

**SOUTH ISLAND SCHOOLS
ORIENTEERING
FESTIVAL**

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**SOUTH ISLAND SECONDARY
SCHOOLS' ORIENTEERING
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

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**SATURDAY 18 APRIL
ORTON BRADLEY PARK**

AND

**SUNDAY 19 APRIL 2015
LINCOLN UNIVERSITY**

PROGRAMME

**HOSTED BY:
PENINSULA AND PLAINS ORIENTEERS**



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Welcome

Welcome to the South Island Schools Orienteering Festival. We hope that you all have an enjoyable time and for those of you who are new to this sport that you will feel that you would like to take part in other events in the future. Every year it is pleasing to see new students and additional schools take part in these events. We hope that you all have a lot of fun.

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TEAM MANAGERS

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

ORTON BRADLEY ADMISSION

Orton Bradley park has the following admission charges; \$5 per adult, \$1 per child. \$10 max. per carload, payable at the gatehouse as you drive in. Please ensure that you have cash available to cover this.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Competition rules: This competition will be run in accordance with NZOF rules. Please direct any queries during the events to the Event Controller.

Registration: Registration which is AT THE Event Centre will be open from 9:30am each day.

It would be appreciated if the **team manager collects the registration pack for each school**, rather than individual children.

Start: The first starts will be at 10:30 each day. Please ensure that you are at the start **at least 6 minutes** prior to your start time. You will be called into the start grid 6 minutes before your start time on Saturday and 3 minutes on Sunday..

Finish: This is close to the registration area.

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

Course closure: Competitors will be timed out after 2½ hours (i.e. if a you is still out on a course 2½ hours after starting you must return to the finish) on Saturday and 11/2 on Sunday.

Out of bounds: All taped areas by the start and finish are out of bounds.

Safety: Your safety is important to us. We want you to enjoy your orienteering free from accident. We have identified the most likely hazards that you will come across but you are expected to exercise common sense around any obvious hazard.

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

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

Known Hazards: Fences including electric, stock, traffic in parking areas and access roads, bees, construction areas. Please read the hazard section under the details for each day.

First Aid: PAPO first aiders will be rostered both days.

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

Clothing: Competitors should bring a range of clothing to cover extremes – both heat and cold. **Also as this is a schools event it is really great if you wear your school's sports uniform if you can.** Make sure that you bring a change of clothes, including socks and shoes to change into after your course.

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

Maps: Maps are pre-marked with control descriptions printed on them. The maps will be collected at the finish and then be available for you to collect after the last start.

Control descriptions: There will be international symbols for the red course, and written descriptions for all other courses. In addition copies of the descriptions for the white courses will be available at registration and copies of the descriptions for the red, orange and yellow courses will be available at the start for those who want them.

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

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

Electronic punching system

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

Hired e-cards must be returned immediately after completing your course on the last day you compete, i.e. Saturday if you are not going to be there on Sunday.

Results

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

Prize Giving: There will not be a prize giving at the events. Certificates for the first three place getters in each grade and for the Top School place getters will be sent to the schools after the event.

Water

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

Protests

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

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

Toilets: Public toilets are available at both venues.

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

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

Food: Students travelling to the NZ Secondary Schools Orienteering Championships in July will be selling home baking for funds towards their travel. Please support them.

HAVE A GREAT TIME AND HAVE FUN

Saturday –Long -Orton Bradley Park

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| Date: | Saturday 18 April |
| Map: | Orton Bradley Park |
| Scale: | 1:10,000 and 1:7500 (White and Yellow) |
| Terrain: | A working farms park, combining a mixture of open fields and pockets of native trees and pine trees. Numerous tracks along a stream valley with steep slopes rising above on both sides. |
| Planner: | Simon Swaffield |
| Controller: | Graeme Reade |
| Directions: | From central Christchurch, drive up Dyers Pass Road and over the Sign of the Kiwi to Governors Bay. Follow the main road round the upper harbour through Allendale and Teddington, heading to Charteris Bay. 5km after Teddington, turn right into Orton Bradley Park. The Park has a cash fee for entry of \$5 per adult, \$1 per child. \$10 max. per carload. Please pay at the marked booth. |

Parking: Please park as directed adjoining the access road close to the event centre

Event Centre: At the east end of the park access rd.

Registration: At event centre

Start: Start for Courses Red, Orange, Yellow and White 1 are 100m from registration. White 2 start is 300m from registration on an easily graded path.
NB: White 2, Years 6 & Under grades is different from the other courses!

Finish: 50m from registration

Out of bounds: There are working areas, log piles and bee hives marked as out of bounds on the map. Cliffs marked on the map as impassable are also out of bounds to competitors. The park includes towers, high wires, ropes and equipment for outdoor education: this equipment is all strictly out of bounds.

