

New Zealand Secondary Schools Orienteering Championships 2016



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Welcome

Orienteering Waikato welcomes all school competitors and their supporters to Cambridge for the New Zealand Secondary School Orienteering Championships. We have prepared three events which we believe be both enjoyable and challenging for all competitors.

We have 429 entries from 65 schools with most of the top school age students in the New Zealand attending. This will make for an exciting competition and great viewing, as spectator controls have been included in the sprint and relay event. For parents at home there will be live results using O-Lynx. Results will be available at www.o-lynxlive.com.

To the students – we hope you enjoy the courses that have been set for you, the competition against fellow students and other school teams, and the camaraderie provided by these championships.

To the team managers and others involved in organising the teams – thank you for your efforts and commitment. Events such as this are essential to the development of orienteering and they wouldn't happen without your support.

As always, those involved in organising and running this event are volunteers, giving up their time to encourage and support the development of the next generation of orienteers. And we would like to thank them for this.

Orienteering Waikato would like to acknowledge the assistance of landowners:

Sprint and Relay: St Peters School Cambridge.

Long: Graeme & Karen Saunders at Kaiwhio Farms.

And Supporters Cryn Russel (Hawkes Bay O Club) for assistance with entries
O-Lynx (Phillip & Jane Herries) for assistance with O-Lynx/results & general advice!
Rolf Wagner (Taupo O Club) for assistance with Sport Ident.
Dave Fisher (Hawkes Bay O Club) for assistance with maps.
Chris Morris (Taupo O Club) for Controlling the sprint race.
Counties Manakau & Taupo Orienteering clubs for the loan of equipment.

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Event Website: www.orienteeringwaikato.org.nz

TIMETABLE

Thursday 21 July 2016 – Individual Sprint Championships

1.00pm	Registration opens
2.00pm	First starts
3.30pm	Last Start
4.30pm	Course closure

Note: NO sprint maps available until the completion of the Relay Race

Friday 22 July 2016 – Individual Long Championships

9.30am	Registration opens
10.30am	First starts
1:00pm	Last Start
1.00pm	Maps available for collection (after last start)
3.00pm	Submit final relay teams
3.00pm	Course closure
3.30pm	Prize giving for Long & Sprint (Approximate)

Saturday 23 July 2016 – Team Relay Championships

8.30am	Registration opens
9.00am	Composite teams meet for briefing at registration
9.45am	Relay briefing
10.00am	Relay starts from 10.00am - see details page for start times for grades
11.30am	Massed start for remaining leg 2 runners
12.00pm	Massed start for remaining leg 3 runners
12.00pm	Maps available for collection
1.30pm	Prize giving for Relay (Approximate)
1.30pm	Course closure

Event Details: Individual Sprint Championships

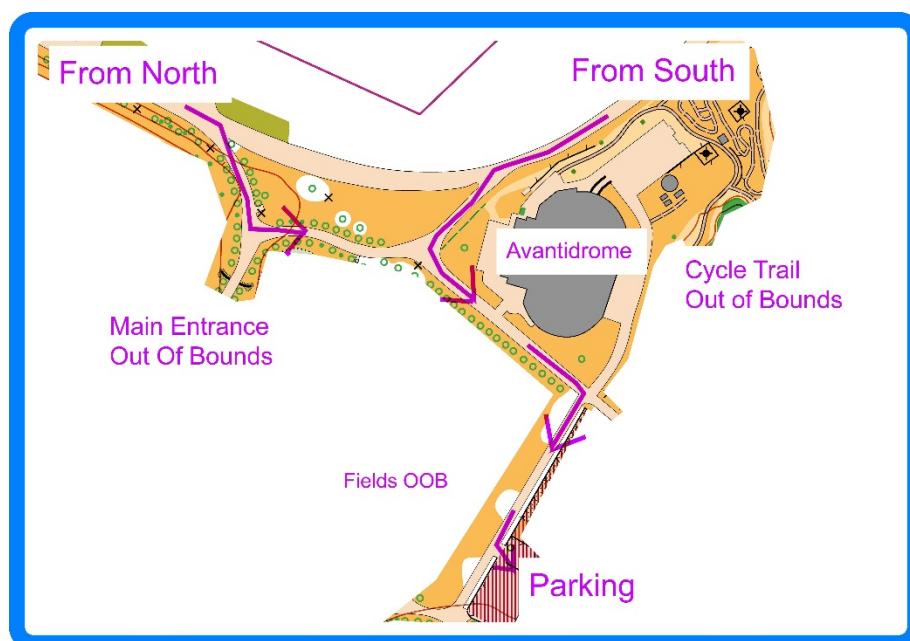
Date: Thursday 21st July 2016
Map: St Peter's School Cambridge
Scale: 1:4000 and 2.5m contour intervals
Planner: Jason Mouat
Controller: Chris Morris (Taupo Orienteering Club)

Terrain & map notes: Intricate school building detail and school grounds with some open forest.

