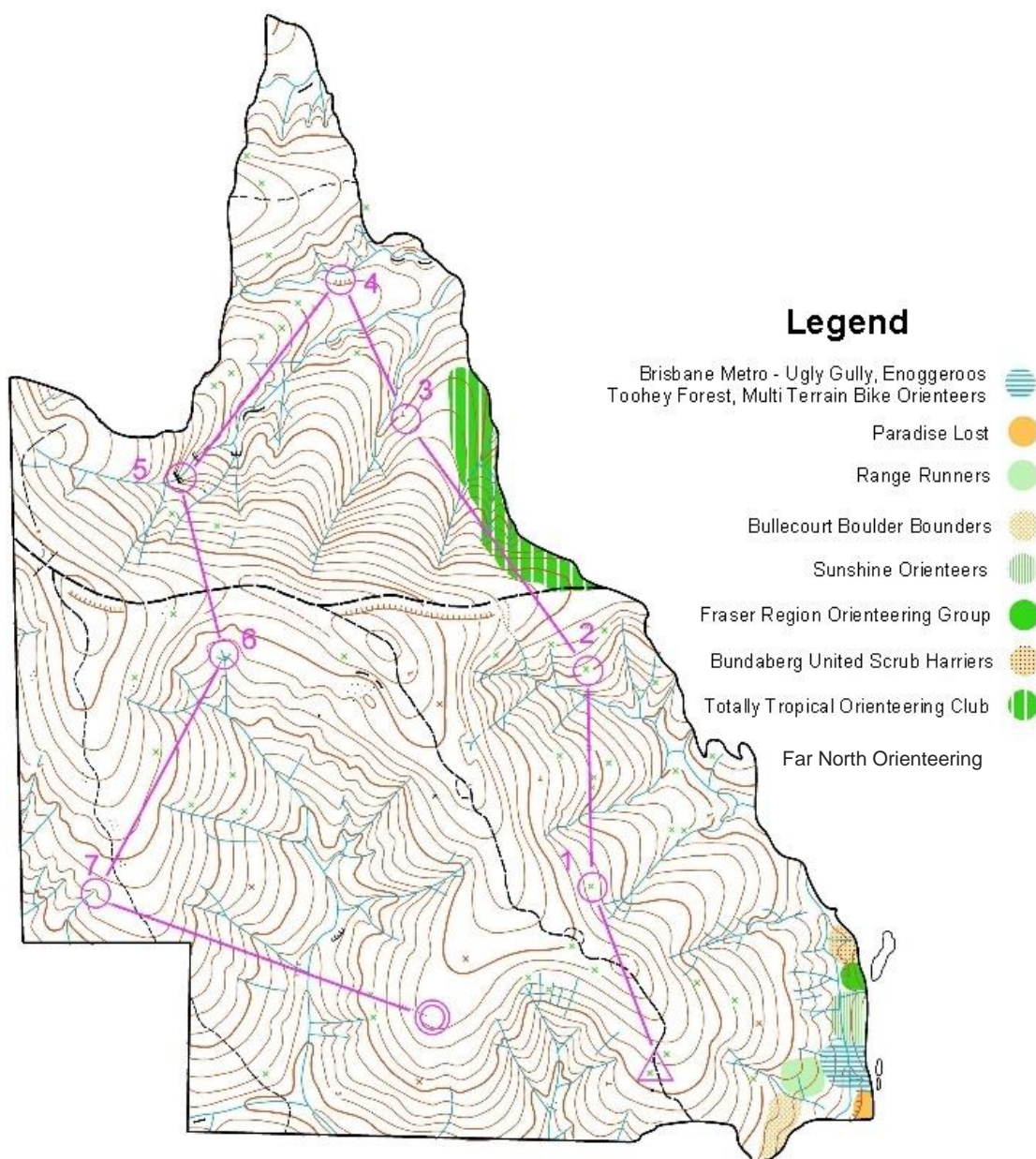


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Vision

“Orienteering Queensland is a widely visible peak body for navigation sports in Queensland providing a fun, varied and healthy experience of the outdoors and the environment.”

Management and Administration

President	James Mitchell
Vice President	Felicity Crosato
Hon Secretary	Mark Gregson
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OA Councillor	Liz Bourne
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Events Chair	Eric Andrews
Selection Chair	Position Vacant
Hi-Tech Chair	Tim McIntyre
Equipment	Clive Pope
QLD Schools Committee Chair	Rob Simson
Auditor	Audit Solutions Queensland

* Part-time paid positions



President's Report

Welcome to the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Orienteering Queensland Inc.

2013 continued the trend of increasing activity for Orienteering Queensland, with differing and new formats across the state. Brisbane Night Nav had a successful run and appears off to a great start in 2014. The Gold Coast residents saw the return of regular events, with good turnouts, as Mark Roberts and his dedicated band injected great enthusiasm and energy into the project. Northern and Central Queensland clubs have also acquitted themselves very well over the year. In Rockhampton a particularly fine effort by Mark Murray was the main driver there. Mark received the President's Award 2013 for his efforts.

Our juniors performed well at Nationals and good promise and depth is evident in our current squad. Given the small schools base from which we are currently working, this promise suggests that continuing to strengthen the schools programme should return a good supply of athletes for development.

Membership in 2013 showed slight increase, participation showed a continuing and healthy increase over 2012. Thanks again to our statisticians, John Cooper and Frances Powell for the tricky work involved in capturing these figures.

A couple of projects driven by clubs have been completed. One was an updating of the Permanent Courses managed by Ugly Gully. Part of this funding was directed to exploring and establishing better marketing processes.

The other project, led by Enoggeroos, was to explore issues surrounding succession planning, and develop plans and strategies to manage this important part of our continued growth and success.

The deliverables from these projects have been made, or shall shortly be made, to all clubs in Queensland.

At Annual Conference our guest speaker was Dr Chris Schmidt whose topic was *Trends, Relevance and Capacity Building* (in volunteer-led organisations). Chris was also the employed consultant for the Succession Planning project and his involvement in both of these contacts with Orienteering worked very well. One of the points arising from both these interactions was the role of volunteers and how we as an organisation manage our volunteering programmes. This should form an important part of OQ development activity in 2014.

The Eventor event management system was the focus of the Conference afternoon session. Discussion is still alive and pertinent regarding this system, but a decision does not appear to be straightforward. Action on the system forthcoming from Orienteering Australia will be important in any decision. We will continue exploring the options in 2014.

In my 2012 report I touched on future Australian Sports Commission funding incorporating indicators for "go-ahead" sports (web sites performance, new programmes and diversification, bulletin subscriptions etc) and that I hoped in 2013 to see revised committees tackling some of these issues in a Queensland context. Work has been done on developing a possible new structure for OQ which will establish these committees and hopefully invigorate more of our governance responsibilities. These include the promotion of our sport and activities, development of our athletes at all levels via pathways, and as mentioned above, better volunteer management. Tied to volunteer management is the provision of adequate and quality resources, training, and succession planning. All aimed at growing the organisation and our sport.



Financially we are well placed but trending to some deficits over the last couple of years. This is reflected in our financial report and in some price rises occurring for events. These should come as little surprise as we have had no rises for quite some years now, and orienteering is still a very cheap sport at the local level, and at National level if you leave out the travel expenses. There have been efforts made in the last year or two to reduce travel expenses also by sourcing event maps which are easier to reach.

Finally, and most importantly, on behalf of the Management Committee, congratulations to those who have excelled in their orienteering adventures, and thanks to all those members who have contributed to the running of events, teams and clubs for 2013. Our most valuable resource is our volunteers and we should be putting special effort into conserving and growing this resource.

Happy Orienteering in 2014.

James Mitchell

President

2013 Annual Awards

President's Award

The OQ President's Award for 2013 was awarded to Mark Murray for his services to orienteering, congratulations for your continuing work.

James Mitchell, President

Previous Recipients of the President's Award:

2000 – Tony Zandegiacomo	Presented by Ian Taylor
2001 – Eric Andrews and Liz Bourne	Presented by Tim McIntyre
2002 – Cavanagh Family	Presented by Tim McIntyre
2003 – Tim McIntyre	Presented by Chris Spriggs
2004 – Anna Sheldon	Presented by Chris Spriggs
2005 – Rob Simson	Presented by Chris Spriggs
2006 – Nola McIntyre	Presented by Greg Chatfield
2007 – Chris Spriggs	Presented by Greg Chatfield
2008 – Barbara Pope and Pam Cox	Presented by Greg Chatfield
2009 – Craig Steffens	Presented by Reid Moran
2010 – Sandy Cantwell	Presented by Reid Moran
2011- Jen Woods	Presented by James Mitchell
2012- Russell Jaycock & Linda Davis	Presented by James Mitchell



Zonta's - 'Helen Lahey Orienteering Award'

**2013 Award Winner was Gail Campbell
here is her Letter from Sunshine
Orienteers.**



Administration is one of those thankless and less glamorous tasks that, if handled well simply happens, but if handled poorly results in many disgruntled competitors and gives a club a bad reputation. It is with pleasure that the Sunshine Orienteers Club Inc. puts forward Gail Campbell's name as a nominee for the 2013 Orienteering Queensland Zonta Award. As a developing orienteering club we appreciate this opportunity to recognize her commitment and contribution to orienteering, specifically on the Sunshine Coast. Gail and her husband Bruce have been involved with orienteering for 24 years and after moving to the Sunshine Coast in 2000 joined the fledgling Sunshine Orienteers Club. Gail has held positions on the Sunshine Orienteers committee since she joined our club 13 years ago, along with organizing events, field checking and mapping many of our club Foot and Mountain Bike Orienteering events.

