



**Orienteering ACT
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ANNUAL REPORT 2020



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Vision:

ACT orienteering will be a well-managed, inclusive and growing sport and recreation activity which provides wide opportunities for participation by people of all ages and abilities.

Objectives:

- To conduct orienteering events in the ACT and surrounding areas.
- To get people to attend orienteering events.

Affiliated Clubs

Abominable O-Men (AO-A)

Bushflyers (BS-A)

Parawanga Orienteers (PO-A)

Red Roos (RR-A)

Weston Emus (WE-A)

Grammar Senior (GS-A)

Grammar Junior (GJ-A)

Orienteering ACT Annual Report 2020 was compiled by
Geoff Wood, Executive Officer

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| Blue Sparks Coach | Ken Mansell |
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| Blue Lightning Coach | Mark Gregson, Tara Melhuish |
| Blue Lightning Cakes Stall | Jane Barnett |
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| Scholarship Coordinator | n/a |
| SC-ORE Coordinator | Susanne Harrysson |
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| Sprint Series coordinator | Tate Needham |
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| Saturday program Coord | David Hogg |
| MTBO Coordinator | Marina Iskhakova |
| Ski-O Coordinator | Marina Iskhakova |
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| Equipment Shed key holder | Pat Miethke |

President's Report 2020 Phil Waker

This may seem a strange remark given the turbulence and uncertainty throughout 2020, but I consider 2020 as being a good year for Orienteering ACT (OACT) as an organisation.

Early in 2020 there were bushfires that devastated communities and bushlands in our region, followed by the preventive restrictions required to manage through COVID-19. Our responses to these challenges were impressive, largely thanks to the time and energy the OACT Board, OACT Clubs' leadership and key individuals put into re-thinking how we conduct orienteering in the ACT. When it came to resuming our sport as the COVID restrictions started to ease, we were ahead of most other sports. The early recommencement of our events was achieved through embracing technology, simplifying our event administration and through our participants changing behaviours to accept new ways of doing business. What we achieved was recognised by the ACT Government in late 2020 with OACT being awarded the 2020 ACT Sports Ministers Award for Innovation.

Examples of the innovations introduced or expanded on in 2020 that enabled us to resume our sport earlier than most other ACT community sporting programs included:

- Development and promotion of MapRun and the Permanent Courses.
- Moving to pre-entry and pre-payment for the majority of our events.
- The excellent take-up by our members of Season Passes, which not only provides cost benefits to our members but also significantly simplifies our event administration and financial management.
- Introduction of SIAC contactless control punching for our Saturday Metro Series, ACT League Program, Summer Twilight Program, Sprint series and later in 2020, for the ACT MTBO events.
- Modifications to the organisation and locations for the SC-ORE series of events, to enable the events to be held outside school grounds.

For 2021, OACT will be looking to leverage the technological innovations and simplification of event administration to reduce the workload on our volunteers and to make orienteering an attractive modern sport for our members and the wider community. In doing this we are mindful that the quality of events and competition rules and standards need to be retained, especially for our flagship competitive programs.

Overall the number of participants at our 2020 events was down on previous years, which is understandable, however when you drill into the numbers there are some promising findings. What we see is that our event entries for members

for the ACT League Program increased in 2020. Entries for Street-O, winter Wednesday midday, Sprint series and MTBO events were on par if not slightly higher than for previous years. The overall numbers were down for the Saturday Metro series, however there were good signs, with the final events in that series climbing back to over the 200 mark as the community and schools became more comfortable with the COVID situation and risks in the ACT.

Two areas where we lost momentum in 2020 and need to be reinvigorated in 2021, were our ability to attract and retain newcomers and ramping up our coaching programs for our juniors. One initiative introduced in 2020 to make it easier for newcomers was the offer of three free event entries, which we will be looking to promote further in 2021.

The 2020 ACT Championships were cancelled as were the NOL events planned for May 2020 at Broulee. Pleasingly we have a full program of events for 2021 including the rescheduling of the Broulee events.

The highly successful and well received Schools Coaching programs and the SC-ORE series of events are excellent promotional avenues for orienteering, which needed to be suspended after 1st term but did return in 4th term. The suspension of these programs would have had an impact, albeit minor, on our ability to attract newcomers.

The OACT Annual Financial Report provides the detail, but a couple of key factors are worth highlighting. The suspension of events in the middle of 2020 did impact our income, however we were able to absorb that impact through our healthy financial position coming into 2020 and through grants OACT received from the ACT Government for Operational Funding, supplemented by a COVID Support 'top-up' grant. The award for the 2020 ACT Sports Ministers Award for Innovation also came with a generous cheque. They may not be the most exciting achievements in 2020, but nevertheless substantial work from the OACT Board and Club representatives went into updating the OACT Constitution, writing the OACT Return-to-Play Plan (COVID Preventive Controls), the Cancellation Policy and applying for grant funding, for which we had more successes than failures.

The 2020 OACT Presidents awards recognising the time, effort and achievements of our volunteers went to:

- Lawrie Brown - for development and promotion of MapRun events.
- Jon Glanville – for development and promotion of MapRun events.
- John Harding – for co-ordination of the Street-O series of events.

- Susanne Harrysson – for co-ordination of the SC-ORE programs.
- Patrick Miller – for mapping and support to the Schools Coaching program.
- Colleen Mock – for co-ordinating Parawanga events.
- Bob Mouatt – for ongoing work promoting orienteering and practically everything else you can think of.
- Hind Needham - for co-ordinating Red Roos events.
- Ann Scown - for co-ordinating Abominables events.
- Matt Stocks - for co-ordinating Bushflyer events.

Finally, the many thank-yous, and there are many.

- The amazing volunteers who course set, control events, organise events, keep our technology

working, provide mapping, do coaching and promote our sport.

- Our members for willingness to embrace the innovations.
- Paul de Jongh for his Office Management, forward planning and responsiveness to keep our sport running. It seemed like every week threw up challenges as we adjusted to the changing COVID situation.
- The OACT Board for support and commitment throughout the year. From the January bushfires onwards, there was nothing business-as-usual about 2020 and the Board worked hard to provide what was in hindsight a difficult yet successful year for orienteering in the ACT.

Executive Officer's Report- Geoff Wood 2020

No orienteering events were held from mid March through to early July 2020 because of Government enforced lockdowns caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. However the absence of orienteering events during that period was made up by the introduction of the Sprint Series held from January to March and then from July to December 2020. As such, OACT held 95 events with 9,288 participations compared to 2019 when 103 local events with 10,626 participations were held. Without the sprint series, OACT would have held 76 events with 7,620 participations.

My report covers data on volunteering, memberships, day (or casual) members, event participation, member participation, officiating and coaching, major award recipients and orienteering performance.

Our orienteering events were made possible by our members who volunteered to organize them, and by our members and members of the public who participated in them.

We keep a record of our volunteers who are the course planners, event organisers and controllers for events. In addition there are many other volunteer roles of which unfortunately we do not keep a full record. These roles include setting up before the event, manning the registration table and computer table, packing up after the event and collecting the controls. To all the volunteers, OACT thanks you.

The tables below list the organisers and course planners for each of our League, Twilight, Saturday, MTBO, Ski and Mid-Week events and in the case of the League program the controller.

