



PENINSULA AND PLAINS ORIENTEERS

THE NEXT
10
YEARS

1998 – 2007

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INTRODUCTION

For PAPO's twentieth anniversary Stuart Payne wrote a short history covering the years 1977 to 1997, with acknowledgement to Rick Bolch whose 10th Anniversary History he incorporated. The 20th anniversary function was held at the Rossendale Winery on 24 May 1997. In preparing this update on the club's history, mid-1997 has been taken as the starting point, although the title is "1998 – 2007".

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THESE "STAYERS"!

"It is better to have orienteered and got lost than never to have orienteered at all"

Let's start by looking to see who, of the current membership, was with the club all that long time ago! Fifty-seven (just over 20%) of current members were with PAPO in 1997 – their names are listed at the end of this essay. And who then joined up in 1998 for the first time? Jenni Blyleven, Linley Earnshaw, William MacManus (we pinched him from Southland), Bruce Meder, the Pugh-Williams family, and Bob Sampson. What a great bunch of people these all are, who have supported PAPO and made a difference to orienteering all round.

Ten years ago was the time when PAPO also became a third-generation club, with the arrival in August 1997 of Sophie (hailed prematurely at the 20th anniversary celebrations in May!) into the Jan Davies / Ian Harrison household (Jan later relinquished the "Davies" nomenclature but it's not hard to see the family likeness!). Soon after Felix joined that tribe, and both he and Sophie are ensuring continuation of the family's orienteering prowess. And there are now another three families to be seen at events with grandparents, parents and youngsters all in action - Ann and Julia Fettes accompanied by Angus and Zoe, Kath and Jenni Adams and Carsten sharing the fun with Kaia, and more recently Trish Faulkner's daughter Lucy and family starting to hone their orienteering skills.

Some farewells to members have been said very reluctantly. Roger Bee absconded to Nelson at the end of 1997, ostensibly because of his work but maybe he had just spotted some new areas to map? – Dave Evans then coordinated mapping but later decided to devote more of his spare time to other environmental projects – Claire Mulcock became too busy with her own consultancy work to continue to liaise with our landowners – Derek Goring likewise found he had too much of his own research and consultancy work to attend to and that he could fit golf into his spare time more easily than OCAD work for the club. The Friths, Graham and Eileen, both re-partnered and moved north, initially leaving daughter Lisa and son Paul to look after us, but they too moved away later. Graham has since returned. Kevin McGlinchy, our Timaru-based one-time President, finally gave up trying to prove he could be in two

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places at once (travelling “faster than a speeding bullet”? to quote Julian Bee!) - his knees didn't like orienteering anyway, so he took to his bike. Those people did a great deal to move the club on and prepare a fantastic base for those taking over their work, and the club is very grateful to them.

There were sad farewells, too. Maria Pilkington died in 1999, David Faulkner in 2005 and Tom Barnfield in 2007 – all before their time, having contributed much to the club, and much missed. But everyone was thrilled to see Chrissie Williams make an amazing and determined recovery from a traumatic accident in 1998 (she wrote about how the psychological and mental training for running and orienteering had helped her along the course to recovery in “New Zealand Orienteering” no.55 May 2000 p.16-17); and again when Andy Buchanan (one of PAPO's founder members) returned to orienteering and rogaining after being hit by a bus in Bristol, England in 2005. There have of course been many other “comings and goings” as work and family commitments and locations change, and people travel overseas. It is always nice to see, as happens from time to time, “old” club members returning to orienteering and to PAPO in particular.

Overall the membership numbers have climbed considerably, from 129 in 1997 to a high of 290 in 2002. That was the year PAPO hosted the National Orienteering Championships, which may have contributed to a rise in membership as all participants had to be affiliated members. Since then there has been a slight drop in numbers, to 244 in 2005, but numbers have been rising again since then.

COMMITTEE

In the December 2002 issue of “Contour Lines”, Richard English wrote, “It [*reporting on the committee meeting*] reminds you how much work goes on behind the scenes to keep the club running”. This amount of work has increased as the club has grown, as greater demands have been made for both quality and quality control as well as paperwork to satisfy landowners and safety requirements, and as the type of events held has diversified and their number increased.