Gail is both an individual and team contributor to the success of the Sunshine Orienteers Club. She is currently our treasurer and manages the administration for all our events.

She is an extremely organized and efficient person who dedicates a huge amount of time behind the scenes to ensure that the data for each and every event is as accurate as possible. Her focus on delivering simplified administration makes for smooth running of events - a task that is not often acknowledged and goes unnoticed. For this reason we want to raise awareness of the many hundreds of unrecognized hours of work that Gail has put into helping build the credibility of the Sunshine Orienteers. For the competitor the race may take as little as an hour to complete, unbeknownst to them, Gail works tirelessly behind the scenes for days in the lead up to the events. All data is manually checked before being uploaded to the club laptop, start lists are printed out, registration lists and outstanding monies are collated, result labels printed out, map board hire and SI stick hire lists checked and cross checked to ensure there are no hiccups on the day.

With our club hosting MTBO events we average 80 competitors per event and sometimes even the experienced orienteers can get it wrong....

- Insisting they don't need to bring their SI stick to rego to be checked only to discover they have attached their child's or partner's stick to their bike;
- Quoted their child's SI stick number when entering!!
- Assume entry fees have been paid by their partner!!
- Paid their entry fees to OQ or another club and not to SO!!

All minor hiccups, but when multiplied by more than a few can present a few headaches, especially at the download station when you are told you have been mispunched for not having the correct SI stick. When you have someone with the dedication of Gail managing your administration, all these issues are easily managed.

Gail is a dependable and punctual person, usually the first at an event to help set up and the last to go having collected controls, pulled the assembly area down and packed the trailer up.

She makes a thankless, but vital, task look easy!

This is an opportunity to publically acknowledge her contribution to which we are eternally thankful. Congratulations Gail.

Previous Recipients of the Zonta Award:

2000	Nola McIntyre	2003	Helen Sherriff	2006	Fiona Calabro	2009	Liz Bourne
2001	Jay Mair	2004	Liz Jarvis	2007	Jen Woods	2010	Joan Sheldon
2002	Lyn Thomas	2005	Wendy Read	2008	Robin Spriggs	2011	Felicity Crosato



Orienteer of the Year (OY) Awards

Best male	Mark Gregson & Mark Nemeth (Overall Winners)
Best female	Su Yan Tay (Overall Winner)
Best junior	Winnie Oakhill
Most Improved	Francois Pigerre, Brenton Gray (Runner up)
Best Blue	Cate Nemeth and Oliver Winburn
Best Green	Mikaela Gray and Ryan Gray
Best Orange	Caroline Pigerre and Nicholas Burrridge
Junior	Matias Salonen and Winnie Oakhill
Senior (19 - 34)	James Sheldon and Anna Sheldon
Vet (35 - 59)	Mark Gregson, Mark Nemeth and Su Yan Tay
Super Vet(60+)	Trevor Sauer and Jacquie Rand

Junior Awards

<i>Best Performance Qld champs</i>	<i>Winnie Oakhill</i>
<i>Most outstanding junior performance of the year</i>	<i>Heather Muir</i>

Elite Awards

<i>JWOC 2013</i>	<i>Lilian Burrill, Heather Muir</i>
<i>MTB JWOC & MTB WOC 2013</i>	<i>Chris Firman, Karl Withers</i>

Q League 2.0

<i>SM – Mark Gregson, James Sheldon, Mathieu McGuire</i>
<i>SW – Anna Sheldon, Wendy Read, Heather Muir</i>
<i>JM – David Tay, Paulo jun Alvear Fuji, Elliot Meelen</i>
<i>JW – Alison Burrill, Kelsey Harvey, Jessica Hoey</i>
<i>SJM- Aiden Tay, Simeon Burrill, Jack Newmann</i>
<i>SJW- Winnie Oakhill, Gaby Withers, Heather Burrridge</i>



Administration

The Administration Officer's roll is to focus on maintaining a high level of professionalism in all aspects of OQ administration and communications. The role includes the membership, correspondence and minute secretarial roles, co-ordinating the annual conference, editing the annual report, OA Mag distribution, preparation of statistical reports for Orienteering Australia and The Department of Communities and assisting with funding submissions. Much assistance has been provided by both Frances Powell & John Cooper with their never ending hard work on the statistical reports. In 2014 the Administration roll will be looking to forward plan and have more involvement from all OQ members.

Statistics – OA & Department of Communities

The annual statistical report for Orienteering Australia and Department of Communities Qld includes events, participation, membership, committee membership, numbers of accredited coaches and controllers, school activities and mapping. We continue to improve our membership, event and participation databases with the aim of providing a single source for accurate and timeous reports.

Weekly Bulletin

The weekly e-bulletin continues to be the major way of communicating with our members on a regular basis. At the end of 2011 the PDF format of the bulletin was replaced with a web enabled format, members and non-members are now able to subscribe and unsubscribe to the bulletin via the OQ website. The new web enable bulletin also allows us to collect statistics on how many members actually read the bulletin. With the success of the bulletin and the increased work load the weekly bulletin has become a paid part time position with Kayleen taking on the role and continuing on for another calendar year ahead.

Sport & Recreation Qld (SRQ)

2013 saw OQ enter the third year of a three year funding cycle of the 2011-2013 State Sport and Recreation Organisation Development Program. The funding agreement provides for \$210,000 of funding over the period of the agreement. This funding is directed towards increasing participation in schools, regional areas and mountain bike orienteering; maintaining junior squad programs; enhancing the new website and increasing training opportunities – all targeted to help grow our sport. 2014 makes a new year for funding and much work will go into the documents required.

Melissa Bowman

Administration Officer



Queensland School Orienteering

During 2013 the only area of the state that showed an increase in school orienteering activity has been the Darling Downs, and in particular the Toowoomba Region. The reasons for this are abundantly clear. Firstly there is the support and encouragement by Darling Downs School Sport, the only region of the state that continues to conduct regional trials and support a regional team to participate in the annual QSO Championships. Since 2008 no other school QSS region has provided this extent of encouragement to young orienteers. Secondly there is a small group of teachers led by Felicity Crosato who believe wholeheartedly in the educational value of our sport, and promote it enthusiastically in local schools. Thirdly they have the advantage of having country press outlets that are willing to give the sport considerable media exposure, a benefit not often available to Brisbane clubs where the major sports dominate the press coverage.

The success of the Darling Downs endeavours has resulted in over 50% of the Mini Cyclones and Junior Cyclones being members of Darling Downs clubs, either RR or BBB; while ten of the Schools orienteering team out of the 16 members plus 4 reserves were also from the Darling Downs.

The All Schools Challenge proposed for Brisbane in June was cancelled because it failed to attract Darling Downs school support and no Brisbane school has enough active orienteers to show an interest. We have considered changing the format back to a Mini Rogaine but finding a suitable date has proved difficult.

Queensland School Orienteering Championships were held on the first weekend in August. The Perseverance Dam map was used for the relays with Wim deJong setting the courses under Felicity Crosato's guidance. The sprint was conducted later the same day using a new map by Felicity Crosato at Highfields. Alison Burrill set the courses. The bush challenge was held on an updated version of part of the Woodlands map with Sam Anderson as the course setter. This year we included separate M11 & W11 courses to encourage more primary school student participation. Winners of the individual events were as follows:

	Bush		Sprint	
W11	Julia Gannon	Maer Dei	Rani Brennan	Middle Ridge SS
M11	Blake Reinbott	Toowoomba CC	Grant Reinbott	Toowoomba CC
W13A	Laurel Gannon	St. Ursula's	Laurel Gannon	St. Ursula's
M13A	Jayden Harvey	Boonah SHS	Jayden Harvey	Boonah SHS
JG	Winnie Oakhill	Kenmore SHS	Ellie deJong	The Glennie School
JB	Simeon Burrill	Warwick SHS	Riley de Jong	Toowoomba Grammar
SG	Heather Burridge	St. Aidan's	Bronte Gannon	St. Ursula's
SB	Tom Ronnfeldt	Toowoomba Grammar	Jack Neumann	Marist College, Ashgrove

Toowoomba Grammar had been announced as the Champion school but following a recheck this was awarded to St. Ursula's. Congratulations to the team at St. Ursula's being named our premier orienteering school for the first time.

The Queensland School Orienteering team was selected at the QSO Championships at Woodlands. The team of 16 plus four junior reserves travelled to the ACT for the Australian Orienteering Championships carnival. They finished third behind Victoria and Tasmania in a tight competition. It was a good team effort with standout performances by Simeon Burrill and Winnie Oakhill, plus the



Junior Girls team which won both the team and relay events in their class. Simeon Burrill, Riley de Jong and Winnie Oakhill were named in the National Honour team.

Once again we owe a debt of gratitude to the Junior Development Officer, Lisa Purcell, who helped handle all the paper work and the liaison with Queensland School Sport. Reid Moran and Joan Sheldon again took on team management, assisted by coaches, Neil Simson; and first time assistant coach, Crystal Neumann. Once again the management team did an excellent job and reported that the team cooperation and behaviour was excellent throughout the tour. Special thanks also to Michael BurrIDGE who helped arranged the flights and hire coach bookings and other financial aspects of the tour.

The small OQ Schools Committee continues to function well. It is great to have dedicated people working around you. Lisa Purcell's efforts to promote more effective orienteering programs in primary schools in the western Brisbane suburbs is to be commended and we look forwards to seeing how the schools respond.

Rob Simson

OQ Schools Committee – Chair

Coaching and Athlete Development

Coaching and Training Programmes

Mini Cyclones Squad

During 2013, 25 juniors participated in the Mini Cyclones, Junior Incentive Program. The program aims to encourage 12-14 year olds to develop a love of our sport and to foster support from their parents. Talented 11 year olds may also be included.