Please see separate report on Accredited Controllers.

| | ACT League | Organiser | Course Planner | Controller (* accredited) | |
|-----------|----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|------|
| 19-Jul-20 | AL1 Isaacs Ridge | John Scown | John Scown | Ann Scown * | AO-A |
| 02-Aug-20 | AL2 Tuggeranong Hill | Bryant Allen, Colleen Mock | Tate Needham | David Hogg * | PO-A |
| 16-Aug-20 | AL3 Mt Jerrabomberra | Valerie Barker | Toby Lang | Ross Stewart * | BS-A |
| 30-Aug-20 | AL4 Awoonga | Kathie Dent | Martin Dent | | RR-A |
| 13-Sep-20 | AL5 Tidbinbilla | Bill Jones | Paval Krajca | | RR-A |
| 27-Sep-20 | AL6 Kowen Forest | Andrew Cummin Thom | Phil Walker | | PO-A |

| | Saturday | Organiser | Course Planner | |
|-----------|------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|------|
| 18-Jul-20 | Aranda Snowgums | Kathie Dent | Allison Jones | RR-A |
| 25-Jul-20 | Weston Park | Susanne Harrysson | Caitlin Young | BS-A |
| 01-Aug-20 | Mt Taylor North | Tomas Krajca | Michael Burt | RR-A |
| 08-Aug-20 | Pinnacle | Jo Hobson | Ellen Johnson | BS-A |
| 15-Aug-20 | Mt Ainslie North | Bryant Allen, Colleen Mock | Jon Glanville | PO-A |
| 22-Aug-20 | Narrabundah Hill | Andrew Cheffers | John Suominen | WE-A |
| 29-Aug-20 | Farrer Ridge | Sue Garr | Jill Walker | PO-A |
| 05-Sep-20 | Cooleman Ridge | Ana Herceg | Tara Melhuish | PO-A |
| 12-Sep-20 | Aboretum | Matthew Stocks | Silke Speier | BS-A |
| 19-Sep-20 | Cork Oak | Ann Scown | Shannon Jones | AO-A |

| | Twilight | Organiser | Course Planner | |
|-----------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------|
| 05-Feb-20 | Black Mountain West | Colleen Mock | Ella Cuthbert, Elin Erne | PO-A |
| 12-Feb-20 | Red Hill | (not recorded) | | RR-A |
| 19-Feb-20 | Stromlo Forest Park | Michael Radajewski | Owen Radajewski | PO-A |
| 26-Feb-20 | Radford | (not recorded) | | BS-A |
| 05-Mar-20 | Oakey Hill | (not recorded) | | BS-A |
| | | | | |
| 21-Oct-20 | Stirling Park | Cath Chalmers | Michael Burt | RR-A |
| 28-Oct-20 | Stromlo West | Valerie Barker | David Stocks | BS-A |
| 04-Nov-20 | Mt Ainslie North | Liz Dunbar | Rohan Hyslop | RR-A |
| 11-Nov-20 | The Pinnacle | (not recorded) | Kathie Dent | RR-A |
| 18-Nov-20 | Mt Majura West | (not recorded) | Michael Radajewski | PO-A |
| 25-Nov-20 | Stromlo Forest Park | Ross Stewart | Matt Stocks | BS-A |
| 02-Dec-20 | Campbell Park | Ann Scown | Shannon Jones | AO-A |
| 09-Dec-20 | Oakey Hill | Bryant Allen | Colleen Mock | PO-A |
| 16-Dec-20 | Cooleman Ridge | Andrew Cheffers | John Suominen | WE-A |

| | MTBO and OTHER | Organiser | Course Planner | Controller |
|-------------|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 18-Mar-20 | Night Champs Cooleman | Fryderyk Pryjma | Fryderyk Pryjma | |
| MTBO | | | | |
| 14-Mar-20 | MTBO#1 Bruce Ridge | Marina Iskhakova | Marina Iskhakova | Fedor Iskhakov |
| 12-Jul-20 | Majura Pines | Marina Iskhakova | Marina Iskhakova | Fedor Iskhakov |
| 06-Sep-20 | East Stromlo | Marina Iskhakova | Cathy Hogg | Fedor Iskhakov |
| 21-Nov-20 | Sprint Champs Kowen Forest | Marina Iskhakova | Fedor Iskhakov | |
| 21-Nov-20 | MD Champs Sparrow Hill | Marina Iskhakova | Jim Anderson | Fedor Iskhakov |
| 22-Nov-20 | LD Champs Kowen Forest | Marina Iskhakova | Eoin Rothery | Cath Chalmers |

| | Sprint Series | Organisers, planners | | | | Organisers, planners |
|-----------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--|-----------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 12-Jan-20 | Kingston | Noah Poland | | 05-Jul-20 | Mt Stromlo HS | Matthew Purcell |
| 19-Jan-20 | Jerrabomberra Prim School | Jason McCrae | | 26-Jul-20 | Reid CIT/Glebe Park | Zac Needham |
| 02-Feb-20 | Orana School | Matthew Crane | | 23-Aug-20 | Gossan Hill | Greg Wilson |
| 09-Feb-20 | Haig Park | Ella Cuthbert, David Stocks | | 20-Sep-20 | Charles Weston PS | Jo Allison |
| 16-Feb-20 | Deakin Offices | Davin Fifield | | 11-Oct-20 | Tidbinbilla | Jonathan Ricks, Alex Ricks |
| 23-Feb-20 | Chapman School | Jo Allison, David Shepherd | | 18-Oct-20 | Holy Family Gowrie | Patrick Miller |
| 01-Mar-20 | Aranda PS | Shannon Jones | | 08-Nov-20 | St Judes Primary | Dave Meyer |
| 15-Mar-20 | Ngunawal PS | Martin Dent | | 29-Nov-20 | Namadgi School | Ann Scown, Ian Lawford |
| 22-Mar-20 | Harrison School | Natalie Miller | | 13 Dec 20 | Palmerville | Grant McDonald |
| | | | | 20-Dec-20 | John Knight Park | Martin Dent, Elye Dent |

| | MID-WEEK | Organiser/Course Planner | | | |
|-----------|------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 08-Jul-20 | Wanniassa Hills | John Scown | 19-Aug-20 | Ginninderra Creek | Peter Antcliff |
| 15-Jul-20 | Campbell Park | Nathan Guinness | 26-Aug-20 | Pinnacle | Brynat Allen |
| 22-Jul-20 | Narrabundah Hill | Wayne Gregson | 02-Sep-20 | Mulligans Flat | Morten Pedersen |
| 29-Jul-20 | Mt Ainslie North | Colleen Mock | 09-Sep-20 | Oakey Hill | Geoff Wood |
| 05-Aug-20 | Red Hill | Tony Slatyer | 16-Sep-20 | Mt Painter | Bill Jones |
| 12-Aug-20 | Black Mountain | Cath Chalmers | 23-Sep-20 | Bruce Ridge | Colleen Mock |

| | Street | organiser/planner | | | |
|-----------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|----------------|--------------------------|
| 13-Jan-20 | Chifley | Michelle Cochrane | 21-Sep-20 | Parkes | John Harding |
| 20-Jan-20 | Karabar Qbn | Alex, Jonathan Ricks | 28-Sep-20 | Kaleen | Joseph Wilson |
| 27-Jan-20 | Bruce | Roger Pilkington | 05-Oct-20 | Coombes | John Harding |
| 03-Feb-20 | Curtin | Jonathan Miller | 12-Oct-20 | Amaroo | Mary Bullock |
| 10-Feb-20 | Holder | Michael Burt | 19-Oct-20 | Turner Oconnor | Richard Smyth |
| 17-Feb-20 | Wanniassa | Jim White, Ewen Thompson | 26-Oct-20 | Deakin | John Spooner |
| 24-Feb-20 | Macgregor | Scott McTaggart, Belinda Robinson | 02-Nov-20 | Hawker | Bryant Allen |
| 02-Mar-20 | Aranda Bruce | Pat Miethke | 09-Nov-20 | Barton | Tony Slatyer |
| 09-Mar-20 | Googong | Matthew Purcell | 16-Nov-20 | Campbell | Zac Zaharias |
| 16-Mar-20 | Waramanga Fisher | Michael, Rebecca Tedeschi | 23-Nov-20 | Chifley Pearce | Liz Dunbah |
| 23-Mar-20 | Red Hill | Jon Glanville | 30-Nov-20 | Giralang | Pat Miethke |
| | | | 07-Dec-20 | Kambah East | Jim White, Ewen Thompson |
| 07-Sep-20 | Downer | Chris Andersen | 14-Dec-20 | Yarralumla | Pat Miethke |
| 14-Sep-20 | Farrer | Lawrie Brown | 21-Dec-20 | Cook | Shannon Jones |

Membership.

