

# Contour Lines

January/February 2012



Emily Wall heading out on the first leg of the MTBO relay at Snow Farm

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# PAPO Events Calendar

latest revision January 2012

Day	Date	Map / Location	Event	Planner	Controller	CO
February 2012						
Wed	1	St Martins	Twilight Street #1	Joy Talbot	Linley Earnshaw	
Sat/Sun/Mon	4,5,6	Hutt Valley	Rogaine Assn. 21th, 3hr series	<a href="http://waitangi21.ohv.org.nz/">http://waitangi21.ohv.org.nz/</a>		
Sun/Mon	5,6	Hawke's Bay	Sprint the Bays	Hawke's Bay		
Wed	8	Cashmere	Twilight Street #2	Max Earnshaw	Linley Earnshaw	
Sun	19	Spencer Park	CCC Family Day (incl. MTBO)	Dave Armstrong & Viv Prince	Josie Boland	Mel Bridgen
March 2012						
Thursday	1	The Groynes	Twilight Sprint #1	Chris Fome	Jean C-W	Iona Powell
Sun	4	Victoria Park	O Event	Georgia Whitla	Riki Cambridge	
Thursday	8	Canterbury Uni	Twilight Sprint #2	Chris Fome	Jean C-W	Iona Powell
Thursday	15	Victoria Park	Twilight Sprint #3	Chris Fome	Jean C-W	Iona Powell
Sun	18	McQueens	OY1 (Orienteer of the Year #1)	Tane Cambridge	Josie Boland	
Thursday	22	Van Ash College	Twilight Sprint #4	Chris Fome	Jean C-W	Iona Powell
Thursday	29	Burnside High	Twilight Sprint #5	Chris Fome	Jean C-W	Iona Powell
Sat	31	TBC	Otago Champs (Sprint / Middle)	DOC		
April 2012						
Sun	1	Central Otago	Otago Champs (Long)	DOC		
Fri/Sat/Sat/ Mon	6-9	Woodhill	NZ Championships	* Sprint - World Ranking Event		
Sun	15	Spencerville	O Event			
Fri	20	Halswell Quarry	SI School Champs - Sprint			
Sat	21	Orton Bradley	SI School Champs - Long / Club Event	Jean Cory-Wright	Al Cory-Wright	
Sun	29	The Groynes	O Event	Heather Pugh- Williams	David Pugh- Williams	
May 2012						
Sat/Sat	5/6		TWALK			
Sun	13	Apollo Hill / Butlers Bush	OY2 (Orienteer of the Year #2)			
Sun	27	Waikari	O Event			
June 2012						
Sat/Sun/Mon	3/4	Wellington	Q B'day Event	* World Ranking Event		
Sun	10	Hagley Park	O Event			
Sun	24		MTBO			
Sat	30	TBA	Heights of Winter 6 & 12 Hr Rogaine	NZ Rogaine Assn.		

Day	Date	Map / Location	Event	Planner	Controller	CO
<b>July 2012</b>						
Sun	1	McLeans Island	O Event	Sophie Harrison	Ian Harrison	Jan Harrison
Fri/Sat/Sun	13-15	Waitara, New Plymouth	NZSS O Champs			
Sun	15		MTBO			
Sat/Sun	28-29	Wanaka	Ski-O		DOC	
<b>August 2012</b>						
Sun	5	Leithfield	OY3 (Orienteer of the Year #3)			
Tues	14		Schools Training			
Sun	19		Annvale Rogaine			
Sun	26	Curlets Road	O Event			
Wed	29		Schools Training			
<b>September 2012</b>						
Wed	5		Night Nav incl. MTBO		Southerly Storm	
Thurs	6		Schools Training			
Sat,Sun	8-9	Horowhenua	Wellington Area Championships		HVOC	
Sun	9	Kairaki	O Event	Martin E *		
Wed	12		Night Nav incl. MTBO		Southerly Storm	
Sat	15	<b>The Groynes</b>	<b>Canterbury Schools</b>			
Sun	16	<b>Woodend</b>	<b>Canterbury Schools</b>			
Wed	19		Night Nav incl. MTBO		Southerly Storm	
	22-30		Australian Championships		Tasmania	
Sun	30	Pegasus	O Event			
<b>October 2012</b>						
Sat,Sun	13-14	Whangarei	Auckland Area Championships		NWOC	
Sun	14	Dalethorpe	OY4 (Orienteer of the Year #4)			
Sat/Sun/Mon	20/21/22	Naseby	<b>South Island Champs</b>		DOC	
Sun	28		MTBO			



