SOUTH ISLAND SCHOOLS' ORIENTEERING FESTIVAL

INCORPORATING

SOUTH ISLAND & CANTERBURY SECONDARY SCHOOLS' ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Officially sanctioned by the NZSSSC.

SATURDAY 30 APRIL KAIRAKI

AND

SUNDAY 1 MAY 2016 LINCOLN UNIVERSITY

HOSTED BY:

PENINSULA AND PLAINS ORIENTEERS



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Welcome

Welcome to the South Island Schools Orienteering Festival which this year incorporates both the South Island and Canterbury Schools' Championships. We hope that you all have an enjoyable time and for those of you who are new to this sport that you will feel that you would like to take part in other events in the future. Every year it is pleasing to see new students and additional schools take part in these events. This weekend approximately 100 – 120 students will be competing each day. We hope that you all have a lot of fun.

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TEAM MANAGERS

It is important that all competitors are aware of the information contained in this programme. It tells you how to get to the venues, important information about starting and finishing procedures and, combined with the attached start time lists, when to be there. Each student should be at the competition venue at least 45 minutes before his/her start time. As well as this copy, the programme will be available on www.papo.org.nz if you wish to direct parents to the web for this information.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Competition rules:

This competition will be run in accordance with NZOF rules, unlike the Get2go Challenge that some of you may have experienced, the courses are done by individuals (or pairs in some grades) and the controls are found in the sequence listed in the control descriptions. Please direct any queries during the events to the Event Controller.

Registration:

Registration which is at the Event Centre and adjacent to the finish areas each day will be **open from 9:30am each day.**

It would be appreciated if the team manager collects the registration pack for each school, rather than individual children. At registration you will be given the hire e-cards allocated to your students for the weekend. It is important that each student (or pair if entered as such) uses the e-card with the number allocated as per the accompanying list. There will also be copies of the control descriptions for those on white courses.

Start:

The first starts will be at 10:30am each day. Please ensure that you are at the start **at least 6 minutes** prior to your start time. You will be called into the start grid 4 minutes before your start time. A beeping clock will give a five-second count down with a longer tone to start, if there are any competitors who may have difficulty hearing this please advise the start officials. After the signal to start, **each competitor** (or pair) **must put their e-card into the blue box on the start control**, this is when your time starts.

Finish:

This is close to the registration area. If for any reason you decide not to finish your course you **MUST** go through the finish procedure. This lets us know that we don't have to start searching for you at the end of the day.

Course closure:

Competitors will be timed out after 2½ hours (i.e. if you are still out on a course 2½ hours after starting you must return to the finish.)

Out of bounds:

Please refer to the information relating to each day. Generally any area away from the car park, Event Centre (registration/finish area), start area or the routes between these will be out of bounds, unless you are on your course.

Safety:

Your safety is important to us. We want you to enjoy your orienteering free from accident.

We have identified the most likely hazards that you will come across but you are expected to exercise common sense around any obvious hazard.

Competitors are expected to render assistance on their course to anyone who is injured and requires physical assistance.

Land owners are not responsible for ensuring that any natural hazard or risk associated with orienteering as a recreational activity does not cause harm to competitors or spectators.

Known Hazards:

A list of known hazards relative to each venue is in the information for that day. Importantly for both days take particular care when walking from the parking areas to the Event Centre and when crossing streets. Watch for cars moving in and out!

First Aid:

Triple One Care staff will be in attendance both days. They will be stationed within the Event Centre area.

Weather:

The weather at this time of the year can be variable. It could be wet and very cold. Be prepared! In the event of bad weather - full body cover will be essential with thermals if it is very cold - competitors who are inadequately clothed may not be allowed to start. Also be prepared with sun block if it is hot.

Clothing:

Competitors should bring a range of clothing to cover extremes – both heat and cold. Also as this is a schools event it is really great if you wear your school's sports uniform if you can.

If the forecast is for very cold please have suitable clothing such as a thermal layer.

Make sure that you **bring a change of clothes**, including socks and shoes to change into after your course.

Whistles:

Whistles are RECOMMENDED. The distress signal is 6 short blasts, rest, then repeat. Use only in the case of injury or emergency.

Maps:

Maps are pre-marked with control descriptions printed on them. The maps will be collected at the finish and then be available for you to collect after the last start. Students running as pairs will each have a map but share a Sportident e-card while on the course.

Control descriptions: There will be international symbols for the red course, and written descriptions for all other courses will be printed on the maps. In addition copies of the descriptions for the white courses will

be available at registration and copies of the descriptions for the red, orange and yellow courses will be available at the start for those who want them.

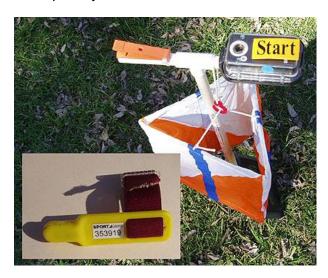
Control codes: These are 2 or 3 digit numbers on top of stake, on both days. Please check these codes carefully before punching to make sure that the number on the control is the same as the one on your control description. There will be a lot of controls out there so make sure you check the number!