The membership report uses definitions adopted by ACT Government Sport and Recreation:

- Full Active – which means full club members
- Event Participants – meaning, in our case, day members
- Program Participants – meaning associate members such as school and university groups
- School Delivered Programs – meaning programs delivered by Orienteering ACT in schools
- School Managed Programs – meaning orienteering that schools themselves organize.

Full Active Members – Club Members

OACT has traditionally allowed non-members to purchase a following-year membership from October and have membership benefits for the remainder of the present year even though they were not listed as members for the present year. Because of the numerous pre-entry events, in 2020 such early purchase of the following year membership also included being actually included in the present year membership from October, unlike in the past. Table 1 does not include such memberships (we will call these 'Late Memberships'). This enables comparisons with previous years' figures in earlier Annual Reports.

| 2020 | family member- ships | persons in family m'ships | Junior individua | Individual memberships | Total memberships | Total persons in member- ships | | Last year (2019) | The year before (2018) |
|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|--|------------------|---------------------------|
| AO-A | 14 | 51 | 1 | 10 | 25 | 62 | | 55 | 54 |
| BS-A | 31 | 114 | 8 | 28 | 67 | 150 | | 177 | 148 |
| PO-A | 25 | 84 | 3 | 32 | 60 | 119 | | 133 | 131 |
| RR-A | 22 | 76 | 3 | 22 | 47 | 101 | | 116 | 105 |
| WE-A | 1 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 9 | 10 | | 13 | 15 |
| Total | 93 | 327 | 15 | 100 | 208 | 442 | | 494 | 453 |
| GS-A | 0 | 0 | 27 | 1 | 28 | 28 | | 31 | |
| GJ-A | 0 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 11 | 11 | | 32 | |
| Total | 93 | 327 | 51 | 103 | 247 | 481 | | 557 | |

Table 1: Club Membership (excl 'Late Memberships')

The Table below (Table 2) shows Late Memberships included. This Table is generated by Reporting.eventor website. These are the figures upon which the OA State Registration fee is calculated. The OA State Registration is a function of adult members.

| 2020 Club | Junior Males | Junior Females | Senior Males | Senior Females | Master Males | Master Females | Totals |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|------------|
| AO A | 12 | 10 | 3 | 3 | 18 | 17 | 63 |
| BS A | 38 | 30 | 6 | 4 | 51 | 36 | 165 |
| PO A | 18 | 21 | 3 | 3 | 48 | 36 | 129 |
| RR A | 21 | 25 | 3 | 3 | 40 | 30 | 122 |
| WE A | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 3 | 15 |
| sub total | 91 | 87 | 15 | 13 | 166 | 122 | 494 |
| GJ A | 5 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| GS A | 26 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 28 |
| total | 122 | 92 | 15 | 13 | 168 | 123 | 533 |

Table 2

Orienteering ACT provides for the following types of club memberships for which different membership fees apply: Single Adult Member \$60 pa; Single Junior Member \$50 pa; Family Memberships \$80; and Life Member. In terms of numbers we refer to Members and Memberships. A family Membership is one Membership consisting of a number of members. A single (or junior or life) Membership is one Membership consisting of one member.

Table 3 shows breakdown of membership: males, females, juniors (20 years and younger, ie born after 1999), Seniors (21

to 34 years, ie born in 1986 to 1999 incl), Masters (35 to 55 years, ie born in 1966 to 1985 incl) and Super Masters (over 55 years of age ie born in 1965 and before). Super Masters is not an official age classification but I have included it here to track the ageing of the membership. The Table below does not include 'Late Memberships' nor the GS-A, GJ-A (Grammar School) clubs

| 2020 | Males | | Females | | Total | |
|--------------|-------|-------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Junior | 85 | 19.2% | 75 | 17.0% | 160 | 36.2% |
| Senior | 15 | 3.4% | 10 | 2.3% | 25 | 5.7% |
| Master | 65 | 14.7% | 66 | 14.9% | 131 | 29.6% |
| Super Master | 87 | 19.7% | 39 | 8.8% | 126 | 28.5% |
| | 252 | 57.0% | 190 | 43.0% | 442 | 100.0% |

Table 3

The Table below shows relative changes in the age breakdowns since 2015.

| | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
|--------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| Junior | 36.2% | 38.1% | 37.3% | 37% | 37% | 35% |
| Senior | 5.7% | 4.7% | 6.4% | 6% | 7% | 9% |
| Master | 29.6% | 32.0% | 31.6% | 34% | 34% | 33% |
| Super Master | 28.5% | 25.3% | 24.7% | 24% | 22% | 24% |

Table 4 – Historical trend of member age breakdown

New Members 2020

The Table below show new members in 2020. New members include those who were members in previous years, but whose membership had lapsed in 2019

| | New members 2020 | | Lapsed members 2020 | |
|--------------|------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| | male | female | male | female |
| AO-A | 5 | 7 | 1 | 4 |
| BS-A | 18 | 18 | 32 | 32 |
| PO-A | 4 | 10 | 11 | 17 |
| RR-A | 8 | 7 | 14 | 16 |
| WE-A | 2 | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| Total | 37 | 42 | 61 | 71 |

Table 5

Where Our Members Live 2020

| | 2020 | 2019 |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Gungahlin | 5.2% | 3.3% |
| Belconnen | 29.0% | 27.5% |
| Inner North | 25.3% | 26.0% |
| Inner South, Woden | 14.7% | 19.7% |
| Weston, Molonglo | 10.9% | 10.2% |
| Tuggeranong | 5.2% | 5.1% |
| Interstate (mostly nearby NSW) | 9.7% | 8.2% |

Table 6

Membership - Event participants - Day Members.

Day members in 2020 are persons who did not belong to an orienteering club in 2020. For consistency with previous reports, new members who joined in October – December 2020 and paid only for 2021 are treated as Day Members and not as Club members for 2020. Table 7 below shows the number of day members who did at least one event.

| DAY MEMBERS 2020 | Day members 2020 | Their participation 2020 | Day members 2019 | Their participation 2019 | Day members 2018 | Day members 2017 |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Twilight Jan-Mar | 59 | 102 | 93 | 153 | 129 | 100 |
| Twilight Oct-Dec | 104 | 312 | 188 | 430 | 174 | 181 |
| Sprint Jan-Mar | 7 | 9 | n/a | | | |
| Sprint Jul-Dec | 23 | 29 | n/a | | | |
| Saturday | 68 | 156 | 229 | 642 | 230 | 274 |
| Wed Lunch | 39 | 81 | 35 | 65 | 28 | 35 |
| ACT League | 18 | 25 | 88 | 106 | 63 | 41 |
| MTBO, Other | 63 | 108 | 81 | 103 | 33 | 6 |
| Sub Total | 381 | 822 | 714 | 1499 | | |
| Total 'Bush' | 311 | 822 | 581 | 1499 | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Street Orienteering | 385 | 1196 | 493 | 1723 | 526 | 442 |
| Total Bush and Street | 696 | 2018 | 1074 | | | |
| Bush' and Street | 651 | 2018 | 1018 | 3222 | 1023 | 907 |

Table 7

Some 282 of the 651 Day Members were female who did 867 participations

Referring to Table 7 above, the reason why the “sub-total” is greater than the total number of day members is because some day members participated in more than one program.

