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FROM THE GM's DESK – JANUARY 2013

WORLD CUP SUCCESS

Congratulations to **Lizzie Ingham** (WN) for her 3rd placing in the World Cup Sprint race on the Government House map in Wellington on January 8. This is NZ's best ever World Cup result by a woman. At the same event, Tim Robertson (HV) achieved a top 20 placing (20th) in the men's race. Well done also to Tim and the whole team; New Zealand is proud of you.



Lizzie Ingham World Cup Sprint Final

Photo Credit: Andrew Johnstone

Lizzie followed up her podium placing, with 8th in the third World Cup event, the prologue/chasing start on the final day of the Oceania Carnival.

The NZOF also acknowledges with appreciation the major support of **Sport New Zealand**.

NZ SCHOOLS TEAM DOES IT AGAIN

Our NZ Secondary Schools team followed up their Southern Cross Challenge victory in Australia in September by defeating an Australian schools team in the A-NZ Schools Challenge. On 4-5 January, NZ won 8-0, a clean sweep of all classes in both the individual challenge and the relay challenge. Congratulations team.

AUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND CHALLENGE

And well done to our Challenge team, who had quite a tussle with the Australians but in the end prevailed – just. In the contest for the Challenge Cup (individual challenge), NZ won the middle 13-7, lost the sprint 7-13 and scraped home in the long 11-9, to take the cup. However, in the contest for the Brown Memorial Trophy (relay challenge), it was a 10-all draw. Therefore Australia, as the holders, retains that trophy. Note that the two competitions are separate, there is no combined result.

OCEANIA-WORLD CUP ORGANISING TEAM

And congratulations to the Oceania-World Cup 2013 organising team and their outstanding effort. Appreciation goes to: Graham Teahan (Event Director), Malcolm Ingham (National Controller), Bryan Teahan (Technical Director), Yvette Baker, Jason Markham, Bill Edwards, Derek Morrison (Planners), Gillian Ingham, Bruce Henderson, Ken Holst (Controllers), Christine Brown - AUS (IOF SEA), David May – GBR (Assistant SEA), and volunteers of Wellington, Red Kiwis and Hawkes Bay clubs. Not forgetting the Steering Group (and others) which guided the lead-up to the event behind the scenes: David Turner, Graham Fortune, Gerald Crawford, Don Locke, Phillip Herries, Jane Harding, Russell Higham, Alan Horn and Dave Fisher.

SUCCESSFUL JUNIOR CAMP

A big thank you to **Martin Peat** (CM), **Linda** and **Dwayne Smith** (AK) and their team for a well organised NZOF Junior Training camp in December. With 90 participants it was a major success, not least because of the **coaches**. So a special thank you to them as well.

NZOF MEMBERSHIP

At the close of 2012, national membership was at an all-time high of 1,986. A great effort from our clubs throughout the country. Also in 2012, more events, with record participation, were held than ever before.

SCHOOLS COACHING AND KIWISPORT IN COUNTIES MANUKAU

Val & John Robinson and the team from Counties Manukau OC completed another extremely active year in 2012. In summary:

- 5,502 students were coached (not including students taking part in championship days),
- 157 teachers were up skilled,
- 16 new school maps were made or upgraded,
- 2,243 students took part in championship days conducted by CMOC, and
- 1,507 competed in the club's secondary school sprint series.

Anyone wishing more information on these remarkable statistics can obtain the full 2012 report from the NZOF General Manager.

NZOF OFFICER APPOINTMENTS 2013

The following have been re-appointed for volunteer NZOF positions in 2013.

Fixtures Officer: John Powell (CM).

MTBO Committee: Josie Boland (PP), Rob Garden (NW), Alister Metherell (PP), Michael Wood (HV).

Rogaine Committee: Dennis de Monchy (BP), Suzanne Scott (TK), Michael Wood (HV).

Statistician: Bryan Teahan (WR).

D-Squad Coordinator: Sarah Gray (WN).