Hazards: The terrain includes broken ground, gullies, rock outcrops, tree plantations and streams. Orton Bradley is a working farm and has fences including hot wire and barbed wire, and stock including sheep and cattle. Junior courses cross fences at stiles and gates but red and orange competitors must cross fences at other places with appropriate care. It is recommended to climb through lower wires where possible or cross at strainer posts. Please avoid running through stock. There are bee hives in the park.

Course Information:

| Grades | Difficulty | Distance(km) | Climb(m) | No. of controls |
|----------------------------------|------------|--------------|----------|-----------------|
| SBC,SGC | Red | 4.4 | 250 | 16 |
| IBC,IGC, SBS, SGS, | Orange | 3.3 | 110 | 13 |
| IBS, IGS, JBC, JGC, 7&8BC, 7&8GC | Yellow | 2 | 55 | 15 |
| JBS,JGS,7&8BS, 7&8GS | White 1 | 2.1 | 35 | 19 |
| 6UB, 6UG | White 2 | 1.7 | 15 | 15 |

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| Senior boys/girls champion | SBC, SGC |
| Senior boys/girls standard | SBS, SGS |
| Intermediate boys/girls champion | IBC, IGC |
| Intermediate boys/girls standard | IBS, IGS |
| Junior boys/girls champion | JBC, JGC |
| Junior boys/girls standard | JBS, JGS |
| Years 7&8 boys/girls champion | 7&8BC, 7&8GC |
| Years 7& boys/girls standard | 7&8BS, 7&8GS |
| Years 6& Under boys/girls | 6UB, 6UG |

Sunday – Sprints at Lincoln University

- Date:** Sunday 19 April
- Map:** Lincoln University
- Scale:** 1:4000
- Terrain:** .University campus
- Planner:** Jean Cory-Wright
- Controller:** Bruce Steven
- Directions:** Head to Lincoln from Christchurch centre via Prebbleton and Springs road. Go straight ahead at the roundabout that is right next to the university where Springs road meets Ellesmere Junction road and continue down Springs Road for 400 metres. Turn right (signposted) and follow the orienteering signs along the south side of the campus until you see a sign pointing you into a car park on the right. Park in this car park only, because all other car parks are on the courses and will be out of bounds before your start time. Please do not enter the campus via any of the labelled gates from Ellesmere Junction Rd to the north of the campus.
- Parking:** Park as directed in the one assigned car park at the south side of the campus
- Event Centre:** Walk from this car park for 150m following signs to get to the front of the recreation centre. The event centre is here.
- Registration:** Registration will be at the tent in front of the recreation centre
- Start/Finish** Start and finish will both be visible from event centre and are only 20 metres away.
- Toilets** We have access to the recreation centre for changing and toilet facilities.
- Spectator area** You will be able to watch the competitors start and finish from the event centre and you will be able to see them at a spectator control which is over the campus road from the event centre. Please do not cross this road or help the competitors at the spectator control
- Out of bounds:** Any area that is olive green on the map is out of bounds. Do not cross fences that are marked with thick black lines on the map. All construction areas are out of bounds
- Hazards:** Construction sites. Campus is open so there may be a few cars but it is still student holidays.

Course Information: Lincoln University

| Difficulty | Grades | Distance(km) | Climb(m) |
|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| Hard Orange | SBC, | 2.9km | 0 |
| | SGC | 2.4km | 0 |
| Orange | IBC IGC SBS SGS | 2.0 | 0 |
| Yellow | JBC JGC 7&8BC 7&8GC IGS IBS | 1.7 | 0 |
| White 1 | JBS,JGS,7&8BS, 7&8GS, | 1.7 | 0 |
| White 2 | 6UB, 6UG | 1.5 | 0 |

INTERSCHOOL COMPETITION

Top School Competitions

There will be separate competitions for girls and boys at the three levels, secondary, Years 7 & 8 and Years 6 & under. Certificates will be awarded to the first three schools at each level.

Points for this competition are as follows:

Individuals - Championship: 1st - 25 points, 2nd - 24, 3rd - 23, down to 25th - 1 point.

Individuals - Standard: 1st - 15 points, 2nd - 14, 3rd - 13, down to 15th - 1 point.

Secondary Schools

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

On each day of competition, the best three results at each age class, whether in the Championship or Standard event, will be counted. At least one of these results must be from the Championship level (i.e. a school entering all its competitors in the Standard level will be able to count only two results). Then each school's total for each day will be combined.

Years 7 & 8

The Top School award for this group will be determined by the best three results for each school, whether Championship or Standard grade. However, at least one of these results must be from the Championship level (i.e. a school entering all its competitors in the Standard level will be able to count only two results). Then each school's total for each day will be combined.

Years 6 & Under

The points will be awarded as for the Championship grades above, with the best three results from a school being counted. A school may count further teams. i.e. a second team would be made up of the next 3 best results.

Individual Competitions

On both days there are individual boys and girls competitions at each grade with certificates being awarded to the first three place getters in each.