

## Orienteering NZ Update for October - November 2014

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### POLICY UPDATE - SIMON ADDISON – PRESIDENT

During the weekend of the 27th/28th of September the Council got together in Wellington for a workshop and a key item for discussion was the Selection Policy and some of the challenges with individual team selections.

Previously we had a call for feedback on the Selection Policy and I wish to thank everyone and all clubs that contributed to that call. The feedback and recommendations were fundamental to identifying issues as well as ideas on not just the Selection Policy itself, but actually on how we could improve the way we select teams overall.

We put our hands up and say that selections have not been running as smoothly as they should be. It is important to reflect on why that is and we see the Performance Leader role being very pivotal in making our Performance side of the sport work. We also see a major need for communication improvements around team selections, about the details of what teams we select, when, how etc.

Coming out of the weekend the key changes that we are looking at include (but not limited to):

- The use of Queens Birthday as the primary 'trial' event for the NZ Schools Team.
- The splitting of the Selection Panel into three respective panels (Senior, Junior, MTBO)
- Changes to the notification process and making the website the primary source
- Tightening of 'extreme circumstance' conditions

There are many positive reasons for moving the primary trial for the NZ Schools Team to Queens Birthday. Firstly, we have been concerned by the level of grade changing for individuals to try to increase their perceived chances of making the team. This has had the effect of undermining one of our National Championships, which is deeply concerning. Secondly, we want to help bridge the club-school divide and see the strengthening of Queens Birthday as providing opportunities for regional competition. Lastly, as it isn't a National Championships we are happy to have people run different grades and difficulties to match the Australian School Championships, for example having M/W16 being the Junior grade trial and M/W18 being the Senior grade trial.

There is one downside around Queens Birthday and that is the additional cost that it in particular will place on our South Island competitors. We realise this issue but have determined that the issues we have seen around this team's selection outweigh this concern. But to help prevent this being an issue further we would look to run Queens Birthday on a 1 in 3 year cycle around our main centres, Christchurch, Auckland and Wellington where the events would need to be ideally no more than an hour or so from each main centre. This will help reduce travel costs for this event and also bring in more potential to use it as a home venue for an Elite Test Match with Australia. Whilst Queens Birthday will feature as the primary trial, secondary events will include the respective Island School Championships, NZ Club Nationals (Easter) and the NZ Schools Championships.

We had significant feedback about splitting the Selection Panels into a Junior and Senior panel. Over the last 5-10 years we have seen a significant increase in the number of teams we select as a sport and this has meant the role for the Selection Panel has grown significantly. What we intend on doing is forming three panels, one for MTBO and one for Senior and Junior foot orienteering. The main reason for us is around making the workload more manageable and relevant.

**Don't forget to check out the Events Calendar on the Orienteering NZ website for all Upcoming Events .....**



A number of individuals commented that they didn't know where to go to find information around selections, so we are making the website the sole location. We have not been successful in ensuring that all selection notices make it out to club members, so therefore this step is to make it so everyone knows where to look and understand the process. We will still try to send information out to clubs about team timeframes, however this is will not be a requirement.

Lastly, many people have commented that selectors should be at all trials and that they need to be more in touch. Whilst I can understand people's viewpoint on this, what it is important to note is that we do not select on hearsay – we select on fact. What we wish for is that if anyone has an issue at a trial, then they need to make sure they go through the event processes (ie make a complaint to the controller) so that the controller can investigate and note this for the selectors. It is incredibly important that we select on facts and not hearsay. Likewise for medical conditions these will need to be provided as information within a specified timeframe with supporting evidence to be provided within a particular timeframe as well.

I really do wish to thank everyone for their input to the Selection Policy review and we look forward to sending out the formal communication around all of the proposed changes.

**A summary of the revised organisational structure, team priorities and selection panels, and event trials and selection criteria will be provided to clubs in a separate document.**



## Information for schools, education providers & clubs

From 1 November 2014 adventure activity operators must be registered under the Health and Safety in Employment (Adventure and Activities) Regulations 2011. These regulations include a specific exemption for registered schools, tertiary education providers and clubs (or association representing clubs) providing activities to non-students or non-members where all of the following conditions are met:

- The activity is only provided for the purpose of encouraging enrolment or interest in the activities of the school or provider (or club).
- The activity is **not** provided for another purpose, such as a commercial purpose, even if the school or provider (or club) considers this a subsidiary purpose or a consequence of providing the activity.
- The activity is **only** offered to any particular individual on no more than 12 days in any 12 month period.