Over half of the day members (333 out of the 651) participated in one event only (562 in 2018 and 482 in 2017). 53 day members participated in 10 events or more, doing 774 participations.

The Day Member figure is important because when we apply for grants from the ACT Government, a figure they want is the number of persons who do orienteering in Canberra.

Day member numbers were significantly lower in 2020 compared to 2019. A reason for this was fewer street orienteering events in 2020 and street-o has always attracted high numbers of Day members. Another reason could be the focus on pre-entry and season passes for all events as a COVID measure.

Membership – Program Participants – Associate Members

OACT has nil members in this category.

Membership – School Programs

This category is the number of children doing orienteering as a school activity. Our main activity was Sporting Schools. 1,649 school children did 6,176 participations in School Orienteering Programs in 2020. See Sporting Schools Report.

Membership – School managed programs

Canberra Grammar School and Radford College provide orienteering training on school day afternoons from within their own resources. The Radford students joined various OACT Clubs and their memberships are recorded as such. There are no other school managed orienteering programs.

Participation at Public Events conducted by OACT

Refer to Table 8 below. The difference between 'Entries' and 'Participations' is that 'Participations' counts all members of a team (or group) separately, whereas Entries counts a team as one entry.

| | 2020 | | | | | 2019 | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|--|------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Participation at Events 2020 | No. events | Entries | Participations | Average Partici | | No. Events | Entries | Participations | Average Partici |
| Twilight Jan-Mar 2020 | 5 | 657 | 680 | 136.0 | | 6 | 897 | 924 | 154.0 |
| Twilight Oct - Dec 2020 | 9 | 1359 | 1395 | 155.0 | | 8 | 1360 | 1426 | 178.3 |
| Saturday | 10 | 1668 | 1688 | 168.8 | | 14 | 2681 | 2830 | 202.1 |
| Wed lunch | 12 | 558 | 578 | 48.2 | | 19 | 562 | 577 | 30.4 |
| Sprint Jan - March | 9 | 821 | 821 | 91.2 | | 0 | | | |
| Sprint Jul - Dec | 10 | 847 | 847 | 84.7 | | 0 | | | |
| League (non champ) | 6 | 841 | 842 | 140.3 | | 8 | 853 | 884 | 110.5 |
| ACT Champs LD | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 1 | 251 | 251 | 251.0 |
| ACT Champs MD | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 1 | 266 | 266 | 266.0 |
| ACT Champs Sprint | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 1 | 169 | 169 | 169.0 |
| MTBO | 6 | 370 | 349 | 58.2 | | 5 | 443 | 448 | 89.6 |
| Night Champs (Cooleman Ridge) | 1 | 36 | 36 | 36.0 | | 0 | | | |
| Ski | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 1 | 37 | 37 | 37.0 |
| Total 'Bush' events | 68 | 7157 | 7236 | | | 64 | 7519 | 7812 | |
| Street Jan-Mar 2020 | 11 | 655 | 804 | 73.1 | | 13 | 892 | 1149 | 88.4 |
| Street Winter (incl WOD) | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 11 | 455 | 598 | 54.4 |
| Street Sep-Dec 2020 | 16 | 1040 | 1248 | 78.0 | | 15 | 835 | 1067 | 71.1 |
| Total Street | 27 | 1695 | 2052 | 76.0 | | 39 | 2182 | 2814 | 72.2 |
| Total Bush and Street | 95 | 8852 | 9288 | | | 103 | 9,701 | 10,626 | |

Table 8

Club members did 6690 participations of the 9288. Dividing 6690 by club membership size (442), the average club member did 15.1 events.

This compares to 2019 where the average participation for club member was 12.7 events. In previous years: 12.4 events in 2018, 12.8 events in 2017, 13.3 in 2016 and 14.4 in 2015.

Day members were dominant in street orienteering doing over 50% of all street-0 participations.

Some 104 of club members did not participate at all. (106 in 2018, 92 in 2017). They fall mostly into the following categories: member of a family membership where other family members are active; members who have left town, and (unfortunately) some new members who disappear as soon as they become members.

Permanent Orienteering Courses

| Permanent Courses 2020 | Number of Parties | Participants in each party |
|------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Location | | |
| Eddison Park | 115 | 411 |
| Fadden Pines | 151 | 423 |
| Haig Park | 104 | 465 |
| John Knight | 214 | 1049 |
| Tidbinbilla | 93 | 371 |
| Victoria Park Goulburn | 56 | 262 |
| Weston Park | 208 | 809 |
| | 941 | 3790 |

Permanent orienteering courses are established at the locations indicated. Controls are permanent fixed. Participants register at the OACT website and download a map. The figures tables are based upon these registrations, and the number of participants are as indicated in the registrations. Some party sizes were quite big, mainly from school groups. Of course just because someone registered and downloaded a map does not necessarily mean they actually did the course.

Participation by Individuals, 2020

The following members attended the most OACT public events in 2020. Column A is the attendance out of all possible OACT events ie 95 events. Column B is Column A minus the Wednesday midweek program and Street orienteering (when many members are at work) ie 68 events. These figures include dnf's, mp's and dns's (pre-entry events). These figures do not include attendance at interstate events. The figures also do not count officials – eg if you were present at the event but did not compete because you were course planner or controller. If your A figure = your B figure, then you did not attend any street-o or Wednesday mid-week events.

To make it onto the list you need to have attended at least 25 column B events.