All competitors will be using Sportident. Please read the following.

Electronic punching system

We shall be using the SportIdent electronic punching system for both events.

The e-cards that you carry with you on your course must be electronically cleared and checked before you start your course. As you enter the start area, place your e-card into the "clear" control unit. It will be clearly marked. Hold it there until you get a red light and a beep, confirming that your card has been cleared. Next, place your e-card into the "check" control unit, to confirm that it is working properly.





At each control, place the end of the e-card into the hole in the top of the flat box mounted on the control stand. Hold it there briefly until a red light and a beep indicate that the control unit has transferred its number and time on to your e-card. If in doubt, do it again – it does not matter if you record the same control twice. If a control unit should fail during the event and not give you a red light and a beep after a couple of tries, use the clipper on the control stand to punch one of the boxes printed on the edge of your map. Draw this to the attention of the staff at the finish.

If you go to the wrong control and put your e-card into a control unit that is not yours, don't worry. Just find the correct control and go through the process again. The wrong one will be discarded. However it is essential that all controls on your course are visited in the correct sequence. For example if control 3 is missed and control 4 punched with your e-card, you must go back and punch control 3 and then revisit and punch control 4 again before proceeding to control 5.

When you reach the finish line, <u>you must</u> put your e-card into one of the control units situated directly on the finish line. Again, wait for the beep and the red light, confirming your finish. Then proceed down the chute to the download station, which will read the information off your e-card and print out a sheet showing your course time and the split times between all controls.

Your e-card has a number that is related specifically to you as a competitor. The cards must not be loaned to anyone else during the event. If you lose a hired e-card there will be a charge of \$120 to cover the cost of a replacement.

Results:

Provisional results will be displayed on the result board at the finish area as soon as possible. Enquiries regarding finish times and disqualifications should be directed to the Event Controller via the staff at Registration. Please do not approach the finish or results officials.

Confirmed results will be posted on www.papo.org.nz

Prize Giving:

There will not be a prize giving at the event, certificates and trophies will still be distributed to the relevant schools when they are available.

Water:

Water will be available at the finish. Please use a new cup (provided) and place used cups in the rubbish bag. Some courses may have water on them. Please squirt the bottle; **DO NOT put it in your mouth.**

Protests:

Protests will be handled in accordance with NZOF rules. Before a protest is made you are entitled to complain to the controller about an infringement of the rules or organiser's directions. A complaint shall be made in writing (on a form available from Registration) to the Controller as soon as possible, but within 60 minutes of the affected competitor finishing. A complaint is adjudicated by the Controller. The Controllers decision on a complaint shall be advised to the complainant, and displayed on the results board as soon as possible, but in any case within 60 minutes. If you are not satisfied, a protest may be made against the controller's decision. Any protest shall be made in writing to the Controller within 60 minutes of the Controllers decision about a complaint being advised to the complainant and displayed on the result board and handed to the controller with a fee of \$10 which will be refunded if the protest is upheld.

Protest jury: A protest jury will be formed if and when necessary on the day.

Toilets: There will be public toilets at both venues.

Cancellations: The events will only be cancelled in extreme conditions. If this arises, Newstalk 3ZB will be notified.

Cancellations are repeated half hourly from 8am, and then hourly from 9am.

A cancellation notice will also be posted on www.papo.org.nz

HAVE A GREAT TIME AND HAVE <u>FUN</u>

Food and Drink

A mobile coffee barista will be on site each day at the Event Centre.

Also Cakes, drinks and sausages will be available for sale in the Event Centre. This is a fundraiser for the Christchurch members of the NZ team going to the Junior World Orienteering Champs in Switzerland in July.

Please support both these stalls.

Saturday – Long - Kairaki

Date:	Saturday 30 April
Мар:	Kairaki
Scale:	1:7,500 (Red, Orange, Yellow) and 1:5,000 (White)
Terrain:	Pine forest on intricate sand dunes with an extensive track network. Variable runability ranging from clear forest to areas of dense undergrowth and blackberry.
Planner:	Al Cory-Wright
Controller:	Peter Cleary
Directions:	From east Christchurch ; travel through the main street (Williams St.) of Kaiapoi. (there may be road works – follow detour signs). After crossing the river, turn right at fourth intersection into Beach Road. Travel to end of road, turn left at the Pines/Kairaki intersection and follow orienteering signage and directions below for parking.
	Via Northern motorway ; take third exit (to Rangiora), turn right and cross motorway, travelling along Smith St. At intersection with Williams St, go straight ahead into Beach Road, proceed as above.
	From North ; turn left into Williams St at Pineacres corner, then left into Beach Road. Continue as above.
	From Rangiora; travel to Kaiapoi via Lineside Road, cross the motorway and continue along Smith Street and across Williams St into Beach Road. Continue as above.
Parking:	Adjacent to the Pines Beach Oval. Park on the grass verges of the Red-zoned land
Event Centre:	On the Pines Beach Oval
Registration:	At Event Centre
Start:	5 minutes walk from the event centre
Finish:	At the event centre
Out of bounds:	The forest.
Hazards:	Low branches, blackberry, mountain bikers, motor cycles and other vehicles on dunes. Pines Beach roads are open CHECK FOR TRAFFIC if crossing.

