



TOP OF THE SOUTH ORIENTEERING CLUB

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MAITAI

SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST

Start times: 10.30 am to 1pm - Courses Close: 2pm

The start/finish is at the same place as last year; at the covered BBQ area at Black Hole in Branford Park. To get there you travel up the Maitai Valley until you see the signs. Plenty of car parking. Toilets and a play ground are nearby.

Courses offered will be: Long Red Short Red Orange Yellow
 White Picture String

The map is now a Colour map incorporating the old Botanics and Maitai maps and also a new bit of intricate farmland. The scale for the Red courses will be 1:10000 and the other courses will be at a slightly larger scale. All maps have a 10m contour interval. All courses will be run on colour maps except the White and Picture. The Red courses map will not have fences, power lines or poles marked. Symbolic control descriptions will be used on the Red courses. On the Orange you will get both written and symbolic control descriptions. All other courses will only have written. All controls will be flagged. The area is steep and the long courses are both mentally and physically challenging and not for the faint hearted.

Being close to town this would be a great area to introduce a friend or two. The varying terrain means this area is very suitable for beginners and experienced members alike. This map now has to be one of our clubs best maps and will hopefully make up for the demise of Ngawhatu. Bring a compass. Gaiters or leg protection is strongly advised for most courses. Please respect private property, out of bounds areas and stock.

Planner: Keith Agmen 545 0996

Controller: Don Fraser 546 4472

HELPERS

Registration	10.15 - 11.45	Mary Caldwell
Start	10.15 - 11.45	Lauren Somerville
Finish	11.00- 12.15	Dawn Stowell
Registration	11.45 - 1.00	Ian Marriott
Start	11.45 - 1.00	John McCartin
Finish	1.00 - 1.30	Andrew Lush

Coming Club Events

Sunday 20 September	Eves Valley	Planner : Ian Blackman Controller : Tim Stringer
Sunday 18 October	Karanga	Planner : Peter Syms Controller : Mary Caldwell

Events Outside Nelson

Marlborough

13 September - Whites Bay

10 - 11 October - Saturday afternoon - Pollard Park followed by BBQ.
Sunday morning - Taylor Dam

Canterbury

Sunday 23 August Godley Head

6 September Spencerville

Other Happenings

26/27 September - PAPO - SI Secondary and Canterbury School Champs

17/18 October Auckland Orienteering Championships

Labour Weekend 1998 : 24/26 October
Wellington O Association 3 Day event.
Southland Orienteering Club 3 Day event.

November 7 & 8 - Central Districts Championships- Rotorua

Further details for these events from the Editor.

NEWSLETTER

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COMMITTEE MEETING

24 August - 7.30 pm

7 Chartwell Place Richmond

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CLUB NEWS

CLUB EVENT TIMES

Note that the start time for the next event is now 10.30 am. This was decided at the last committee meeting as with the revised start system more people can start at the same time. It just requires the participants to be more organised and to book their start time.

The duty time for the helpers is shorter and means that the planner and controller have a little extra time in the morning and can finish earlier. Duty people please be on time.

NEW CLUB MEMBERS

The club welcomes Greg Dryden.

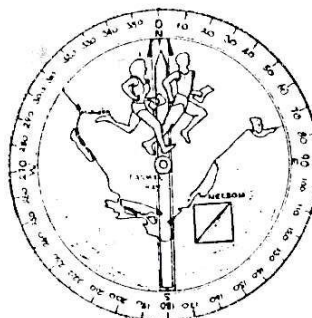
TEE-SHIRTS

Keith and Yvonne have been busy on their Club Tee shirt project and undertaken the design work. They now need expressions of interest. Coloured artwork was available at Tahunanui and no doubt will be at Maitai for your viewing. Any queries to Yvonne Kuenzi or Keith Agmen.

CLUB T-SHIRTS OFFER

Good Quality,
100% Cotton, locally made
Club name on back.
Grey Marl, with coloured print

Adult Sizes: S, M, XL, XXL \$30
Kids Sizes: 8, 10, 12, 14 \$25



ORIENTEERING

(The Price is calculated for an order of only 30 T-shirts.
If more that are ordered the cheaper they will get!)