This means that commercial activities or activities such as fundraisers will generally **not** be covered by this exemption.

A charge for non-students / members to participate in an activity may be acceptable, but only to cover the extra costs of basic disbursements incurred through having additional participants undertake the activity (e.g. the additional food, additional accommodation, additional equipment hire).

WorkSafe NZ will enforce the regulations where it considers a school or tertiary education provider (or club) is providing adventure activities to non-students / members for any purpose other than solely to encourage enrolment or interest in the school or education provider (or club), such as on a commercial basis.

WorkSafe NZ generally expects that the kinds of people a school or education provider or club would want to genuinely encourage to have an interest in their organisation are:

- parents or guardians of students / family friends of members
- current or potential members of a board or Board of Trustees (or similar)
- current or potential donors, where the only purpose is to demonstrate the activities provided by the school or provider (or club), and would otherwise not be considered to be provided on a commercial basis. Providing an activity in return for a donation would be considered to be providing the activity on a commercial basis.

WorkSafe NZ will carefully evaluate whether activities are provided to people outside those identified above.

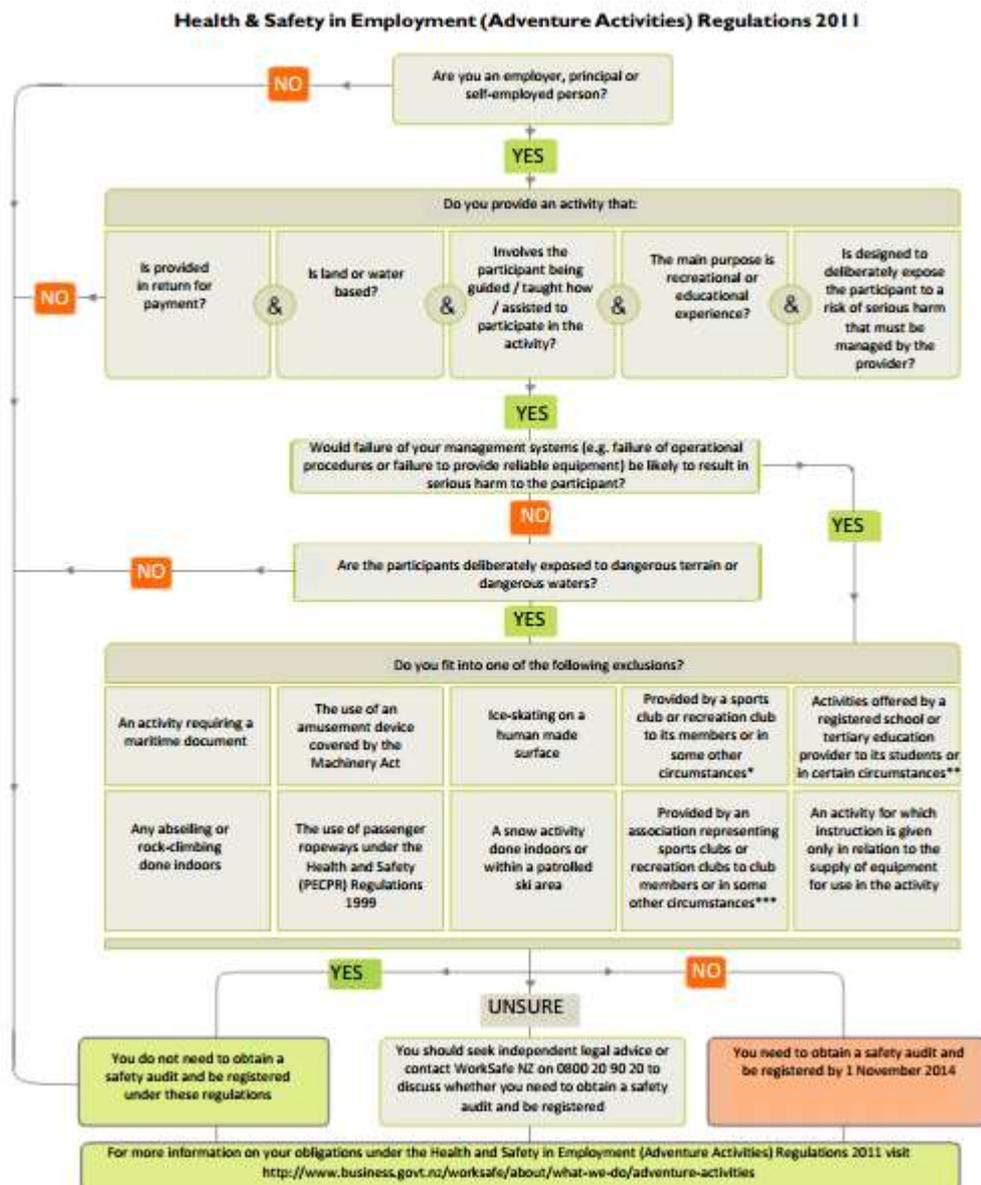


SportNZ is working with national sporting organisations to ensure these changes, and also the further health and safety legislation reforms being introduced in 2015, will not have an undue effect on the ability of clubs to continue to provide sport and recreation opportunities and events to New Zealanders.

Orienteering NZ will continue to monitor these changes and ensure clubs are advised of any requirements of them as they arise.

### Adventure Activity Decision Tree

<http://www.business.govt.nz/worksafe/about/what-we-do/adventure-activities/for-operators/aao-decision-tree>



## CAMPS

### JUNIOR– 13-18 December

<http://www.wellingtonorienteering.org.nz/schools-orienteering/junior-training-camp-2014/>



### D-SQUAD – 8 – 12 December

Nick Smith is co-ordinating a D-Squad training camp in Horowhenua for the week prior to the Junior Camp. This Camp will be by invitation to suitable orienteers as places are limited. Orienteering New Zealand has applied for funding for this camp, but to date has been unsuccessful. We have applied to some more trusts for help and hope to have that confirmed before the camp.