## helpers needed for events

Not many places booked so a wee plea for Planners, Controllers, COs and Helpers please! Please contact Josie if you can help out. Her email is [josie.boland@extra.co.nz](mailto:josie.boland@extra.co.nz)

**Thank You!!!**

# CCC BOTTLE LAKE FAMILY ORIENTEERING DAY

this year starting at Spencer Park

**The BIGGEST event of the PAPO calendar: last year we had over 1600 participants and 62 volunteers.**

**New :** location at Spencer Park, priority parking for early volunteers, separate MTBO start area,

**Same:** returning to the pre-2011 system of un-numbered clipcards and manual results.

The showcase event for attracting new members – we are well known for creating an awesome event!

### We need volunteers for:

<b>Set – up crew</b>	(4 people)	8:00 – 9:30
<b>Course checking</b>	(4 people)	8.00 – 9:30
<b>Greeters:</b> foot or MTBO	(4 people)	9:30 – 12:00
<b>Map &amp; Clipcard Distribution</b>	(5 people)	9:30 – 12:00
<b>Instructors foot or MTBO</b>	(10 -12 per shift)	9:45 – 11:00 & 10:45 – 12:00
<b>Start:</b> foot or MTBO	(6 per shift)	9.45 – 11:00 & 11:00 – 12:15
<b>Lone Rangers:</b> foot or MTBO	(5 per shift)	9.45 – 12:00 & 11.45 – 2:00
<b>Finish</b>	(4-6 per shift)	10: 00 – 12:00 & 12:00 – 2:00
<b>Club Promotion</b>	(2-3 per shift)	10: 00 – 12:00 & 12:00 – 2:00
<b>Results</b>	(2 people)	10:00 – 2:30
<b>Pack-up &amp; Control Collection</b>	(4-6 people)	1:30 – 2:45

This is a really FUN and dynamic day. I'm inviting ALL members of ALL ages to give the 19th to our club. Especially from 9.30am to 12, as many hands make for short shifts.

Rope in your non-orienteering family: we have roles for them too.

Members new to CCC day are very welcome: its an enthusiastic team and you'll get prior instructions.

**Please email me this week or sign up at Opawa as to shift(s) you could do and your preferred roles on [lenb@actrix.co.nz](mailto:lenb@actrix.co.nz)**

Free runs for Club members after 12:00 noon. Thanks in advance to you all!

Melanie Brigden - Chief Organiser



# Coming Events

The 2nd of 2 Twilight events to get your legs moving again after the Christmas break

- Date:** Wednesday, 8th Feb 2012
- Location:** Cashmere Village Green, Cashmere Rd between Valley and Crichton Roads. Registration at the caravan on Cashmere Rd.
- Planner:** Max Earnshaw
- CO/Controller:** Linley Earnshaw
- Courses:** Two courses, Short is 45 min or the long is 75 min
- Start times:** Registration from 6.15pm, Race briefing 6.50pm, Mass start for all 7pm.
- When:** No. Answers to be written on control description sheet or you can use a clip card & pencil if it rains or you sweat a lot.
- Sportident:** Hilly and flat, urban street running/walking
- Terrain:** 1st Feb 2012
- Other requirements:** Multiple busy road crossings. Please make sure young children run with an adult and older children run in pairs.

The two twilight races are not being run as a series this year. Please don't use damaged bridges/tracks marked out of bounds with tape/fences.

Cost: \$10 per map for an adult, \$5 per map for a junior (20 or under or full-time student). Groups may run with one map, navigators age determines the cost.



# Halswell Quarry AGM Event

January 29th 2012



What to put on for an event that precedes the AGM...something fun...something easy (for the planner)...a Wheel Relay! Usually used in training, this style of event seemed easy-going and social but with a bit of a twist - the competitors put the controls out and bring them in!