Let's advertise our sport/club!
Think of Birthdays and Christmas!

ORDERS: can be sent / given to:

Yvonne Kuenzi, 9 Jellicoe Ave. Stoke

NAME	SIZE	QUANTITY

JUNIOR ORIENTEERING TRAINING

Are you a junior orienteer, 13 or older, keen to improve your skills with good company and good coaching. There is a camp starting the evening of Thursday 8 to 11 October. Applications need to be returned to Dunedin Orienteering Club. Details from the editor.

While on the subject of Junior training. At the last Committee meeting the concept of some club training for our Junior members was considered as there are a number who may well benefit. Many are less than 13 years and it may be more appropriate to run some in house training day where orienteering is part of a general fun day. To proceed there is need for some response. Please if interested contact a committee member.

Orienteering Word Puzzle

Courtesy Hamilton Orienteers.

R	E	E	N	T	R	A	N	T	O	G	A	Q	K	S
R	L	F	R	L	M	K	K	E	Q	C	O	D	K	Y
O	H	E	R	E	L	Y	S	P	O	R	H	I	E	E
F	N	N	R	X	J	G	G	N	P	S	L	A	V	I
F	B	C	R	I	A	R	T	U	S	Q	L	D	Y	D
M	V	E	L	L	I	R	W	A	R	D	O	T	N	H
T	M	J	F	O	O	M	P	T	Y	C	N	K	E	S
W	D	K	V	L	I	M	S	G	L	I	K	Q	B	I
L	D	O	S	B	O	T	S	I	I	A	U	M	F	N
V	T	Q	X	C	R	Y	P	X	N	A	X	J	G	I
X	X	D	G	E	E	C	M	C	G	M	X	C	N	F
N	D	O	A	E	A	B	K	O	V	O	L	V	S	F
I	A	M	T	R	P	B	F	U	E	B	Y	F	V	D
V	P	R	D	C	C	L	I	F	F	W	N	A	E	B
O	L	P	R	Q	L	V	L	D	G	Q	L	R	V	H

Find the following words hidden diagonally, backwards, etc in the above puzzle:

CLIPCARD
CONTROLS
FLAGS
KNOLL
REENTRANT

COMPASS
FINISH
STREAM
FENCE
CLIFF

ORIENTEERING INFORMATION

If you are new to the sport or maybe want to upskill the following pages maybe of interest.

INTERNATIONAL CONTROL DESCRIPTIONS

Pages 6 and 7 give the International Control Descriptions as published in NZ Orienteering in December 1994. This is the centre page so you can remove it for your reference. I am sure most of us will find a refresher or maybe even a serious study session could well paid dividends in completion of up coming courses. Note that the planner for Maitai has taken fences, powerlines and poles off the Red course maps so other features, will need closer study !

The whisper is that Peter Syms has been housebound due to recent high rainfall and has been plotting a difference approach for the Karanga event. The Eves Valley map has been updated by Ian Blackman as no doubt he has found some interesting control sites for the September event.

CLASSES FOR ORIENTEERING

The following is taken from Appendix B of "Orienteering - A way of learning outdoor navigation" by Peter Wilson. No excuse for incomplete control cards now.

"Competitors, for Orienteering, are divided into the following classes by sex and age. The change from one age class to the next takes place at the beginning of the calendar year in which the competitor reaches the new age group.

Classes

Men	Women	Men	Women
M - 12	W - 12	M 35	W 35
M 13-14	W 13-14	M 40	W 40
M 15-16	W 15-16	M 45	W 45
M 17-18	W 17-18	M 50	W 50
M 19-20	W 19-20	M 55	W 55
M 21-Open Class	W 21-Open Class	M 60	W 60

In major events the use of this nomenclature is obligatory.

These classes may further be subdivided on skill into grades E (Elite), A, B and C which indicate degree of difficulty. Further subdivisions may include novice, wayfarer, and Kiwi O."

