

# ***New Zealand Orienteering***

## ***Championships***

14-17 April 2006

 **O**rienteering Nats '06

  
 Nelson and Marlborough 

### **Programme**

**Hosts: Nelson and Marlborough Orienteering Clubs**

**Welcome to the Top of the South Island. Land of wine, seafood, lots of sun, outdoors adventures, and this weekend's Orienteering events**

The weekends events have been organised to optimise your travel times for those coming from out of the district. The first and last events (sprint and relays) will be held very close to Blenheim. It is suggested that Competitors base themselves in Nelson for the weekend. The relays times should allow those of you taking ferries North to catch the 1:25pm or 2:25pm sailings to Wellington. For those flying in and out of Nelson, it is approximately 90 minutes from Nelson Airport to the events in Blenheim.

The Nelson and Marlborough Clubs are pleased to host you for this weekend and trust you will all get satisfaction from your competition, as well as having a great social time.

The weekend's maps cover many types of terrain, from open dry hills and farmland, to native forest with lots of large depressions (the new Canaan Downs map) and sandy open pine forest (The Big Rabbit). Climbs will not be excessive;

The prizegiving dinner at Saxton Field on Sunday night will be a little different. The focus for the evening will be on fun. The prizegiving itself will be brief, and the evening speaker will be Nathan Fa'avae, one of New Zealand's premier Adventure Racers, who will be competing in his first national orienteering championship in the Elite grade, for the Nelson club.

We will also have a live band later in the evening, so that those who wish to sashay, hip-hop, dance the Lambada, or generally shake the rattles out of their bodies, may do so. Alternatively, you can just listen to the music they make.

There will also be a couple of other items of interest, so as they say, "be in to win."

Your event organisers are:

**From MOC** – Mondo Kopua, Graeme Ellis, Alan Wilson and Dave Forbes

**From NOC** – Wayne Gray, Alison MacDonald, Tim Stringer, Hans Kunzi,  
Sarah Gray, Roger Bee

**Planners and Controllers for the events are as below:**

**Sprint Distance:** Alan Holdaway, Susan King and Malcolm Ingham

**Long Distance:** Peter Syms & Roger Bee

**Middle Distance:** Wayne Gray & Hans Kunzi

**Relays:** Mondo Kopua, Barry Hope and Gilliam Ingham

For further information, contact the Event Organiser, Wayne Gray, phone 03-545-2120, 021-855-111 or email: [grayzfam@xtra.co.nz](mailto:grayzfam@xtra.co.nz)

## General information

This competition will be run in accordance with the NZOF Competition Rules for New Zealand Foot Orienteering Events. These rules may be viewed on the NZOF website. The M21E and W21E courses for the long distance are World Ranking and will conform to IOF requirements.

## Location of the events

The weekend will begin with the Sprint event on the Taylor River South map, a few minutes East of the Centre of Blenheim.

The Long Distance championship event will be held on the new Canaan Downs map, near the top of the Takaka Hill, in native forest and rolling farmland. (76 km West of Nelson.) A small part of the map is in the Kahurangi National Park and part is on farmholders properties.

The Middle Distance event is on The Big Rabbit map, at Rabbit Island, 25 km West of Nelson. Bring a picnic to enjoy after this event on this lovely area. This map was last used for the South Island champs 2004.

The Relay event will begin at the foot of the Wither Hills Farm Park on the outskirts of Blenheim. This park is named after Charles Bigg Wither, an early landowner, and is currently administered by the Marlborough District Council. It still operates as a working farm, and is to be treated with respect.

Detailed travel instructions are given in the information for each day's event but for an overview of the map locations, visit the Nationals site at [www.nzorienteeing.com/nationals](http://www.nzorienteeing.com/nationals)

## Acknowledgements

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SILVA  
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Department of Conservation.

Individual Landowners.

