

2024 Hawke's Bay Schools Relay Championships FINAL EVENT BULLETIN

Daylight savings

Please note that daylight savings ends on the day of the event with clocks going backwards one hour. It is very important you update your clocks and ensure you turn up at the right time.

Date:	Sunday 7th April 2024
Planner:	Steve Armon
Controller:	Matt Radford
Map:	DOLBEL RESERVE, TARADALE Map
Scale:	1:3000 (white courses) 1:4000 (yellow and orange courses)
Contour interval:	5m

Terrain & map notes

Open rolling farmland with scattered trees; some forested areas with formed tracks; parkland areas on flatter terrain.

Control descriptions

All courses have text descriptions on the map. Given courses have splits, there will be no loose control descriptions.

Out of bounds

Out of Bounds areas are marked on the maps as olive green. Paths through the olive areas may be used. Some areas of new plantings will be taped off to re-enforce that runners are not to go through. The crossing of any Out of Bounds areas may result in disqualification of runners.

For spectators, Out of Bounds areas will be signposted on the day. Please stay in the event centre area or on the signposted routes to Golding Road and Trigg Crescent. The event centre has been situated to allow views of competitors at the finish and through part of the course.

Health and Safety

The Health and Safety Plan for this event can be accessed from the [HBOC Schools website](#). Safety Plans and Hazards will be on display at the Event Centre. A first aider will be available on the day for any incidents. It is expected that Team Managers have a health declaration for each student and any major issues should be brought to the attention of the organisers. It is expected that Team Managers make their competitors aware of the special hazards and safety bearings for this event.

Whistles

It is highly recommended that all competitors carry a **whistle**. The distress signal is 6 short blasts, rest, then repeat. Use in the case of injury or emergency only. The caravan sells whistles for \$ 2.00 each.

Hazards

- Tracks, slopes and steps may be slippery if wet.
- Some blackberry patches on yellow and orange courses. Leg protection for these courses is recommended.
- Take care on narrow tracks.
- The reserve will be open to other users so please give them space to enjoy the reserve just as we are doing.

Safety bearing

Downhill and east back to the event centre.

Directions and Parking

Dolbel Resrve is located in Taradale.

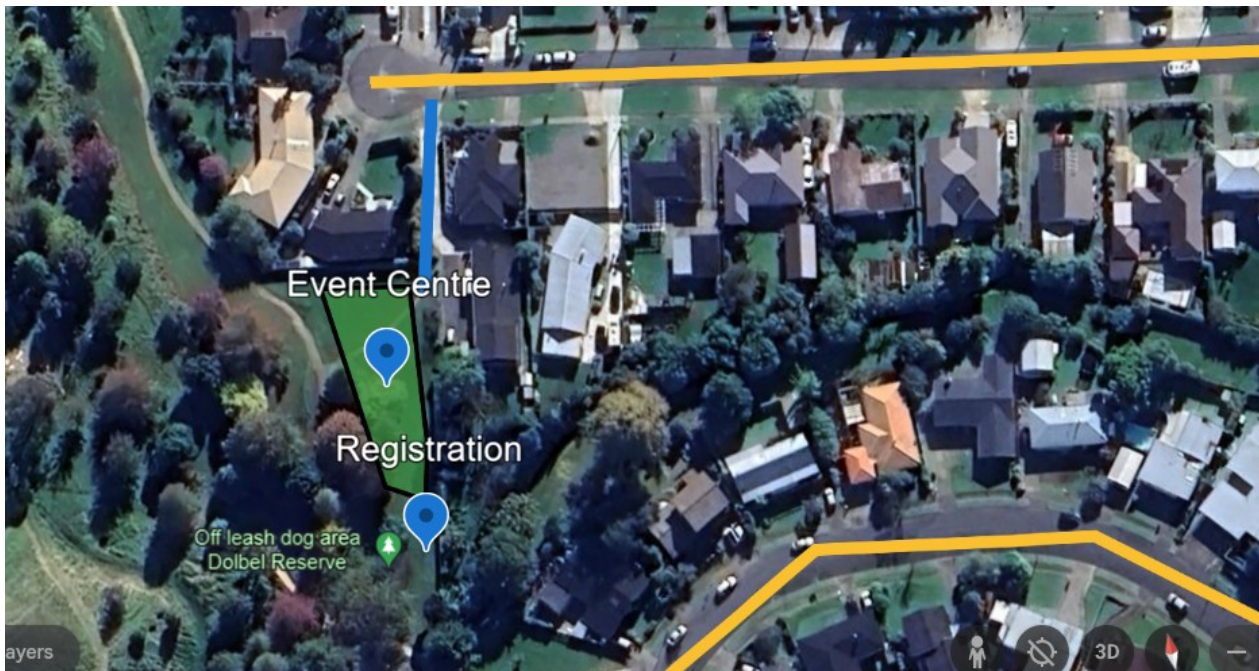
From the Taradale shops go west on Puketapu Road bearing left into Dolbel Street at the first bend and then immediately left into Anderson Road. Turn right into Golding Road, parking on the roadside (northern yellow line on maps below), and walk through the alleyway (blue line) at the end following signs to the event centre.