Most of the squad participated in the annual Mini Cyclones training camp, this time at Kindilan Outdoor Education Centre, Redland Bay. We also invited some of the more able Ultra-Mini Cyclones to join in. As well as the Kindilan map, we made use of the Stockyard Creek map at Burbank on the first day, and the Scribbly Gums Forest map at Cleveland on the second day. Thanks to the parents who came along to help, especially Meredith Gray who worked with the younger ones, Aaron Simson-Woods for his enthusiastic involvement as coach and mentor, and Frances Powell and her helpers for the excellent catering.

There have been many successes during 2013 in the Schools and Queensland Championships. Congratulations to Zazi Brennan and Caroline Pigerre and Harrison Wellingham on being selected and representing Queensland in the Queensland School Orienteering Team at the Australian Championships carnival in the ACT. Some of our younger members also participated in an interstate challenge organised by the ACT Blue Sparks.

In Mini Cyclones outstanding results in competition is not our primary goal. Rather we just want kids to get out and enjoy the challenge in the bush setting, and so develop a love of the natural world. Bush, not park or street orienteering, will remain our focus. We have a policy to include any club member in the 12-14 age group to become Mini Cyclones and receive a running shirt and coaching assistance, however no more than 50% of families take up the opportunity. Felicity Crosato is very good at signing up Range Runners members but the other clubs seem to be less successful. Perhaps we should all follow her example.

Rob Simson

Mini Cyclones Manager



Cyclones Squad

2013 Silva National Orienteering League

Sixteen Queenslanders represented the Cyclones over the thirteen rounds of the 2013 NOL season in Adelaide, Bendigo, and Canberra: seven women, five men, and two each of junior men and women.

The highlight of the NOL for the Cyclones was Heather Muir's win in the junior women. Muir competed in all twelve individual rounds, winning three and placing second in seven. These scores gave her a close win over former Queenslander, Jacqui Doyle. Allison Burrill finished sixteenth.

In the senior women's, Anna Sheldon, Rachel Effeney, who missed rounds 3-6, and Bridget Anderson had somewhat inconsistent seasons, finishing in ninth, tenth and twelfth respectively.

On the men's side of the league, junior David Tay displayed some promise with three steady rounds in the ACT in May, including a fifth place in Namadgi's technical granite in the ACT Middle Distance Championships and finished the season in fourteenth overall. The best senior result of the season was Mark Gregson's tenth place in the Australian Sprint Distance championships but a quiet national season saw him finish in only thirty ninth place over the season.

In the teams competition, the highlights was a close contest with the Tassie Foresters for third place in the women's competition. The Cyclones had a strong start to the season. Spearheaded by Rachel Effeney's sprint expertise and supported by a good turn-out and several steady performances they scored top points in round 1 in Adelaide. Despite Rachel's absences mid-season, the Cyclones were in equal third heading into the final round, the Australian Relay Championships and in the end only a single place in the relay relegated the Cyclones women to fourth.

The other three teams all suffered from a lack of numbers and erratic participation. They finished the season in fifth (men), seventh (junior men) and sixth (junior women).

The Cyclones in 2013 and their final NOL standing were:

Senior Men

Mark Gregson (39)
Oliver Crosato (60)
Mikko Salonen (64=)
Tim Effeney (67=)
Mat McGuire (72=)

Senior Women

Anna Sheldon (9)
Rachel Effeney (10)
Bridget Anderson (12)
Heather Muir (19)
Krystal Neumann (30=)
Katelyn Effeney (34)
Lilian Burrill (36=)

Junior Men

David Tay (14)
Paulo Alvear Fujii (24=)

Junior Women

Heather Muir (1)
Alison Burrill (16)

National Representation

Several Cyclones members were selected in national teams this year. Bridget Anderson, Rachel Effeney, Anna Sheldon, and Heather Muir (reserve) were selected for the New Zealand round of the World Cup held in January. The Cyclones were also represented in the Bushrangers vs Pinestars (NZ) test matches with Heather competing in the NZ match and Rachel in the ACT match. Heather did well to secure these spots in senior national teams while still a junior.

Summer Series

The Cyclones once again ran a series sprint races during the second half of the summer. Approximately 250 competitors enjoyed four races in some of Queensland's best urban sprint terrain. The series culminated in the novel format of the Sprint Special at Ferny Grove, where participants were challenged to a series of one-on-one sprint showdowns, until only the victor remained.

All members of the Cyclones contributed to the Summer Series, which helps to raise funds for competing in the National Orienteering League. The Cyclones also organised and set the badge event at the wonderful granite terrain of Rosenthal Ck in September. Thanks to Lilian Burrill for setting, Mat McGuire for organising and the numerous volunteers who helped on the day.



New and Departing Members

In 2013 we welcomed two new athletes to the squad and farewelled others. Paulo Alvear Fujii and Tim Effeney both competed in their first NOLs. Unfortunately, Tim has injured his knee and won't be competing in 2014.

We farewell Mikko Salonen, who returned home to Finland with his family, and also Bridget Anderson, who has defected to the Southern Arrows after several years living in Adelaide, and similarly Laurina Neumann, who now lives in Bendigo, Victoria.

Officials

Particular thanks to Mathieu McGuire who managed the Cyclones for a second season, ensuring everyone was organised and registered for the interstate competitions. Anna Sheldon was the Cyclones Coach once again and played her usual key role in controlling the Summer Series. Mark Gregson was the Cyclone's Captain.

The Cyclones are Queensland's elite foot-orienteeing squad competing in the Silva National Orienteering League (NOL).

Mark Gregson

Cyclones Manager

Promotion and Development

Promotion

Promotion

An updated version of the Starter Pack was produced early in the year and distributed to the clubs to assist new people to learn more about orienteeing.

OQ participated in the Queensland Outdoor Recreation Federation's Active Outdoors Expo at Northshore Riverside Park at Hamilton on 5 October. As well as a display, there were courses offered around the park with quite a few family groups taking up the opportunity to try out orienteeing.

The Brisbane clubs continued their involvement with the Brisbane City Council's Active Parks Program, while Enoggeroos also organised events for the Moreton Bay Regional Council's Active For Life program. Toowoomba's Range Runners Club conducted a series of park events for their Council's Change program. These activities are providing a good opportunity for clubs to promote orienteeing in the local community, using the Councils' publicity and marketing resources.

Media

Regular coverage of orienteeing remained strong in regional outlets, particularly Toowoomba, Warwick and Stanthorpe but very sporadic in the statewide and Brisbane media. However, the Courier Mail's *Weekend* section had an excellent feature on orienteeing on 1 March and the *Northside Chronicle* did a good article in May on Heather Muir and her inclusion in the Australian JWOC team.



Regional Development

Cairns

Additional maps of local schools, parks and the Cairns campus of James Cook University were made during the year plus an additional bush map on the Atherton Tablelands. The existing street O map of the Cairns CBD was also extended.

A successful bush event was conducted in April on the Atherton Tablelands and two series of three park/street O events were conducted in June/July and again in August/September.

Participation at these events continues to be high which is very encouraging for the future of orienteering in Far North Queensland.

Rockhampton

Additional mapping of three schools, the campus of the Central Queensland University and two new bush areas was undertaken and extensions to existing park maps was also completed mid-year. A series of seven park events were conducted in Rockhampton during August to October with funding from the Australian Sports Commission's Participation Program. Although only modest attendances were achieved, there was continued enthusiasm for the sport from participants and local schools.

Gympie

A Level O coaching course was conducted for 17 local teachers in Gympie in August with interest for extending orienteering activities into local bush areas as well.

Gold Coast

Thanks to the very active efforts of Mark Roberts, the Paradise Lost club was revived during the year and a regular program of park events was organised, with good attendances. Mark updated many of the existing park maps as well as creating a large number of new ones.

Toowoomba

The Range Runners Orienteering Club conducted two series of street O events in February and again in October, with funding from the Australian Sports Commission's Participation Program. Attendance numbers were very good at these events and helped introduce a lot of new people to the sport. Further school maps were made in the city with increasing interest from a number of local primary and secondary schools.

External Grants

A number of clubs were again successful in obtaining grants to help with equipment purchases and club development, particularly from Volunteers Grants and the Gambling Community Benefit Fund. The Brisbane City Council's Healthy and Physical Activity Grants Program also provided a useful source of funds for local club projects. The Department of Communities *Get Going* grants provided funding for the purchase of Sportident equipment for both the Range Runners and Bullecourt Boulder Bounders clubs while Toohey Forest received funding for bush coaching activities.

Liz Bourne

Development Officer



Hi-Tech

There have been further purchases of Sportident equipment in 2013. Sportident kits are owned by most clubs in OQ and many events are conducted solely with the use of club equipment. Central stores of SI equipment are mainly only in use for major OQ events. We are seeing the gradual upskilling of quite a number of members in the use of both the OE and the Or event organisation programs. This is a pleasing development and clubs are encouraged to continue to train new people.

The focus of information transfer continues to be the OQ web-site. All events are listed on this site and associated results are uploaded to the OA results web-site. Other states are slowly moving towards using the OA supported Eventor system. OQ will need to consider if and when they should also move to using this system.

As in previous years, the collection of statistical information at events remains problematic. Statistics are being compiled by John Cooper and are also collected by the OA results system. However this information is still only as good as the information that is supplied and all clubs are encouraged to enter all participants as individuals into an event (even if only charged as a group) and to collect age and gender data.

