Orienteering NZ Update for June/July 2014

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DISCUSSION DOCUMENTS
Thanks to everyone who made submissions on the two discussion documents. These are now being collated and will be presented to Council for their review and discussion.

POLICY UPDATES
The Council have approved the following policy updates:

Fundraising Events Policy 2010 (Rescinded 2014)
This Policy was designed to provide event levy relief for athletes selected to an Orienteering NZ-representative team for an international competition held outside the Oceania region. This Policy has been subject to misuse.

This Policy has been rescinded. Effective immediately.

Clubs are reminded the Miscellaneous Policies and By-Laws covers entry levy obligations as detailed below:

3.3 Event Levies
3.3.1 The levy amount is 25% of the entry fees of all orienteering events, except rogaines, for which the rate is 12.5%.
3.3.2 The levy applies to the gross event fee.
3.3.3 Money collected for items such as food, drinks, clothing, or on behalf of third party agencies (i.e. general public gate fees to parks, reserves, etc) is not deemed to be event fees.
3.3.4 Orienteering events are defined as events that require entrants to navigate using a map. They do not include fun runs and training events (where an Orienteering NZ approved instructor is involved in coaching).
3.3.5 However they do include:
   • Schools events, other than primary school events, run by an orienteering club, or club member.
   • All events run by individuals (affiliated members of a club) who would expect Orienteering NZ to cover their public liability insurance requirements.
   • Entry fees from the general public.
   • Events run by groups such as National Orienteering Squad, Development Squad etc.

Miscellaneous Policies and By-Laws (Updated 2014)
The Miscellaneous Policy has been updated to reflect the change in Executive Committee powers to endorse teams (Rule 2.3.5.1) and NZ Representative Eligibility (Rule 5.1).

The new rules are:

2.1 Executive Committee powers
2.3.5.1 In endorsing teams, the Executive will take into account any of the following:
   • athlete is not eligible to represent NZ
   • athlete is not a current member of an affiliated club
- athlete is currently suspended under the anti-doping policy
- athlete has previously had disregard for the code of conduct
- athlete has unpaid debts to Orienteering NZ.

5.1 National Teams
5.1.1 For WOC, JWOC, A-NZ Tests and ANZ Challenge, representatives must be a current financial member of a club affiliated to Orienteering NZ and be eligible to hold a New Zealand passport.

SECONdary SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIPS

NZSS Orienteering Champs – 17-19 July (Hosted by CMOC)
Sprint Championships – Thursday 17 July
Start times: First starts from 2pm
Map: Mountford Park
Location: Manurewa/Manukau City

Individual (Long) Championships – Friday 18 July
Start times: First starts will be 10:00am
Map: Waiuku Forest
Location: 30 mins from Bombay

Relay Championships – Saturday 19 July
Start Times First Starts will be 10.00am
Map: Waiuku Forest and Farm
Location: 30 mins from Bombay

http://cmoc.co.nz/

NZSS Rogaine Champs – 9 August (Hosted by OBOP)
This event is being hosted in 2014 by Orienteering Bay of Plenty, and will be run in conjunction with the Great Forest Rogaine, a foot and mountain bike rogaine which is open to the general public to enter. Teachers and other family members who wish to complete in the Great Forest Rogaine can go to www.obop.org.nz to enter and find out more information about the Great Forest Rogaine event. Students are not eligible for the NZSS Rogaine Champs if they compete in any part of the Great Forest Rogaine event.

Online entries close 25 July

http://www.orienteering.org.nz/nzss-rogaine-champs/

World Masters Games 2017 Sport Programme Announced

The Organising Committee of World Masters Games 2017 is thrilled to share some news.

Twenty-eight sports have been confirmed into the official programme. They are: Athletics, Archery, Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Canoe / Kayak, Cycling, Football, Golf, Hockey, Lawn Bowls, Netball, Orienteering, Rowing, Rugby, Sailing, Shooting, Softball, Squash, Surf Life Saving, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis, Touch Rugby, Triathlon, Volleyball, Water Polo, Weightlifting

Chief Executive of the World Masters Games 2017 Jennah Wootten says the sporting programme is a reflection of the culture and identity of New Zealand.

“Sports such as netball and rugby are played by thousands of New Zealanders young and old. “Bound by two harbours, Auckland is also one of the best places in the world to host water sports such as sailing, waka ama, swimming and surf life saving.

“We are a nation known the world over for our majestic scenery. Athletes and sports fans are invited to travel to New Zealand in April 2017 to compete, travel, relax and enjoy our famous New Zealand hospitality. There’s never been a better time to plan a visit to Aotearoa.”
Find out more information by visiting: www.worldmastersgames2017.co.nz. Or follow the event on Facebook, Twitter, Google Plus and Instagram. Add your profile to the online athlete community and join the growing number of masters athletes worldwide who are preparing for World Masters Games 2017 in Auckland, New Zealand.

The team at World Masters Games 2017 Orienteering Committee is:

- Martin Peat (CMOC & Chair)
- Pip Poole (NWOC)
- Guy Cory-Wright (AOC)
- Selwyn Palmer
- Stephen Reynolds
- Catriona McBean

With the scheduling of the Masters Games in April 2017, Orienteering NZ will be reviewing the fixtures calendar to ensure this event, Oceania, Nationals and the schools championships all fit in the 2017 competition season.