Once Golding Road parking is full, Trigg Crescent (also on the right from Anderson Road) will be available for 'overflow parking' (southern yellow line on maps below) and the event centre may be accessed through the Trigg Crescent entrance.

THERE IS TO BE NO EVENT PARKING IN DOLBEL STREET (red line on map below) AND NO ACCESS TO THE EVENT THROUGH THE DOLBEL STREET GATES.

Please be respectful of local residents and please keep all driveways clear.





Traffic Management

No courses except senior boys will involve any running on roads or where cars may be. Senior Boys please keep to the footpath and be aware of traffic.

GPS coordinates: **39°32'15.4"S 176°50'15.6"E**

Event Centre

Courses are set so that most runners can be seen part way through their course. There will be a small area of flat grass near to the event centre where team gazebos may be set up.

The start and finish will be at the event centre.

Spectators please stay in the vicinity of the event centre and stay clear of the tag area and clear of Out of Bounds areas.

Registration

Please note the following registration steps. It is important that teams meet the times noted below to ensure the first runners are at their starts on time.

8.30am Registration Opens

- At the caravan School Team Manager to pick up their school's Registration Pack.
- The Registration Pack will include a Relay Runner Form for each team with pre-allocated SI card numbers and names (on stickers)
- The Team Manager will complete the Relay Runner Form. Deciding 1st, 2nd and 3rd leg runners using provided stickers.
- A representative of each team will submit this Form to the Relay Runner Table before to collect their team's bibs and SI cards.
- **Assign the correct SI to the correct competitor.**
- The Relay Runner Form must be completed for each team.

9.15 am Registration closes

9.30 am All Runners for composite teams must meet at the caravan at 9.30am with their SI and competitor sticker.

- No changes to the teams can be made after this time

Some base plate and thumb compasses will be available to hire from the caravan. These should be returned at the finish. Any not returned will be charged via their schools.

Race Briefing

There will be a compulsory race briefing for ALL runners at 9.45am. ALL first leg runners should be ready to run as the first courses will start at the conclusion of the briefing.

Start

At the event centre. All first leg runners should come to the 9.45pm briefing ready to run. If you are late for your start no time allowance will be given.

There will be a mass start for the first runners at the following times:

Start Time	Grades
10.00 am	SB, SG
10.05 am	IB, IG
10.10 am	JB, JG
10.15 am	PB, PG
10.20am	YB, YG

For second and third leg runners they should be ready and waiting in the designated handover area next to the finish. If their runner has not returned by **10.50am for second leg runners** and **11.20am by third legs runners** there will be a mass start. This is done, to ensure runners and parents do not have to wait too long and prize giving can occur at a reasonable time. Teams that have runners in these mass starts remain official and their time will still count.

Finish

All competitors will have the same last control which is very close to the finish. From this they will follow a taped finish chute to the finish control and punch this. For first and second runners they should immediately tag their next leg runner.

All runners should then go to the download tent to record their time from their SI card. They are also required to hand in their maps so people who have not run do not get an unfair advantage. These maps will be returned after the third leg runners have mass started (11.20am).

The second-to-last control is a pre-warning radio control so that next runners can be alerted that their runner is about to finish.

All competitors must report to the finish, even if they do not complete the course.

Lost or late runners

DO NOT START YOUR OWN SEARCH. Organisers know who is or isn't out on the course at any given time. Report to the registration caravan and event organisers will initiate any action.

Results

Provisional live results will be displayed on the O-Lynx screens at the Event Centre. Official results will be available after the event at www.hborienteering.com. Photographs of the event will be shared on the Hawke's Bay Orienteering Facebook page.