In 1997 the club was administered by a committee of ten, with three jobs delegated to people ex-committee (a total of thirteen) – plus a Timaru correspondent. In 2007, under a recently changed committee structure, the key jobs are performed by a committee of seven plus fourteen subsidiary officers (a total of twenty-one). Certain jobs became unmanageably large and were split, and some new ones emerged as issues became more complex.

The club has been well-served throughout the period with hard-working officers who have frequently stayed in one position for two or three years, as well as then taking on other roles on the committee. In 1997 Jan Davies was President, followed by John

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Davies for three years, then Robert Whitla and Trish Faulkner each for two, and our current President, Alister Metherell, is now in his third year. Robert was particularly versatile, having also been Treasurer for three years and Newsletter Editor for a year and a half. Other Treasurers were Darryl Taylor (who also refined the major pre-entry event software developed earlier by Derek Goring, and made himself available to run the system for several years, making our fast turnaround getting results displayed the envy of other clubs); Benjamin Balmforth was followed after a year by Cynthia Sampson, and currently Richard Hensby is managing the “purse strings”. Secretaries have been long-serving: Stuart Payne kept a very firm hand on proceedings from 1997 through to the end of 2000, when we relinquished him to become General Manager for NZOF. Catherine Fitchett then carried on with the job for three years, and was replaced by Janet Jenkins in 2004. (Janet volunteered to do some administration work only a few months after arriving in Christchurch from Perth – needless to say her offer was hastily accepted and converted into a Secretaryship, where her experience with Australian club work was a further bonus). Her well-ordered files were then handed over to Frances Wall in 2007.

COMMUNICATION

Newsletter editors have been able to put their own “stamp” on our monthly print communication with members, casual participants and other New Zealand orienteering clubs. We have enjoyed Julian Bee’s racy style, Jan Davies “calls to arms”, Iona Powell’s thinking “outside the square”, the shorter-term editorships of Linley Earnshaw and Sue Cooke, some extensive research for extra material provided by Sarah Baird, and three years of the zany wit of Piers Maclaren, about whom was written:

*The “Contour Lines” editor, Piers
Wrote rhymes about orienteers.
But “van der Peet” was too long,
And “Pugh-Williams” all wrong,
And “Jagusch” reduced him to tears!*

The current Editor, Edward Pilbrow, has already shown his ability to pick up this particular pen (metaphorically speaking - who uses a pen these days?). Talking of pens, Julian Bee’s Editorial early in 1997 said, “One thing I am trying to push ... is for people to make use of the Internet in relation to orienteering. I’d wager there are a tonne of members out there with access to at least e-mail”. He didn’t really have to push it, did he – it just happened! However, when Linley tested the logistics and receptiveness of members with regard to an electronic newsletter, the conclusion was that print was still favoured. But Edward is now sending the monthly copy to the photocopiers electronically.

Meanwhile a website, initiated by the same Bee family (set up by Roger, then maintained by Julian as the first NZOF website) has now in a different guise become PAPO's default communication vehicle even though the place of a print newsletter is still assured. Tony Roger acted as PAPO webmaster and "grew" the website for several years and then handed over to Jude Elliot.

Since e-mail became the norm, a club e-mail group list has been used for quick communications and a "phone tree" (which could be activated if required) was abandoned. Currently, only four of the 133 member households do not have e-mail addresses.

FEES, EVENTS and PARTICIPATION

Committees have consistently recommended holding membership subscriptions down to cover administration costs only, with the result that the senior subscription in 2007 (\$50) is only \$10 more than in 1997 – hardly a significant change given slight inflation. Event fees have risen considerably, however, from senior Member of \$4 and Non-member of \$8 in 1997 to the current range for seniors of Members, \$8 (\$10 for OY events) and for Non-members, \$15 (\$20 for OY's). The philosophy has been to make membership a definite financial advantage, given a growing number of non-member participants who cannot be recruited to help with the running of events. Many of these non-member participants have taken part in the Christchurch City Council sponsored (free) Family Fun Orienteering days. Numbers at this event have grown, from a few hundred ten years ago to over 1000 in 2007. (The excellent organisation necessary for this large public event has been developed by Chrissie Williams and Andrew McGowan.) Other events popular with non-members are the midweek Twilight Series, Night Navigation series, Heights of Winter rogaine, and mountain bike orienteering (MTBO) events. Last year a "bus orienteering" event was initiated.