National Squad manager: Al Cory-Wright (PP).

National Squad coaching coordinator: Jean Cory-Wright (PP).

Re-appointed for three-year term: Selection Panel: Bill Edwards (HV).

VACANCY: SCHOOLS CO-ORDINATOR

This is an annual volunteer appointment. The primary role entails the promotion of orienteering in schools with the aim of achieving active participation by increasing numbers in both school and club events. The job includes supporting the host clubs of the NZ, NI and SI Schools Championships with resource information and liaison with the NZ Secondary School Sports Council. Direct expenses are paid within the designated budget. Applications close Friday 15 February. A job description is available from the General Manager.

VACANCY: WOC MANAGER

An official is required to act as Manager for the NZ team to the World Championships in Finland, 7 – 14 July 2013. The role is primarily to attend to finance and logistics for the team, prior to and during the event. The role is volunteer, however, travel to and from the event, plus accommodation will be paid. Applications close Friday 22 February. A job description is available from the General Manager.

VACANCY: JWOC COACH

A coach is required to assist team manager, Anna Robertson, and the NZ Junior World Championship team in their preparation, both in New Zealand and Czech Republic for the championships, 29 June – 6 July 2013. The position is a volunteer one, however, travel to and from the event, plus accommodation will be paid. Applications close Friday 22 February. A job description is available from the General Manager.

ROGAINING: LIAISON WITH THE NZRA

During 2013, clubs may be contacted directly by the NZ Rogaining Association regarding (1) their ability to organise the next NZ (24-hour) Rogaining Championship and (2) whether they wish to include an existing rogaine (or a new one) in a national series. The NZOF supports such contact but points out that clubs are under no obligation to meet any requests.

In the meantime, the NZOF encourages all clubs to run short, close-to-home, rogaines, which appeal to those who like pairs or team activities. They are also relatively easy to organise. Contact the NZOF Rogaine Committee Convenor, Michael Wood at michael.wood@mapsport.co.nz for any advice you may need.

OCEANIA TITLES

Congratulations to all NZ victors at the Oceania Championships. (Note that the Oceania championships only apply to classes M/W16 and up.) Individual winners were (* = also fastest time):

Middle: M21E Carsten Joergensen (PP), W21E Angela Simpson (WK).

M16 Nick Smith * (PP), M18 William Richardson * (PP), M20 Alistair Richardson * (PP), M35 Fraser Mills * (DN), M45 Rob Jessop (AK), M50 Jeff Greenwood (AK), M55 Don Paterson (TK), M60 Alistair Stewart * (AK), M65 Ross Brighouse * (CM), M75 Don Locke (WN), M80 Ian Holden * (NS), W16 Alice Tilley * (NW), W18 Lauren Holmes (NW), W21 Katherine Reynolds (NW), W40 Antonia Wood (DN), W45 Marquita Gelderman * (NW), W50 Lisa Mead * (NW), W65 Patricia Aspin * (CM).

Sprint: M21E Thomas Reynolds * (NW), W21E Angela Simpson (WK).

M16 Nick Smith * (PP), M35 Fraser Mills (DN), M45 Alistair Cory-Wright * (PP), M75 Don Locke * (WN), M80 Ian Holden * (NS), W16 Alice Tilley * (NW), W18 Holly Edmonds * (HB), W21 Katherine Reynolds * (NW), W75 Bunny Rathbone * (DN).

Long: M21E Carsten Joergensen (PP).

M18 Shamus Morrison * (WN), M40 Darren Ashmore * (BP), M45 Rob Jessop * (AK), M50 Jeff Greenwood (AK), M65 Ross Brighouse (CM), M70 Graham Fortune * (WN), M75 Don Locke (WN), W16 Lara Molloy * (WN), W18 Vida Fox * (HB), W20 Juliana McMillan * (NW), W40 Jenni Adams * (PP), W45 Marquita Gelderman * (NW), W65 Patricia Aspin * (CM), W75 Bunny Rathbone * (DN).