International Control Descriptions

H21E	12,300m 270m	H21E	12,300	270
Start	Re-entrant			
1 (32)	Marsh, rocky, E corner	1 32		
2 (36)	Between the knolls. Manned	2 36		
3 (44)	Small depression, deep, 3x5m, W edge	3 44		
4 (49)	Middle pit, 2x2m	4 49		
5 (54)	E clearing, overgrown, 9x6m, NW part. Drinks	5 54		
6 (61)	Upper cliff, 3.0m, foot	6 61		
7 (63)	Spur, sandy, lower part. Radio	7 63		
8 (64)	NW boulder, 0.5/2m high, S foot	8 64		
9 (69)	Re-entrant, shallow, upper part	9 69		
10 (70)	Path/stream junction, N side	10 70		
Navigate 350m to finish funnel tapes			350	

How IOF descriptions work

The control description list for an orienting course contains the following information:

Class (classes)

Course length in metres

Total climbing in metres (at least for any elite class)

Descriptions of Individual Controls in sequence, including the start

Length and nature of any marked route during the course and from the last control to the finish

COLUMNS

Column A Control number

Column B Control code

Column C Which (of any similar) feature

Column D The control feature

Column E Details of the appearance

Column F Dimensions of the feature

Column G Location of the marker

Column 11 Other information

SYMBOLS		WHICH FEATURE		Col D (cont)		Rocks/boulders	
COLUMN C		COLUMN D					
0.1		Southern	2.1		Cliff, crag		
0.2		Northeastern	2.2		Bare rock		
0.3		Upper	2.3		Cave		
0.4		Lower	2.4		Boulder		
0.5		Middle	2.5		Boulder field		
			2.6		Stony ground		
			2.7		Cairn/stone pile		
			2.8		Narrow passage (between cliffs)		
					Water/marsh		
					Lake		
					Pond		
					Waterhole		
					Stream		
					Ditch		
					Marsh		
					Small marsh		
					Firm ground		
					Well		
					Spring		
					Narrow marsh		
					Seasonal watercourse		

Class	Course length in metres	Climbing in metres
H2IE	12,300	270
A		
B		
C		
D		
E		
F		
G		
H		

5	→	⊙	9x6	☐
A				A

The most important items lie to the right of the thicker lines

MARKED ROUTES

250m to Finish, taped route

310m to Finish, funnel tapes

190m to Finish, no tapes

210m taped route away from control

50m taped route to map exchange

TAHUNANUI BEACH - SUNDAY 19TH JULY

Red Course 4km 15 controls

Hans Kuenzi	TOPS	M40	32.54
Peter Syms	TOPS	M50	33.33
Barry Hope	MOC	?	36.50
Susan King	MOC	?	39.20
James Upton	TOPS	M40	39.42
Roger Bee	TOPS	M45	41.18
Keith Agmen	TOPS	M16	41.44
Tim Stringer	TOPS	M21	43.12
Mike Marren	TOPS	M45	43.33
Margot Syms	TOPS	W45	46.37
Don Fraser	TOPS		47.46
Serge Crottaz	TOPS	M40	49.04
Nina Solter	TOPS	W45	56.19
Paul Ashley			1.00.58
Martin Hartmann	TOPS	M40	1.02.22
Greg Robson		M40	1.07.01
Kral Family		Gp	1.10.21
Charlotte Crottaz	TOPS	W40	1.10.35
Yvonne Kuenzi	TOPS	W21	1.13.24
Maurice Alach			1.25.31
Basil Atkinson		M19	1.11.18 2WC *
Robyn & John Davies	PAPO	"Old"	DNF

Orange Course 2.7km 13 controls

Marriott	TOPS	Gp	41.27
Margaret King	TOPS		42.42
Basil Atkinson		M19	43.19
L Halkett	TOPS		43.42
Sue Marren	TOPS	W40	47.31
Katja Solter	TOPS	W14	52.09
Helen King			53.54
McDougall Gp		Gp	59.47
Dawn Stowell	TOPS	Gp	59.58
K Cassin			1.01.37
Wendy Bee	TOPS		1.02.05
Caroline McCartin	TOPS		1.04.09
Maree Beard			1.07.37
Somerville Family	TOPS	Gp	1.11.23
Tyler & Ian Blackman	TOPS	Gp	1.12.32
Steve Cassin			1.08.18 3MC
Christoph Bachtle			1.21.48 2 WC

