



2008 NORTH ISLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS

This event is officially sanctioned by the NZSSSC

Welcome

Hawke's Bay Orienteering Club welcomes the students, team managers, teachers, parents and any other supporters who have made the trip to Hawke's Bay for these championships.

To the students - we hope you enjoy the courses that have been prepared for you, the competition against fellow students and other school teams and the camaraderie of your fellow team members. Good luck for the championships.

To the team managers and others involved in organisation of teams – thank you for your efforts and commitment. Events such as this are essential to the development of orienteering and they just wouldn't happen without your efforts.

We hope you enjoy your few days in Hawke's Bay – travel safely.

Hawke's Bay Orienteering Club would like to acknowledge the assistance of Panpac forest manager, Peter Reid and the forest grazier, Ed.

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Timetable

Friday, May 2	9.30	Registration opens
	11.00	First starts
	1.15	Maps available for collection
	1.00	Courses open for casuals – red, orange, yellow
	1.30	Courses open for casuals - white
	3.00	Courses close
	3.00	Relay registration closes
Saturday, May 3	8.30	Registration opens
	9.45	Relay briefing
	10.00	Senior girls start
	10.10	Senior boys, Intermediate girls & Junior girls start
	10.20	Intermediate boys & Junior boys start
	10.25	Y7/8 boys & girls start
	11.45	Mass start for anyone not started
	12.30	Prizegiving

General Information

This competition will be run in accordance with NZOF rules. Please direct any queries during the events to the Event Controllers.

Health & Safety

- All buildings, surrounding yards, and farm equipment are *out-of-bounds*. Do not approach stock unnecessarily.
- Land owners are not responsible for ensuring that any natural hazard or risk associated with orienteering as a recreational activity does not cause harm to competitors or spectators.
- First aid will be available at each event

Fences and gates

Please take care not to damage fences and gates. All gates should be left as found. Please report any damage to the organisers as soon as you finish.

Dogs

Dogs are not permitted at either event - this includes the parking areas.

Smoking

This is a forest area - smoking is not permitted - this includes the parking areas.

Rubbish

Please do not throw food or rubbish on the ground. HBOC prides itself on leaving areas as we find them – please help by taking your rubbish away with you.

Registration

Registration will be at the HBOC caravan. Team managers – please pay any outstanding entry fees, collect team packs of hire SI-cards and relay registration forms here. This form must be returned to the registration before you leave on Saturday afternoon.

Maps

Maps are pre-marked in purple with control descriptions on the front.

Control descriptions

IOF descriptions will be used for red courses and text descriptions for all other courses.

Electronic punching system

We will be using the SportIdent electronic punching system for these events.

The **SI-card** is a plastic stick that is worn with an elastic band on your finger. There is also an additional elastic safety strap – please wear this around your wrist.

Punch the control by placing the end of the SI-card into the hole in the top of the flat box mounted on the control stand. Hold it there briefly until a red light and a beep indicate that the control unit has transferred its number and time on to your SI-card. If in doubt, do it again – it does not matter if you record the same control twice.

Your SI-card must be **cleared and checked** before you start your course - this will happen in the pre-start area.

If a **control unit fails** during the event, use the clipper on the control stand to punch one of the boxes printed on the edge of your map. Draw this to the attention to the person at the finish.

If you punch a **wrong control**, don't worry - just find the correct control and go through the process again. The wrong one will be discarded.

When you reach the **finish line**, don't forget to put your SI-card into one of the control units situated directly on the finish line. Again, wait for the beep and the red light, confirming your finish. Then proceed down the chute to the download station, which will read the information off your e-card and print out a sheet showing your course time and the split times between all controls.

If you **do not complete your course**, please go through the finish control and the download process, the same as everyone else. Otherwise we will come looking for you.

Your SI-card has a number that is related specifically to you as a competitor. The cards must not be loaned to anyone else during the event. **If you lose a hired SI-card there will be a charge of \$50 to cover the cost of a replacement.**

Results

Results will be displayed on the trailer beside the finish tent. Enquiries regarding finish times and disqualifications should be directed to the Event Controller. All results will be available on the HBOC website www.hborienteering.com soon after the event.