| | | A | B | | | A | B | | | | A | B | |
|----|-------------------|----|----|--|----|---------------------|----|----|--|----|----------------------|----|----|
| WE | John Suominen | 83 | 44 | | RR | Judy Allison | 46 | 43 | | RR | Maurice Patten | 36 | 29 |
| RR | Keith Fifield | 79 | 44 | | RR | Eoin Rothery | 46 | 38 | | AO | Jennifer Web | 35 | 35 |
| RR | Michael Burt | 77 | 43 | | BS | Jane Barnett | 45 | 30 | | RR | Layla Dent | 35 | 34 |
| PO | Bryant Allen | 74 | 47 | | PO | David Hogg | 45 | 35 | | BS | Andrew Hobson | 34 | 29 |
| PO | John Harding | 74 | 41 | | PO | Tony Slatyer | 45 | 26 | | BS | Silke Speier | 33 | 29 |
| RR | Jonathan Ricks | 73 | 40 | | RR | Elye Dent | 45 | 42 | | PO | Alice Radajewski | 33 | 33 |
| BS | Carol Harding | 72 | 40 | | RR | Hayden Dent | 45 | 43 | | RR | Alex Ricks | 33 | 26 |
| RR | Eric Wainwright | 72 | 41 | | BS | Ryan Stocks | 44 | 43 | | BS | Joshua Mansell | 32 | 26 |
| RR | Tate Needham | 71 | 44 | | BS | Paul de Jongh | 43 | 38 | | BS | Brendan Wilson | 32 | 25 |
| BS | Peter Antcliff | 69 | 39 | | BS | David Jenkins | 43 | 33 | | PO | Phil Walker | 32 | 25 |
| PO | Elizabeth Dunbar | 67 | 44 | | BS | Greg Wilson | 43 | 42 | | RR | Ariadna Iskhakova | 32 | 32 |
| PO | Jon Glanville | 66 | 43 | | RR | Hind Needham | 43 | 38 | | RR | Kerryne Jones | 32 | 26 |
| AO | Shannon Jones | 64 | 44 | | AO | Mark Bourne | 42 | 36 | | AO | Edith Gray | 31 | 31 |
| PO | Pat Miethke | 64 | 43 | | PO | Tim Cochrane | 42 | 25 | | RR | Fedor Iskhakov | 31 | 30 |
| RR | Andrew Slattery | 60 | 47 | | PO | Ann Ingwersen | 42 | 30 | | BS | Ari Piironen | 30 | 29 |
| BS | Joseph Wilson | 58 | 40 | | PO | Owen Radajewski | 42 | 42 | | PO | Bruce Bowen | 30 | 30 |
| BS | Chris Anderson | 57 | 41 | | RR | Kathie Dent | 42 | 41 | | PO | Rohan Hyslop | 30 | 30 |
| BS | Susanne Hallissy | 56 | 33 | | WE | Andrew Cheffers | 42 | 36 | | PO | Barbara Martin | 30 | 29 |
| BS | Susanne Harrysson | 54 | 27 | | BS | David Stocks | 41 | 39 | | BS | Toby Lang | 29 | 29 |
| PO | Bandi Narasimha | 53 | 27 | | PO | James Heyes | 41 | 36 | | BS | Jacob Miller | 29 | 29 |
| RR | Bill Jones | 53 | 42 | | AO | John Shelton Agar | 40 | 40 | | AO | Patrick Shelton Agar | 28 | 28 |
| BS | Valerie Barker | 52 | 43 | | PO | Deirdre Sharkey | 40 | 40 | | RR | Mace Neve | 28 | 26 |
| RR | Michael Tedeschi | 52 | 36 | | PO | Tessa Radajewski | 39 | 39 | | RR | Tomas Krajca | 27 | 26 |
| RR | Cath Chalmers | 51 | 39 | | BS | Justine Hobson | 37 | 30 | | WE | Hermann Wehner | 27 | 26 |
| RR | Martin Dent | 50 | 43 | | BS | Chris Stocks | 37 | 36 | | PO | Liz Abbott | 26 | 26 |
| PO | Lawrie Brown | 47 | 13 | | PO | Michael Radajewski | 37 | 36 | | PO | Ana Herceg | 26 | 26 |
| RR | Bob Allison | 47 | 44 | | RR | Marina Iskhakova | 37 | 36 | | RR | Veronica Iskhakova | 25 | 25 |
| PO | Michelle Cochrane | 46 | 22 | | BS | Matt Stocks | 36 | 36 | | | | | |
| PO | Tony Garr | 46 | 27 | | PO | Andrew Cumming Thom | 36 | 34 | | | | | |

Officiating and Coaching Accreditation

Controllers work with event organizers and course setters in ensuring that events are run correctly with no errors and things are not overlooked. It is OACT's policy that all events at Group C1 (that is, League events) level and above (such as championship events) should have an accredited controller.

A controller workshop was last held on Saturday 10 November 2018 at the OACT Office. The previous workshop was held on Saturday 12 November 2016 and no workshop was held in 2019 and 2020.

At the end of 2020, accredited Level 1 Controllers were: Bryant Allen, Valerie Barker, Toni Brown, Ian Elz, Tony Garr,

Jon Glanville, Marina Iskhakova, Tate Needham, and Anita Scherrer.

Level 2 controllers were: Michael Burt, Cath Chalmers, Keith Fifield, Grant McDonald, Hugh Moore, Ross Stewart, Eric Wainwright, Phil Walker and Geoff Wood.

Level 3 Controllers were: Bob Allison, Bruce Bowen, David Hogg, Bill Jones, Ann Scown, and John Scown.

Vetting. Group 2C events (which are the majority of our events) do not need controllers although they can. Some clubs have appointed vetters to check over the course setting.

Coaches

At the end of 2020, OACT had the following accredited coaches:

Level 1: Jane Barnett, Maria Deptulska, Shannan Forrest, Marina Iskhakova, David Poland and Fryderyk Pryjma

Level 2: Toni Brown

Level 3: Gareth Candy

Communications

During 2017 a decision was made to no longer produce the OACT Quarterly newsletter 'News' in electronic edition. The last printed edition of the newsletter was September 2013, after which it was electronically distributed to members with the final edition dated September 2017.

The Annual Report is distributed electronically with printed copies available to those who attended the annual general meeting or specifically requested it.

The weekly e-bulletin continues to be distributed by email from the OACT Office.

OACT maintained Facebook and Twitter accounts.

Grants and Sponsorships 2020

ACT Government Sport and Recreation Services

OACT was supported by the ACT Government Sport and Recreational Services. During 2020, OACT received an annual

Operational Assistance grant of \$28,600. This grant was for the first year of the current three year program that will expire at end of 2022. This grant does come with conditions in that OACT is required to be forward looking, is adaptive and innovative. A consequence of the grant is that it places OACT in regular contact with the Canberra sporting community.

As a special COVID-19 measure, OACT received a grant of \$11,500 from Sport and Recreational Services as an addition to our annual operational grant. This grant was to cover expenses incurred because of COVID including payment of salaries during the lockdown period in March to May 2020.

Also, in addition, OACT received next year's grant of \$26,000 during 2020 to cover any additional COVID costs. This grant was not needed for that purpose and is kept for 2021.

OACT also was granted funding of \$15,000 from Sport and Recreation Services to support our elite orienteering team, the Canberra Cockatoos in the National Orienteering League (NOL). This support will be mostly in the form of travel, accommodation and uniforms. Some 50% (3 out of 6 rounds) of the NOL competition between Jul 2019 to June 2020 did not proceed because of COVID, 50% of that funding was distributed, with the remainder kept for 2020-21 NOL

Runners Shop

OACT acknowledges the ongoing support of the Runners Shop, 76 Dundas Court Phillip through its sponsorship of the summer twilight series and through its discount scheme for members who purchase items from the Runners Shop.

2020 OA Awards Citations

THE MIKE CASSELLS AWARD FOR SERVICES TO ORIENTEERING – Paul de Jongh

The Mike Cassells Award for Services to Orienteering in the ACT was introduced in 1991 in memory of Mike Cassells who died following a car accident on route home after the 1990 Australian Relay Championships. Mike had been involved with Orienteering in the ACT since the beginning of 1974 as a competitor, fieldworker, organiser, course planner, controller and administrator. He was secretary of the ACT Orienteering Association during 1975-77, won a number of Championships in various veteran age classes and represented Australia against New Zealand. His death was a great loss to Orienteering and to his family, wife Judy and sons David, Andrew and Graham, who crafted the memento that is presented annually to the recipient of the award to remind us of the significant contribution that Mike made to Orienteering, and that others have made since his untimely death.

The 2020 recipient is Paul de Jongh

2020 has thrown up uncertainties as a result of the bushfires early in the year and the ups and downs responding to COVID

restrictions, preventive controls to deal with COVID and the subsequent rapid implementation of technology and event organisation initiatives.

