FROM THE “New” GM’s DESK – APRIL 2013

THANK YOU

A big round of appreciation goes to Peninsula and Plains Orienteers for four days of excellent NZ Championship events over Easter. Four days and four different terrains. Nationals is always a huge effort to run, so our thanks go to overall coordinator, Jan Harrison, technical director, Alister Metherell, and all PAPO members who so obviously did a lot of work.

SILVA AWARD for SERVICES TO ORIENTEERING IN NZ

Silva Award for Services to Orienteering in NZ for 2012: Marquita Gelderman (North West).

Marquita has been involved in orienteering for 28 years having started the sport back in 1984.

As a competitor, Marquita has:
• Competed for NZ at both World (foot-O) champs and World Cup events;
• Won seven NZ W21E titles;
• Placed 4th twice, 5th and 8th in Open Women’s at the World MTBO champs, and as a result twice received Performance Enhancement Grants from SPARC (now Sport NZ).

A firm believer in putting back into sport what you get out of it, Marquita has been prominent in many organizing roles. At the national level Marquita was a member of the NZOF Selection Panel for many years, including being the convenor. She was also planner of the 2000 World Masters finals in the Manawatu, and has controlled three NZ champs, planned two Oceania events and several Auckland champs — a total, all up, of 20 events.

In 2012, she was appointed to the NZOF Technical Committee, and in January of this year attended the IOF Event Adviser’s Clinic held in Masterton. As a result of attendance there she has now been nominated by the NZOF to become an IOF Event Adviser.

On the club scene, Marquita has been North West’s most prominent cartographer in OCAD mapping, having put in countless hours for the club. Not a year passes when she has not controlled or planned an event. She freely helps others with planning and using Sport Ident and is acknowledged for her accuracy and attention to detail. Bottom line - whenever Marquita has been involved one could expect a top-notch event.

OTHER SILVA AWARD WINNERS

2012 Silva International Performance Award: Matt Ogden (NW). Matt placed top 20 in all three finals at JWOC 2012: sprint (10th), long (14th) and 1st in the middle. New Zealand’s first ever medal at a world or junior world championship, and gold at that.

Silva Kapiti HAVOC Trophy for junior international performance in 2012: Matt Ogden (NW). See above.

2012 Silva Coach of the Year: Derek Morrison (HB).

Coach of the 2012 NZ Secondary Schools Team, which in the Southern Cross Challenge, achieved outstanding victories in three out of four classes. Derek was also manager of the NZ JWOC team 2012, where beside coach James Bradshaw, he added coaching input at the championships and the lead-up training week. Derek also coached the Napier Boys’ High & Napier Girls’ High teams that won the boy’s and girl’s ‘Top School’ Awards at the 2012 Silva NZ Secondary School Championships.

2012 Silva Mountain Bike Orienteer of the Year: Rob Garden (NW).

One gold (middle) and two silver medals (sprint, long) at the 2012 World Masters MTBO Championships 2012 in Hungary.
2012 Silva Rogainers of the Year: Kathrin Mueller (PP) & Val Rogers (PP).

NZOF thanks Ampro Sales Ltd. for their sponsorship of these awards.

OTHER AWARD WINNERS

2012 National Volunteer Awards

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<td>Michael Wood (HV)</td>
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2012 NZOF Administrator of the Year

David Turner (WN)
The last two of David’s four years as convenor of the Wellington Orienteering Club saw him very actively engaged with organising the Oceania-World Cup carnival. David spent hundreds of hours liaising with landowners and interested parties, supporting the Event Director and Steering Committee and organising and coordinating the various WOC volunteer teams. David also was instrumental in getting Wellington City Council support for the Oceania event and securing local sponsors. During his term as club convenor, Wellington club membership has grown, especially amongst juniors and schools, thanks in part to David’s focus on making events more accessible and attractive to a wide range of people.

PRESIDENT’S AWARD

President’s Award for outstanding volunteer service at club level

Alan & Trish Foote (SD)
For more than twenty years, Alan and Trish have been key members of Southland. During that time with, first, Alan being president and currently Trish as president. Not aided by falling population in the district, by 2007, the club was in dire straits and at an AGM the club discussed the prospect of winding down. However, the decision was made to carry on and refresh the scene. This has been done successfully with both membership growing again and the number of events held increasing. In 2012, including schools events, the club conducted 26 events. It is also a period which has seen the introduction of Sport Ident into the club.