To cater for all we had a Bigger Wheel (for the Fast and Furious, Smaller Wheel (for the Stately-and-Sedate) and the Tiny Wheel (for the Young-of-Body-and-Mind). The first team member started by the going to one of eight points on the wheel and to mix things up a little we had some go clockwise and some counter-clockwise. A few double ups occurred, the most exciting of which involved Tim Farrant/Tane Cambridge and Alastair Richardson/Eugene Campbell as they went head to head around the Bigger Wheel. It came right down to the final leg when Tane chased down Eugene as they sped off to collect their controls but Tane emerged first and arrived victorious.

Overcoming the potential for marriage conflict, Jocelyn and Gordon Thrower took out the Smaller Wheel while the littlest Thrower looked on. Briana and Annabelle were in fine form around the Tiny Wheel where they shifted a coloured clothes-peg from flag to flag of the controls that were already in place. Hotly contesting 2nd and 3rd place two parent/child teams from the Williams family ran hard but were not above a few high-jinks to prevent the other half from getting ahead! Thankfully all this was over just before the Southerly swept in and the brave took cover for the ensuing AGM.





# Peninsula and Plains Orienteers

## Presidents Report to the AGM 29 January 2012

The 2011 – 2012 year was for PAPO one of many challenges but many success stories.

PAPO started the year without a President being elected at the AGM, but in light of the circumstances facing PAPO and many Christchurch residents I volunteered to take up the role of Acting President role in April.

The series of earthquakes have affected many members personally and resulted in PAPO having many event cancellations including the Canterbury Championships and considerable ongoing rearrangement of the event programme. Josie Boland and Penny Wright have put in a tremendous effort to reschedule the events and maintain communication with the numerous landowners that PAPO works with. We have lost access to a large section of Bottle Lake Forest due to the Burwood Resource Recovery Park, and to most of the Port Hills maps due to rockfall danger.

Club membership in 2011 was down to 241 plus 4 schools, from 270 plus 1 school in 2010.

At times we had considerable difficulty getting volunteers to plan and control events, but pleasingly most events had sufficient on the day helpers.

Despite these challenges there were many positive aspects for PAPO in 2011.

On February 20th we had an amazingly successful Bottle Lake CCC family day co-ordinated by Melanie Brigden with the help of 63 volunteers. We had 531 orienteering courses completed with 1610 people course combinations.

After the February 22nd earthquake many PAPO members rallied to help one another and some were soon turning to keep an orienteering programme going. Special mention needs to be made of John and Robyn Davies for the “Shake the Quake Dust off Your O Shoes” event at McLeans Island in April.

We then had record turnouts to most of the 35 events held during the last year, even when we were at McLeans Island for the 7th time!

Heights of Winter Rogaine planned and controlled by Stuart Payne, Ian Edmond and Nora Audra was again very successful with 141 teams entered, involving 334 people most of whom are not PAPO members.

There was a good turnout (286 entrants) for the Canterbury School Champs, especially in the year 6 and under and year 7 & 8 grades. Training sessions run prior to the championships were very popular with this age group.

The Canterbury Championships were combined with South Island Championships held in November at Kairaki and Acheron with relatively modest entries (128 and 112 respectively) of mainly PAPO members. Good events were somewhat marred by the serious injury, but successful helicopter evacuation and recovery of Graham Garden. This incident raised some health and safety issues which the 2012 committee will need to address.

One of the biggest challenges undertaken by the club in the last year was the hosting of Otago MTBO carnival and associated Australia – New Zealand MTBO Challenge and warm-up events. A small team of PAPO members led by Josie Boland, with assistance from the Dunedin Orienteering Club and some North Island and Southland MTBO enthusiasts, especially the mappers Michael Wood and Joe Sherriff, pulled off a very successful series of 2 Christchurch and 4 Central Otago events with over 150 entrants at each of the Otago events

including over 50 Australian visitors.

There were welcome opportunities for many members to get to events out of Christchurch during the year including Otago Champs and SI school champs in Central Otago, Nationals in Hawkes Bay, National Secondary School Champs in Dunedin, Australian Champs (foot and/or MTBO), a combined PAPO / DOC OY weekend in South Canterbury and North Otago, and the National Junior Training camp in Hawkes Bay.