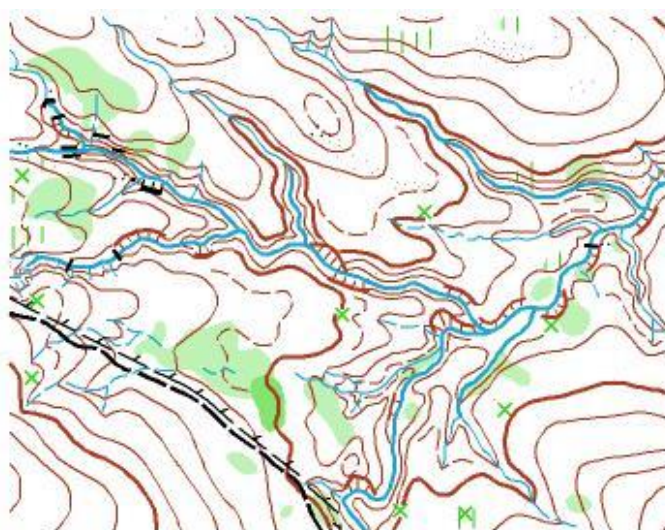
Tim McIntyre

Chair Hi-Tech

Mapping

The year saw an extensive mapping program undertaken across the state. Further bush, park and school mapping occurred around Cairns with a combination of funds from the Australian Sports Commission's Participation Program as well as from OQ's mapping budget.

Further park, sprint and bush mapping projects were undertaken in Central Queensland around Rockhampton and Yeppoon to support the Australian Sports Commission sponsored participation program. Two school maps were produced in Gympie as a result of interest from local teachers.



The existing park maps on the Gold Coast were all updated and a number of new ones produced. A mapping workshop was conducted near Charters Towers in June with participants from Cairns and Townsville attending. An enthusiastic group of six prospective fieldworkers turned out for a weekend mapping workshop at Leyburn State Forest in November. They also participated in a school mapping workshop in Toowoomba in December.

Considerable time was spent early in the year in providing comment on the current review of the 2000 International Specification for Orienteering Maps to enable Orienteering Australia to produce a consolidated view of the changes from Australian mappers.

Eric Andrews

Technical Officer



Technical

A course planning workshop was conducted in Toowoomba in February which attracted 13 participants. Course planning workshops were also held in Cairns and Townsville during the year, attracting 11 participants.

In conjunction with Orienteering Australia, considerable work was put into reviewing and updating the list of the accredited Queensland controllers listed with the Australian Sports Commission. Felicity Crosato (RR) and John Baker (EN) became accredited as Level 1 controllers and Murray Haines (BUSH), Greg Chatfield (UG) and Craig Steffens (MTB) were upgraded to Level 2. A Level 1 controller's course was conducted in Brisbane in February with 5 participants and a Level 2 workshop was held in Brisbane in November with three participants who have since been updated to Level 2 controllers - Reid Moran (TF), James Schulmeister (UG) and Anna Sheldon (UG).

Both RROC and BBB clubs received grants to enable them to purchase their own Sportident equipment and most weekend events in South East Queensland are now running as pre-enter and using Sportident.

The OQ online event entry system developed a few years ago continues to be very effective in managing the range of events run by Queensland clubs.

A complete revision of the OQ's Technical Manual was begun with a view to making it accessible on the website rather than in its existing printed form.

Eric Andrews

Technical Officer



Event Programme

After many revisions of the draft program of events for the year, a finalised version of the state program was published in February. Following feedback from the Brisbane clubs, 'state events' were dropped and clubs were given greater flexibility in the type of events they conducted. 11 OY events were held during the year including three badge events.

The 2013 Queensland Championships were organised by Ugly Gully and conducted at White Rock on 10-11 August, attracting 156 competitors, including 20 from interstate and 2 from overseas. For the first time, the Saturday event became a middle distance race for all competitors while the Sunday event was a long distance.

Eric Andrews

Technical Officer

Membership statistics

There was a small increase in the number of members in 2012 compared to 2013.

Total Membership 2013

Club	Assoc Family	Assoc Junior	Assoc Senior	Family	Group	Intro Family	Intro Junior	Intro Senior	Indiv Snr	Indiv Jnr	Life	2013 to date
BQ				4	1		1		3	2	3	14
BUQ	2		2	2					1			7
ENQ				13		3			7	2	1	26
FNQ	1		1	1					1			4
FRQ									2	1		3
MTQ				14		3		4	15			36
OQ						1		2		1		4
PLQ				5		1			3			9
RRQ				13	1	6		1	2	3		26
SOQ				15		2		8	5		2	32
TFQ				17		1		5	20		2	45
TTQ	2		1	2		1			1			7
UGQ				28		1		6	23		4	62
TOTAL	5	0	4	114	2	19	1	26	83	9	12	271

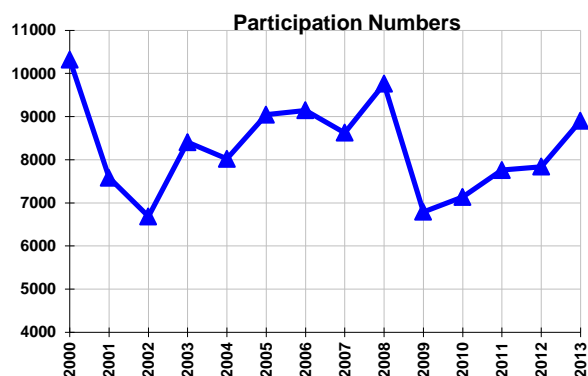
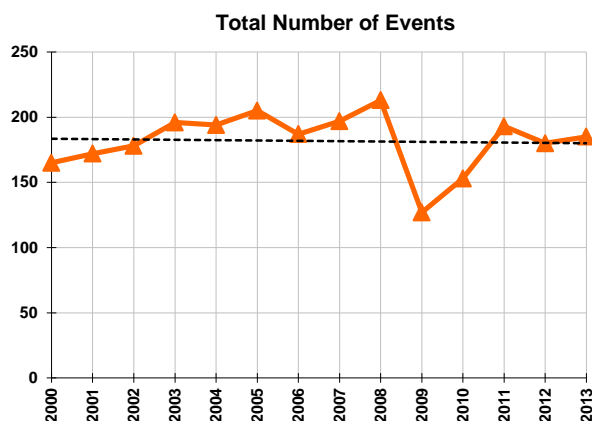
Full Membership by Club

Club	2013	2012	2011*	% of 2011*	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
BBQ	24	22	26	85%	25	30	24	28	30	38
BUQ	15	20	16	125%	18	17	11	17	26	13
ENQ	68	65	79	82%	82	87	84	97	96	123
FNQ	6	3								
FRQ	3	2	1	200%	1	9	3	6	0	0
MTQ	36	94	89	106%	73	47	59	79	0	0
PLQ	9	9	10	90%	16	26	25	29	35	22
RRQ	9	60	44	136%	51	57	69	61	55	59
SOQ	33	35	42	83%	22	29	34	49	53	39
TFQ	113	83	76	109%	86	103	100	130	140	132
TTQ	22	8	9	89%	5	15	16	18	16	22
UGQ	170	143	158	91%	151	172	161	159	170	163
OQ	4	1	2	50%	5	0	0	0	0	0
Total	557	545	552	99%	535	592	586	673	621	611

Melissa Bowman - Membership Officer

Participation statistics

Since 2009, participation records have been maintained on a stand-alone database. The source for this information is the results published on the Orienteering Australia website or Eventor, the OQ membership database, non-members participation details (collected by clubs at events and reported as part of the event reports submitted to OQ). This methodology ensures that an audit trail of the statistics is maintained, as well as enabling OQ to track individual unique participants.



Year	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total No of Events	178	196	194	194	187	197	213	127	153	193	180	185

Less 6 A3D events =

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Junior Male	1138	1076	1449	1447	1463	1380	1643	1050	1149	1590	1636	1604
Senior Male	484	546	1192	633	640	603	894	1111	477	384	978	1086
Veteran Male	2294	3068	3733	2713	2744	2587	3016	2106	2488	2623	2988	2757

Junior Female	911	1295	1661	1628	1646	1552	1651	826	910	1294	1279	1300
Senior Female	317	488	635	452	457	432	448	533	366	334	701	608
Veteran Female	1539	1933	2474	2170	2195	2069	2107	1164	1462	1535	1519	1546
Total Participation	6683	8406	11144	9043	9145	8623	9759	6790	7135	7760	9101	8901

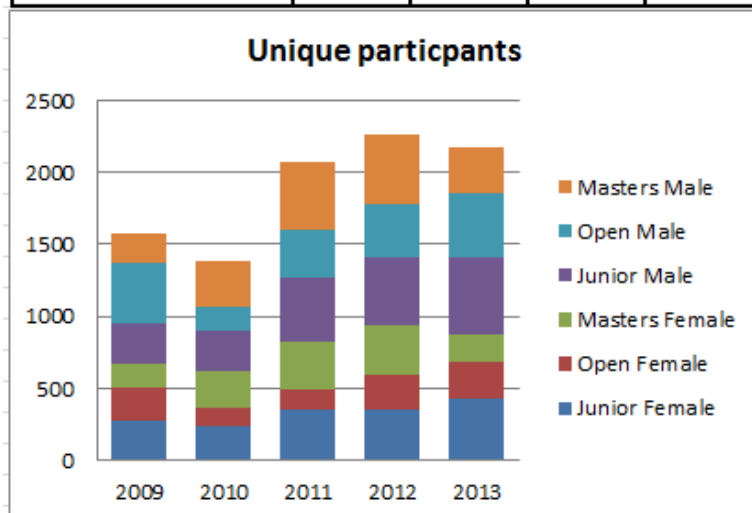
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The figures from 2009 onwards are slightly understated. As not all OQ sanctioned events have published results. It is our recommendation that all OQ sanctioned events have published results either on the OA results website or Eventor.