Control descriptions: International control descriptions (symbols) are printed on the maps for Senior courses. The Intermediate, Junior and Year 7/8 courses have text descriptions on the map. Separate control descriptions for all courses are also available at the start.

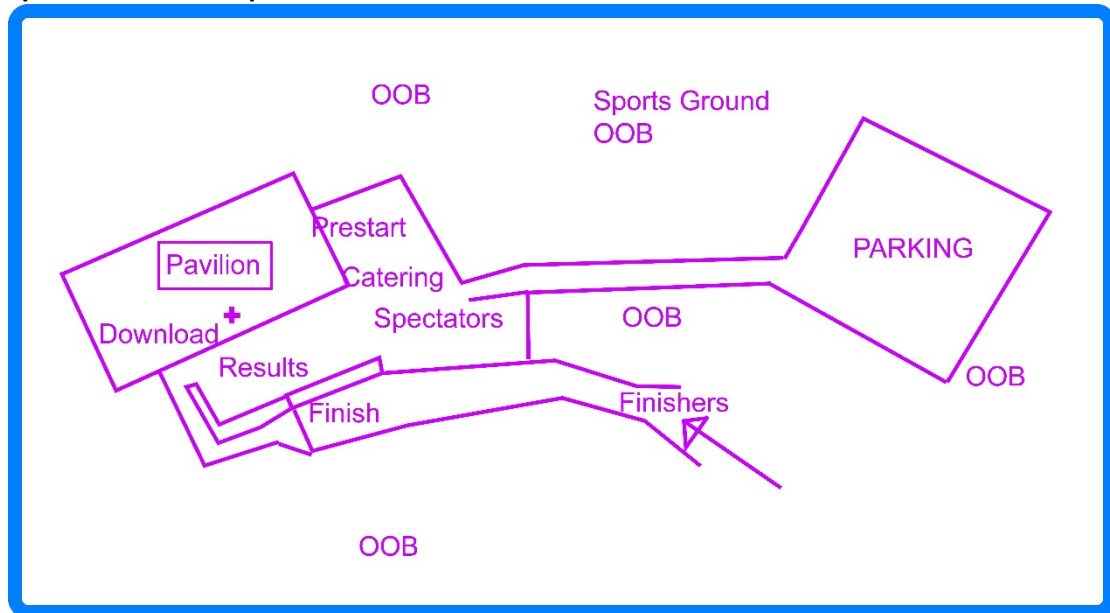
Directions: The Event Centre is at St Peter's School on Cambridge Road (Not the new SH1 bypass). Travel 10 minutes south from the edge of Hamilton along SH 1, or 5 minutes north from Cambridge. Event will be signposted at Hanlin Road. Do NOT enter the school through the main gate as this is Out of Bounds to everyone involved in the competition.

Parking: For all vehicles event parking is adjacent to the school off Hanlin Road. Overflow will be along Hanlin Road. Follow the signs to the Event Centre. Please do not deviate from this path. Do not walk across the fields to get to the Event Centre – this is out of bounds.



Event Centre: The event centre is a short distance from the car park. Most of the surrounding area is out of bounds, please do not explore.

Sprint event center plan:



Out of bounds: Please stay in the Event Centre, car park or start area or on the signposted routes between these areas and the start.

Please respect the areas shown as out of bounds on your maps. This includes the olive green symbol (usually gardens). The crossing of any of these areas will result in disqualification.

Similarly, please respect impassable features, including buildings, impassable walls and impassable fences. The crossing of any of these features is unfair and will lead to immediate disqualification. This includes closed gates. All gates that are shown as open on the map will be open in the terrain. If a gate is closed, it is meant to be closed and will be shown that way on the map. Leave it this way and DO NOT CROSS IT.

Start: The start is located 25 meters from the Event Centre – this will be signposted from the Event Centre.

Finish: Adjacent to the Event Centre.

MAPS ARE TO BE HANDED BACK AT THE FINISH.

They cannot be collected on the day of the race but will be available for collection after the Relay on Saturday. If you are not attending the relay and would like your map posted to you, go to registration and address an envelope.

Hazards: Be cautious when going around tight corners, as there may be runners or members of the public coming the other way.
The School has permanent residents. There can potentially be vehicles on the school roads. Please remember to **watch out for cars** when crossing or running on school roads on the course.

Course closure: **4:30pm.** Any competitors out on the course at this time should return to the Event Centre.

Course information:

Course	Grades	Scale	Length (km)	Estimated winning time (minutes)
Course 1	Senior Boys	1:4000	3.0	15 - 17
Course 2	Senior Girls	1:4000	2.9	15 - 17
Course 3	Intermediate Boys	1:4000	2.6	15
Course 4	Intermediate Girls	1:4000	2.5	15
Course 5	Junior Boys	1:4000	2.4	15
Course 6	Junior Girls	1:4000	2.2	15
Course 7	Yr 7/8 Boys	1:4000	2.1	12
Course 6	Yr 7/8 Girls	1:4000	2.0	12

Special notes: **No spikes to be worn**

The school has many permanent residences. These are all marked as Out of Bounds with Purple Stripe on the map. There are also many school and farm employees working around the school grounds. Please respect any other people you encounter by not obstructing them in any way.