Yellow Course 1.4km 9 Controls

Fiona & Lorna		Gp	15.18
Benoit Crottaz	TOPS		15.36
McDougall		Gp	18.02
Stowell	TOPS	Gp	18.02
Nicholas McCartin	TOPS		20.46
Brinkmann Family	TOPS	Gp	22.47
Cassin Team		Gp	22.55
J L & R Group	TOPS	Gp	25.29
Masahiko Rie		Gp	40.47
Letellier Group		Gp	52.06

White Course 1km 10 Controls

Dunn Family	18.37
Brock Goodwon	23.27
Brett Halkett	10.08 M1C
Waveney Bolwell	50.45 M3C

Picture

Thomas Ashley	Brock Goodison	Oliver	Filani
N & I & C McCartin	Kelsi Ashley	Holly	Margaret

String

Monica	Misha	Patrick	N & J M
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MOC = Marlborough Orienteering Club

PAPO = Peninsular and Plains Orienteering Club (Christchurch area)

2WC= 2 wrong controls

* = 2nd course

DNF = Did not finish

1MC = 1 missed control

CONTROLLERS COMMENT

I have controlled four events at Tahunanui and each time the weather has been perfect. We have always had the start at the tennis pavilion on the theory that it would provide good shelter in the event of rain. This theory has never been tested. The year someone dares to start elsewhere no doubt it will pour!

The day was so glorious that I soon forgot my grumpiness at having to get up in the dark on a Sunday morning, and traipsing round at 8am putting out controls was almost pleasurable! However much time you allow to set up, it never seems to be enough, so thanks to those who so willingly offered their help during the 10am scramble. We were unfortunate that one of our helpers didn't turn up and it was a lesson to the organisers to telephone the day before the event just to make sure helpers are coming. The ever-cheerful Tim Stringer stepped in, as well as doing most of the unpacking and packing up of the trailer. Thanks, Tim.

Amazingly, no controls went missing during the day, although almost as soon as we had started, one found its way into the upper branches of a tree - no one complained of having been adversely affected. Apart from a few broken clippers, the day was relatively incident-free as far as the organisers were concerned.

The String course looked great with its animals at each control - thanks to Hans and Yvonne. What a shame more youngsters did not take advantage of it. Are our younger members getting too old for this sort of thing or did some of them get distracted by the Picture course?

It must have been a record turnout for the Red course with 22 attempting it ...and only one DNF - which was by our Christchurch visitors, probably the most experienced orienteers amongst the lot of us! No doubt local knowledge helped since most had been on the map before and Hans positively blitzed around with Peter just behind. It was nice to get quite a few positive comments from people who were surprised at how much they could still enjoy the map despite its familiarity.

Considerable clearing work had been done by the Council even since our last check on control sites. However, no actual control sites were affected except for one tree which had completely disappeared complete with the pink wool marking the site. A substitute tree was hastily found on the morning. Whoever runs this event next year will need to do a few map corrections first.

All other courses were successfully completed by most and no other DNFs indicated a good day was had by all. Lots of new people this will be your first newsletter. We hope to see you all again.

HELPERS DUTY LIST

Phone Ian Marriott (545 1490) to reserve a date and time suitable to you. Non-volunteers will be allocated a slot.

Note that if you are unable to help, it is your responsibility to find a replacement helper and notify the course controller.

20 SEPTEMBER - EVES VALLEY

Planner Ian Blackman
Controller Tim Stringer

Registration	10.15 - 11.45	Wendy Bee
Start	10.15 - 11.45	Roger Bee
Finish	11.00 - 12.15	Wayne Gray
Registration	11.45 - 1.00	Dave Prebble
Start	11.45 - 1.00	Rob Somerville
Finish	1.00 - 1.30	Stephen Liddicoat