Water

Water will be available on red courses, and at the finish. Please use a new cup (provided) and place used cups in the rubbish bag.

Complaints and Protests

If you wish to make a complaint regarding an infringement of the rules or the organisers' directions, please talk to the Event Controller. This must be done within 60 minutes of

completing your course. The Event Controller will consider the matter that you have raised and let you have his decision.

If you are not satisfied with that decision, you may ask that the complaint be considered as a protest. Protests will be considered by the Event Controller and a jury of experienced orienteers.

Course closure

Refer to the course closure times stated for each day. If you are still on your course at these times, please return to the finish area and report in.

Clothing

Competitors should bring a range of clothing to cover extremes – both hot and cold.

Toilets

Toilets will be available in the parking areas.

Interschool Competition

Top School Competition

There are separate trophies for boys and girls.

Only 3 competitors in each age grade will contribute to the school's points. That is, a maximum of 9 competitors (3 at each age) will be able to earn points for their school.

In the individual competition the best three results at each age class, whether in the Championship or Standard event, will be counted. At least one of these results must be from the Championship level. A school entering all its competitors in the Standard level will be able to count only two results.

In the relay, only the highest positioned team from any school in each age grade will count. Runners in composite teams do not count.

Points for this competition are as follows:

Individuals - Championship:	1st - 25 points, 2nd - 24, 3rd - 23, down to 25th - 1 point.
Individuals - Standard:	1st - 15 points, 2nd - 14, 3rd - 13, down to 15th - 1 point.
Relays (teams):	1st team - 60 points, 2nd - 54, 3rd - 48, down to 10th - 6 points.

Friday - Individual Championships

- Date:** Friday, May 2
- Map:** Tangoio
- Scale:** 1:10,000 for yellow, orange and red courses, 5m contours
1:7,500 for white courses, 5m contours
Fences are shown on all courses
- Terrain & map notes:** Spur/gully contour ranging from flat to very steep – courses have been designed to minimise climb. Mature pine trees, with good visibility, small patches of manuka (marked as light green). There are areas of blackberry which are mapped according to runnability:
Dark green - areas that are impossible to get through.
Narrow green stripes – areas where the blackberry is thicker and slower to get through, but it is possible to get through.
Wide green stripes - areas where the blackberry is low and scattered and not difficult to get through.
The map area encompasses the Eskdale MTB Park, so an extensive track network exists.
- Important:** This event is taking place on a 'work day' and there may be a possibility of forestry vehicles using the roads. Mountain bikers may also be using the area.

Leg cover is recommended for those doing red, orange and yellow courses, if you want to avoid blackberry scratches on your legs.
- Out of bounds:** The Eskdale MTB Park is out-of-bounds to all team managers and competitors on Thursday, May 1 and Friday, May 2 following the individual event.
- Planner:** Geoff Morrison (HBOC)
- Controller:** Rolf Boswell (HBOC)
- Directions:** From Napier, head north to the junction of SH 2 & 5. Follow SH 2, towards Gisborne for approx. 1 km, then turn left into Tait Road. Follow Tait Road to the end then follow signposts to the parking. Allow 20 minutes from central Napier.
- Parking:** Park as directed.
- Start:** The start is adjacent to the parking area. Please ensure that you have cleared your SI-card and are ready to enter the starting grid no later than three minutes before your start time.

Control descriptions are printed on the front of the map. There will also be loose copies available at the start for those with control description holders.

If you are late for your start, tell the starter. You will be fitted into the start at the first convenient time but your race time will run from your original start time. If you consider that you have a valid reason for being late, explain that to the person at the finish and they will direct you to the Event Controller.

Finish: The finish is adjacent to the start .

Casual starts: These will be available from 1.00pm (1.30pm for white course).