Marlborough District Council

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## Timetable

### Friday 14 April

NZOF Council Mtg  
Registration opens  
First start  
Maps available  
Presentation to College  
Course closure

### NZ Sprint Champs – Taylor River South

9:00 am Beavertown Hall, Sprint Event Venue  
12:00 noon  
1:30 pm  
3:35 pm  
3:45 pm  
4:30 pm

### Saturday 15 April

Registration opens  
First start  
Maps available  
Presentation to  
Landowners  
Course closure  
NZOF AGM

### NZ Long Distance Champs – Canaan Downs

9:30 am  
10:30 am  
1:30 pm  
1:30 pm  
3:00 pm  
7:00 pm Waimea College, Richmond, Room M3

### Sunday 16 April

Registration opens  
First start  
Maps available  
Relay team registration  
Presentation to  
Landowners  
Course closure  
Dinner  
Guest Speaker/  
Priizegiving

### NZ Middle Distance Champs – The Big Rabbit

10:30 am  
11:30 am  
12:45 pm  
1:00 pm deadline. Forms available at registration  
1:15 pm  
3:00 pm  
6:00pm (Saxton Road, Stoke). Open at 5:30pm  
7:30pm

### Monday 17 April

Registration opens  
Briefing  
First leg start  
Massed starts  
Maps available  
Presentation to  
landowners

### NZ Interclub Relay Championships- Wither Hills

8:30 am  
10:00 am  
10:10 am for Mixed Long  
10:20 am for Mixed Short  
11:30 am remaining 2<sup>nd</sup> leg runners  
12:00 noon remaining 3<sup>rd</sup> leg runners  
12:00 noon  
12:30 pm

## Relays

Eligibility for the relays will be based on the following criteria:

- 1 The actual age class of the competitor. For example, a 43 year old who runs as an M21E in the long distance championship will be eligible to run as M40A in the relay.
- 2 The highest class (that is, E, A, AS, A, B or C) elected for the long distance championship.
  - Any competitor who runs in an A class (including A Short) will not be eligible to run as a B class runner in the relays.
  - Based on the 13 course combination tables in the current NZOF Competition Rules, the equivalence of AS runners for leg eligibility will be: M21AS = M55A; M40AS = M60A; W21AS = W55A; W40AS = W55A.

## Electronic punching system

We shall be using the SportIdent electronic punching system for all 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 for a couple of seconds and you should be given a red light and a beep, confirming that your card is working and has been cleared. Next, place your e-card into the “check” control unit, to confirm that it has been properly cleared.

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.

When you reach the finish line, don't forget to 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 \$50 to cover the cost of a replacement.
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## Start procedure

Please turn up at the start in plenty of time.

Please ensure that you have cleared and checked your e-card and are ready to enter the starting grid no later than three minutes before your start time, on each of the first three days.

**Note carefully:** Control descriptions will not be issued at registration. You will pick them up in the second section of the starting grid, so will need an armband or something in which to put the control descriptions. Control descriptions will also be printed on the maps themselves.

If you are late for your start, tell the staff. They will fit you into the start at the first convenient time but your race time will run from your original start time. If you consider that you have a valid reason for being late, explain that to the event controller after you have finished. (Hangovers and general tardiness will **not** be considered as valid reasons)

It is not intended to read out any instructions at the start, other than last minute details. Please ensure that you have thoroughly read the information on hazards and any other relevant instructions from this programme.

## Finish procedure

After recording your e-card in the control unit on the finish line proceed to the download station. If you had a control station failure and clipped your map instead, tell the download person and your map will be taken for later review. All maps will be collected until the time of the final competitor's start.

If you do not complete your course, please go through the finish control and the download process, the same as everyone else. Otherwise we will come looking for you.

On your last day, please return any hired e-cards at the finish. (Any hired cards not returned after a reasonable period will cost the Hirer \$50)

## Complaints and Protests

If you wish to make a complaint regarding an infringement of the rules or the organisers' directions, please complete a complaint form, available at registration. This must be done within 60 minutes of completing your course. The event controller will consider the matter that you have raised and let you have his decision. There is no charge for making a complaint.

If you are not satisfied with that decision, you may ask that the complaint be considered as a protest. A fee equal to the entry fee that you paid for that day's course is then payable but this fee will be returned if your protest is upheld.

Protests will be considered by a jury of A grade controllers, selected from a panel convened at each event. A list of these juries will be posted at each event.

Individual Protest Juries will be selected from:

Event Controller for the event & John Davies, Svend Petersen, Michael Wood, Bunny Rathbone, Trish Aspin.

## Out of bounds areas

Areas may be marked on your maps as temporarily or permanently out of bounds. Please respect these markings.