Paul has been involved in orienteering for about half his life. Early days as a competitor, then as a coach and course setter. Recent years has seen Paul develop into a top athlete within his age group and if it wasn't for COVID restrictions causing cancellations of championship events, Paul would have not been out of place on the top step of the podium.

Everyone who has been involved in the last couple of years in setting courses, organising events, coaching and keeping orienteering functioning, knows all too well what a great service Paul in his role of OACT Office Manager has provided to orienteering.

Paul has risen to every challenge that 2020 has provided. He has far exceeded the normal duties of Office Manager. For that, the 2020 Mike Cassells award for Services to Orienteering is presented to Paul de Jongh.

THE JIM SAWKINS AWARD FOR EVENT MANAGEMENT - Tate Needham

The Jim Sawkins Award for Services to Event Management in the ACT was introduced in 2006 in memory of Jim Sawkins who died while orienteering on Sunday 5 June 2006 at Goorooyaroo, after being the organiser/course planner at Farrer Ridge on the previous day. Jim had been involved with Orienteering in the ACT since around 1980 as a competitor, organiser, course planner and controller. He was noted for his attention to detail and his willingness to put in the extra work essential to ensuring that any event with which he was involved was as good as it could possibly be. And he was always willing to take on extra tasks. Jim was the epitome of what an orienteering event official should be.

The ACT Sprint series, which more than 90 of us regularly enjoy, is the initiative of Tate Needham and was brought to OACT late in 2019. It was deceptively simple idea: a number of short and sharp Sunday morning sprints, bridging the main Twilight and Classic series; a one for all course, over and done with in just an hour or two, over ten weeks! How attractive a proposition that was.

But something so simple, of course, comes only with a huge amount of careful planning. Each event features:

- Probably a new, or rarely-used map – lots of school campuses, local bushlands, and business precincts

- Only one course suitable for all ages and abilities; 30 minutes to an hour start window, and a queuing start; pre-enter with no mucking around at Rego.
- Blind starts; pick up your map and go
- Small control flags – to make them a little less easily spotted
- Creative and clever course-setting; often two variations, butterfly loops, mini-maps within a map; two-sided maps; changes of scale, even an occasional maze or two!
- Live results available as each runner finishes
- And, not the least... SI Air options – perfect for these COVID times.

In fact much of the model seemed made for the unexpected year that we have had. The Sprint Series' streamlined minimal contact format became almost a baseline prototype for the COVIDsafe Return to Play plan that OACT has introduced in the past few months.

The success of that first series is well evident, with Series 2 now nearing its end and Series 3 ready to start in the New Year.

Thank you, Tate, for instigating and promoting this initiative; it seems destined to become a permanent fixture on the annual OACT calendar.

COACHING AWARD – Mark Gregson

For the last two years Mark has been coaching a group of high school and older primary school students in the Blue Lightning program. In 2019 this involved training on Wednesday afternoons in winter, when Mark developed a series of awesome exercises for the kids.

In 2019 Mark attended the Coaching course run by Fredo and Sara, and he then used this knowledge with the 2019 program.

In 2020, due to the COVID lockdown, the winter program moved to virtual exercises set for each weekend and again Mark (tag teaming with his fellow BL coaches) prepared a series of fun exercises that could be done without physically meeting.

Mark has a real passion for finding ways to engage the kids, using his years of experience. Mark shows that good coaches are an evolution of the good coaching they themselves have received. He often reflects on the ways he was coached and uses that in the way he coaches now, meaning that in the future the kids he coaches now will do the same when it is their turn. Mark can talk with the expert kids and the novices as well. The expert kids know he has the knowledge and experience they need to improve, but the novice kids never feel overwhelmed when he trains them.

Mark is always approachable and the kids know that he is working for their development but also their fun and enjoyment.

ORIENTEERING PERFORMANCE

Wehner Cup – The Orienteer of the Year Award for 2020.

Matthew Crane

This is awarded to the person achieving the highest number of points in the ACT League competition. This was presented to Matt Crane for 2020

Orienteer of the Year Placings 2020.

The 25 top placings in the Wehner Cup for the 2020 ACT Orienteer of the Year. These are based on performance in the Hard Navigation courses at ACT League events.

| | | | |
|-----|----------------|------|-----|
| 1 | Matt Crane | AO-A | 497 |
| 2= | Ryan Stocks | BS-A | 489 |
| 2= | Martin Dent | RR-A | 489 |
| 4 | Tomas Krajca | RR-A | 487 |
| 5 | Shannon Jones | AO-A | 485 |
| 6 | Paul de Jongh | BS-A | 482 |
| 7 | David Stocks | BS-A | 480 |
| 8 | Ian Prosser | AO-A | 476 |
| 9 | Mark Gregson | RR-A | 475 |
| 10 | Patrick Miller | BS-A | 470 |
| 11 | Cath Chalmers | RR-A | 465 |
| 12= | Grace Crane | AO-A | 461 |
| 12= | Tate Needham | RR-A | 461 |

| | | | |
|-----|-----------------|------|-----|
| 14 | Mark Bourne | AO-A | 459 |
| 15 | Matthew Stocks | BS-A | 454 |
| 16 | Justine Hobson | BS-A | 442 |
| 17= | Owen Radajewski | PO-A | 439 |
| 17= | Ana Herceg | PO-A | 439 |
| 19 | John Scown | AO-A | 436 |
| 20 | Valerie Barker | BS-A | 433 |
| 21 | Alison Inglis | BS-A | 429 |
| 22 | Ross Stewart | BS-A | 427 |
| 23 | Phil Walker | PO-A | 424 |
| 24 | Robert Allison | RR-A | 416 |
| 25 | Judy Allison | RR-A | 413 |

Age Based Awards 2020.

These were not presented in 2020 because of the limited League program brought about due to Government imposed COVID-19 restrictions.

Audun Fristad Junior Encouragement Awards, 2020.

These were not presented in 2020 because of the limited program brought about by Government imposed COVID-19 restrictions.

Junior League Competition 2020.

The JL competition was held during the Saturday program; all juniors participating in the Saturday program received points as part of the JL competition. The competition was coordinated by Matthew Stocks who maintained the scoring. The first, second and third place getters in each age category were:

| | |
|-----|---|
| W10 | Naomi Penton, Aurelie Leane, Layla Dent |
| W12 | Sanda Halpin, Ariadna Iskhakova, Georgia Hallam |
| W14 | Aoife Rothery, Chloe Miller, Anastasia Yeates |
| W16 | Natalie Miller, Justine Hobson, Katherine Hinchcliffe |
| W18 | Ellen Johnson |
| W20 | Elise Palethorpe, Clare Alder |

| | |
|-----|---|
| M10 | Hayden Dent, Ben Mansell, Thurein Halpin |
| M12 | Elye Dent, Oliver Gotzinger, Haochen Niu |
| M14 | Owen, Radajewski, Charlie Seddon, Connor Lineen |
| M16 | Will Madl, Jacob Miller, Nicholas Brennan |
| M18 | Andrew Kerr, David Stocks, Toby Lang |
| M20 | Ryan Stocks, Braedy Jaugietis |

NATIONAL EVENTS 2020

The Australian Three-Days held at Easter and Australian Championships held in late September – early October were not held in 2020 because of COVID-19 restrictions.

High Performance - Canberra Cockatoos 2020

The first round of the National Orienteering League (NOL) was held in Melbourne in March 2020. The remaining events were cancelled because of COVID-19 restrictions. The Overall NOL was cancelled in 2020. Overseas competition was also cancelled in 2020.