Course Information:

Grades	Difficulty	Distance(km)	Climb(m)	No. of controls
SBC	Red 1	6.0km	160m	29
SGC	Red 2	5.2km	135m	25
IBC,IGC	Orange 1	4.8km	120m	22
SBS, SGS	Orange 2	4.0km	110m	19
IBS, IGS, JBC, JGC,	Yellow 1	3.4km	95m	16
7&8BC, 7&8GC	Yellow 2	2.8km	75m	13
JBS,JGS,7&8BS, 7&8GS	White1	2.5km	55m	24
6UB, 6UG, Special	White 2	1.8km	40m	17

Grade abbreviations for both days:

Secondary Schools:

Senior boys/girls champion	SBC, SGC
Senior boys/girls standard	SBS, SGS
Intermediate boys/girls champion	IBC, IGC
Intermediate boys/girls standard	IBS, IGS
Junior boys/girls champion	JBC, JGC
Junior boys/girls standard	JBS, JGS

Primary & Intermediate Schools:

Years 7& 8 boys/girls champion	7&8BC, 7&8GC
Years 7& 8 boys/girls standard	7&8BS, 7&8GS
Years 6 & Under boys/girls	6UB, 6UG
Students with disabilities	Special

Sunday – Sprints at Lincoln University

Date:	Sunday 1 May
Мар:	Lincoln University
Scale:	1:4,000 (Orange course), 1:3,000 (Yellow and White courses)
Terrain:	University campus
Planner:	lan Harrison
Controller:	Jan Harrison
Directions:	Head to Lincoln from Christchurch centre via Prebbleton and Springs road. Go straight ahead at the roundabout that is right next to the university where Springs road meets Ellesmere Junction road and continue down Springs Road for 400m. Turn right (signposted) and follow the orienteering signs along the south side of the campus until you see a sign pointing you into a car park on the right (Gate 3). Park in this car park only, because all other car parks are on the courses and will be out of bounds before your start time. Please do not enter the campus via any of the labelled gates from Ellesmere Junction Rd to the north of the campus.
Parking:	See directions above
Event Centre:	Follow tape through the campus to the Rec Centre beside the big rugby fields
Registration:	Registration will be at the tent just outside the main entrance to the Rec Centre
Start/Finish	Start is near Gate 2 (approx. 150m)
Toilets	Inside the Rec Centre
Spectator area	Around the edge of the rugby field
Out of bounds:	As marked on the map
Hazards:	Traffic, other users of the University, rough ground, low fences

Course Information: Lincoln University

Difficulty	Grades	Distance (km)	Climb (m)
Orange	SBC, SGC, IBC, IGC	4.3	Negligible
Yellow	JBC, JGC, 7&8BC, 7&8GC, SBS, SGS, IGS, IBS	3.2	Negligible
White 1	JBS, JGS, 7&8BS, 7&8GS,	2.1	Negligible
White2	6UB, 6UG, Special	1.5	Negligible

TEAM COMPETITIONS

The team competitions will be decided from the results of both days, with points earned from each day being added together.

There will be a team competition for each of the three secondary school age groups, i.e. Senior, Intermediate and Junior; and for the Years 7 and 8 grades.

Teams will be made up of three competitors from each school within an age group (i.e. Junior, Intermediate etc.) and may be either girls and/or boys. Points will be earned from individual results. The best three results in each age grade, whether in Championship or Standard and Girls or Boys event will be counted. The next three best results can make up extra teams for each school, e.g. XX #2 team.

Points for this competition are as follows: Championship: 1st – 20 points, 2nd – 19 points, 3rd – 18 points down to 20th – 1point. Standard: 1st – 15 points, 2nd – 14 points, 3rd – 13 points down to 15th – 1 point.

There will be a separate team competitions for girls and boys in the Years 6 & under grades. The points will be awarded as for the Championship grades above, with the best three results from a school being counted. The next best three results can make up extra teams for each school, e.g. XX #2 team.

Trophies are awarded to the wining Canterbury school in each grade, with certificates for 2nd and 3rd places.

Individual Trophies and Certificates

Certificates will be awarded to students gaining first, second and third in each grade each day. In addition the highest placed student from a Canterbury School in each Championship grade at Kairaki be awarded a trophy.

Both certificates and trophies will be sent to the student's school as soon as they are available after the event.