This kind of diversification of event types has been seen as a way of attracting a wider range of people to orienteering in general. The further challenge has been to follow through with help and information, so as to encourage those people to continue and take part in standard foot-O events, and join the club. Although some new members have been gained this way each year, not a great number have stayed for long or been prepared to travel to some of our best, but more distant, maps. This year greater effort has been made to follow up the enthusiasm generated by the Family Fun Orienteering day and beginner training sessions, with good response. Two permanent courses (the first at Victoria Park opened in 1997, the second last year at Spencer Park) have been effective as promotions. The club created a third such course in Timaru at the end of 2003, but little feedback has been available, and distance from any of our events prevents any follow-up for its users. Multisports

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people and adventure racers have been attracted to orienteering in order to hone their navigation skills; conversely some of our best orienteers have also been highly successful in those sort of long distance races.

It would a pity to list only the more formal variations of map sport which PAPO has organised. Bryan and Janet Jenkins have introduced “Christmas Capers” with imaginative challenges (one year involving the map cut into jigsaw pieces and arranged higgledy piggledy on a page – it was debatable whether the time taken by one team to cut out the pieces and reconstruct the map paid off in time saved compared with the challenge of navigating with the “bitty” map!).

The other big event for non-club members has been the Schools Championship run each year with the overall management of Mary Mackintosh. This has been steadily growing, and in 2007 the NZ Secondary Schools Championship is being hosted by PAPO and big efforts are being made to draw as many local schools into orienteering with this incentive.

Alongside the formal events, the number of training events held has increased, with the Thursday evening sessions organised by the “elites” on a fairly ad hoc basis, and beginner training sessions run by Andrew McGowan at the beginning of recent years.

RISK MANAGEMENT and QUALITY CONTROL

*The OSH-aware members of PAPO
Prepare with a slip, slop and slap-O
With compass and whistle,
And gaiters for thistles
They're ready whatever the map-O!*

The addition of new words from the vocabulary of the business world to sport in general and orienteering in particular has been far from welcome, but very much a feature of the last ten years. The first safety issue of concern during this period was the threat of meningitis being transmitted through the use of shared water bottles, and after considerable discussion and publicity, “squirt” bottles were provided at selected controls and people with high needs for water were recommended to carry their own. Landowners had already become cautious about their liability concerning hazards on their property, and now demand a great deal of paperwork to be completed (eg. for use of Council-owned or Conservation land), or have higher expectations of some kind of “koha” in compensation for the bother of having us on their properties. Furthermore a road accident during the approach into an event area from a main road highlighted possible responsibilities of organisers.

The club now has a Health and Safety Policy, and safety notices are posted in connection with particular hazards at events. The New Zealand Orienteering

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Federation, NZOF, provides insurance against litigation. While many club members see these concerns as unnecessary and symptomatic of “nannying” - indeed orienteering has been remarkably free of serious injury (one fracture occurred at a Godley Head event) - some prominent cases in other sports have both clarified and justified an awareness of the need for some sort of cover and management of risk. It has not proved easy to ensure that any proposed systems actually work, given the fact that events are organised by different volunteers who may or may not know what the procedures are.

In addition to safety, there has been ongoing discussion about how to ensure the quality of our events. Orienteering attracts independent thinkers and the sport would be the poorer for the lack of variations and imaginative “fun” type of events. However, to be part of the international competition scene, orienteers also need to play the game by the rules, and clubs need to know and put into practice these rules. PAPO’s “Instructions to planners and controllers of events” have of late become more and more elaborate in the attempt to actually make it easier for them to do the job, but again, some see this as unnecessarily complicated.

ACCOUNTABILITY and FUNDING

Following on from the last two sections, what it all amounts to is accountability to our members, to help them enjoy orienteering and become more proficient, and to gain access to higher competition. NZOF has been developing its strategies to help all orienteering clubs to do this, and on a national level has worked with SPARC (Sport and Recreation New Zealand, which replaced the Hillary Commission in 2002) to ensure participation in funding. This is no longer something which can be expected “as of right”, but has to be earned, with the key factor being proof of participation. Accountability, again. The more “players” we have, the more we can expect in the way of funding.