More information on this Camp will be advised through the Orienteering NZ website.

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## ORIENTEERING NZ VACANCIES

### Applications are still being invited for the following positions:

Team Positions                      World Cup 2015 – Round 1  
Team Manager  
Team Coach

ANZ Challenge (Oceania Champs) 2015  
Team Manager

Applications to :                      Don't forget the application deadline for these Team Positions has been extended to 21 November.

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Full position descriptions for all these roles are available on the Orienteering NZ website.

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## SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

### NZ SCHOOL TEAMS

Congratulations to the following orienteers who have been selected to represent New Zealand to compete against Australia in the Test Match at the 2015 Oceania Championships in Tasmania 2 – 11 January 2015.

#### Senior Boys

Devon Beckman - Napier Boys  
Matthew Goodall - Thames High School  
Tommy Hayes - Auckland Grammar  
Ed Cory-Wright - Cashmere High School, Christchurch

#### Junior Boys

Connor Cleary - Rangiora High School  
Stephen Harding - Geraldine High School  
Max Griffiths – Takapuna Grammar  
Andrei Popovici - Westlake Boys High School, Auckland

Team Manager  
Derek Morrison

#### Senior Girls

Kayla Fairburn - St Cuthbert's College, Auckland  
Vida Fox - Napier Girls High School  
Lauren Holmes - Diocesan School for Girls, Auckland  
Sophie Harrison - Cashmere High School, Christchurch

#### Junior Girls

Danielle Goodall - Thames High School  
Marisol Hunter - Rangi Ruru Girls, Christchurch  
Tegan Knightbridge - Kristin School, Auckland  
Jenna Tidswell - Havelock North High School

Team Changes:  
Callum Herries - withdrawn  
Alice Tilley - withdrawn



# INTERNATIONAL TEAM RESULTS

## NZ Team at Australian Schools Championships - Perth

Seniors			
<b>Ed Cory-Wright</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Alice Tilley</b>	<b>2</b>
Matt Goodall	4	Kayla Fairbairn	7
Tommy Hayes	5	Lauren Holmes	8
Devon Beckman	10	Vida Fox	11
Juniors			
<b>Andrei Popovici</b>	<b>2</b>	Jenna Tidswell	4
Max Griffiths	6	Tegan Knightbridge	5
Connor Cleary	11	Danielle Goodall	6
Calum Sutherland	20	Marisol Hunter	8
Relays			
<b>Tommy, Matt, Ed</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Kayla, Vida, Alice</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Stephen Harding, Max, Andrei</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Tegan, Jenna, Danielle</b>	<b>1</b>