## 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 commonsense around any obvious hazard:

- Livestock. Please avoid spooking cattle and horses, in particular.
- Fences. Cross at a post. Climb over gates at the hinge end. If you pass through a gate, leave it as you found it.
- Electric fences. They should be off but if in doubt, check by touching the fence with a piece of grass.
- Cliffs and rocks. Cliffs that are considered impassable have been identified as such by the mappers. Respect their judgement.
- Farm machinery and vehicles. Keep well clear and please ensure that any children in your care do likewise. This is particularly relevant at the sprint event, which passes through an area with historical machinery.
- Tomos and rocky depressions. – These are prevalent on the Canaan Downs map. Be very careful when running in these rocky areas in particular.
- Biohazards: The middle distance event at the Big Rabbit is an area where biosolids are sprayed onto the forest floor. There has been no recent spraying where the event is occurring, but residual biosolids are on the forest floor. Take particular care where pooling of water has occurred, and do not drink this water.

Any additional hazards specific to a particular map will be identified on a hazards board at registration and also advised at the start.

Failing all else, Paramedics will be in attendance for the two forest events (Canaan and Big Rabbit). They are also able to help you with pre-race preparations as well as attending to post race strains, aches and pains.

**All** competitors are required to carry whistles for **both forest event**. Canaan Downs and Big Rabbit. **No whistle, no run, no exceptions**. Whistles are not mandatory for the sprint and relay events.

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

## **Dinner and Prizegiving**

The dinner and prizegiving will be held at the Saxton Field Sports Complex. This is on Saxton Road, Stoke, between Nelson and Richmond (7km from each). Assemble any time from 5:30 pm, for dinner at 6:15 pm. Please bring your own alcoholic refreshments. Soft drinks will be available at \$2 each (juice/sprite/coke, etc.) Tea and coffee will be available during the evening.

Everyone is welcome to attend the prizegiving, whether or not they have attended the dinner. Our guest speaker, Mr. Nathan Fa'avae will be speaking after the dinner and will precede the prizegiving.

Following the prizegiving, we will have entertainment for the remainder of the evening. Please bring along a sense of humour and a few gold coins.

We have a small number of places left for dinner (less than 20) so tickets for this will be available at registration. It will be strictly on a first come, first served basis.

Please return all trophies to registration, brightly polished and ready for you to win again.

## **NZOF Annual Meeting**

Come along to the Annual Meeting and share in the review of the past year's activities and discussion on the coming year. The meeting will be held at 7 pm on Saturday evening, at Room M3, Waimea College, Salisbury Road, Richmond

## **Creche**

An unsupervised area will be provided for parents of young children to arrange their own co-operative child minding.

## **Food**

Food stalls will not be operating at this stage. Water will be available at all events.

## **Stalls**

Note that there will be no stalls/sales of products at the Middle Distance event on The Big Rabbit. (The Council administering Rabbit Island does not permit commercial activities – of any type- on Rabbit Island) This applies to sales of Orienteering equipment. We suggest you try to do your purchases at the other three events, where stalls will be operating.

## **Dogs**

Dogs and other animals are prohibited from all map areas.

## **T – shirts**

These may be collected at registration. Please note that the size of the shirt may be one size smaller than you ordered, as our printer has advised us that the shirts are larger than expected. Please do not quibble about this at Registration, unless you have tried the shirt on and found it does not fit. (This applies to the men's shirts only. – the upside of this is that you can go around saying your body can now fit a size smaller than it used to)

## **Special map symbols**

Green circle = distinct single tree; green X = stump or log; black circle = water tank; black X = man-made object of some type; blue circle = trough.

Fences are not shown on the maps for courses 1 – 8, for the Long Distance and Middle Distance events.

Take care not to confuse track symbols (dashed lines) with cliff symbols, some of which will be black lines without legs.

## **String course**

There will be a string course every day for the littlies. Just collect a clip card from registration. Times will not be recorded for this course.

## **Fire Hazard**

Nelson and Marlborough Orienteering Clubs operate a Smokefree policy and smoking is not permitted at any of the events. Barbeques are permitted, and are to be used in appropriate areas and correctly.



## **National Interclub Competition**

To promote the “club” aspect of the sport, we will be running an interclub competition among all of the clubs represented at the Nationals, decided over the sprint, long distance and middle distance events for all classes, including juniors.

The Blossom Trophy will also be up for grabs among the juniors, M/W20 down.

The scoring system for the interclub competition will be similar to that used to decide the Frank Smith Trophy, which is competed for each year among the clubs in the Wellington region. The scoring is weighted towards individual excellence rather than just numbers on the ground and has the effect of giving every club a reasonable chance of winning the interclub competition, irrespective of the size of the club.