**ORIENTEERING NZ VACANCIES**

**NEW! NZ Schools Team Manager**

The primary role of the NZ Schools Team Manager is to ensure all financial and logistic matters pertaining to the team are attended to, so that the team members can concentrate on their own activities aimed at maximising their performance.

**NEW! NZ Schools Team Coach**

The primary role of the NZ Schools Team Coach is to assist the NZ representative team to perform to the best of their ability and to improve upon previous results achieved by New Zealand representative teams in Australia.

The appointment of both these positions is from appointment to the completion of the New Zealand Schools Team 2014/15 competitions in Perth, Western Australia 27 September to 5 October 2014 and Tasmania 7-8 January 2015.

Full position descriptions are available on the Orienteering NZ website.

Applications to:
Catriona McBean
General Manager

**Applications Close: 4 July 2014**

**High Performance Leader**

The High Performance Leader is primarily responsible for raising the performance levels of a selected group of elite orienteers and providing a believable pathway to success for the NZ High Performance Orienteering community with a view to improving the results achieved by New Zealand representative teams. This is a paid position for an appointment term of 2-years.

**National Squad Coaching Co-ordinator**

The National Squad Coaching Co-ordinator is primarily responsible for raising the performance levels of a selected group of elite orienteers, with a view to improving the results achieved by New Zealand representative teams. The Coaching Co-ordinator also assists the ONZ Selection Panel in selecting Squad members. Volunteer position for an appointment term of 2-years.
Development Squad Co-ordinator

The Development Squad Co-ordinator is primarily responsible for raising the performance levels of a selected group of young orienteers, with a view to improving results achieved by New Zealand age-group representative teams and identifying suitable candidates for advancement to the National Squad. Volunteer position for an appointment term of 1-year.

Full position descriptions are available on the Orienteering NZ website.

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General Manager

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Application deadline EXTENDED: 20 July 2014

In memory of Rhys Thompson (1938 – 2014) - 29/05/2014

NZ orienteer Rhys Thompson passed away peacefully on 29 May 2014 after a battle with melanoma, at the age of 76.

Fellow orienteers will miss Rhys’s friendliness, and his obvious joy at being out in the open air, no matter how his course was going. Rhys was introduced to orienteering in Hamilton in the 1970’s, but once hooked, orienteered all over NZ and internationally, including in the Australia NZ Challenge and World Masters.

Behind the scenes, Rhys contributed to NZ orienteering for well over three decades. When he moved to Whangarei to take up a job at Marsden Point, Rhys and several others, including wife Sheila, established the Whangarei Club in 1984, and kept this going ‘til the early 2000s, when numbers fell away. Rhys then joined North West and became Club Treasurer in 2011. The NWOC committee appreciated his clear thinking, as well as his financial and organisational ability. In addition to orienteering, Rhys left a legacy in areas as diverse as motorsport, the Tawharanui sanctuary and SeniorNet in Orewa.

Acknowledgments: Phillippa Poole, Sheila Thompson, Mike Williams, Stuart Payne

IOF on YouTube

Two orienteering videos from the SportAccord Convention have been published on the new IOF Orienteering YouTube channel. More videos will be added in due time.

You can find the channel
http://www.youtube.com/channel/UC31unUnxwootPY0C5QdfpQEg

Developing the Junior World Orienteering Championships

The IOF Foot Orienteering Commission (FOC) was asked earlier this year by the IOF Council to further develop the programme of the Junior World Orienteering Championships (JWOC). The project group’s report should be presented to the Council by October 2014. Introduction of a possible new programme should take place by 2018 at the latest.

Áron Less, as the FOC member responsible for JWOCs, is commissioned to form a project group to perform this task. The project group will be formed of former JWOC participants (current elite athletes), junior and senior coaches, past and future JWOC organisers, and other experts.

At the first stage, we are making an open call for ideas from different stakeholders. Any ideas from Federations, coaches, competitors, media, former and future organisers and everyone else interested are particularly welcome.
Please write an informal letter to Áron Less aronless@gmail.com about any ideas you have for developing the Junior World Orienteering Championships (any aspect of it).

The project group will then shortlist the most viable ideas and the Federations' official opinion will be requested. A very important stage of the hearing process will be a presentation of the ideas during JWOC 2014 for the national team coachees.

SELECTION UPDATES

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Tim Roberston

OTHER NEWS

A special mapping issue of Scientific Journal of Orienteering published
A new new issue of Scientific Journal of Orienteering, focusing on mapping, has been published by the visiting editor Laszlo Zentai. You can find all issues of the Scientific Journal of Orienteering at http://orienteering.org/resources/publications/scientific-journal-of-orienteeering/

The countdown to ....

http://www.woc2014.info/

JWOC 2014 in Borovets, Bulgaria has already begun.
There is lots of interesting reading on the team blog http://nzjwoc2014.weebly.com/ and as we travel we intend to post news on the ONZ blog as well.

If you are a facebook fan then ask join the NZ JWOC Team Supporters group https://www.facebook.com/groups/172114552848044/

Keep an eye on the ‘5 days of Italy’ and ‘WOC’ web pages for team members results in pre JWOC events.