## New Zealander's results at the following events

### Australian Sprint Champs

Calum Sutherland	M14A	3	Marisol Hunter	W14A	1
Andrei Popovici	M16A	1	Tegan Knightbridge	W14A	2
Max Griffiths	M16A	3	Danielle Goodall	W16A	1
Connor Cleary	M16A	4	Katie Cory-Wright	W16A	7
Stephen Harding	M16A	8	Anna Crosby	W16A	8
Devon Beckman	M20E	2	Alice Tilley	W20E	1
Matt Goodall	M20E	3	Kayla Fairbairn	W20E	2
Tommy Hayes	M20E	4	Vida Fox	W20E	4
Ed Cory-Wright	M20E	7	Lauren Holmes	W20E	8
James Crosby	M20E	10	Lizzie Ingham	W21E	1
Tim Robertson	M21E	1	Laura Robertson	W21E	2
Bill Edwards	M21E	18	Susan Edwards	W40A	1
Alistair Cory-Wright	M45A	1	Jean Cory-Wright	W50A	8
Martin Crosby	M55A	13	Kate Fortune	W70A	1
Derek Morrison	M60A	15			
Graham Fortune	M70A	10			

### Australian Middle Distance Champs

Connor Cleary	M16A	1	Marisol Hunter	W14A	1
Andrei Popovici	M16A	2	Jenna Tidswell	W14A	2
Stephen Harding	M16A	6	Tegan Knightbridge	W14A	3
Max Griffiths	M16A	7	Danielle Goodall	W16A	1
Ed Cory-Wright	M20E	4	Katie Cory-Wright	W16A	4
Tommy Hayes	M20E	5	Anna Crosby	W16A	14
Devon Beckman	M20E	6	Kayla Fairbairn	W20E	2
Matt Goodall	M20E	7	Alice Tilley	W20E	3
James Crosby	M20E	19	Vida Fox	W20E	8
Tim Robertson	M21E	6	Lauren Holmes	W20E	9
Alistair Cory-Wright	M45A	1	Lizzie Ingham	W21E	1
Martin Crosby	M55A	9	Laura Robertson	W21E	2
Derek Morrison	M60A	10	Susan Edwards	W40A	3
Graham Fortune	M70A	6	Jean Cory-Wright	W50A	4
			Kate Fortune	W70A	8

### Australian Long Distance Champs

Calum Sutherland	M14A	1	Jenna Tidswell	W14A	1
Andrei Popovici	M16A	3	Marisol Hunter	W14A	2
Max Griffiths	M16A	5	Tegan Knightbridge	W14A	3
Stephen Harding	M16A	6	Danielle Goodall	W16A	1
Connor Cleary	M16A	7	Katie Cory-Wright	W16A	5
Matt Goodall	M20E	3	Anna Crosby	W16A	19
Ed Cory-Wright	M20E	4	Vida Fox	W20E	3
Devon Beckman	M20E	6	Alice Tilley	W20E	7
Tommy Hayes	M20E	7	Kayla Fairbairn	W20E	9
James Crosby	M20E	19	Lizzie Ingham	W21E	1



Tim Robertson	M21E	3	Laura Robertson	W21E	2
Alistair Cory-Wright	M45A	2	Susan Edwards	W40A	2
Martin Crosby	M55A	11	Jean Cory-Wright	W50A	7
Derek Morrison	M60A	12	Kate Fortune	W70A	5
Graham Fortune	M70A	6			

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## RESULTS - Corrections

### NZSS Orienteering Champs

Year 7 & 8	Baradene College
Relay	Diocesan School for Girls A
	Diocesan School for Girls C (3=)
	Bethlehem College(3=)

### NZSS Rogaine Champs

Junior	Kristin School
	Havelock North High School
	Mount Albert Grammar

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