## Landowner acknowledgements

We are very much indebted to the landowners who have so willingly made their properties available for the Nationals events. Without the support of our landowners we would have no orienteering. We therefore record our thanks to:

**Sprint** (Taylor River South)                      Marlborough District Council

**Long Distance:** (Canaan Downs)      Department of Conservation, Alick and Pauline Lummis, Tim Greenhough

**Middle Distance:** (The Big Rabbit) – Tasman District Council)

**Relays:** (Wither Hills)                      Marlborough District Council



## Superseries

With the national individual championships all counting, NZ orienteering's national league heads for halfway. And Easter is a vital link in the funding chain, with the MAPsport Shop selling sponsored products for the Superseries travel fund. Items from Siva (compasses), J alas (orienteering shoes), and Vapro (magnifying specs and description holders will carry red “SSS” stickers, indicating “Super Series Supporter” ☺

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## Friday 14 April 2006 – New Zealand Sprint Distance Championship

**Event status:** A level. New Zealand Sprint Distance Championship  
**The map:** Taylor River South  
**Scale/contours:** C1-3: 1:5000 with 2.5m contours  
 W: 1:3000 with 2.5m contours  
**Mappers:**  
**Terrain:** Rough open and scattered vegetation based around the Taylor River valley. Also multiple buildings and structures associated with Brayshaw Historic Park.  
  
**Planners:** Alan Holdaway and Mondo Kopua  
**Controller:** Gillian & Malcolm Ingham  
**Directions:** (Five minutes from central Blenheim). Take Maxwell Street towards the hospital and follow the Orienteering signs.  
**Parking:** Brayshaw Historic Park  
**Event centre:** Brayshaw Historic Park  
**Start:** Adjacent to Event Centre  
**Hazards:** The area encompasses a miniature railway, a go-kart track and an old sawdust pit used by motor cyclists. All courses will encounter some of these. Please exercise caution and give way as appropriate.  
  
**Out of bounds areas:** Out of bounds areas are marked on the map by vertical purple stripes. Private property is shown by an olive green shading. C1 has a potential route choice which uses a marked route through an area of private property. This is shown on the map by inverted purple brackets )( and will be clearly taped on the ground.  
  
**Registration:** From 12 noon  
**First start:** 1:30 pm  
**Maps available:** 3:35 pm  
**Presentation to college:** 3:45 pm  
**Course closure:** 4:30 pm  
**Special map symbols:** Note that there are some symbols specific to sprint events. The legend will not be printed on the map because of space constraints so it is essential that you collect a legend from registration and study it carefully.

The western boundary of Brayshaw Historic Park is lined with many exhibits of old farm machinery. In places these are too close together to be shown as individual man-made objects. Areas where the density of these exhibits is sufficient to prevent passage are marked on the map by purple diagonal hatching.

### Other Information

Full leg cover is strongly recommended

### Course lengths and climb.

			Length km	Climb m
1	M18,M20,M21,M21E,M35,M40,M45	W20,W21E	3.05	15
2	M16,M50,M55,M60	W16,W18,W21,W35,W40, W45,W50,W55	2.56	12.5
3	M12,M14,M65,M70,M75,M80	W12,W14,W60,W65	1.99	10
W	M10 (white)	W10 (white)	0.83	2.5

For competitively minded sprinters, the distance from the last control to the finish has been set at precisely 100 metres.