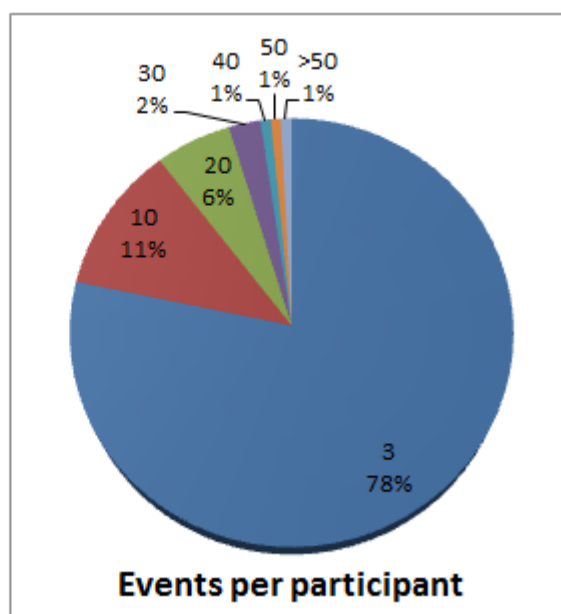
A visual analysis of unique participants

Category	Unique Participants				
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Junior Female	274	233	350	355	425
Open Female	236	137	145	243	262
Masters Female	167	253	334	343	186
Junior Male	275	282	447	476	539
Open Male	423	165	330	363	448
Masters Male	204	318	468	484	320
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	1579	1388	2074	2264	2180



**Our
most
dedicated athletes**

number of events	% of total
3	78.30
10	11.20
20	5.70
30	2.40
40	0.80
50	0.70
>50	0.80



Name	Nr
Michael Burrridge	99
Karyn Ross	85
Matthew Ross	83
John Cooper	71
Brenton Gray	69
Roy Kalecinski	69
Meredith Gray	65
Clive Pope	63
Su Yan Tay	59
Jacque Rand	58
Reid Moran	56
Stephen Morris	56
David Tay	55
Tony Howes	55
Gaby Withers	53
Paul Elby	51
Neville Cobbold	51
Max Read	51
Tim McIntyre	50

It is of interest to note that 78% of our participants attend 3 or less events and 89% 10 or less events.

John Cooper & Frances Powell



Mid-Week Orienteering

We had another great year in Mid Week Orienteering. The number of participants was over 34 each week and resulted in total numbers of over 1500 for the whole year. We schedule an event every week of the year from February to December, and commit to them whatever the weather and conditions, unless, as happened on two occasions this year, it is impossible such as floods or no access on the day.

The events are organized by our regulars who mostly volunteer for at least one event a year. Others help in the background. This results in a great social atmosphere at our events with little fuss and bother, but with a professional edge in the orienteering runs. We offer three hard courses; short, medium and long; length, climb and seasonal climate are taken into account. However we do recognize the lesser experienced and offer instruction and advice when needed.

We vary the events as much as possible and always look out for new maps and areas. Sometimes BBQs are organized or just individual lunches are eaten while debating the route choices of the day. A good way to get involved and meet new people.

We also offer an additional easy course when we are sponsored by the Brisbane City Council GOLD and GOLD 'n Kids programs. We find that the GOLD 'n Kids events attract the most new people since they are always on during school holidays. At these sponsored events we give full instruction.

The Mid Week Championships were held at Mt Coot-tha, twice, since the first time we had a raging bushfire nearby and were refused permission on the day. However we held it again in November very successfully.

We had two events which were rather too ambitious for our organization. Toohey Forest on Anzac Day which attracted 120 competitors, and Windermere, incorporating Rocks Riverside with 90 participants.

Judi Hay provided some variety in two events at Seven Hills. An American Independence Day on July 4th and again at Christmas with a course that looked like a Christmas tree. Anyway they are good excuses for parties.

One major innovation this year has been the successful introduction of a computer program for starts and finishes initiated by John Cooper. This enables an accurate recording and quick assessment of results. It produces results in the format required by the website and a good basis for statistics. It is good for any event not using Sport Ident.

A very big thanks to all our organisers, without whom we would not be able to put on such a varied program throughout the Brisbane area all through the year. As usual, everyone is welcome!

Chris Spriggs,

Mid-Week Convenor



Mountain Bike Orienteering

Events

Eleven Rider of the Year MTBO events were conducted during the year mainly by the MTB and SO clubs. BBB also organised one of these events, using the Passchendaale State Forest, north west of Stanthorpe. In addition to these events, the clubs also organised a number of promotional CATI and training days. The Far North Orienteers conducted an MTBO event in October and attracted good numbers.

OQ hosted the 2013 Australian MTBO Championships at Gympie on 27 and 28 July using the Corella State Forest north of the city for a middle distance event and the Toolara pine plantation, east of Gympie, for a long distance event. The event attracted 115 participants, including 33 from interstate and 22 from New Zealand.

The Queensland MTBO Championships were held on 7 and 8 September in the plantation forests near Beerburum and were organised by the SO club.

Team Representation

Chris Firman (EN) and Karl Withers (EN) were selected in the Australian senior and junior men's team to contest the World Mountain Bike Orienteering Championships which were held in Estonia in August.

Queensland Storm

The Queensland Storm team performed well in the National League events during 2013, gaining a 5th placing in M21E and a 2nd in W21E, a 1st placing in M-20E and a 6th in W-20E to give it a 3rd placing overall in the elite rankings. Karl Withers achieved the top ranking in the M-20E class overall, as did his sister, Gaby, in the W-16 class.

In the Masters classes, Queensland Storm riders were generally in the top three rankings and overall were in second place. Placegetters in the Masters classes rankings included second placing to Norah Skilton (W50), Julie Fisher (W60) and Craig Steffens (M40).

Technical

It has been agreed that an additional course needs to be added to the existing 5 courses offered at ROY and Qld Championships events where the terrain is likely to be steep or rough, to take account of older and younger riders who currently ride on Course 5. This course will be approximately 2/3 of the length of Course 5 and will cover the age classes W12, W14+, W70, W80+ and M80+, with it also being offered as a Recreational Course for newcomers.

Promotion

A card promoting MTBO was updated early in the year with 2,000 copies being produced and distributed to clubs.

The Sunshine Orienteers participated in a feature story on MTBO for the *Totally Wild* TV program that went to air nationally on 7 August. They also contributed to a feature article about MTBO in the Courier Mail's *Great Weekend* supplement on 26 July.

Liz Bourne

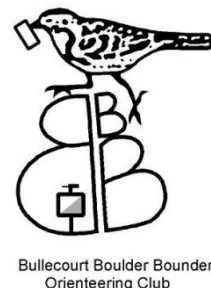
MTBO Co-ordinator



Club Reports

Bullecourt Boulder Bounders (BBB)

BBB has over the year engaged in a range of activities to increase club membership and promote the sport. In February, CATI events were conducted in Federation Park in Warwick and at the Stanthorpe Showgrounds. Eric Andrews has completed the mapping of further state primary schools in Warwick and Stanthorpe. Marion Burrill and her family ran a number of events at primary schools in Warwick and in Queens Park. Newspaper exposure, mainly through the efforts of Liz Bourne has again been well received. The club newsletter continues to be sent to members and non-members, keeping everyone up-to-date. Event information has also been displayed in school newsletters. Many club members attended a course setting workshop in Toowoomba in February conducted by club technical officer, Eric Andrews. While the club membership has remained fairly static, attendance at events has generally been good.



With a small membership the club has been fortunate in having a close association with the Range Runners Orienteering Club. RROC organised events at Leyburn, Goomburra and a training day at Leyburn; all within reasonable distance for club members. At some events RROC and BBB shared in the organisation. The club helped stage the Darling Downs School trials at Charlies Paddock (Dalveen) with over 70 students involved. Parent support at the trials and at events has been a feature of the year.

The club took on a heavy load with an OY event at Dalmoak in March followed by OY events at the Cascades and with club members assisting with the controlling of the badge event at Rosenthal Creek (Dalveen) in September. Such big events place a heavy load on a small club and on key individuals.

April saw a successful two day MTBO event at Amiens, with over 50 competitors on both days.

Our new O suit top has proved popular with members and is always a welcome sight at state and interstate events.

A key feature of our events in 2013 was the widespread use of Sportident, with Talgai State Forest (Shanty Gully) being our first local event using the technology.

The club was saddened to hear of the death of Nancy Aiken. Nancy took a keen interest in our events at her *Dalmoak* property. We will miss her.

Our Club members had some great results over the year. Jessica Hoey, Kieran Bourke and Simeon Burrill, were named in the Queensland Schools Team and were well placed at the Queensland Orienteering Championships. Alison Burrill was placed first at the Queensland Championships in the W17 – 20A class. At the Australian Schools Championships, Simeon Burrill was placed first in the Junior Boys, a great result. He was also named in the Australian Schools Honour Team.

BBB is fortunate in having quality maps and great country for orienteering. This area has provided an ideal training ground for many successful Queensland orienteers.

Doug Wilson

BBB President



Enoggeroos Orienteering Club Inc (EN)



Enoggeroos have had a busy year but it is with disappointment that i report this. The business has resulted from the same club members performing the same tasks as they have been doing for many years. Our club has a membership base of 50 plus, however the tasks have been performed by approximately 7 plus members. Task overload will eventually occur for these members.

An initiative to combat this malady, common to most organisations, was initiated in the form of a series of workshops and presentations presented as Succession Planning. This was received well by those who attended, and Lynda Rapkins has come out of retirement to introduce some aspects of the workshops. With Lynda's expertise and enthusiasm it can be expected that progress will occur in increasing our volunteer pool.