Due to maps being handed back at the finish, there will be NO courses available for supporters following this event.

We are only able to access this map with the ongoing goodwill of the St Peters School. Please bin all your rubbish. Thank you.

Event Details: Individual Long Championships

Date:	Friday 22 nd July 2016
Map:	Kaiwhio Farms (Wharepapa) – 50km south of St Peter's School
Scale:	1:10,000 Red, Orange; 1:7500 Yellow & White
Planner:	Suzanne Scott
Controller:	Robert Newbrook

Terrain & map notes: Open farmland with scattered rock and tree detail.

Control descriptions: International control descriptions (symbols) are printed on the maps for red courses. Orange courses will have symbols and text, while yellow/white courses will have text descriptions. Separate control descriptions for all courses are also available at the start.

Directions:

From Cambridge: Get on Roto O Rangi Rd on the South East corner of Leamington. 12.2 km on Roto O Rangi Rd then turn left into Parklands Rd 6.7 km on Parklands Rd then turn right into Monckton Rd 2.6 km on Monckton Rd then turn right into Arapuni Rd 2.4 km on Arapuni Rd then turn left into Owairaka Valley Rd 14.4 km to Wharepapa South village. Turn left into Aotearoa Rd 0.7 km to Harding Rd

From other locations: Navigate to Wharepapa South. Harding Road is 750 East of the village

Parking: There is parking adjacent to the Event Centre as directed.

Out of bounds: Please stay in the Event Centre, car park and start areas. The Event Centre has been situated to allow views of competitors at the finish.

Start: The start is at the Event Centre. The start is likely to be adjacent to the woolshed, but in the event of bad weather, the start may be moved into the covered yards.

Finish: **All competitors must report to the finish, even if they do not complete the course.**

Safety Bearing: South to a gravel track then follow it to the event centre.

Hazards: This is an operating farm on rock/cliff gully/spur terrain with streams and swampy areas. Hazard could include stock, cliffs, tomos, streams, swamps/marshes, electric fences, barbed wire, uneven terrain, bee hives, trees/shrubs both standing & fallen, branches & tree roots and two large rubbish dumps on the map.

Competitors are not to cross the large stream going through the map except at marked crossing points.

The event center is based at a woolshed with yards. The covered yards will provide shelter for competitors and organiser alike. As this is an operational woolshed there could be various hazards present such as farm chemicals and sharp equipment. Every effort will be made to tape off or remove all farm hazards. Please stay in the designated areas and obey the out of bounds signage. Shoes should be worn at all times and fences should not be climbed in the woolshed area.

Whistles: **No Whistle – No Run!** You must carry a whistle. The distress signal is 6 short blasts, rest, then repeat. Use in the case of injury or emergency only. Whistles will be checked at the start.

Course closure: 3:00pm. Any competitors out on the course at this time should return to the Event Centre

Course information:

NZSS Orienteering Champs 2016 – Long Course							
Course	Grades	Colour Code	Scale	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Map Flip	Est Winning Time (min)
1	Senior Boys Championship	Red	1:10000	6.2	295	Yes	45-50
2	Senior Girls Championship	Red	1:10000	5.1	255	Yes	45-50
3	Intermediate Boys Championship	Orange	1:10000	4.8	240	Yes	35-40
4	Intermediate Girls Championship	Orange	1:10000	4.5	195	No	35-40
5	Senior Boys Standard	Orange	1:10000	4.8	205	No	35-40
6	Senior Girls Standard	Orange	1:10000	4.1	165	No	35-40
7	Junior Boys Championship Intermediate Boys Standard	Yellow	1:7500	4.0	145	No	25-30
8	Junior Girls Championship Intermediate Girls Standard	Yellow	1:7500	3.1	140	No	25-30
9	Year 7&8 Boys Championship	Yellow	1:7500	3.1	130	No	25-30
10	Year 7&8 Girls Championship	Yellow	1:7500	2.6	125	No	25-30
11	Junior Boys Standard Year 7&8 Boys Standard	White	1:7500	2.7	115	No	20-25
12	Junior Girls Standard Year 7&8 Girls Standard	White	1:7500	2.3	95	No	20-25

Special Notes: See Next page

Special Notes for Long event.

- Kaiwhio farms is open farm land and in winter can be prone to windy cold wet weather, even sleet/snow. Competitors need to be dressed to protect from wet, cold and windy conditions.
- Permanent fences are showing on the map for all courses. Temporary 1 wire farm fences are not showing on the map.
- Electric Fences will be turned off.
- Courses 1-3 have a map flip. So the 2nd part of the course is printed on the back.
- There is a large stream going through the map. Competitors are not to cross this stream except at marked crossing points. This only affects courses 1-6.
- There will be some stock on the farm and competitors are expected to go around them. There is the possibility that you will see some early newborn lambs. Under no circumstances should a competitor touch these lambs. The lamb is more likely to be rejected by its mother if it has been handled by humans. If you have concerns, report it to the officials after your competition and we will tell the farmer.
- No Dogs
- This a private farm map and we are only able to access these maps with the goodwill of the farmers. Please remove all your rubbish.
- Please inform organizers of your Relay teams on the provided form by 3:30 Friday.