## Saturday 15 April 2006 – New Zealand Long Distance Championship

<b>Event status:</b>	A level. New Zealand Long Distance Championship. IOF World Ranking Event.
<b>The map:</b>	Canaan Downs
<b>Scale/contours:</b>	Scale 1:15,000 (courses 1 and 2); 1:10000 (courses 3 – 11); 1:7500 (courses 12 - 13); contour interval 5 metres
<b>Mappers:</b>	Fieldwork Roger Bee, Peter Syms
<b>Terrain:</b>	A new map of open native forest, rolling farmland and with very large depressions and rock formations. Unique and challenging terrain. Tomos abound
<b>Planner:</b>	Peter Syms
<b>Controller:</b>	Roger Bee
<b>Directions:</b>	Approximately 90 mins (76km) from Nelson. Drive towards the top of the Takaka hill on Highway 60 (drive through Motueka). Take the turnoff to Harwoods Hole near the top of the hill. There will be Orienteering signs approx. 500m before this turnoff. Drive approx. 10 km down the gravel road to the start
<b>Parking:</b>	Ample parking, as directed.
<b>Event centre:</b>	At the finish area, handy to the parking.
<b>Start:</b>	100m from Event Centre
<b>Facilities:</b>	There will be water and toilets at the start.
<b>Clothing:</b>	The country can be exposed and cold in adverse weather. Be prepared with suitable race and after-race clothing. A clothing return will only operate if the weather is wet and/or cold.
<b>Hazards:</b>	There are two main hazards on this map: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hidden holes. These can be quite deep and are usually found in rocky areas. Any obvious dangerous holes are marked as rocky pits (black V symbol on the map) However, there may be others that have not been noted, so care when running is essential.</li><li>▪ Sharp rocks. Many of the rocky areas consist of sharp rock with jagged top edges caused by water erosion. These can inflict pain and injury so beware.</li></ul>
<b>Out of bounds areas:</b>	Entire area to the right of the road at the event centre is out of bounds. Because the road and track to Harwoods hole pass through the competition area, no competitors are to visit this area before their run. If they do, they will be disqualified for entering an out of bounds area.
<b>Safety bearing:</b>	North if you are on the South side of the Harwoods Hole road. South if you are on the North side of the Harwoods Hole road
<b>Registration:</b>	From 9:30 am
<b>First start:</b>	10:30 am
<b>Maps available:</b>	1:30 pm
<b>Water</b>	Water on courses will be provided at strategic points on the main road through the map. These will be marked by a cup symbol on that map and by a red road cone at the site.
<b>Course closure:</b>	3:30 pm
<b>Other Information</b>	At the north end of the competition area is a tourist site worth visiting. It is an enormous hole leading to caves which is popular for abseiling. Visit this area after the event if you wish. Allow 35 minutes walk each way.
<b>Special map symbols:</b>	Depressions: Because of the complex number of depressions on this map only the larger depressions have been marked as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A u symbol is used for depressions larger than about 2.5m (large enough to contain a large family car)</li></ul>

- A circle contour symbol is for depressions greater than about 5m

Rocks: Scattered rocks that impede progress are marked with a random dot screen which becomes denser as the rocks become denser.

Individual rocks are only marked if they exceed approx 2m.

### Course lengths and climb:

Course	Men	Women	Length km	Climb m
1	M21E (Open)		13.8	355
2	M20A, M21A (Open), M35A	W21E	8.3	220
3	M18A, M40A, M45A		7.1	210
4	M50A	W20A, W21A (Open), W35A	6.0	180
5	M16A, M21AS (Open), M55A	W40A, W45A	5.2	140
6	M60A, M40AS	W18A, W50A	4.8	120
7	M65A	W16A, W21AS (Open), W40AS, W55A	4.1	90
8	M70A, M75A, M80A	W60A, W65A	2.8	70
9	M18B, M20B, M21B (Open), M40B	W20B, W21B (Open)	5.0	110
10	M14A, M16B, M50B	W18B, W40B,	4.1	100
11		W14A, W16B, W50B	3.5	80
12	M12A, M14B, M21C (Open)	W12A, W14B, W21C (Open)	3.0	65
13	M10, M12B	W10, W12B	2.6	35

## Sunday 16 April 2006 - New Zealand Middle Distance Championship

- Event Status:** A level. New Zealand Middle Distance Championship.
- The map:** The Big Rabbit
- Scale/contours:** Scale 1:10000 (courses 1 – 11); 1:5000 (courses 12 - 13); contour interval 2.5 metres.
- Mappers:** Field Work & cartography: Roger Bee
- Terrain:** Flat sandy open pine forest, with intricate details. Fast open running forest. Borders the Mapua estuary to the West and the Tasman Bay to the North. There is no appreciable climb.
- Planner:** Wayne Gray
- Controller:** Hans Kunzi
- Directions:** Signposted at the turnoff to Rabbit Island. This is located approximately 20 km from the centre of Nelson on the Nelson to Motueka highway (SH 60). It is a further 7km to the event centre. Follow the signs. (allow thirty minutes from centre of Nelson)
- Parking:** At event centre ample parking is available. There will be a taped access route for emergency and event vehicles only.
- Event Centre:** Conifer Grove, 150m from the beach.
- Start:** 2km from the parking and event centre. Allow 20 minutes (min. to get to the start. There will be a taped route for approx. 500m of this and signs at 500m intervals indicating distance to start
- Facilities:** Toilets at event centre and start. Additional public toilets available on beachfront approx. 200m from parking area. Water is available at finish.
- Clothing:** This is a coastal map in a pine forest. Bring clothing for wind and rain (as well as clothing for the sun). A half hourly clothing return will operate from the start back to the finish marquee.
- Hazards:** The area is has had biosolids sprayed on it some months ago. This does not pose any danger, but do not drink any pooled water, nor use it to treat any wounds. No smoking at the event or in the forest.
- Out of bounds areas:** These will be taped off at the event
- Safety bearing:** North to the beach
- Registration:** 10:30 am
- First start:** 11:30 am
- Maps available:** 13:45 pm
- Presentation to landowners** 1:15 pm
- Course closure:** 3:00 pm
- Special map symbols:** Refer to page 8.