At the same time our relationship with the regional structure of sporting administration (in our case Sport Canterbury) has developed considerably over the last decade. In 2003, the committee put forward nominations for the annual Sport Canterbury awards, which are made in a number of different categories. These awards are announced at a formal dinner attended by our nominees and a support team, and it was exciting that year to see, on a huge screen above the heads of the nearly 500 people present, the list of the finalists for the major award which read “Phil Costley – Cross Country, Diana Weavers – Hockey, Belinda Colling – Netball, Shane Beevers – Rugby League, Rueben Thorne – Rugby Union, Chris Forne – Orienteering”. That did rather put orienteering on the map! PAPO has made nominations for several of these awards each year since then.

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Greater use has been made recently of other forms of external funding, such as sponsorship for prizes in rogaines and Twilight series events, and grants from Community trusts and other sources. Most recently, the club has been fortunate to secure a major grant to enable us to purchase SportIdent.

NEW MAPS

*A keen orienteering chap
Was held fast in a possum trap
When rescued he said
(Although nearly dead)
That wasn't marked on the map*

Ideal orienteering terrain has been hard to find in Canterbury, given the extremes of contour differences (from flat to precipitous hillside), lack of useable forest and sometimes general inaccessibility or sheer distance from Christchurch. And of course, willing landowners need to be nurtured. Having found an area, then people to do the mapping have to be identified. The club has turned recently to using professional mapping services if available when new areas have been found to map. However, in the last ten years some good, and some reasonably good, areas have been mapped and proved successful. Acheron, a wilding pine forest being experimentally managed for timber near Lake Coleridge was a star addition to the repertoire, and continues to improve. Coastal dunes with a mix of marram grass and forest at Leithfield and Woodend (extending now to Pines Beach) have also provided challenging terrain. Irishman Creek near Lake Pukaki was an exciting addition used for Nationals 2002, but distance has discouraged its use. Mcleans Island is being opened up for more recreational use, and a new map there has proved popular, especially with the associated mountain bike orienteering (MTBO) option. Hanmer Forest has also been mapped specifically for MTBO.

Other new areas which have been mapped and provide useful variety are Mt Vernon, Waikari and Halswell Quarry (an extension of the existing Van Asch map). Bottle Lake Forest is still a prime location for the club, and as well as being extended to the south, this map is now undergoing a complete re-map. It is heavily used for training, and the popular Christchurch City Council Family Fun day there just gets bigger and bigger every year; a permanent course has been developed at the northern end (Spencer Park), and there is still ample opportunity for the occasional club event in that forest. However map amendments have been frequently necessary due to forestry operations. Unfortunately there is a requirement for Bottle Lake Forest to be viable for production in spite of its heavy use for many kinds of recreation.

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The popularity of street-and-park events, especially on mid-week evenings, has led to a number of new maps being produced for them: Cashmere, Burnham, Akaroa, Mt Pleasant, Cuthberts Green, Orua Paeroa (at Parklands), Kaiapoi, Centennial Park (Timaru), St Martins, Ashburton Domain and Rangiora. Although a map of the University of Canterbury campus and nearby area had existed since 1987, it was re-mapped to IOF sprint map standards ready for a Twilight series event in 2004 and is now arguably our best map of that type.

Ashburton town, with the nearby river reserve, was also mapped for MTBO, and a special rogaine map produced at Mt Vulcan.