Having commenced with a criticism I now happily move to a bouquet. Some of our junior members are doing us proud, both in results from events and in putting their hands up to organise. Gaby Withers continues to improve and have her name up at the top of her leader board both in foot and MTBO. Her improvements throughout the year have been impressive. Gaby is the epitome of the quiet achiever. She just goes ahead and does it without fuss. Along with Gaby we have Heather Muir, in her first year as a senior. Her results continue up the scale and we are all sure she will keep improving. Last but by no means least there are Melanie and Neumann and Paulo Alvear Fujii. Both of these young members are always willing to lend a hand at any time. They have also become involved with presenting orienteering to After School groups around the Brisbane area. Melanie's cousin Krystal has also put her hand up between her teaching duties.

Within the technical area, Rob Rapkins is working continuously to produce new maps and upgrade some of our older ones. He is also assisting with his mapping knowledge some members who have expressed an interest in mapping.

Orienteering is an ever evolving sport. Young Dylan Bryant recently had his birthday, and instead of the regular party, he decided he would have his at an orienteering event. He chose Grinstead Park. After schooling his friends in the subtle skills of orienteering, he introduced them to Maze Orienteering where they all tried to outdo each other multiple times. Tony filmed a small portion of the fun and we thought you might like to enjoy it. Here it is on YouTube www.youtube.com/watch?v=hEfe4JmHoCU

With the new programme to address the lack of volunteers we will be moving forward in the new year. With the continued involvement of our bright younger members Enoggeroos will grow.

Jim Bowling
EN President



Ugly Gully Orienteering Club (UG)



2013 has been another successful year for Ugly Gully. The Club has been led by an active committee of the following members:

Position	Office Bearer
President	Peter Effenev
Secretary	Juliana de Nooy
Treasurer	Michael Burrige
Technical Officer	Tim McIntyre
Events Coordinator	Su Yan Tay
Mapping Coordinator	Brenton Gray
Coaching Officer	Su Yan Tay
Membership Officer	Robin & Chris Spriggs
Social Coordinator	Fran Powell
Drinks Coordinator	Noelene & John Anderson
OQ Representative	Tim McIntyre
Junior Rep	David Tay

attracted group of non-orienteers.

Membership

Membership is standing at 139.

Financially

The club is healthy financially with approx \$25,000 in the bank and total assets of approx \$33,000 as at 30 Sept 2013.

Events

The Club conducted a series of Club Bush events, the annual Park-O series as well as a large role in the NightNav Series.

Thanks to the Anderson's for looking after the drinks for events. They are passing this role on this year, after a long tour of duty.

Queensland Championships

Ugly Gully had the responsibility of organising the Queensland Championships this year at Springfield. This was a great carnival on a new map close to Brisbane.

Thanks to all in the Club who contributed to the success of this event – but especially the great work and leadership of Brenton Gray and David Morris, Geoff Peck, Rachel Effenev and Mikko Salonen, Tim McIntyre and Mike Burrige, Barb Pope and Noelene Anderson. These guys did some innovative things with the Championships including an Ultra-Long event which

Development of the Sport

Ugly Gully has been active in development of the sport of Orienteering. Through the enthusiastic efforts of Lee Smith and a whole team of mappers and others – we've been implementing a \$10,900k BBC Grant enabling us to:

Expand permanent courses to new park areas

- such as Anzac Park, Bardon Park, & Rainbow Forest (Kenmore) as well as UQ

Develop a training programme to allow other orienteering clubs to learn how to set up permanent courses in their area

Develop a Schools Development package to encourage Orienteering through schools including additional permanent courses

Develop School O Packs (Primary & High)

- permanent courses to cover an orienteering activity programme that includes all material a non-orienteering teacher would need to run the activity;

Undertake a marketing study: To maximize and improve marketing of Permanent courses and Orienteering more generally, and

Disability Program: Permanent O courses that are wheelchair friendly at UQ and Bardon Park

Coaching

In April, Su Yan Tay organised a Coaching Symposium for Elites presented by Mikko Salonen, Geoff Peck and Anna Sheldon. This was hosted by Gray's and was very successful.

Club Uniforms

Thanks to Wendy Read we have had a new set of Club uniforms in the pipeline which look very smart.

Sporting Performance of Our Members

Our members also had a successful year of orienteering. See the following list and thanks to Barb Pope for doing the research behind this.

Easter Three Days

Clive Pope (1); Su Yan Tay (2nd); Linda Burrridge (2nd); Greg Chatfield (3rd);

Venla Salonen (3rd)

Australian Championships (Sprint, Middle, Long)

Clive Pope (1st, 1st, 2nd) Winnie Oakhill (1st , 2nd) Greg Chatfield (2nd)

Su Yan Tay (3rd) Linda Burrridge (3rd)



Queensland Orienteer of the Year

Best Female Su Yan Tay (3rd)

Best Junior Winnie Oakhill (1st)

Most Improved Francois Pigerre (1st)

Orienteering Australia National Positions

National Coach for the WOC Team - Wendy Read

Orienteering Australia High Performance Director Lance Read

Members of the Queensland Schools Team

Heather Burridge and Sharn Harvey (Reserve)

Aiden Tay and Lachlan McIntyre (Reserve)

Winnie Oakhill, Caroline Pigerre with Laurne Baade and Niamh Shulmeister (Reserves)

Members of National Squads

National Development Squad: Katelyn Effeney, Mark Gregson, Matt McGuire

High Performance Squad: Anna Sheldon, Rachel Effeney

Peter Effeney

UG President



Multi Terrain Bike Orienteering Club (MTBO)



The club has continued to host quality event through out the year from Bike-O's in local council parks, State series rounds in bush sites and National level carnivals.

Highlights for the year included:-

- Successful Australian champs carnival at Gympie
- Bike-O event during Bike Week

The club continues to focus on expanding its volunteer base with training for:-

- training for OCAD CS (course setting)
- training for Sportident (event timing)

The Rider Of the Year (ROY) series has continued to attract a strong following of riders, from the committed elites to novices and adventure racing teams.

Club members represented QLD at the Australian National MTBO Series rounds in Canberra and Beechworth.

The club has been actively represented at the OQ Operations Committee, contributing to the future direction of MTBO development, Eventor development and Volunteer training.





Club members participated in a major carnival in the Auckland region of New Zealand's north island. The 10 day trip saw riders from around Australia travel as a co-ordinated group, to 5 event stages from Auckland to Rotorua. Whilst there were strong individual performances in the varied terrain, it wasn't enough to topple the locals who won the A/NZ Challenge competition.



Craig Steffens
MTBO President



Range Runners Orienteering Club Inc (RROC)

We have enjoyed another very successful year both in club numbers and finances.

The Get Going grant from Sport and Rec (Qld Gov) worth more than \$8000 allowed the purchase of SI equipment allowing for most events for the year to be run using electronic timing. We also received a grant from OA to run a series of street events which proved very popular.

Great Southern Financial Services (Andrew Brennan) again supported us financially allowing the purchase of, among other equipment, another tent, which has been well used. Thanks Andrew!

Thank you to Riley de Jong (and Wim) for organising the new club shirts. A big thank you to Podiatry for Foot Health (Lisa de Jong) for sponsorship which reduced the cost of the shirts to members. We are really being noticed!

The Course Setting Course run by Liz and Eric was again well attended and gave everyone a chance to get their courses ready for the coming year. Thanks also to Eric for the mapping workshops which Bruce Jones and I attended. We were then able to put our skills to the test, helping to map Centenary Heights SHS.

In August we hosted the Qld Schools championships. As expected, our club members were prominent at the championships with 22 juniors selected to represent the Darling Downs, and a further 6 representing the South Burnett. Nine of those went on to be selected in the Qld team to travel to Canberra for the Australian Schools Championships. Congratulations to Toby Brennan, Tom Ronnfeldt, Elliott Meelen, Ellie O'Connell, Sammy McDougall, Sarah Cranney, Zazi Brennan, Riley de Jong and Harrison Wellingham. Well done to the St Ursula's team who snatched the Champion School title away from TGS.

In September we joined the Toowoomba Regional Council Change Project which involved running a monthly park O for 6 months, in exchange for free publicity of our events and some financial assistance.

We also achieved our Level 0 Good Sports accreditation. Our events are smoke and alcohol-free zones.

Hall of fame additions for 2013— Congratulations to Riley de Jong for his selection into the Australian Schools Honour team and to Tamsin Barnes, for being named in the Australian W40 MTBO team.

It was with great sadness that we learned of the sudden death of Lawrence Hennelly in October. While fairly new to our club, he was not new to orienteering. His tireless efforts throughout the weekend of the Qld Schools championships were very much appreciated. The club extends our sympathies to his wife Carol and the family.

I have run 3 Active After School Care sessions at 2 primary schools with several students coming to the Schools Championships as a direct result. I would particularly like to thank Andrew Wickes, Concordia Primary, and John Parker, St Ursula's, for promoting our sport at their respective schools.



To end the year we received notification of our successful Volunteers' Grant application for 2014.



Felicity Crosato - RROC President

Sunshine Orienteers Club Inc (SO)



2013 was a very successful year for our club. Highlights for the year are:
Membership. Approximately 55 members (plus at least 8 new members for 2014)

Events. Sunshine Orienteers ran 6 events during the year. This included 2 ROY events plus Qld MTBO champs over 2 days, 1 Training Day followed by a CATI and finally for the first time, a foot-O. All events were well attended and feedback positive. At the Qld Champs, we took the decision to trial a "Recreational" MTBO course. The idea was for it to be much simpler navigationally and physically, have lots of controls to appeal to kids and to replace the CATI events. We will now run a "Recreational" course at every event and not run any separate CATI's at all. Jerseys. During the year we organized club cycle shirts. We were overwhelmed by the response with 35 being sold. Gear. We have a new club trailer for our gear, we bought a quantity of free standing flags with punches, and some new start finish banner flags. Website. This is continually evolving as time permits but has ultimately proved to be popular.