### Course lengths and climb:

Course	Men	Women	Length Km	Climb m

1	M21E (Open)		5.52	
2	M20A, M21A (Open), M35A	W21E (Open)	4.65	
3	M18A, M40A, M45A		4.65	
4	M50A	W20A, W21A (Open), W35A	3.56	
5	M16A, M21AS (Open), M55A	W40A, W45A	3.14	
6	M60A, M40AS	W18A, W50A	2.75	
7	M65A	W16A, W21AS (Open), W40AS, W55A	2.48	
8	M70A, M75A, M80A	W60A, W65A	2.10	
9	M18B, M20B, M21B (Open), M40B	W20B, W21B (Open)	2.10	
10	M14A, M16B, M50B	W18B, W40B,	2.16	
11		W14A, W16B, W50B	1.85	
12	M12A, M14B, M21C (Open)	W12A, W14B, W21C (Open)	2.09	
13	M10, M12B	W10, W12B	1.88	

**Note:** The estimated winning times for course 1 is 30 minutes. Other courses are planned so that winning times shall be no greater than 60% of single day times.

## Monday 17 April 2006 – New Zealand Interclub Relay Championship

**Event status:** A level. New Zealand Interclub Relay Championship  
**The map:** Wither Hills  
**Scale/contours:** Mixed Long & Mixed Short Leg 1 : 1:10000 with 5m Contours  
Mixed Short Legs 2 & 3: 1:5000 with 5m contours  
**Mappers:**  
**Terrain:** Rough open with scattered vegetation, tracked areas with exotic plantings. Erosion gullies and manmade features. Includes and urban boundary and park areas. Classic dry Marlborough hill country.  
**Planner:** Mondo Kopua and Barry Hope  
**Controller:** Gillian & Malcolm Ingham  
**Directions:** Five minutes from Blenheim City centre. Take Maxwell Road toward hospital, turn left into Wither Road and follow Orienteering signs to Harling Park in the lower Wither Hills.  
**Parking:** In and adjacent to Witherlea School  
**Event centre:** At School  
**Start:** 200m from event centre  
**Start format:** Briefing for all competitors 10:00 am.  
First leg starts: Mixed Long at 10:10 am, followed by Mixed Short at 10:20 am. There will be massed starts of all remaining 2<sup>nd</sup> leg runners at 11:30 am and 3<sup>rd</sup> leg runners at 12:00 noon.  
**Facilities:** No water on courses.  
**Clothing:** No specific requirements. Be prepared for wind and rain.(both highly unlikely)  
**Hazards:** Unmapped erosion gullies and rabbit holes. Please take care crossing fences and avoid disturbing stock. All courses have short sections on quiet residential roads, please be wary of traffic.

**Out of bounds areas:** As indicated by tapes and signs.  
**Safety bearing:** North to Residential area  
**Registration:** Opens at 8:30 am.  
**Maps available:** 12:00 noon.  
**Special map symbols:** Refer to page 8.  
**Other Information** Runners will be visible at several points on the course and some controls can be seen from the start/finish area  
  
**Presentation to landowners** 12:30 pm.

**Note: Team registration sheets must be returned to Registration by 1 pm Sunday.**

**Relay course lengths and climb.**

	<b>Length km</b>	<b>Climb m</b>
Mixed long, leg 1: Open	5.0	130
Mixed long, leg 2: No E classes, no M18A - 50A, no W20A - 35A	2.5	70
Mixed long, leg 3: No E classes, no M20A - 35A	3.7	90
Mixed short, leg 1: No E classes, no M21A - 35A	3.1	80
Mixed short, leg 2: No M14 or above, no W14 or above	2.2	45
Mixed short, leg 3: No E classes, no M16A - 50A, no W16A - 40A	2.5	60

Refer to page 5 for the rules determining eligibility