Trish edited Southland’s newsletter for many years and Alan, as an A-grade controller has planned/controlled countless events including South Island and Southland Championships.

Brighouse Trophy
Awarded for the best combined performance by an individual in national and provincial long-distance events. The 2012 winner was Cosette Saville (CM), in W20A.

NEWS FROM THE AGM

The NZOF Annual General Meeting held in Christchurch on 29 March re-elected Simon Addison and Pete Swanson as president and vice-president, respectively. The federation is fortunate to have two such hard-working volunteers at its helm.

APPOINTMENTS

Linda Smith (AK) has been appointed as Schools Coordinator, replacing Martin Peat. The NZOF thanks Martin for his term as coordinator. Please note that the position is no longer titled Secondary Schools Coordinator; the more inclusive title reflects that Yr 7/8 championships now have official status.
Malcolm Ingham (WN) has been appointed as manager of the NZ WOC team 2013.

Jim Russell (Australia) has been appointed as coach of the NZ JWOC team 2013.

Rachel Smith (Bay of Plenty) has been appointed as manager of the NZ World Games team 2013.

The NZOF thanks the above for their willingness to commit to national volunteer positions.

**WORLD GAMES TEAM**

The New Zealand team selected to compete at the World Games in Cali, Colombia 25 July – 4 August is as follows:  
Tane Cambridge (Peninsula & Plains), Chris Forne (Peninsula & Plains), Rachel Smith (Bay of Plenty)  
Georgia Whita (Peninsula & Plains).  
Manager: Rachel Smith

**WORLD CHAMPS TEAM**

The New Zealand team selected to compete at the World Orienteering Championships in Vuuokatti, Finland 6 – 14 July is as follows:  
Tane Cambridge (Peninsula & Plains), Ross Morrison (Hawkes Bay), Tim Robertson (Hutt Valley), Reserve subject to fitness Toby Scott (Auckland).  
Lizzie Ingham (Wellington), Lara Prince (Peninsula & Plains), Potential Member subject to fitness and performance Kate Morrison (Hawkes Bay).  
Manager: Malcolm Ingham.

**WORLD CUP ORIENTEERS**

The New Zealand orienteers to compete at the World Cups in Europe in June and October is as follows:  
Nick Hann (Wellington) – Events 4-8, Ross Morrison (Hawkes Bay) – Events 4-8, 12 & 13, Subject to Fitness Toby Scott (Auckland) – Events 4-8, Kate Morrison (Hawkes Bay) – Events 4-8, Imogene Scott (Auckland) – Events 12 & 13.

**World Cup Event Details**

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**Sport NZ 2013-14 INVESTMENT**

Sport NZ has confirmed an investment of $20,000 for the 2013-14 financial year. They have also indicated an investment of $20,000 for the 2014-15 financial year has been budgeted based on our successful achievement of our annual targets.

**INTRODUCING ME – CATRIONA MCBEAN**

It’s a pleasure to be able to introduce myself to you all. After a few weeks in the role as General Manager I have already been involved in the announcement of 3 representative teams and am working with a fourth, so its busy already.

I have been involved in sport management for over 20 years, most recently in disabled sport (I also currently work part-time for Parafed Wellington) but prior to that overseeing Victoria University’s sport and recreation services, managing Swimming NZ, working for Water Safety NZ, and involved in multisport, mountain biking and triathlon events as a volunteer. I am also involved with Sport and Exercise Science NZ, and the NZ Recreation Association.

I have had the pleasure of being involved in a number of international events – World Triathlon Cup, World Mountain biking Cup, and Oceania Swimming Championships; and also attending the Sydney 2000 Olympic and Paralympic Games, 2002 Manchester Commonwealth Games and 2001 Goodwill Games in Brisbane.

As you will recognise from the postal address I live in Wellington and I love the city’s diversity in topography and culture. As they say, “you can’t beat Wellington on a good day” and wow did we have some great days during our extended summer.

I look forward to meeting you all over the forthcoming months and working to enhance NZOF’s role in delivering a great sport to New Zealanders.