Rules

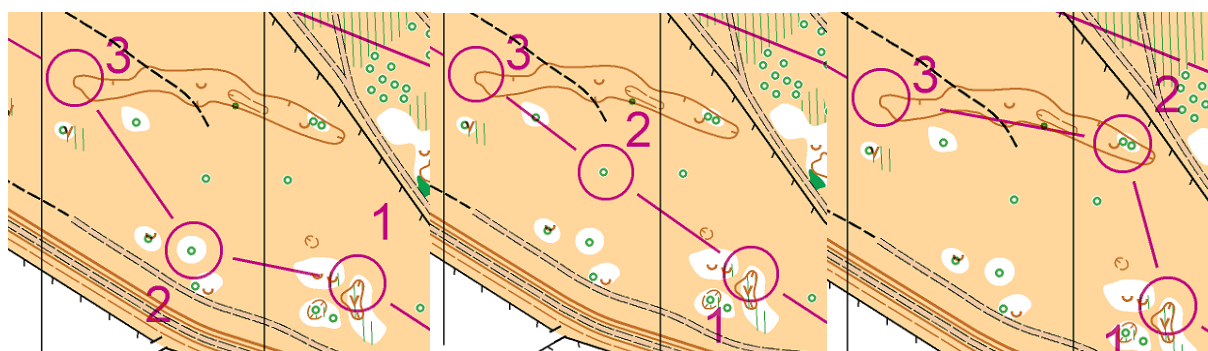
This competition will be run under the ONZ Foot Orienteering Competition Rules 2021. These rules may be viewed on the ONZ website: www.orienteeing.org.nz under "Resources".

For protests, refer to the [HBOC Complaints and Protests Procedure](#). Please direct any queries during the event to the Event Controller.

Splits

For most grades, there will be parts on the course which have “splits”. This is when people on the same course go to slightly different controls. For example, in the example map below, after punching control 1, competitors depending on the course assigned to them may have one of three options for control 2 before having the same 3rd control. The map will not show the other controls on that split.

Runners should be aware of this and discouraged from following. Runners should ensure they double check the control code when they reach a control. Each team’s runners will cover all the split options and hence overall have run the same length.



Split A

Split B

Split C

Fair Play

All competitors shall behave with fairness and honesty. Attempts to gain any information related to this event, beyond that provided by the organisers, is prohibited before and during the event. It is forbidden to bring any previous maps along to the competition arenas. A competitor that breaks any rule, or benefits for the breaking of any rule, may be disqualified.

There will be “spotters” on the course. No other non-competitors are allowed on the courses during the school competition. This means no runners are to be accompanied or shadowed.

GPS Equipment

GPS-enabled devices (eg, watches) may be carried provided that they have no map display and are not used for navigation purposes.

Prizegiving

At the event centre when results are in. This is expected to be about 12 noon.

Casual starts

Casual starts will be after the event between **12.00 and 1.00 pm**. Usual map fees will apply. There will be an orange, yellow and white course available.

Course closure

1.30pm. All competitors still on the course must return to the finish area and report to the download.

Food & water

The club will have sausages and juices to purchase at the event. Please can competitors bring their own water bottles. We will not be providing water at the event.

Shelter

There will be a limited amount of shelter provided by the organisers, so it is recommended that school teams bring their own shelter if the weather is poor. Team gazebos may be erected in the event centre area.

Toilets

Portaloo toilets will be available. Follow the signs from the event centre.

Course information:

Grade	Length*	Climb ⁺	Controls	Estimate team winning time	Level
Senior Boys	2.6km	155m	21	90min	Orange
Senior Girls	2.1km	130m	19		
Intermediate Boys	1.9km	115m	18	75min	Yellow
Intermediate Girls	1.8km	100m	16		
Junior Boys	1.7km	95m	24	60min	White
Junior Girls	1.5km	80m	21		
Y7/8 Boys	1.5km	75m	21		
Y7/8 Girls	1.3km	85m	19		
Primary Boys	1.4km	70m	20		
Primary Girls	1.3km	65m	18		

* Course length are measured in a straight line from control to control.

+ Climb is based on that most likely route competitors will take

Other Important Notes:

- **NO DOGS!** This includes the event centre and parking area, including in cars.
- Some courses may cross fences. ***Always cross a fence beside a strong post.*** Try gently shaking the fence - before climbing. If it is wobbly, find a better place to climb it.
- Do not adjust gates. If the gate is closed do not open it, climb it at the hinged end.
- We would like to leave this map as we found it so if you cause any damage to fences and gates, please help us by reporting it at the finish so we can repair it after the event.
- This reserve is controlled by Napier City Council. Planting and much of the maintenance is also carried out by a work group organized by Taradale Rotary. Please respect their work in providing this wonderful amenity.
- Please remove all your rubbish. Thank you!

Timeline

8.30am Registration Opens

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9.30 am All Runners for composite teams must meet at the caravan at 9.30am with their SI and competitor sticker.

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9.45 am Compulsory race briefing, all runners must attend.

- Get runners ready with the bib numbers and SI's ready to go.
- **First-leg runners should be ready to run immediately following Race Briefing.**

10.00-10:20am Mass start for first leg runners by grade as per above timetable

10:50am Second leg runners mass start (if first leg runner not returned yet)

11:20am Third leg runner mass start (if second leg runner not returned yet)

~12pm Prize giving

12-1pm General Public may run the courses

1.30pm Course closure