PAPO had a very successful National Championships winning the interclub Relay, 9 individual 1st placings, and 25 other podium placings.

PAPO members represented New Zealand in the following teams:

JWOC – Selena Metherell, Alistair Richardson (reserve)

WOC – Chris Forne, Tane Cambridge, Michael Adams

NZ Schools: Eugene Campbell, Alistair Richardson, Joshua Campbell, Ed Cory-Wright, Selena Metherell

Australia – NZ Challenge: Alistair Cory-Wright, Alister Metherell, Selena Metherell, Jean Cory-Wright

Australia – NZ MTBO Challenge: Alistair Cory-Wright, Bruce Meder, Pat Bodger, Chris Forne, Greig Hamilton, Roz Clayton, Deb Bain, Viv Prince, Georgia Whitla, Emily Wall.

Chris Forne was selected as a finalist in Sir Richard Hadlee Sport Canterbury Awards.

In the communications area highlights have been the new website and the colour newsletter distributed as a pdf document.

The David Faulkner Trophy for Volunteer Contribution was awarded to Will Richardson for innovation in setting up and managing the new PAPO website.

Linley Earnshaw has updated the Bottle Lake / Spencer Park and Hagley Park maps, and Carsten Joergensen the Acheron map, but we have been unable to complete the Port Hills mapping project due to the rockfall danger or make much headway on new maps. The MTBO maps of Bottle Lake and McLeans Island have been upgraded to the new MTBO mapping specifications and new MTBO maps produced at Wanaka and Snow Farm.

A series of Strategic Planning sessions have been ably led by Jan Harrison, the outcomes of which will provide a valuable guide to determining the club's priorities over the next few years.

We are very grateful for donations from the Canterbury Community Trust for Nationals 2013 mapping, the Hutt Valley Orienteering Club and the Sport Canterbury Earthquake recovery fund for Bottle Lake remapping, Michael Wood for MTBO map cartography, and Pub Charity for Junior Development Camp funding.

I wish to thank the 2011 committee of Frances Wall, Iona Powell, Josie Boland, Richard Hensby, Trish Faulkner, Michael Smithson and Tim Farrant for their commitment during a difficult year. Many others, but especially Penny Wright, Vivienne Bloor, Gordon Smith and Mary Mackintosh have made significant contributions to the running of the event programme in 2011.

I am stepping down from the PAPO committee, but I am highly confident that Peninsula and Plains Orienteers will remain a strong, vibrant and successful club as we look forward to hosting the National Championships in 2013.

Alister Metherell, Acting President, Peninsula and Plains Orienteers

## PAPO SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2012 ARE NOW DUE!

Please pay by 29 February.

The good news is that subscriptions have been held at the same rates as last year.

You may pay electronically (preferred), by cheque or even cash - but a completed 2012 form must accompany your subscription however you choose to pay.

You may download a form as a Word document from the PAPO website (save, edit, re-save and mail to [info@papo.org.nz](mailto:info@papo.org.nz) - or print and post). Printed forms will also be available from the caravan, in your February newsletter if you have paid for a print copy, or from the Membership Secretary.

Make Jocelyn (new Membership Secretary) and Martin (new Treasurer) happy by paying promptly, and with correctly completed forms.

Send any queries to [info@papo.org.nz](mailto:info@papo.org.nz)



## Committee Report

Wasting no time after the drizzle-enhanced AGM on Sunday, your committee met the next evening to get the PAPO 2012 business underway. With many new (but actually familiar!) faces around the committee table (Bryan Jenkins to run the show, Jenny Calder to write it all down, Martin Etherington counting out the money, Melanie Brigden doing the communications, Jocelyn keeping the membership in order and Chris managing maps), there were only two from the old guard (Josie making sure there are actually events about to happen and Trish trying out a new role called technical coordinator), we were glad to have a few of last year's committee on hand to comment on the most urgent matters.