Promotion. Our club was involved in the production of a segment for "Totally Wild". It aired on May 10th. Awards. We successfully put forward Gail Campbell's name as a nominee for the 2013 Prestigious Helen Lahey Memorial Zonta Award, which recognizes the contribution of women in orienteering. The Sunshine Orienteers are delighted to publically acknowledge her contribution to orienteering for which we are eternally thankful. Congratulations Gail!

Stuart Gordon

SO President



Totally Topical Orienteering Club (TTOC)



2013 was both a quiet and a busy year for TTOC, quiet in regards to the number of events conducted compared to most years but busy when it came to the amount of participants at the events we did conduct! The Wednesday night Urban Adventure Series in February kicked off without a hitch or a cyclone. The Summer Series can be considered a success with an average of 128 participants and 44 teams over the four weeks. The Night Urban Adventure Series in August saw almost as many participants, averaging 124 competitors and 40 teams for the four week duration. The night series took on a bit of an “Amazing Race” feel with the addition of bonus “Challenge” checkpoints, which turned out to be very popular with the competitors although more man intensive for the Club to conduct. We had an amazing number of local businesses give us vouchers and prizes as random draws for the two Urban Series and it was interesting to note that we handed out just over \$6000 worth of prizes during the August night series. All businesses were promoted each week via the Event Results and Write-ups (Email and Facebook) and at the end of the series we gave them all Certificates of Appreciation, took photos of them with their certificates and did another Facebook plug. The generosity of our local businesses is amazing and we need to keep supporting them as they are supporting us. I believe the Urban Series’ were very successful, but there was a decent amount of work behind the scenes to make them happen and the following members and friends need to be recognised:

- Lia – Communications guru who sent out mass reminder, update and results emails each week
- Matt and Celeste who collected all the CPs during the Summer Series
- Lia and James who gave up competing in the Night Series to help on the results desk every week and whom it would not have been possible to run the event without
- Mark and Sam who gave up competing in the Night Series to help plan and run challenges each week, allowing us to introduce the popular “Challenge” checkpoints.
- Tegan who spent hours chasing up random draw prizes
- Tegan and Adrian who competed every week, then jumped straight onto the results desk at the end
- Adrian, Arnstein and Tegan who briefed the newbies each week
- Random helpers on the Desk, BBQ & Challenges – Chrissy Conyers, Colleen Newman, Adrian Kirby, Dave Sterritt, Lincoln Murdoch, James Roberts, Belinda Stedman, Eve Conyers, Michael Fenton, Sam Stedman ... many hands making it all happen!

This year life and the other commitments of Club Members messed up the running the majority of the nonurban events, along with JCU making life hard in regards to risk management and emergency plans! I’m not sure if this is anything to panic about; we just have to be prepared to be flexible. The only bush event that went ahead this year was Mingela and for the second time in history, TTOC conducted a State Level OY Event. Orienteering Qld were hopeful that by the Mingela OY tacking onto the Australasian Rogaining Championships on the Atherton Tablelands, we would find that the Southerners would stay in NQ for a holiday and we would pick up entrants. No such luck, Mingela saw Russell put in a lot of hard work for us to have the normal Townsville crew in attendance, Mike and his couple of Internationals from Cairns and one family from the Darling Downs. Saying that though, it was great to get back onto the Mingela Map, the courses were excellent, the competitors had fun on both days and it was a pleasant evening camping at Bivouac Junction and telling stories around the campfire. Thanks for all your efforts Russell and Co (Adrian, Matt, Caterer Sammy). In conjunction with the Mingela Event, we conducted a Thursday Night “Limited Edition Urban Adventure”, again to try and keep the Southerners in NQ. It turns out we had NO Southerners in the event, but we did pick up 24 local teams with 78 competitors! A fun event that confirmed the locals want their Urban Adventure on a Wednesday and not a Thursday! Lia went to the effort to make up some great trophies, a bit of a change from the sought after smelly runners, thanks Lia.



Other events that the club has been involved in organizing this year include;

☐☐3rd Brigade Army Orienteering Competition (Linda)

☐☐2 x navigation training evenings with the Rangers (Russell and Adrian)

Club Members have also participated in;

☐☐Mapping Workshop with Eric Andrews

☐☐Orienteering Qld State Meeting (Russell)

☐☐Australasian Rogaining Championships – Atherton Tablelands

(Congratulations to Adrian, Arnstein, Sam S, Tony, Tegan, Chrissy, Eve, Jen on their excellent results)

We have continued to have more to do with Orienteering Queensland this year through monthly Operations Meetings (telephone link) and by conducting a successful OY Event. OQ have been very positive in regards to assisting TTOC and giving us opportunities in regards to funding, mapping, website management and equipment access.

We have the opportunity this coming year to be involved in the North Queensland Games and the 12WBT Challenge, which will raise our profile in the local area and also give us a chance to conduct more Urban Adventures. We have a lot of opportunities for great events (Corporate, After School Activities, PT Challenges and School Holiday Activities), but for this to happen successfully without one or two club members getting flogged, we need a few more people to step in and help out when and if the call gets put out. We just need to continue to be careful about what we can commit to.

Overall we are a small club with members who are all very busy and have other priorities. We somehow manage to conduct great events and we offer a service to other groups – Businesses, Schools and the Army. We have opportunities to expand, but we need the time, the want and the bodies to do it! A huge thanks to all members who took on running or assisting in the running of an event this year, it is time consuming, but your efforts are greatly appreciated by everyone. Well done on a great year TTOC!

Linda Davies

TTOC Secretary



Toohy Forest Orienteering Association Inc (TF)

2013 TFO events organised

Toohy Forest Orienteers organised a total of 27 events in 2013. The club organised 3 Bush NightNav events as part of a 6 event series in conjunction with other Brisbane clubs, 8 NightNav (street) events as part of the Brisbane NightNav series throughout the year. We also organised 6 local club events, two separate coaching series and the Queensland Club Relays. The table below summarises events run by TFO and the entry numbers.



Series	No of events	No of entrants	Average
Bush Night Nav Series	3	124	41
Coaching Series	3	116	38
OY	1	120	120
Badge	1	85	85
Club events	6	297	49
Qld Club Relays	1	52	52
NightNav (TFO events)	8	276	34
Coaching Get Going Series	4	83	21

Thanks to everyone who organised an event throughout the year, and the many club members who have pitched in to help out with the many tasks required to run an orienteering event.

BCC Active & Healthy Events organized by Toohy Forest Orienteers

In 2013 four Toohy Forest Orienteers' events were sponsored under the Brisbane City Council's Active Parks programmes:

- Parkinson Bushland Reserve,
- Toohy Forest,
- Coorparoo NightNav,
- Macgregor NightNav.

Brisbane City Council sponsorship of these club events in Brisbane parks provided both financial support and advertising.

Grants

Gambling Community Benefit Fund Grant

In February 2012 TFO lodged an application for a grant of \$5,106 from the Gambling Community Benefit Fund for a SPORTident School and Training set, including SPORTident units. In June 2012 the Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation (OLGR) informed TFO that a grant of \$5,106 had been awarded to TFO for the purchase of the timing system. Items covered by the grant were acquired in March 2013 and the equipment has been put to use at our events throughout the year.

Get in the Game - Get Going Grant

TFO applied to the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (NPRSR) for \$1,158 funding under the "Get in the Game - Get Going" program to fund a coaching program to encourage new participants. The grant was approved with the acquittal of the grant funding due by 31 March 2014. The club committee decided to split the funding over two coaching programs, the second building on the first. The first series of 4 coaching sessions was held in November 2013. The second series was scheduled for February 2014.

Clean-up Australia Day

On Sunday 3 March, 19 club members gathered at Toohey Forest to help in Clean-up Australia Day. 25 large bags of rubbish were collected, as well as some larger miscellaneous items.

Members' achievements

Queensland Orienteering Championships

The QLD O Champs was held at White Rock on the 10-11 August. A number of club members who attended the champs gained places over the weekend. In the Middle Distance: Jennifer Brett 1st W75A, Christine Cordwell 2nd W65A, Julie Leung 2nd W55A, Jenelle Schafer 2nd W45A, Cate Nemeth 1st W10A, Rob Simson 2nd M75A, Reid Moran 2nd M65A, Mark Nemeth 2nd M45A, Stephen Parker 2nd M35A, Christopher Nemeth 1st M10A. Long Distance: Jennifer Brett 1st W75A, Julie Leung 3rd W55A, Judith Hay 1st W45-54AS, Cate Nemeth 1st W10A, Rob Simson 2nd M75A, Reid Moran 2nd M65A, Peter Brown 1st M 45-54AS, Mark Nemeth 1st M45A, Brian Cordwell 1st M21AS, Christopher Nemeth 1st M10A.

Australian Orienteering Championships

A small number of club members travelled to the ACT to attend the 2013 National championships. Club members who gained places over the weekend were: Australian Relay Champs: Neil Simson (TFO), Mark Nemeth (TFO) and Lance Read (UG) 1st M45.

Annual OQ Awards

The OQ Luncheon and Presentation of Awards for 2013 were held after the Club Relays on Sunday 27 October. Awards were presented to Mark Nemeth, for sharing the 'Orienteer of the Year' award with Mark Gregson (Ugly Gully). The two Marks also shared the OY Award for the Men's Veterans (M35-59) category. The other award presented on the day was to Cate Nemeth for the best two Blue Course results in 2013.