Course closure: 3.00pm

Course information

	Distance (kms)	Climb (Metres)	Estimated winning time (Minutes)	NZOF colour code
CHAMPIONSHIP				
Senior Boys	4.1	205	45-50	Red
Senior Girls	3.4	160	45-50	Red
Intermediate Boys	3.3	150	35-40	Orange
Intermediate Girls	3.0	125	35-40	Orange
Junior Boys	2.9	50	25-30	Yellow
Junior Girls	2.5	45	25-30	Yellow
Y7/8 Boys	2.9	50	25-30	Yellow
Y7/8 Girls	2.5	45	25-30	Yellow
STANDARD				
Senior Boys	3.3	150	35-40	Orange
Senior Girls	3.0	125	35-40	Orange
Intermediate Boys	2.9	50	25-30	Yellow
Intermediate Girls	2.5	45	25-30	Yellow
Junior Boys	2.6	60	20-25	White
Junior Girls	2.6	60	20-25	White
Y7/8 Boys	2.6	60	20-25	White
Y7/8 Girls	2.6	60	20-25	White

Saturday - Relay Championships

Date:	Saturday, May 3
Map:	Tangoio
Scale:	1:10,000 for yellow and orange courses, 5m contours. 1:7,500 for white courses, 5m contours.
Terrain:	<p>Spur/gully contour ranging from flat to very steep – courses have been designed to minimise climb. Mature pine trees, with good visibility, small patches of manuka (marked as light green). There are areas of blackberry which are mapped according to runnability:</p> <p>Dark green - areas that are impossible to get through. Narrow green stripes – areas where the blackberry is thicker and slower to get through, but it is possible to get through. Wide green stripes - areas where the blackberry is low and scattered and not difficult to get through.</p> <p>The area encompasses the Eskdale MTB Park, so an extensive track network exists.</p>
Important:	<p>Mountain bikers may also be using the area.</p> <p><u>Leg cover is recommended</u> for those doing orange and yellow courses, if you want to avoid blackberry scratches on your legs.</p>
Planner:	Rolf Boswell
Controller:	Geoff Morrison
Directions:	From Napier, head north to the junction of SH 2 & 5. Follow SH 2, towards Gisborne for approx. 1 km, then turn left into Tait Road. Follow Tait Road to the end then follow signposts through the forest to the parking. Allow 30 minutes from central Napier.
Parking:	Parking is limited, so please park as directed.
Start:	<p>The start is adjacent to the parking area – see the timetable for start times. Please clear and check your SI-card before you start.</p> <p>Control descriptions will be printed on the front of your map.</p>
Finish:	Finish is adjacent to the parking area. Please return hired SI-cards at the finish.
Out of bounds:	Forested areas north of the access road are out of bounds.

- Briefing:** At 9.45 am there will be a briefing for all starters to explain the relay changeover procedures.
- Massed starts:** There will be a mass start for anyone who hasn't started at 11.45 am.
- Course closure:** 2:00 pm.
- Teams:** "Official teams" are made up of students, of the same gender and from the same school, who are eligible to compete in the class.
To cater for students who are not able to be placed in a school team, composite teams will be made up. These teams will run unofficially (ie. their team placings will not be recognised in the school team competition).
- Prizegiving** A prizegiving will be held at the completion of the relay on Saturday. Medals will be awarded to winners of the individual secondary school championship grades and ribbons will be awarded to all placegetters. There are also trophies for the winning boys' and girls' schools.

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	Distance (kms)	Climb (Metres)	Estimated winning time (Minutes)	NZOF colour code
RELAYS				
Senior Boys	3.0	125	90	Orange
Senior Girls	2.7	110	90	Orange
Intermediate Boys	2.7	50	75	Yellow
Intermediate Girls	2.7	50	75	Yellow
Junior Boys	1.9	30	60	White
Junior Girls	1.9	30	60	White
Y7/8 Boys	1.9	30	60	White
Y7/8 Girls	1.9	30	60	White



**Hawke's Bay Orienteering Club
is proud to have three juniors
selected to represent NZ at
this year's Junior World
Championships in Sweden.**

FOOD FOR SALE

Over the two days of this event the families of these JWOC representatives will have food available for sale.

BBQ sausages & steak sandwiches, filled rolls,
baking, juices, hot & cold drinks

**Thanks for your support from Kate Morrison, Scott McDonald
& Jack Vincent.**