Event Center Plan for Long Event



Event Details: Relay Championships

Date: Saturday 23rd July 2016

Map: Owl Farm (St Peters School Cambridge)

Scale: 1:5000 and 5m contour intervals

Planner: Stan Foster

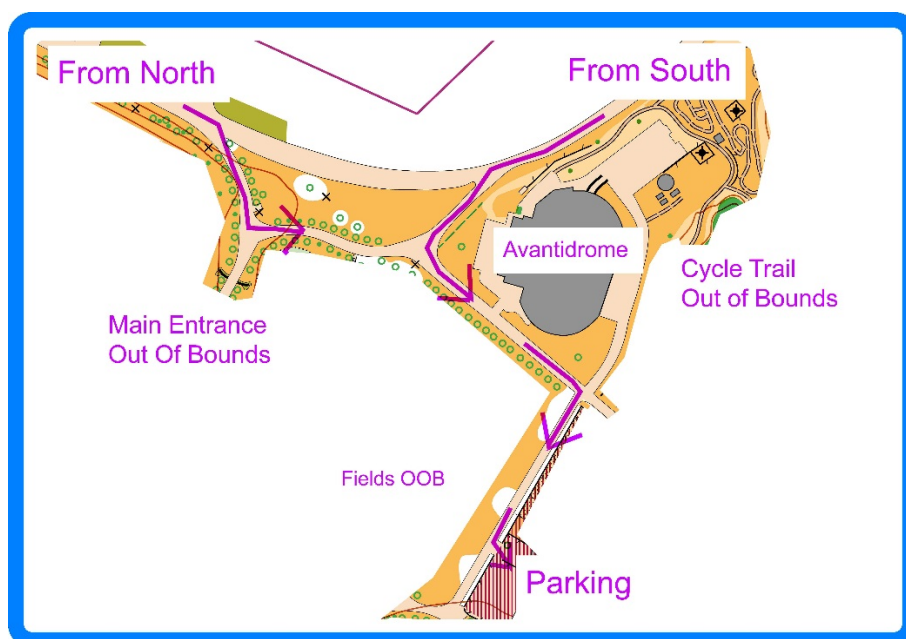
Controller: Aidan Boswell

Terrain & map notes: Farmland, flat to undulating. The mapping is to a sprint map standard but there are minor differences. 5m contours are used. Away from the school campus individual trees are not marked if part of a larger stand.

Embargoed Areas: The farm areas adjacent to the school, including the Te Awa Cycle way and bike tracks are out of bounds to all competitors on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd of July. The school grounds are out of bounds from 8:30am 23rd of July. All competitors staying at the school must vacate the accommodation and be in the event centre by that time.

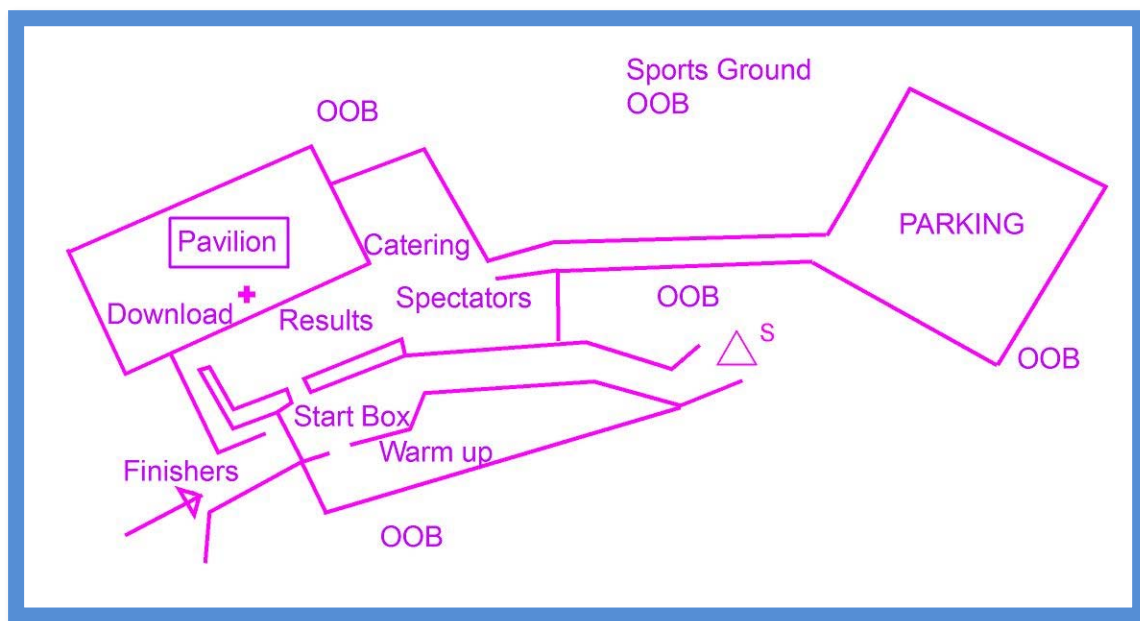
Directions: Same as per Sprint event. The Event Centre is at St Peter's School on Cambridge Road (Not the new SH1 bypass). Travel 10 minutes south from the edge of Hamilton along SH 1, or 5 minutes north from Cambridge. Event will be signposted at Hanlin Road. Do NOT enter the school through the main gate as this is Out of Bounds to everyone involved in the competition.