First up was to discover how well advanced PAPO is towards running Nationals at Easter 2013. That means new maps and a steering committee. After some detailed talk of locations and permissions, and advice from Alister that some likely lads and lasses have put their hands up to steer, we moved on to hear from Iona how the School Sprint Series planning is shaping up (very well!), and to sort out the administrative details necessary to manage our business. Bank signatories, contact details of new committee to anyone interested, explanation of the magic Dropbox, approval of disbursements were all in the evening's work. All indications are that PAPO has a fantastic committee for 2012.

All meetings are open to members by the way, no closed doors in our organisation! Drop in some time; you might be surprised as well as interested to learn more of the behind-the-scenes workings which keep the club strong and healthy.

## Peninsula and Plains Orienteers Incorporated Income Statement for year ended 31st December 2011

	2011 Actual Total	2010 Actual Total
<b>INCOME (Net)</b>		
<b>Membership / Administration (Net)</b>		
Membership fees	8,143.54	9,627.68
Newsletter fees (printed)	478.69	
NZOF Affiliation Fee	(1,910.43)	(1,995.56)
NZOF Mag subscriptions	-	582.34
NZOF Mag payments	(113.22)	(416.35)
Newsletter Printing	(602.63)	(2,428.80)
Newsletter Postage	(539.56)	(1,887.49)
Club admin	(1,044.72)	(952.34)
Insurance	(2,311.58)	(2,367.93)
VIP Scheme Cards Committee (See note 1.3)	(1,320.00)	(1,320.00)
Audit Fees	(802.17)	(802.22)
Bank Charges	(51.50)	(53.00)
Coaching & Education	(172.15)	193.22
Awards Ceremonies	(331.70)	-
	(577.43)	(1,820.45)
<b>Club and OY events (Net)</b>		
Club O Event Fees	12,752.31	19,057.57
NZOF Event Levy (Club)	(3,427.98)	(3,763.77)
Club Event Expenses (Specific)	(851.57)	(2,671.44)
Map Printing	(2,259.18)	(3,856.29)
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>6,213.58</b>	<b>8,766.07</b>
Club Event Expenses (General)	(790.88)	(1,789.53)
Computer Consumables	-	(153.98)
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>5,422.70</b>	<b>6,822.56</b>
VIP Scheme Cards Issued (See note 1.1)	(5,040.00)	(5,760.00)
VIP Scheme Cards Redeemed (See note 1.2)	4,920.00	6,280.00
VIP Scheme Cards Expired (See note 1.4)	1,800.00	1,600.00
CPIT Voucher Sales	-	750.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,102.70</b>	<b>9,692.56</b>
<b>Major O Events (Net)</b>		
Canterbury & SI Champs (Net)	3,031.17	1,536.29
School Champs (Net)	656.65	2,045.36
HOW Rogaine (Net)	4,248.62	
	7,936.44	3,581.65
<b>Other Income</b>		
Events for Third-Parties	2,607.41	1,672.86
O Suit Sales	78.27	226.67
O Suit Cost Of Sales	(173.50)	(245.97)
Donations Received	527.83	68.71
Grants Received (See note 2)	8,719.67	3,688.47
Equipment Use/Replacement chgs	38.26	
Map Sales (Net)	495.95	135.81
Permanent Course Sales (Net)	728.40	539.78
Interest Received	2,606.27	2,270.96
Miscellaneous Income	1,417.19	359.00
	17,045.75	8,716.29
<b>INCOME (Net)</b>	<b>31,507.46</b>	<b>20,170.05</b>

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**Peninsula and Plains Orienteers Incorporated**  
**Income Statement for year ended 31st December 2011**

	2011 Actual Total	2010 Actual Total
<b>REMAINING EXPENSES</b>		
<b>Mapping</b>		
Mapping - Bottle Lake	\$ 1,645.65	
Mapping - High Country	\$ 2,719.67	
Mapping - McLeans Island Extension	\$ 434.78	
Mapping - Port Hills Extension		3,278.64
Mapping - Pukaki		1,385.64
Mapping - McQueens		3,455.23
Mapping - Software/hardware		443.06
	<u>4,800.10</u>	<u>8,562.57</u>
<b>Equipment</b>		
Equipment purch/replacement	712.40	1,247.40
Equipment repairs/maintenance	-	559.34
Equipment sales/reimbursement	0.66	
Equipment depreciation See note 3.3	<u>7,016.43</u>	<u>11,852.12</u>
	7,729.49	13,658.86
<b>Grants to members</b>		
Junior Travel Grants	8,435.35	2,500.00
International Travel Grants	<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>1,750.00</u>
	11,435.35	4,250.00
<b>Other Expense</b>		
Miscellaneous Expense	135.00	(215.40)
	<u>135.00</u>	<u>(215.40)</u>
<b>REMAINING EXPENSES</b>	<u><u>24,099.94</u></u>	<u><u>26,256.03</u></u>
<b>FINAL NET PROFIT/(LOSS)</b>	<u><u>7,407.52</u></u>	<u><u>(6,085.98)</u></u>

