

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS Term 1 & Term 2 2017

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1 Feb	Summer Series - Onekawa
8 Feb	Summer Series - Heretaunga Int
15 Feb	Summer Series - Mahora
22 Feb	Summer Series - Tamatea
26 Feb	Club Open Day - Over the Hill
1 Mar	Summer Series - Park Island
8 Mar	Summer Series - Taradale Sch
15 Mar	Summer Series - Frimley
19 Mar	Club Event - Guthrie Smith
22 Mar	HB Schools Sprint - Splash Planet
1 Apr	HBSS & NZSS Rogaine - Tutira
9 Apr	Club Event - Te Mata Park
30 Apr	Club Event - Whanawhana
14 May	HB Schools Long - Maraetotara
19-21 May	NISS O Champs - Taupo
28 May	Club Event - Rotoma
11 Jun	HB Schools Relay - Mission
25 Jun	Club Event - Waipoapoa
9 Jul	Club Event - Ranui
20-22 Jul	NZSS O Champs - Wairarapa

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## HAWKE'S BAY SCHOOLS ORIENTEERING 2017

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Orienteering is a great sport for school children to be involved in, as well as their teachers and parents. There are lots of events, coaching clinics and other support available.

School level orienteering is experiencing a huge growth in popularity. Driven by enthusiastic schools and teachers, it provides a fun and exciting competitive environment, offering children the ability to visit new areas and is so much more than just going for a run! The latest data from Sports Hawke's Bay places orienteering in the top 20 at number 17 for student participation.

2017 promises to be an exciting year of orienteering in Hawke's Bay, with many local and national events available for school students. The Hawke's Bay Orienteering Club hosts four regional schools events, held in terms 1 and 2 which are designed for students to have a go at orienteering. There are championship grades for the more experienced students and standard grades for beginners and those less experienced. The sprint, long and relay events are open to all schools - primary, intermediate (years 7-8), and secondary schools, with separate boys and girls categories.

This year a new grades system for North and South Island and New Zealand Secondary School Champs was approved by the Orienteering NZ Council and endorsed by the NZ Secondary School Sports Council for 2017. The HB Schools events will also follow these new grades for secondary schools as follows (in bold):

- Primary School Years 1-6
- Intermediate School - Years 7-8
- **Secondary School Junior - Year 9**
- **Secondary School Intermediate - Years 10-11**
- **Secondary School Senior - Years 12-13**

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Full details for the events are available at  
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### WHAT DO THE COLOURS MEAN FOR THE COURSES?

**WHITE:** Basic navigation with a map, following tracks, fences and streams to control points.

**YELLOW:** Navigation involves following tracks, fences and streams, however control points are sited off the route being followed.

**ORANGE:** Cross-country navigation requiring basic knowledge of contours to locate control points.

**RED:** Difficult navigation requiring good knowledge of contours.

**KiwiSport Orienteering** sessions are available to introduce orienteering skills to your school students in a fun lesson. They might like to go along to the [O-for-Kids](#) Primary School Competition after these sessions. For session bookings contact Jane Herries [kiwio@hborienteering.com](mailto:kiwio@hborienteering.com).



### 2017 Hawke's Bay Schools Sprint Champs

*Wednesday 22 March, Splash Planet*

This event is a great opportunity for new orienteering students to have a go and for more experienced to show their speed and quick decision making. We recommend any students interested to come along to one or more of the Summer Series events on Wednesdays before this event. Teachers and parents are also welcome to run in our Summer Series.

### 2017 Hawke's Bay Schools Rogaine Champs

*Saturday 1 April, Tutira*

This event is combined with the NZSS Rogaine Champs being held in Hawke's Bay this year. This is for secondary schools students only with a Junior Grade for students born 2002

or after and a Senior Grade for students born 2001 or earlier. There are girls, boys and mixed team categories. The Junior race is 3 hours and the Senior race is 4 hours, and there is a public event for others. A great chance to hone those skills required for adventure racing.



### 2017 Hawke's Bay Schools Long Champs

*Sunday 14 May, Maraetotara*

This is a longer course on a rural map with students needing to make careful choices to complete their course. There are novice, standard and championship grades for those new to orienteering through to those more experienced students.

### 2017 Hawke's Bay Schools Relay Champs

*Sunday 11 June, Mission*

The final Hawke's Bay Schools event brings the team spirit to the sport and students of all ages and grade enjoy this competition. Teams are made up of 3 students, of the same sex, from the same school, who are eligible for the grade entered. Each student runs one leg of the relay, with the race comprising 3 legs. Then it's a race against the other teams to see whose third runner crosses the finish line first.