Parking: Same as per Sprint event.



Event Centre: The event centre is a short distance from the car park. Most of the surrounding area is out of bounds, please do not explore.

Relay event centre plan:



Relay Team Forms: These will be supplied in the school race packs to be collected at event 1 and 2 registration.

Team Deadline: 3.30pm Friday. This is the deadline for final confirmation of relay teams. No further team changes can be accepted after this deadline. If the relay form is not supplied by this deadline, the organizers will allocate teams as they see most appropriate

Registration: 8.30am Registration will open at the Event Centre in front of the pavilion for teams to collect their race numbers and SI cards. Team managers/coaches will be given one bag with all the school relay bibs and SI cards. It is recommended that school managers collect their relay race packs between 8:30 – 9:00am. **Use only the SI card allocated to you and return all SI cards at the finish after downloading your result.**

Composite Teams: **9.00am** All composite team runners should meet beside the registration table to collect their numbers and to meet other team members.

SportIdent: For ALL competitors SI cards will be issued for the relay. This includes those competitors that have their own SI card. If you will need to use the SI card allocated by the organisers. Each SI card will be allocated to a specific leg in a specific team. This cannot change. There is no extra charge for these SI cards

Race Numbers:	The relay numbers are in the following format <u>X – YY – Z</u> X = Grade (ie Junior Boys) YY = team number within the grade Z = leg runner (ie 1,2 or 3)	
Briefing:	9.45am A demonstration of the start, finish and changeover area will take place at the Event Centre. All first leg runners should be ready to start at this time.	
Start:	Adjacent to the Event centre 10.00am Senior Girls (2-YY-1), Junior Boys (5-YY-1) 10.05am Intermediate Girls (4-YY-1), Junior Girls (6-YY-1) 10.10am Senior Boys (1-YY-1), Year 7&8 Boys (7-YY-1), 10.15am Intermediate Boys (3-YY-1), Year 7&8 Girls (8-YY-1) First leg runners will be handed their rolled up map when they enter the start box. It is their responsibility to check the race number matches their own. The map must remain rolled until the race start.	
Mass start:	11.30am	All Leg 2 runners not already started
	12.00pm	All Leg 3 runners not already started
Transition:	On entry to the start box they will be handed a rolled up map and asked to check the race number matches. They must keep the map rolled until tagged by the finishing team mate. All runners are responsible for ensuring that they have the correct map.	
Finish:	Adjacent to the Event Centre	
Safety Bearing:	Head north to Road.	
Control descriptions:	Text only will be printed on the maps. No separate control descriptions will be available.	
Hazards:	The usual farm and school ground hazards including trees (both standing, fallen and rotten), branches, tree roots, uneven ground, cliffs, barbed wire, electric fences and stock. There are substantial areas of blackberry on the intermediate and Senior Relay courses. You can easily go around this, but can take it on at your own risk and leg cover may be advisable.	
Whistles:	Are not required.	
Course closure:	1.30pm Any competitors out on the course at this time should return to the Event Centre.	

Course Information:

Course	Grades	NZOF Colour Code	Scale	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Estimated leg winning time (min)
Course 1	Senior Boys	Orange	1:5000	5.2-5.3	65	30
Course 2	Senior Girls	Orange	1:5000	3.8-3.9	45	30
Course 3	Intermediate Boys	Yellow	1:5000	4.5	50	25
Course 4	Intermediate Girls	Yellow	1:5000	3.4	45	25
Course 5	Junior Boys	White	1:5000	3.3-3.4	20	20
Course 6	Junior Girls	White	1:5000	3.0	15	20
Course 7	Year 7&8 Boys	White	1:5000	3.0	15	20
Course 8	Year 7&8 Girls	White	1:5000	2.5	15	20

Team Composition: Official teams are made up of students, of the same gender and from the same school, who are eligible to compete in the class. Year 7/8 pupils may not run up to form official teams with secondary school pupils. Teams with Year 7/8 and Secondary School pupils may compete as unofficial teams.

To cater for students who are not able to be placed in a school team, composite teams will be made up. These teams will run unofficially (ie. their team placings will not be recognised in the school team competition) and will be denoted with the letters NC

Special Notes: **Deer Fences (Higher than head height).** There are many deer fences on the farm. These are marked as uncrossable fences (thick black line with double tag). **Competitors may NOT cross them (under, through, over or by opening a gate).** Competitors may only use deer fence gates that are already open and marked as such on the map. You and your team will be disqualified if seen crossing a deer fence or opening a deer fence gate.