PERFORMANCE

Although North Island orienteers have sometimes seemed to dominate the elite orienteering scene (there being more of them, with better access to suitable terrain), PAPO has nevertheless provided a steady stream of talent, so that there have been some club members representing New Zealand at most World Championship events. The most prominent and consistent performer at this level has been Jenni Adams, who has run in most World Championship or World Cup (WOC) events during the last ten years. Aaron Prince first ran for New Zealand in the Junior World Orienteering Championships (JWOC) team and then progressed to the WOC team, and Chris Forne debuted at the World Championships in 2003. Aaron's sister Lara has also been in the JWOC team, as have Lisa Frith, Jamie Stewart and Kate Bodger. (The first year PAPO provided any JWOC representatives at all was 1999, and no fewer than three on that team were our members – Aaron and Lisa Frith, and Jamie Stewart.) For a few years recently we have benefited from an influx of elites who were located in Christchurch for work or study – Rachel Smith, Penny Kane, Jason Markham, and Jamie Stewart. Carsten Jörgensen is now resident in Christchurch and has to be the highest-ranking orienteer we have been lucky enough to have in our midst, even if he has not to date run as a New Zealander, but retained his status on the Danish national team. Sara Wallen, from Sweden, has also contributed greatly to our talent pool. In 1997 PAPO had yet to produce any winner of national elite foot orienteering championships, but has certainly made up for that in the last ten years. Jason Markham turned the tide in 2001, winning M21E Long. Chris Forne followed suit in 2004-2006 as well as taking out M21E Middle in 2005-2006 and M21E Sprint in 2006. On the women's side Rachel Smith won W21E Long and W21E Sprint in 2005 and Penny Kane won W21E Sprint in 2006.

The impact of these top orienteers on the club generally has been considerable, as they have organised training and shown what can be achieved. Others who may not have actually been chosen for world representative teams have clearly been inspired to improve.

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And sometimes the rest of New Zealand has been surprised! Chris Forne's talent was a well-kept secret until he "burst upon the New Zealand scene at the 2003 New Zealand Championships" (Nic Gorman's words in "New Zealand Orienteering" no.78, September 2005), and was immediately selected for the WOC team. (Just as, several years ago when Aaron won his first NZ Secondary Schools title, the North Islanders were a bit taken aback – who's HE?" they demanded!). Of course we always knew that, with Chris' natural talent and huge athletic ability, he would excel any time he actually trained in a particular discipline. Success maybe came at a price though! In the August 2002 issue of "Contour Lines he wrote "I will just state here that at least I don't own an O-top (an even bigger embarrassment [*than the O pants which he was already embarrassed to own*]) – although it would probably be better than wearing a cotton T-shirt which soaks up water and gets ripped on every tree ..."

He then proceeded to become top-ranking man in NZ, winning all National foot-orienteeing titles in 2006, mopped up a National Ski-O win (didn't train for that!) and then popped over to New South Wales to clean up the World Rogaining Championships with fellow PAPO team mate Dennis de Monchy. The O-suit thing was still troubling him there though, as he started the Rogaine wearing ONLY underpants ... are O-pants more embarrassing than no pants? Let it be said that Heather Pugh-Williams has recently re-designed PAPO O-suits and in 2007 club members have been seen in out in force in smart red-and-black. Whether we run better or not is anyone's guess, but at least we can spot each other at big events!

Several other PAPO members have been in teams travelling to Australia, and the Southerly Storm Superseries team, composed mostly of PAPO members, was especially successful before we lost some of these elites to new work positions in the North Island. But "the Storm" was able to win the recently completed series again with top elite placings for Jenni, Sara Wallen, Carsten and Rob Jessop, and for Georgia Whitla in W20A. (We have been lucky to have the Auckland club's Rob, a long-serving New Zealand team member, as an associate member of our club while he is resident in Christchurch.) Many of our juniors have been selected over the years for the Development Squads, with Georgia, Daniel Barnfield and Simon Bloomberg most recently performing well at this level.

Probably PAPO's most exciting international win was in 1999 when Roz Clayton won the W45A grade at the World Masters Orienteering Championship in Denmark. (Sadly, the upset of a family bereavement during New Zealand's own WMOC the next year prevented her from performing at her peak level, and she just missed out on a repeat title.)

The many PAPO members who have achieved National Champion status in their grades at the annual NZ Championship events is really too long to include, but there is a list of Canterbury Championship trophy winners at the end of this essay.

While acclaiming the performances of individual members, it is appropriate to acknowledge also the benefit gained when Jean and Alistair Cory-Wright moved to

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Christchurch and joined PAPO in 2001. They brought a wealth of experience at elite level overseas (Jean represented Britain at World Championship events no fewer than ten times, and Alistair started as a junior in Auckland before heading off to Europe to further his career as an “orienteering nomad”!) But Jean also has a depth of coaching experience, at all levels from primary school through to elite and masters. As an Outdoor Education teacher at the Christchurch Polytechnic and Institute of Technology (CPIT) she has given introduced students to orienteering, and continues to share her knowledge and skills with our club and the rest of New Zealand.