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**Peninsula and Plains Orienteers Incorporated**  
**Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2011**

	2011 Total	2010 Total
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Westpac Cheque Account	12,392.23	14,235.06
Westpac Major Events Account	3.73	3.73
Cash on Hand (See note 3.1)	200.00	90.00
Accounts Receivable (See note 3.2)	357.59	408.26
Interest Receivable	336.31	347.90
Otago MTBO 2012 Net Asset (See note 9)	3,549.44	-
O Suit Inventory	<u>1,667.13</u>	<u>1,840.63</u>
	18,506.43	16,925.58
<b>NON CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
<b>Investments</b>		
Westpac Term Deposits	<u>58,847.65</u>	<u>56,394.03</u>
	58,847.65	56,394.03
<b>Property and Equipment</b>		
Equipment	7,720.18	8,068.12
Camper	1,400.00	1,600.00
Sportident Equipment	3,266.18	1,452.99
Sportident E-Cards for Rental	2,545.04	1,972.59
Caravan	19,474.35	22,061.18
Clock	<u>149.37</u>	<u>448.09</u>
	34,555.12	35,602.97
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>111,909.20</b>	<b>108,922.58</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accounts Payable	1,237.52	4,102.92
Accounts Payable (GST) (See note 3.4)	(4,103.59)	(1,627.76)
VIP Scheme Cards Unredeemed (See note 1.5)	7,360.00	7,720.00
Unspent Grants	<u>12,591.86</u>	<u>11,311.53</u>
	17,085.79	21,506.69
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>17,085.79</b>	<b>21,506.69</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u><u>94,823.41</u></u>	<u><u>87,415.89</u></u>

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## Roxburgh Sprint Distance

Controllers might well be anxious at the prospect of 160 MTBers careering through a meshwork of public tracks and roads in just 1 km<sup>2</sup> of pine forest, with only half an eye on what's ahead. But, the Roxburgh sprint event came and went almost without injury; thanks in large part to all of you competitors and helpers, and Conal's planning.

Conal put a lot of thought into his courses, and time in getting to grips with the nuances of OCAD and Condes. It was difficult to limit course length to sprintable distance while also including the more interesting aspects of the map and a spectator control, good legs, mostly unidirectional (clockwise) travel, and an interesting finish. I hadn't expected 2 of the 3 main courses to produce winning times within 30 seconds of the target (22 minutes), but obviously hadn't allowed sufficiently for the Forne factor.

A big thanks to all the landowners and helpers who made the day successful, especially Conal, the tireless band of carnival organisers from PAPO (esp. Josie, Greg, Alister, Gordon, Viv) and elsewhere (esp. Michael Wood), the landowners (esp. Doug Graham and Stu Edgecumb), organisers from DOC (Brian Buschl, Myles Thayer, Tim Webb, Genevieve Webb and Hamish Cotter), control collectors, and to Joe Sherriff and Damian Welbourne for your medical expertise.