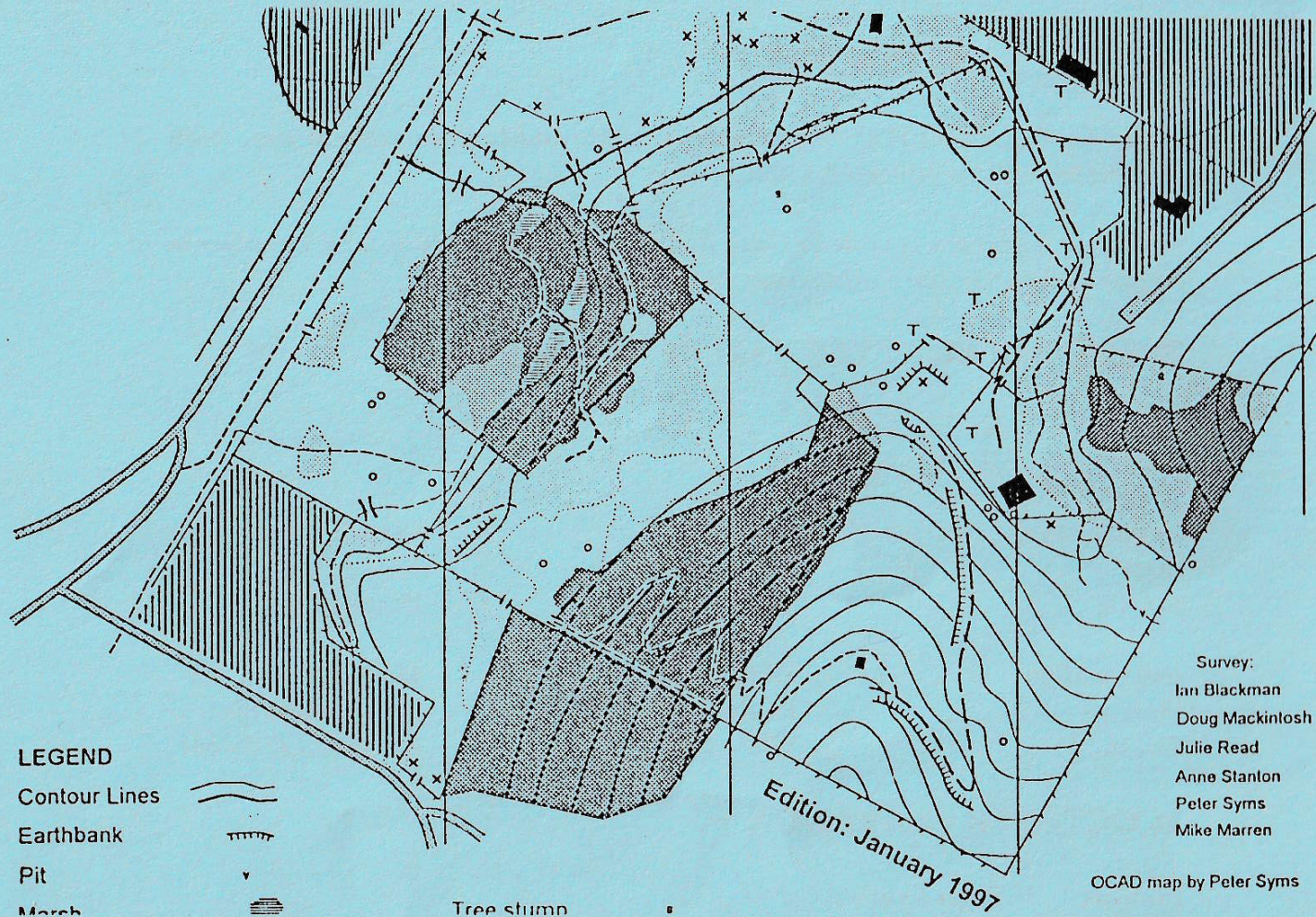
18 OCTOBER - KARANGA

Planner Peter Syms
Controller Mary Caldwell

Registration	10.15 - 11.45	Phil Grassham
Start	10.15 - 11.45	Dorothy Litchwark
Finish	11.00 - 12.15	Caroline McCartin
Registration	11.45 - 1.00	Charlotte Crottaz
Start	11.45 - 1.00	Katja Solter
Finish	1.00 - 1.30	Colin Scott

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