Mark Nemeth

TF President



Paradise Lost Orienteers (PLQ)



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Annual Report 2013

PLQ was resurrected during 2013, making the following progress:

Events – We held 4 park events and 1 bush event. Each attracted a good number (30-40) of competitors, with an emphasis on families and novices plus a sprinkling of visitors, and each made a profit.

Gear – Event revenue plus contributions from OQ paid for a complete set of gear suitable for minor events.

Member Development – 2 PLQ members set events. We have a policy that all event setting is a collaborative process, so this was a significant training opportunity for both.

Maps – 10 park maps and 1 bush map were created or extensively updated during 2013, funded by OQ. 3 school maps were created, 2 funded by the schools.

Incorporation – Paradise Lost Orienteers Inc. was incorporated following a general meeting.

Participation - So far all significant work for mapping, organisation, administration, promotion and events has been done by me and there is no sign of that changing. The Club's activities and ambitions are therefore constrained by my availability. Funding helps.

Plans for 2014

Events - Monthly minor/local park events on Sundays, a couple of drawcard MTBO/Cycle-O events, 4 or more bush events including mid-week events, and possibly also a street series.

Maps - Progress has already been made on 2 university maps, 1 school map, 2 park maps, 1 very large MTBO map and 1 large bush map, all to be completed during 2014.

Funding – We propose to pursue every avenue for funding to allow me to continue my level of contribution.

Mark Roberts, Co-ordinator



Financial Statements

ORIENTEERING QUEENSLAND INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2013

		2013	2012
ASSETS	Notes		
Current Assets			
Cheque Accounts		4,694	11,222
On Line Saver Accounts	2	50,379	131,233
Term Deposits		185,352	236,654
Accounts Receivable		6,062	824
Accrued Revenue		0	0
Prepayments		900	722
		<u>247,386</u>	<u>380,655</u>
Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant and Equipment:	3		
At Cost		84,349	78,753
Accumulated Depreciation		<u>(78,794)</u>	<u>(77,095)</u>
		5,555	1,658
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>252,942</u>	<u>382,313</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable		2,810	954
Payroll liabilities		1,746	1,020
GST Net Payable/ (Receivable)		(335)	6,761
Unearned Income:			
- Prepaid Membership fees		2,323	3,018
- Unacquitted Grant Funding		<u>0</u>	<u>75,240</u>
		6,544	86,992
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>6,544</u>	<u>86,992</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>\$246,398</u>	<u>\$295,321</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
Balance at 1 January		295,321	264,653
Surplus/(Deficiency)		<u>(48,923)</u>	<u>30,668</u>
TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS		<u>\$246,398</u>	<u>\$295,321</u>

ORIENTEERING QUEENSLAND INC.
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013

	Notes	2013	2012
INCOME			
Event Fees and Levies		16,643	15,059
Government Grants & OA Funding	6	91,637	86,400
Membership		14,661	15,084
Profit/(Loss) from Championships:			
National Carnival		-	47,460
Queensland Foot		2,112	2,457
Queensland MTBO		5,951	3,358
Coaching		1,099	614
Corporate Sponsorship and donations		5,464	7,950
Junior/Aust School camps		31,461	30,865
Map and Equipment Sales		2,032	4,094
Sports Ident Sales and Hire		0	522
Fundraising		1,606	1,242
Sundry		2,663	1,570
Interest		13,561	18,381
TOTAL INCOME		\$188,889	\$235,055
EXPENDITURE			
Development Costs:			
Development Officer		11,138	12,017
Junior Development Officer		12,661	10,146
Development Programs	7	42,357	19,306
		66,156	41,468
Administration & Management:			
Audit		1,200	1,075
Bank Charges and fees		103	82
Bad Debts		0	0
Meetings/Conferences		5,570	4,973
General Administration		486	520
Public Liability Insurance		3,169	2,376
Property insurance & registration		1,673	1,616
Publications & Bulletins		2,573	3,727
OA Levies & charges		19,701	13,729
Subscriptions, incl'g Australian Orienteer		7,867	7,905
Administration Officer		12,971	8,787
Donations		0	0
Printing & Stationary		479	1,505
Treasurer		9,295	8,496
Website Mtce & Development		12,251	17,105
Depreciation		1,699	1,641
		79,037	73,539
Coaching:			
Coaching Camps		3,142	6,985
Sundry Coaching Expenses		1,876	1,987
		5,018	8,972

ORIENTEERING QUEENSLAND INC.
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

	Notes	2013	2012
EXPENDITURE (continued)			
Technical Development:			
Training Workshops	3,499	1,279	
Minor Equipment, R&M	<u>3,883</u>	<u>4,391</u>	
		7,382	5,670
Athlete Development:			
Qld Cyclones	8,139	6,466	
Junior Cyclones	2	522	
Mini Cyclones	2,138	74	
Ultra Mini Cyclones	666	175	
MTBO Storm	0	687	
Fund Raising Costs	0	2,593	
Trophies & Awards	5,236	4,176	
Contribution for squad selection	<u>2,200</u>	<u>3,200</u>	
		18,381	17,892
Australian Schools Championships	<u>33,843</u>	<u>29,055</u>	
		33,843	29,055
Mapping Expenses:	<u>21,442</u>	<u>20,397</u>	
		21,442	20,397
Events:			
Promotion and Marketing	1,015	1,178	
General event expenses	4,263	5,742	
School Event expenses	<u>0</u>	<u>235</u>	
		5,278	7,155
Sundry Expenses:	<u>1,276</u>	<u>238</u>	
		1,276	238
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>\$237,812</u>	<u>\$204,387</u>
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		<u>(\$48,923)</u>	<u>\$30,668</u>

**ORIENTEERING QUEENSLAND INC.
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013**

NOTE 1:

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounts are a special purpose financial report and have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards issued by the Australian Accounting bodies and the requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act (Queensland).

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AAS 5 Materiality

AAS 8 Events Occurring After Reporting Date

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The report is prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical cost except where stated, and does not take into account changing money values or current valuations of non-current assets. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

Following is a summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the Association in the preparation of the financial statements.

(A) Incorporation

Orienteering Queensland Inc. is officially incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1981.

(B) Income Tax

Generally, by virtue of Section 23(g) of the Income Tax Assessment Act, sporting bodies are exempt from Income Tax. However, should any income tax liability arise in the future such liabilities can only relate to the net assessable income generated from investment or other activities which are not directly associated with contributions, subscriptions or other receipts from members.

(C) Inventories

Inventories, when held, are valued at the lesser of cost or net realisable value.

(D) Fixed Assets

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets are depreciated over their useful life to the Association. The carrying amount of fixed assets is reviewed annually by the Committee of Management to ensure that it is not in excess of the recoverable amount of these assets.

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including buildings and capitalised lease assets, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight line basis over the assets useful life to the entity commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Buildings	5%
Computer Equipment	33.33%
Other Fixed Assets	20%



**ORIENTEERING QUEENSLAND INC.
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013**

NOTE 2:

ONLINE SAVER ACCOUNTS

Includes a separate account of \$33,425 resulting from the net profit from staging the National Easter Carnival in 2012. This money is earmarked for development of the sport of orienteering in Queensland, as per association policy.

NOTE 3:

PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

	2013	2012
Buildings:		
Equipment Shed at cost	633	633
Accumulated Depreciation	(633)	(633)
Written Down Value	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Computer Equipment:

At cost	14,461	13,903
Accumulated Depreciation	(13,104)	(12,245)
Written Down Value	<u>1,357</u>	<u>1,658</u>

Event Equipment:

Event Equipment	20,740	15,702
Furniture and Fittings	<u>641</u>	<u>641</u>
At cost	21,381	16,343
Accumulated Depreciation	(17,183)	(16,343)
Written Down Value	<u>4,198</u>	<u>0</u>

Sports Ident Equipment:

At cost	47,874	47,874
Accumulated Depreciation	(47,874)	(47,874)
Written Down Value	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

<u>\$5,555</u>	<u>\$1,658</u>
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Total Cost	84,349	78,753
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(78,794)	(77,095)
Total Written Down Value	<u>\$5,555</u>	<u>\$1,658</u>

NOTE: Additions for fiscal year 2013 include:

Computers:	laptop-Admin Officer	\$ 558.36	Apr 13
Event Equipment	200 alumin'm control stands	\$ 5,037.72	Feb 13

NOTE 6:**FUNDING OBTAINED**

\$91,637 funding received comprised \$75,240 from Queensland Sports and Recreation, plus \$16,397 from the Australian Sports Commission for participation programs in Northern Queensland.

NOTE 7:**DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

This expenditure mainly comprises regional development programs in Rockhampton, Cairns, Townsville, Toowoomba and Gold Coast areas. It also includes expenditure on other participation programs out of Easter 2012 profits.



INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ORIENTEERING QUEENSLAND INC.

Report on the 2013 Financial Statement continued.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Orienteering Queensland Inc. as at 31 December 2013, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of Association Incorporations Act (QLD) 1981.

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Orienteering Queensland Inc. to meet the requirements of the Association Incorporations Act (QLD) 1981 . As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.



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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ORIENTEERING QUEENSLAND INC.

Report on the 2013 Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Orienteering Queensland Inc., which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2013, the statement of comprehensive income for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the members' assertion statement.

Members' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The members of Orienteering Queensland Inc. are responsible for the preparation of the financial report, and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1, is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Association Incorporations Act (QLD) 1981 and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The members' responsibility also includes such internal control as the members determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the officers, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis for Qualified Auditor's Opinion

As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practical for the Association to maintain effective systems of internal control over donations, subscriptions and other fundraising activities until their initial entry into the accounting records. Accordingly, our audit in relation to such receipts was limited to amounts recorded.

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