Sporting Schools - Stephen Goggs

Schools coaching jobs took a hit in 2020 along with everything else pandemic-affected. First term is always a difficult time for new school activities, partly as teachers tend not to start planning sporting lessons until they return from their summer break - by which time applications for grant funding have already closed, or they have to juggle swimming and athletics carnivals before Easter. In 2020 on the first day that our coaches-in-residence were starting the first school job for the year, one of them fell ill and the other was urgently arranging flights to flee back to Europe. By the end of that week all bets were off, and no further coaching occurred until term 3. At that time of course it was also not possible for a new coach to join us from overseas, so my thanks again to all our willing local coaches for stepping into the breach.

As a consequence of the shutdown the number of jobs, participations and encounters for 2020 was down on the year before, but it was pleasing to see that once restrictions started to ease our programs remained as popular as ever (see table below).

The hiatus conveniently coincided with Orienteering Australia commissioning a consultant to develop a new schools curriculum, with the major focus being extension of our sport's program to year 7/8 to enable schools to apply for funding for orienteering at that level under the

Commonwealth Government's 'Sporting Schools' Program. OACT joined associations from every other State in this effort, with the result that a package of material was able to be presented to Sport Australia for endorsement by the end of the year. Our thanks to St Jude's Primary School, Holder (Y3/4), Charles Weston Primary School, Coombs (Y5/6) and Melba Copland Secondary School (Y7/8) for participating as pilot schools in this process. [Stop press: Sport Australia has confirmed that orienteering will be an included sport for year 7/8 funding eligibility from term 2 2021.]

2020

Schools jobs 22[^] [^] incl curriculum pilot jobs
Participations 1649
Encounters 6176

2019

Schools jobs 23
Participations 2368
Encounters 9453

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Development Officer Report –Susanne Harrysson

Permanent Orienteering Courses

Maintenance was done on all courses in Canberra. There was graffiti on some controls. Some controls had disappeared or were on items that had been moved.

The Goulburn course includes an area under construction. More information is being sought and the impact this will have on the course.

SC-ORE (School Orienteering before school). The autumn 2020 series was cancelled because of COVID restrictions after only one of the four events (at Lyneham Primary) in the series had proceeded. 41 teams had registered and most were happy for their registration payment held over until the spring series.

The spring series (Term 4) was held under modified conditions to satisfy the COVID requirements, including being in public parks rather than on school campuses. The parks were Lake Ginninderra and Black Mountain Peninsula. 37 teams registered for that series.

Flyers and Stickers. Generic flyers and flyers promoting MTBO, Ski-O, street orienteering and permanent orienteering courses were produced. A generic A3-sized poster was produced. These can be used for promoting major series and used in situations such as at sporting fairs.

Promotion in Fairs etc. There were fewer fairs in 2020. OACT was present at the Amaroo Fair and at Haig Park.

Orienteering and Triathlon. Discussions were held to develop an aqua-orienteering event. This may proceed in 2021.

ACT MTBO Report - Marina Iskhakova

2020 turned out to be a tough year for all, but we tried our best with ACT MTBO.

ACT MTBO COMMITTEE: Marina & Fedor Iskhakov, Ann & John Scown, Jim Anderson, Andrew Slattery, Cath Chalmers & Eoin Rothery

Main results of the year:

6 MTBO events were organised, including:
3 MTBO Series, local minor events
3 ACT MTBO Championship events.

MTBO WORKSHOPS:

1 MTBO Development Workshop held in May 2020 at Bruce Ridge, 8 participants
2 ZOOM MTBO Training development workshops: May, June, 12 participants in total
MTBO Session, Pre-Xmas Training Camp, 19 December, Bruce Ridge.

MTBO MAPS and DEVELOPMENT:

2 days MTBO Mapping workshop (Open Mapper Software, 5-6 December, by Hamish Mackie), 7 participants
Six maps were updated: Bruce Ridge, Majura Pines, East Stromlo, Kowen Forest (by Fedor Iskhakov), Kowen Forest (by Cath Chalmers), Sparrow Hill (Andrew Slattery/Jim Anderson)

MTBO LOCATIONS:

5 Locations over the year have been used: Bruce Ridge, Majura Pines, East Stromlo, Kowen Forest/Sparrow Hill.

MTBO COURSE SETTERS:

6 ACT MTBO Course Setters set courses = Jim Anderson (1 course), Marina/Fedor Iskhakov (3 courses), Cathy Hogg (1 course), Cath Chalmers/Eoin Rothery (1 course),
1 new Course setter – Cathy Hogg!

MTBO EQUIPMENT acquired (under Ann & John Scown's leadership):

30 small flags, 20 SI Air for hire, MTBO Computer Box, SI-AIR BS11 stations.

MTBO PROMOTION:

5,000 FLYERS – printing/distribution

Finance Report

For the past few years Peter Miller has been our treasurer and we are lucky that Peter has been able to do this. The treasurer role is a huge task and I think many members do not fully realize this. Geoff Wood has been assisting Peter in managing the PayPal account, and also in preparing the accounts for the audit, in other words, doing what could be called an internal audit. There is nothing unusual about this; I know of other organizations that prohibit the treasurer from organizing the audit.

The Accounts – Goods and Services Tax (GST).

OACT is a GST registered organization. The accounts are shown on an ex-GST basis which is the reason that most of the figures are not rounded. For example, our most common event fee \$10, is not actually \$10, but rather \$9.09 plus GST and it is that \$9.09 that is reflected in the accounts. The same analogy applies to our other income. Many of our costs also include GST which the supplier has paid, and which we can claim as a GST credit. The accounts show those costs minus the GST credit.

There are two reports:

The Balance Sheet deals with assets, liabilities and equity.

When OACT spends funds to purchase an asset, such as major equipment or maps, we are not incurring a cost and hence this transaction does not appear on the Profit and Loss schedule. All we are doing is exchanging one asset (money) for the asset we are purchasing.

In 2020, OACT purchased the following assets:

| | |
|------------|------------------------------|
| \$9,955.45 | MTBO - SIAC |
| \$4,354.55 | Defibrillators |
| \$1,779.00 | Bot Gardens Broulee map |
| \$1,440.00 | Glebe Park map |
| \$478.00 | Broulee St Peters school map |
| \$2,140.00 | Oakey Hill map |
| \$4,868.60 | Broulee Dunes map |
| \$1,881.30 | ADFA map |
| \$121.40 | (aux re south coast maps) |

In early 2020, bushfires burnt a number of areas covered by our maps. Depreciation of maps was increased by \$5,000 over our normal calculation to cover this loss.

The Profit and Loss Schedule

This is broken down into various sections:

1. Income from Sales (mostly income from events and memberships) (4-xxxx)
2. Other Income (grants, interest, rest (8-xxxx)
3. Cost of Sales (mostly costs associated with events) (5-xxxx)
4. Expenditure (6-xxxx)
5. Other expenditure (mostly associated with Other Income) (9-xxxx)

Our normal business is:

(Income from Sales) – (Cost of Sales) – (Expenditure).

This figure is our 'Operating Profit' and in 2020 this was minus \$46,515.40 (ie a loss).

In 2020, OACT received the following grants:

\$28,600 as our normal yearly triennial operational funding from ACT Government Sport and Recreation.

\$11,500 as special COVID operational funding. This was spent mostly on salaries during the period no events were held and special COVID requirements such as sanitizer and our zoom subscription. Some salaries are accounted against this funding. If we had not received this funding and still paid the salaries etc., then our Operating Profit would be that \$11500 higher in terms of Loss.