Normal Height fences can be climbed. Please climb at the gate hinge or the fence post

Electric Fences

No Dogs

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GENERAL INFORMATION

This competition will be run in accordance with the Orienteering NZ rules. These rules may be viewed on the NZOF website: www.orienteeing.org.nz under 'Resources'. Please direct any queries during the events to the Event Controller.

Important Notice For Competitors Staying at St Peters School:

1. The school is Out of Bounds until the course closure for the Sprint event. You may not go to your accommodation prior to 4:30pm
2. On the morning of the Relay event all teams must have vacated the accommodation and be in the event centre by 8:30am. There will be organisers in and around the school from 8:30am doing secret tasks. Any competitors found in the school (outside of the event centre) will be disqualified.

Start List:

The Start List will be posted on the NZSS2016 website www.orienteeingwaikato.org.nz/nzss-2016/ on 16 July April. Please check for updates prior to the event. Managers, please check that your students are entered on the correct days, in the correct grade and with the correct SI number. Please report any changes required as soon as possible to the organisers: Contact details are at the start of this document

Event Centre - Registration/ Enquiries:

Registration/ enquiries can be made at the Orienteering Waikato Caravan at the times indicated in the Timetable. Only Team Managers are to go to Registration. Please get one team representative only to collect the school's registration pack. If you are using a hired SI (Sport Ident) card use only that allocated to you. The SI cards must be returned at the end of the Long event. There will be a charge to your school if SI cards are not returned.

School packs contain:

- Hired SI cards
- List of your school's competitors and start times
- A form for registration of relay teams and individuals to be placed in composite teams

Relay Team entries:

The relay team entry form MUST BE returned to Registration by 3pm on Friday afternoon. Changes after 3pm Friday will be at the discretion of the organisers. For example, in case of injury or illness.

Relay Rules

The rules for **official teams** in the Relay event, as per NZSSSC, are:

1. The students must be from the same school.
2. Yr7/8 students cannot run up in the secondary school grades.
3. Girls cannot run in the boys' grade and vice versa.

In addition to the above:

Within the secondary school competition, students of the same gender from the same school may run up a grade.

All other combinations will constitute a non-competitive (NC) entry with regard to points contributing to the Top School competition.

The rules for **non-competitive teams** from the **same school** are:

1. Girls can run equivalent boys' grade or higher.
2. Boys cannot run any girls courses.
3. Mixed boys and girls teams will run the 'boys version' of the highest grade runner in the team. Eg: JB, IG, SG will run the SB relay – must be 'boys'; and 'senior' is the highest grade runner.

Individual students that have selected to run in a **composite team** will be placed in teams of the same grade and gender wherever possible.

Maps

Maps are pre-printed on waterproof paper with control descriptions.

Control Descriptions

International control descriptions (symbols) are printed on the map for the Senior Sprint and Long Championship courses. All other courses have text descriptions on the map. Separate control descriptions are also available at the start for all Sprint and Long courses.

There will be no separate control descriptions for the Relays.

Start Procedure (Sprint and Long)

Please ensure you are at the start area at least 6 minutes prior to your start time. Be prepared by knowing your grade and course number. You will be expected to begin the start procedure **5 minutes before your start time**. It is not intended to read out all instructions at the start other than last minute details and a reminder of the hazards on the course. Please ensure that you have thoroughly read the information on hazards and any other relevant instructions from this programme.

Start Procedure (Relay)

All first leg runners must attend the briefing ready to run. There will not be time after the briefing to collect SI cards, compasses or shoes!

Mass starts will occur for each class at times shown on the Relay Information page. Be ready to enter the start box as soon as the previous grade has started.

As relay runners enter the change over area two things will happen.

1. You will be handed your map. The map will be rolled up and must stay rolled up until your team member has touched you or in the case of 1st leg runners when you are told to start your race.
2. You must clear and check your SI card.

Late Starters

Late arrivals for all events should report to the Start official. You will be fitted into the start at the first convenient time, but your race time will run from the original start time.

If you consider that you have a valid reason for being late, please discuss the situation with the Event Controller of the day or advise Registration at the OW caravan after you have completed your course.

Finish

Times will be recorded as you punch the finish control. Please continue to the Finish Tent to download your SI-card data and hand in your map. If you have a control station failure and clipped your map instead, tell the download person and your map will be taken for later review.

If for any reason you decide not to finish your course you **MUST** punch the finish control and complete the download process. This lets us know that we don't have to start searching for you at the end of the day.

All competitors must report to the finish, even if they do not complete the course.

Map collection

At times for each event as indicated in the Timetable. Note that Sprint Maps cannot be collected until after the relay event. If you are not attending the relay and would like your map posted to you, go to registration and address an envelope.