*By Jim Cotter*



## Alexandra Long Distance

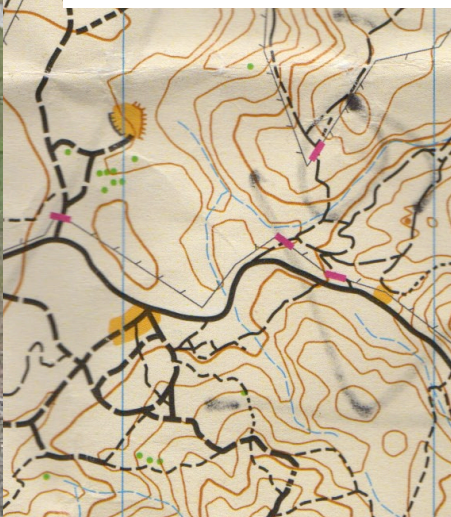
*By Chris Forne*

Waking to a hot sunny morning I knew we were in for a tough day. The map name "Linger and Die" and program description conjured up images of long steep hills, prickles, rocks, dust, 4WD roads and a very physical course. This proved correct, with the addition of a maze of single tracks which covered the area, making for a fantastic navigational and route choice challenge.

Before the start I poured water over myself to cool off, whilst others even went for a swim. After picking up my map it was a steep and tiring climb from the start triangle to the first two controls. Although, afterwards there was some debate over whether a gentler valley option to control 1 would have been better. Next was a quick downhill before two more up hill legs to further tire us out.

Under the hot sun and tough technical riding it was difficult to navigate smoothly and I felt my MTBO flow was rather poor. Although I had made no big mistakes and was happy with my route choices, I had lost some time through small mistakes and hesitations. Despite my best efforts to stay concentrated, I probably pushed too hard and continued to make little mistakes, before losing about 2 minutes riding down the wrong spur between 8 and 9, followed by more mistakes on the next control. Luckily my legs were coping with the heat well even if my brain was not and I managed to continue to ride and push hard up all the hills until the finish.

Afterwards there appeared to be a large number of people who were not so excited by the heat, hill and rough tracks, but I reckon this is exactly what a long 'classic' should be like. A big thanks to all the organisers for a fantastic event!





# Wanaka Middle Distance



*Graeme Read about to head off into the rain and mud.*

*By Georgia Whitla*

In stark contrast to the long distance event, the morning of the middle distance dawned cold and wet in Wanaka. It was going to be a totally different race to the long!

The venue for the day was Sticky-Hikuwai. A mountain bikers paradise near the lake outlet. This area presented an amazing assortment of terrain; including pancake flat manuka scrub with a maze of indistinct tracks, open grassy fields and a very extensive and complex pine forest, single track network. The courses made great use of this intricate area. You really had to be on top of your navigation and route choice right from the beginning. Route choice was everywhere and learning to making good use of the "rideable" open areas and forest proved to be a big advantage.

I had a reasonably good ride, and was lucky enough to have an early start time so the tracks weren't too slippery. Some of the later starters described tracks that seemed reasonably rideable to me, at 10am, as "mud slides" or "luges" later in the day, after the 100 odd mountain bikers had been through. I only hope we didn't do too much lasting damage to this fantastic mountain biking area.

The highlights of the day for me were: riding down one of the downhill tracks in the pine forest with Emily Wall just behind me and hearing her whoop out loud with the sheer enjoyment of the riding experience, and managing to ride a much larger portion of the single track than I had in the long. I can't wait to go back riding here in nicer conditions soon.



## Snow Farm Relay

The Otago MTBO Carnival finished with a friendly relay at the Snow Farm, a ski-field high above Cardrona near Wanaka. The rain cleared, the sun came out, and riders tangled with a spaghetti-like maze of benched ski trails and motor vehicle testing tracks. Phil Wood and Chris Forne won open men ahead of Alex Randall and Oscar Phillips. Marquita Gelderman and Georgia Whitla won the women. Chris Firman was in the winning long mixed team, with Jen Graham-Taylor.

And guess what. A bit of a shower overnight, and the following day the hills were coated with a fresh dusting of snow down to 1000m. The Snow Farm is at 1500.





# Useful Websites and club contact

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www.attackpoint.org  
www.maptalk.co.nz

Links to other orienteering clubs can be found on the NZOF website.



## Newsletter Information

If you have an orienteering story, picture, news items or a good idea, I would love to hear from you! The PAPO newsletter is produced under guidelines of the PAPO Committee. The editor may shorten, lengthen or embellish contributions, all in a respectful way, of course!

**Deadlines:** Generally the beginning of the month.

Contributions should be sent by email where possible as we never open the mail!