OACT has received Performance Sponsorship (National League Cockatoos) funding from Sport and Recreation Services of \$15,000. Some \$7500 of 2019-20 grant was not spent because of the COVID restrictions preventing national competition, and so this reduces the \$15K to \$7.5K. We will claim this funding in 2021 and treat it as income for that year, and distribute the funds in 2021.

Other Items: Payments made to Orienteering Australia are: The State Registration fee (function of adult club members); event levy fee; insurance levy; and Eventor licence contribution (the latter are functions of event participation). In 2020, the Eventor contribution was not invoiced (about \$3,500), hence payments to OA in 2020 lower than expected.

Geoff Wood

ORIENTEERING ACT - PROFIT AND LOSS SCHEDULE

| | 2020 | | 2019 | |
|---|------------|-----------|--------------------------|------------|
| | Income | Costs | Income | Costs |
| SALES | | | | |
| Membership dues | 13,697.56 | | 14,555.30 | |
| Local public events | 57,113.89 | 7,985.13 | 70,161.20 | 11,902.94 |
| MTBO events | 6,290.06 | 5,235.22 | (in above) | (in above) |
| Championship events | 0.00 | | 12,588.11 | 5,093.91 |
| Primary School Champs | 0.00 | 47.27 | 1,949.82 | 1,324.56 |
| Mapmates | 0.00 | | 2,775.99 | |
| SC-ORE | 4,146.63 | 374.43 | 7,637.78 | 370.18 |
| Other (FOG, Coaching Community) | 153.95 | 31.82 | 749.34 | 385.04 |
| Training camps incl Belanglo, Wagga | 795.75 | | -421.97 | |
| Australian Champs (from 2019) | 2,368.50 | 80.65 | (see other income below) | |
| Sporting Schools | 26,885.72 | 29,970.50 | 37,441.36 | 31,387.50 |
| OACT Dinner | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,403.33 | 6,239.87 |
| Sale of SI sticks | 6,537.88 | 8,859.09 | 2,009.09 | 2,712.56 |
| Sale of Other items | 552.21 | 686.36 | 1,189.77 | 1,393.23 |
| Other and Unidentified income | 477.70 | | 1,809.85 | |
| Map printing | | 4,882.50 | | 5,458.16 |
| Consumables | | 185.46 | | 870.12 |
| Equipment repair | | 950.92 | | 1,466.60 |
| OA fees | | 17,391.94 | | 22,046.87 |
| SI equipment repair, maintenance | | 1,113.45 | | 774.34 |
| Club tithes | | 4,500.00 | | 5,700.00 |
| Coaching and Training events | | 625.75 | | |
| INCOME FROM SALES | 119,019.85 | | 154,848.97 | |
| COST OF SALES | | 82,920.49 | | 97,125.88 |
| GROSS PROFIT | | | | |
| | | 36,099.36 | | 57,723.09 |
| EXPENSES | | | | |
| Admin Officer and super \$21,877 | | 17,002.09 | | 21,598.79 |
| Exec Officer and super | | 7,596.01 | | 7,596.00 |
| Office rental | | 3,840.00 | | 5,640.00 |
| Office costs and admin | | 6,728.26 | | 6,367.07 |
| (running office, telephone, myob, other admin, bank fees) | | | | |
| Website and depreciation | | 1,053.09 | | 2,280.00 |
| AO mag and distribution | | 5,877.79 | | 4,738.23 |
| Event support (trailer, shed, sat phone) | | 1,304.86 | | 1,463.72 |
| Trophies, badges | | 1,466.22 | | 1,370.66 |
| Equipment, SI, Coaching depreciation | | 5,538.82 | | 8,636.73 |
| Mapping upgrades | | 500.00 | | 6,676.10 |
| Mapping depreciation | | 15,113.59 | | 9,464.92 |
| Minor equipment | | 1,183.79 | | 1,473.24 |
| Development Officer and super \$10,731 | | 6,331.07 | | 15,040.79 |
| General promotion | | 2,087.33 | | 400.32 |
| School maps | | 3,330.00 | | 1,405.00 |
| Scholar program | | 2,482.06 | | 2,902.13 |
| Support for Blue Lightning | | 272.73 | | |
| Support for Schools team | | -311.04 | | 4,193.06 |
| Support for Cockatoos | | 995.00 | | -100.00 |
| Support elites in int'l competition | | | | 3,000.00 |
| Elites | | | | -349.01 |
| Travel not event related | | 144.00 | | 207.16 |
| Other costs | | 79.09 | | 252.17 |

Profit and Loss - Continued

| | 2020 | | 2019 | |
|---|---------------|------------------|---------------|------------------|
| | <i>Income</i> | <i>Costs</i> | <i>Income</i> | <i>Costs</i> |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | | 82,614.76 | | 104,257.08 |
| OPERATING PROFIT | | -46,515.40 | | -46,533.99 |
| OTHER INCOME | | | | |
| Operational Grant (ACT Sport and Rec) | 28,600.00 | | 26,000.00 | |
| Performance Sponsorship grant | | | 22,500.00 | |
| Grants (MTBO, sprint, Haig Pk, Goulburn) | | | 26,287.27 | 23,936.81 |
| COVID Special Funding | 11,500.00 | | | |
| Interest and Investments | 1,967.73 | | 4,063.92 | |
| Donations | 622.98 | | 614.15 | |
| Aust Sports Foundation | | | 3,657.50 | 3,300.00 |
| Oceania Distribution | | | 32,061.97 | |
| ATO Cash Flow Boost ¹ as per ATO ICA | 20,000.00 | | | |
| TOTAL OTHER INCOME | 62,690.71 | | 115,184.81 | |
| OTHER EXPENSES | | | | |
| Expenses funded by COVID funding | | 11,556.72 | | |
| Performance Sponsorship payments | | 7,500.00 | | 30,000.00 |
| OA Sprint grant | | 91.61 | | |
| Grants (MTBO, sprint, Haig Pk, Goulburn) | | | | |
| TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES | | 19,148.33 | | 57,236.81 |
| NET PROFIT / LOSS | | -2,973.02 | | 11,414.01 |

ORIENTEERING ACT - BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

ASSETS

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Cash in bank accounts | 266,191.63 | |
| Invoices outstanding (S.Schools) | 4,523.45 | |
| Deposits for future services (2021 school team) | 1,695.45 | |
| Equipment | 45,279.35 | |
| Mapwork | 35,454.38 | |
| TOTAL ASSETS | | 353,144.26 |

LIABILITIES

| | | |
|---|------------|-----------|
| Other Creditors (Dev Off, street-o) | 3,110.00 | |
| Net GST | -16,420.60 | |
| PAYG | 2,056.71 | |
| Superannuation payable | 640.48 | |
| Advance Deposits 2021 memberships | 2,076.56 | |
| Advance Deposits 2021 Grants, 2021 season passes. | 34,183.39 | |
| Teams funds (Blue L'ning, Blue Sparks, Cockies) | 1,298.12 | |
| Club Funds AO-A | 976.99 | |
| Club Funds BS-A | 5,067.99 | |
| Club Funds PO-A | 4,725.00 | |
| Club Funds RR-A | 3,350.81 | |
| Club Funds WE-A | 2,728.17 | |
| TOTAL LIABILITES | | 43,793.62 |

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|-------------------|--|------------|
| NET ASSETS | | 309,350.64 |
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EQUITY

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Members' Funds | | |
| Retained Earnings | 181,228.21 | |
| Current year surplus/deficit | -2,973.02 | |
| Asset revaluation reserve | 131,095.45 | |
| Total Equity | | 309,350.64 |