scott	B	1000		938		1938	Andrew Pohl	B		944			944
Alex Wearing	B	698	507	641		1846	Matt Radford	B	882				882
Ciaran Thayer	B	896	100	777		1773	Bernardo Soares	G			812		812
Don Bruce	B		635	928		1563	Alan Carman	B	701				701
Aaron Searle	B		679		785	1464	Don Gordon			546			546
Dave Browning	B	753	704			1456							
Allan Grant	G			734	591	1326	WOMEN						
Kev Knowles	B	915				915	Robyn Blake			821		1000	1821
Jamie Stewart	G	812				812	Eunice McLeod	G	838	922			1760
Bruce Collins	B		507			761	Genevieve Webb	B		756	886		1642
Richard Thum	G			758		758	Maria Smith	G		622	1000		1622

Chris Ingham	B	755				755	Judy Wilson				684	826	1510
Craig Pelvin	G			752		752	Rhonda Thayer	B	1000		100		1100
Stuart Melville	G			721		721	Jess Townsend			1000			1000
Gavin Craw	G			587		587	Annie Grant	G	896				896
Sean Turnbull	G		538			538	Margaret Tagg	G				721	721
Lindsay Smith	G	535				535	Ev Smith	G			592		592
Matt Radford	B				478	478	Linda Hope	B		456			456
Bob Cunninghame	B				446	446							
Rob Brockett				372		372	Course 4						
Ray Hope	B		100			100	MEN						
							Ryan Cambridge	G	605	1000	1000	619	3224
WOMEN							David Grant	G	1000				1000
Penny Kane	G	1000				1000	Bruce Robertson	G				1000	1000
Sasha Middleton	G		1000			1000	Edwin Phease	G			683		683
Judy Browning	B			1000		1000	Bernardo	G	572				572
Jane Mitchell	G				1000	1000							
							WOMEN						
Course 2							Jackie Wilson	G	1000	1000			2000
MEN							Inge Whibley	G				1000	1000
Myles Thayer	B	707	780	825	825	3137	Helen Carman	B	891				891
Ian Holden	G		805	1000	819	2624	Jan Piggot					786	786
Riki Cambridge	G		625	781	1000	2406	Eunice McLeod	G				720	720
Don Melville	B		696		765	1460	Denise Van Hardenbrock	G	708				708
Grant Hudson	B		934	420		1354	Pat Ehrhardt	G		434		100	534
Alex Hood		1000				1000	Margaretha Cambridge	G		460			460
Gavin Craw	G		1000			1000	Alison Johnstone	G		413			413
Ben Ludgate	G		990			990	Kyri Gibson	B	100				100
Richard Thum	G				985	985	Esther Radford	B				100	100
Lindsay Smith	G			922		922							
Jesse Robertson	G		910			910	Course 5						
Sean Turnbull	G	815				815	MEN						
George McLeod	G	712				712	Tim Plunket			1000			1000
Dave Browning	B			698		698	Mike Plunket			739			739
Allan Grant	G	550				550							
Owen Cambridge	G	512				512	WOMEN						
Tim Plunket				496		496	Emily Buschl	G		1000			1000
							Georgia Buschl	G			1000		1000
WOMEN													
Jane Forsyth	B	758	755	735	1000	3249							
Judy Browning	B	774	807	1000		2581							
J Hudson	B		1000	694		1694							
Bunny Rathbone	G	752			870	1622							
Franny Cunninghame	B	1000				1000							
Annie Grant	G				907	907							

Jeni Pelvin	G			726	100	826							
Margaret Tagg	G	100				100							
Jane Cloete	G		100			100							
Eunice McLeod	G			100		100							
Shelley Cottle	G			100		100							

Notes: This year we have introduced a teams aspect to the Orienteer of the Year competition. We have divided the club members into two teams by drawing a north/south line through the Octagon. The Golds live on the western side of the line and the Blues live on the eastern side of the line. You can see which team you're in and your points above and the team totals are below.

Event Number		1	2	3	4	Total
Team						
Blues		12810	11347	9642	5399	39198
Golds		14065	16067	14998	14654	59784

THE NZ TEAM - ANZ TEST MATCH 27, 28 September 2003, Victoria.

Jenni Adams (PAPO) Claire Paterson (RK) Lara Prince (PAPO) Tania Robinson (CM)
 James Bradshaw (W) Alistair Cory-Wright (PAPO) Brent Edwards (CM)
 Greg Flynn (H) Rob Jessop (A) COACH: Wayne Aspin (CM)

AUS/NZL MTBO CHALLENGE TEAM 2003

The New Zealand team for the inaugural Australia-New Zealand Mountain Bike Orienteering Challenge 29 September, Victoria, Australia:

Open Women: Jenni Adams PAPO, Meg Foulds PAPO, Christina Renhart WACO
 Veteran Women: Jill Dalton NWOC, Dianne Michels NWOC
 Open Men: Jason Blair PAPO, Stuart Lynch WACO
 Veteran Men: Rob Gard