Hired SI-cards

Once you have finished all events, please hand in your SI-card after your final event if it was hired from OW.

Orienteering Clubs that have hired out SI-cards to schools are welcome to use the Registration caravan as a collection point if wanted.

Results

Provisional live results will be displayed on the O-Lynx screens at the Event Centre.

O-Lynx will also be showing unofficial live results for the Sprint and Relay events, at www.o-lynxlive.com for family and friends at home.

Enquiries regarding disqualifications should be directed to the Event Controller. Ask for him at the Registration caravan.

Please do not approach the finish or results officials.

Official results will be available after the event at www.orienteeingwaikato.org.nz/nzss-2016/

Protests

A protest may be made against the Controller's decision regarding a complaint.

A fee of \$15 will be required, which is refunded if the protest is upheld.

A jury comprising the Event Controller plus 3 Controllers available on the day of the event will consider protests.

For information, please see the Orienteering NZ website/ rules.

Lost or late runners

DO NOT START YOUR OWN SEARCH.

Organisers know who is or isn't out on the course at any given time. Report to the Registration Caravan and event organisers will initiate any action.

Casual starts

- Sprint: There will be NO courses available for supporters following this event.
- Long & Relay:
 - Supporters are welcome to take an unused map and complete a course.
 - This is unlikely to be timed (ie self-timed).
 - All participants must report to the event registration and sign in.
 - All participants must report back upon the completion of their course and sign out.
 - Courses will be available upon course closure or earlier at the organisers discretion.
 - There will be no charge for this (Thanks for bringing the competitors!)

Spectator control

There are spectator controls or legs for the Sprint and Relay event.

Cellphone coverage

There is reliable cellphone coverage at all events.

Compasses

It is expected that students will bring their own compasses.

Whistles

No whistle – no run! Whistles must be used for the long course. Starters will check that competitors are carrying a whistle. The distress signal is 3 short blasts, rest, then repeat. Use in case of emergency only.

Health and Safety

A copy of the Health and Safety policy can be found at www.nzsssc.org.nz/events-1/entry-info-safety-plans.

Safety Plans and Hazards for each day will be on display at the Event Centre.

A first aid kit and ice will be available at each event – located at the Registration Caravan.

It is expected that Team Managers have a health declaration for each student and any major health issues should be brought to the attention of the organisers.

It is expected that Team Managers make their competitors aware of the Special Hazards and Safety Bearings for each event.

Medical Personnel

If you have any health professionals amongst your managers/ support people that are willing to be available in case of a medical event, could they please leave their names at Registration.

Electronic punching system

The SI card electronic punching system is used for all events.

- The SI cards (Sport Idents) that you carry on the course must be electronically cleared and checked before you start the course.
- As you enter the Start area, place your SI-card into the 'Clear' control unit. It will be clearly marked. Hold it there for a few seconds and it will beep and show a red light, confirming that your card is working and has been cleared. You will then put the SI card into the 'Check' control unit to confirm that it has been cleared.
- At each control, place the SI-card into the control unit. Hold it there until a red light and beep indicate that the control has transferred its number onto your SI-card. If in doubt, do it again – it doesn't matter if you record the same control twice.
- If a control unit fails during an event and doesn't beep or show a red light, use the clipper on the control stand to punch one of the boxes printed on the edge of the map. Draw this to the attention of the people at the finish.
- If you go to the wrong control or miss a control, just go back to the correct control and continue through the process, ensuring that the control units remain in order; the computer will disregard the extra controls punched.

Your SI-card has a number that is specifically related to you as a competitor. The SI cards must not be used by anyone else at the event. If you lose a hired card, there will be a charge of \$65 to cover the cost of replacement.

Course closure

Refer to the course closure times stated for each day. If you are still on your course at these times, please return to the finish area and report in.

Shelter

The Sprint and Relay event center is adjoining a building with plenty of balcony cover. There is also a large room upstairs adjoining the balcony. This is primarily for officials and first aid, but can provide shelter if necessary.

The long event is based at a woolshed with large covered yards which will provide shelter if necessary.

Clothing

Competitors should bring a range of clothing to cover extremes of weather – both hot and cold, rain and wind. Check the weather forecast at <http://www.metservice.com/towns-cities/tokoroa>

Toilets

Toilets will be available at the Event Centres.

Water

Water will be available at the Finish.

Food

Sprint and Relay events – St Peters School

Sausage Sizzle \$2
BBQ Bacon & Egg Burger \$5
Wedges, sour cream , sweet chilli or tomato sauce \$4
Afghans \$2
Chocolate Bars \$2
Banana/Berry Smoothies \$4
Cans Drink \$2
Water \$2
Juice \$2
Coffee Cart – Probably

Long event – Wharepapa South School (Prices unknown at the time of writing)

Sausages Sizzle
Bacon/Egg Rolls
Cake Slices - Apricot /Apple
Cold fizzy drinks
Chocolate bars
A Coffee Cart will be there

Dogs

Dogs are not permitted at any event. This includes the parking areas.