TRAVELLING PAPO

During the research into the exploits of our high performance orienteers while representing New Zealand, it became obvious that many members have also travelled far and wide to experience orienteering as individuals in many different countries. Since 1998 we have heard about various orienteering experiences in Australia, Canada, Switzerland, Italy, Austria, Scotland, France, Sweden, Denmark, Hong Kong, Japan, Lithuania, Norway and Khazakhstan. Even – perhaps! – Antarctica, if Pat Bodger’s contribution is to be believed:

*A Bodger just back from the Pole
Went to orienteer there in the cold.
No matter where you go forth
The compass points North -
I got lost and fell down a hole.*

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Stuart Payne noted at the end of his “First twenty years” account, that strategic planning was first embarked upon in 1996 under the guidance of Jan Davies, and so PAPO started its next decade with some goals to aim for. The process has been continued, with annual reviews of progress, and updating of the plan (originally titled “Optimum route choices”) in 2001/2002. While plans try to look ahead and plan for the future, they are limited by what we understand of the world at the time. The original plan did not even mention a website, but the update three years later certainly did.

In 2005 a number of meetings and work by sub-groups resulted in a newly formulated strategic plan for 2006-2010. This time the meetings were facilitated by Rob Ecclestone from Sport Canterbury. The combination of his knowledge of the planning process with his understanding of sporting clubs but lack of actual personal

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involvement was a positive aid towards focus and objectivity. A review and updating followed, also with his help, in 2006. As with the earlier planning meetings, some fresh ideas which could be immediately implemented emerged (eg. the creation of a specific Membership officer in 1997, and a complete committee restructure in 2006).

The big ongoing challenge which affects all organisations, that of recruitment and retention of volunteers, has been extensively debated and ideas introduced to try to either entice or reward (we are still not quite sure which!) the people who do the work. A new annual club award was initiated to recognise volunteers, and named for David Faulkner. And the VIP scheme, whereby the various jobs are weighted and points towards a free run at events allocated to those who do them, has been in place for over a year and has variously been declared a success but also rather complex, and liable to unfairness. However, the club has been creative in tackling this problem and refinement of the idea will hopefully lead to continuing viability of our club as a volunteer-based activity. At the end of each review process, a handful of key objectives have been identified, and the current plan for 2006-2011 lists two as already mentioned –

Identify and adopt a new committee, and ex-committee, structure (as mentioned above)

Evaluate (and adjust where necessary) VIP (volunteer incentive) scheme

Two for which the need has never been greater -

Maintain a manageable event programme (reflecting the contrary pressures of demand and availability of maps and organisers, as well managing clashes with other events)

Increase the focus on mapping

And two more -

Support the training of planners and controllers

Focus on Schools involvement and capitalise on club's hosting of NZ SS Championships [in 2007]

The “BIG BANGS”

Ten years ago PAPO was a club with a newly-minted strategic plan, its first OCAD-produced maps recently produced, and a first permanent course about to be opened. Members were looking forward to participation in the first World Masters event to be held in New Zealand. This was held in coastal dune forests near Palmerston North in 2000, and for the first time electronic punching (SportIdent) was used in New Zealand. PAPO hosted a warm-down event for the many overseas visitors who stayed on to explore more of the country, and a week later PAPO held the 4th World Rogaining Championships.

This year we are about to purchase our own SportIdent system – the next significant technological leap. We are expecting that this will be ready in time the National Secondary Schools Championships, which we are hosting in July, in recently mapped coastal dune forest – albeit smaller dunes than the North Island ones just mentioned!

In 2009 we plan to host the Oceania event. Alister Metherell, never one to let the grass grow under his feet, has ensured that under his leadership PAPO is ready and able to run these events at levels to be expected from a growing and dynamic club.

Go, Peninsula and Plains Orienteers!

2007 members who were also in the “PAPO class of 1997”

(Those who were also members in 1987 are marked with an asterisk *, with apologies for any errors. Life members are shown with in bold type.)