**DEADLINE FOR MARCH ISSUE: 12 March 2012**

**Ads:** Cost \$50 per half page per month or \$400 per half page per year. Non-orienteering or related ads may not be accepted.

**Accuracy of information:** Please check latest event information as details may vary from print time to event time. The best sources for updates are the PAPO and Maptalk websites (details above) and the regular email bulletins sent out by the club.

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## General Information

**\*WHISTLES \*** EVERYONE please note that carrying a whistle while running a course is recommended.

**Cancellations** - Events are usually only cancelled in the event of extreme conditions such as heavy snow, flooding, dangerous river conditions etc., which are more likely to affect mountain areas. Should an event be cancelled, **NewstalkZB 1098 AM** will be notified. Cancellations are repeated half-hourly from 6 am, then hourly from 9 am.

**Start times** - vary and are published in the event notices. For most club events registration is from 10am, the first start is 10:30am and the last start is 1:00pm. Course closure is 2.30pm so late starters only have 90 minutes for their run.

**Finishing and Course Closure** - Please remember to always come to the finish area, whether you finished your course or not and hand in your control card or punch the finish box, so that we can account for everyone who started. Course closure is the time at which you **MUST** have returned to the finish area even if you have not yet completed your course. It is at this time that the organisers may start taking in controls (and looking for you if you have not returned).

**Helpers** - All members are asked to be helpers during the year. The Volunteer Co-ordinator will contact you by email or by phone and the Chief Organiser will contact you shortly afterwards to make arrangements. Please contact them when you arrive at the event. Helpers who set up/pack up/work on registration may opt for a free run on the day or receive VIP points.

**Control collection** - Please offer to collect controls at the end of the event and receive VIP points.

**Dogs** - No dogs on Farmland please!

**Permanent Courses:** Three are available, with options to suit a wide range of abilities, including beginners/children and experienced orienteers. **Victoria Park:** maps (\$3.50) and full instructions are available at the Christchurch City Council Beckenham Service Centre, 66 Colombo St. (Open normal business hours; ph: 332-3099) and at the Port Hills Visitor Centre, Victoria Park. Groups planning to use the Course should let the Ranger know beforehand by phoning 332-9889. **Spencer Park:** maps and instructions are available at the Spencer Park Camp Shop, \$3 each. **Hokitika:** a park and street map outside CHCH but under PAPO's care. Starting in Cass Square Hokitika. Maps are available (FREE!) from the Hokitika Visitor Information Centre (i-site) or Westland District Council. You will need a pencil to write down the codes on the control.

**Library** - The club has a collection of orienteering books etc. available for members to borrow. General introduction to orienteering, plus training, coaching, course setting, fitness, and rogaining are covered by the 16 or so titles on the list. Some are older 10-20 year-old "classics", but we have recently added some new publications. **In addition, look on the website**  **Web Page Links**  **'the Little Book of Orienteering Techniques'**. If you have any suggestions for new acquisitions, or would like to borrow from the library, contact Trish (who also usually brings the books to events) ph: 384-3445 or e-mail faulknert@actrix.co.nz

**Further information about the Permanent Courses and about other orienteering opportunities may be obtained from the Membership Secretary, Trish Faulkner, Peninsula and Plains Orienteers, ph: 384-3445, info@papo.org.nz.**

### Event Fees 2012

Fee is per map. Groups need only one map.  
Prices may be reduced at promotional events.  
Pre-entry events will cost more.

	Members	Non-Members
Senior	\$12	\$20
Junior or f/t student	\$6	\$10
Family maximum	\$28	\$50
White course	\$6	\$6

### Membership Fees

The membership year runs from Feb 2012 - Jan 2013. It includes an emailed newsletter & NZOF affiliation. For full details and definition of membership, see the membership form online or contact the Membership Officer.

Senior	\$55
Junior	\$25
Family	\$130
School	\$55

Uniforms – Pictures online in colour at [www.papo.org.nz](http://www.papo.org.nz).

Discounted prices for all sizes are	\$37.50 \$30.00 \$67.50	Top Pants O-suit	Children's sizes are 130, 140, 150, 160cm Adults sizes are small, medium and large. Please phone Heather 385 7639 to place an order.
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