Prize-giving

At the Event Centre as scheduled in timetable (or earlier).

Winners of NZSSC2015 - please return trophies to Registration.

- Medals will be awarded for 1st – 3rd in each category for the Sprint, Long Championship and Relay Events.
- Ribbons will be awarded for 1st – 3rd in each category for the Long Standard grades.

Activities

Avantidrome:

Go and check out the Avantidrome, it is very impressive. It is open until late, just go in the main entrance and climb the stairs immediately to your right. The immediate area around the Avantidrome is NOT out of bounds, however the Te Awa cycle train is embargoed for the duration of the competition.

There is a café at the Avantidrome called The Bikery. This is open 7:30-4:30pm Weekdays and 8:00-4:30pm Saturday

St Peters School Pool. For competitors staying at the school, we hope to be able to open the pool for an hour in the evening. Please note that due to lifeguard issues this option is not yet confirmed. The pool is a training indoor pool so is warm rather than hot!!

SCHOOLS COMPETITIONS

Top Secondary School Competition

This is the longest running competition and caters for the broadest spread of students. It is intended that the trophies go to the schools that display the greatest depth of orienteering talent at all levels. There are separate trophies for boys and girls.

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Only 3 competitors in each age grade will contribute to the school's points. That is, a maximum of 9 competitors (3 at each age group) will be able to earn points for their school.

In the individual Sprint competition, the best three results at each age grade will be counted. Only one level is offered.

In the individual Long competition the best three results at each age grade, *whether in the Championship or Standard event*, will be counted. At least one of these results must be from the Championship level (ie. A school entering all its competitors in the Standard level will be able to count only two results).

In the relay, only the highest positioned team from any school in each age grade will count. (Runners in composite teams do not count).

Points for this competition are as follows:

Individual Sprint:	1st = 25 pts, 2nd = 24 pts, 3rd = 23 pts, down to 25th = 1 pt
Individual Long Championship:	1st = 25 pts, 2nd = 24 pts, 3rd = 23 pts, down to 25th = 1 pt
Individual Long Standard:	1st = 15 pts, 2nd = 14 pts, 3rd = 13 pts, down to 15th = 1 pt
Relays:	1st team = 60 pts, 2nd = 54, 3rd = 48, down to 10th = 6 pts

Premier School Competition

This competition is for Boys and Girls with a Trophy for each. It is aimed at encouraging schools to support their top performing competitors at national level. The winners are the schools that have the best performance by their top competitors at Championship level only. The results of one competitor from each school in each Championship age grade count, with points from 10 for 1st to 1 for 10th.

Small Teams Competition

This competition is to cater for schools who have insufficient numbers or an inadequate spread of students to compete seriously in the Top School Competition. It is restricted to schools that have entered 5 or fewer competitors. There are separate boys' and girls' competitions. Certificates are awarded to the winning school and the place getters. This competition will be based on results in the Top School Competition.

Points Calculation Note

For all of the school competitions the 'No Blocking' rule applies. This means that once a school has scored its best competitors then any further competitors from the same school do not interfere with points. Eg in the top school competition, if a school has runners at 2, 4, 6 and 7, the school will score 24, 22 and 20. The 7th place getter is then removed from the equation so the runner who is 8th will score 19 points (as though he/she were 7th).

Previous Winners of Top Schools

<i>Schoolgirl's Champions</i>	<i>Schoolboy's Champions</i>
1988 Rangitoto College	1988 Edgewater College
1989 Wellington Girls' College	1989 Paraparumu College
1990 Wellington Girls' College	1990 Kings College
1991 Putaruru College	1991 Otago Boys' High School
1992 Putaruru College	1992 Kings College
1993 Putaruru College	1993 Putaruru College
1994 Birkenhead College	1994 Kings College
1995 Birkenhead College	1995 Birkenhead College
1996 Birkenhead College	1996 Birkenhead College
1997 Birkenhead College	1997 Birkenhead College
1998 Putaruru College	1998 Birkenhead College
1999 Newlands College	1999 Newlands College
2000 Birkenhead College	2000 Birkenhead College
2001 Birkenhead College	2001 Birkenhead College
2002 Birkenhead College	2002 Newlands College
2003 Napier Girls High School	2003 Putaruru College
2004 Napier Girls High School	2004 Napier Boys High School
2005 Havelock North High School	2005 Napier Boys High School
2006 Havelock North High School	2006 Havelock North High School & Napier Boys High School
2007 Havelock North High School	2007 Napier Boys High School
2008 Napier Girls High School	2008 Napier Boys High School
2009 Havelock North High School	2009 Napier Boys High School
2010 Napier Girls High School	2010 Napier Boys High School
2011 Napier Girls High School	2011 Napier Boys High School
2012 Napier Girls High School	2012 Napier Boys High School
2013 Napier Girls High School	2013 Napier Boys High School
2014 Napier Girls High School	2014 Napier Boys High School
2015 Diocesan School for Girls (Auckland)	2015 Napier Boys High School
2016?	2016?