Michael Adams*
Kath Adams*
Jenni Adams*
Dave Armstrong*
Ross Barnett
Roger Bee*
Rick Bolch*
Andy Buchanan*
Roz Clayton
Andy Clayton
Alex Cook* (a founder member in 1977)
John Davies (helped to set the club up in 1977)
Robyn Davies (ditto)
George Elliott*
Richard English
Neville Fagerlund*
Trish Faulkner
Julia Fettes
Catherine Fitchett
Melanie Foote
Chris Forne*
Rainer Goltzsche
Ian Harrison
Jan Harrison neé Davies
John Howard
Grant Hunter*
Lynne John
Huw John
Stephen John
Rhys John
Doug Johnston*
Dave Laurie*
Mary Mackintosh
Piers Maclaren
Julian Maclaren
Jenny Maclaren
Alister Metherell
Jenny Moore*

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Kathrin Mueller

Stuart Payne

Lisa Pilkington*

Lara Prince

Aaron Prince

Val Rogers

Michael Smithson

Alan Stow

Simon Swaffield*

Martin Swaffield

Matthew Swaffield

Joy Talbot*

Darryl Taylor

Tony van der Peet

Robert Whitla

Georgia Whitla

Pam Whitla

Katrina Wilke*

Chrissie Williams*

MAJOR EVENTS HOSTED BY PAPO since 1997 (in addition to annual Canterbury Championships and Schools Championships)

2000 World Masters “Warm down” event; Flock Hill
4th World Rogaining Championships, Solomon’s Throne (North Canterbury)

2001 South Island Championships; Pegasus and Acheron

2002 New Zealand National Championships; Irishman Creek, Tekapo and Craigmore

2005 South Island Championships; Woodend Beach and Dalethorpe

2007 New Zealand Secondary Schools Championships; Pines Beach and Woodend beach

WINNERS OF CANTERBURY CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHIES
(listing continued from “PAPO: 20 years, 1997 – 1997”)

BOB ALEXANDER MEMORIAL TROPHY
(Canterbury M21 or Open Champion)

1997 Aaron Prince
1998 Jenni Adams
1999 Aaron Prince
2000 Michael Adams
2001 Jason Markham
2002 Alistair Cory Wright
2003 Jason Markham
2004 Chris Forne
2005 Chris Forne
2006 Michael Smithson

SIBLY TROPHY
(Canterbury W21 Champion)

1997 Katrina Wilke
1998 Roz Clayton
1999 Jan Davies
2000 Jenni Adams
2001 Rachel Smith
2002 Rachel Smith
2003 Rachel Smith
2004 Sara Wallen
2005 Rachel Smith
2006 Penny Kane

BUCHANAN TROPHY
(Fastest kilometre rate adjusted for age, in Canterbury Championship)

1997 Stephen Fitchett
1998 Stephen Fitchett
1999 Stephen Fitchett
2000 Eddie Reddish
2001 Pat Bodger
2002 Robbie McGowan
2003 Martin Swaffield
2003 Bruce Meder
2005 Bruce Meder
2006 Ed Cory-Wright

DAVID FAULKNER TROPHY FOR VOLUNTEER CONTRIBUTION

2005 Andrew McGowan
2006 Fay Farrant

IAN ROWLAND MEMORIAL TROPHIES (Canterbury Schools senior champions)

Girls

1998	Lisa Frith	Cashmere High School
1999	Sylvia Maclaren	Rangiora High School
2000	Kate Bodger	Avonside Girls High School
2001	Frances Bodger	Avonside Girls High School
2002	(not awarded)	
2003	(not awarded)	
2004	Georgia Whitla	Riccarton High School
2005	Jennifer McGowan	Burnside High School
2006	Georgia Whitla	Riccarton High School

Boys

1998	Michael Smithson	Rangiora High School
1999	Michael Smithson	Rangiora High School
2000	Bryan Stokes	St Bedes College
2001	Bryan Stokes	St Bedes College
2002	Bryan Stokes	St Bedes College
2003	Daniel Barnfield	Burnside High School
2004	Duncan O'Regan	Christ's College
2005	Daniel Barnfield	Burnside High School
2006	Cheyenne Cleeve	Rangiora High School