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## Annual General Meeting

# The Carbines In Victoria



Most in the twenty-one person squad flew into Melbourne Thursday 28th September, and then made their way in the team bus to the 'Blue Light Disco Camp' in Maldon, the base for all State teams for part I of the 'Bushrangers '09' experience.

The first weekend included the Australian Middle Championships and the Victorian Long Championships held near Castlemaine.

Tuesday the 29th, and down to the business of the Australian Schools Championships in the lightning fast spur-gully detail of 'Browns Reef'. Matthew Hill managed a fifth in the junior boy's competition, but Michele Dawson, second in junior girls, achieved the 'result of the day'. Eleanor Ross also caught the eye with a very competitive 8th placing in the senior girl's race.



Matthew Hill and Michele Dawson being acknowledged as members of the Australian Honour Team.

In teams' aggregate competition, an eighth place to Alex Massey, ninth to Josh Blatchford, 12th to Kas Gregory and successful course completion from Rob Bennett ensured a magnificent gold medal result in an immensely competitive class.

As a team, NSW were in third place on the points scoring table after day one of competition, and the mood in the team was one of confidence as results in general in individual competition suggested we could be very competitive in day two relay competition.

Wednesday the 30th, and the relay day was to be a very exciting, yet very frustrating day for the NSW team. Matthew Hill continued his liking for the fast terrain and ran a superb final leg to ensure a second placing (first Australian Team) for our junior boy's team, joining Angus Roberts and Lewis Berkholz on the presentation stage later that evening.

Similar excitement in the junior girl's race: Michele Dawson and Alinta Merrotsy put Nicola Blatchford out in second place, and an excellent final leg from Nicola ensured a silver medal for the girls.

In the hotly contested senior boys race Alex and Kas put Josh out in second place going into the final leg. Josh made

up plenty of time, and crossed the line first, with New Zealand and ACT final leg runners also in the finish chute. Tragically though a mispunch, and no points for our senior boys team. Sport is indeed a great character builder at times.

In the final analysis, a fourth placing for the NSW 'Carbines' at ASOC 2009. With the unfortunate result for our senior boys, and an inability to field a senior girls relay team - who knows what could have been?! As a state though we continue to be competitive. Special congratulations to Michele Dawson (junior girls) and Matthew Hill (junior boys) who were named in the 2009 Australian Schools Honour Team.

The team then contested the Australian Championships (Sprint, Long and Relay) at Benalla and Wangaratta.

All in all a great carnival, with close to ten days spent with a wonderful group of NSW Orienteering Representatives. Thank you to all in the OANSW community for your ongoing interest in, and support of, the schools team.

Thankyou yet again to the Carbine Club of NSW for their magnificent and ongoing support of the NSW Schools Orienteering Team.

Russell / Karen Blatchford (Managers) / Mark Darvodelsky (Coach)



Alinta Merrotsy and Michele Hill following Nicola Blatchford into the finish of the Junior Girls Relay for 2nd

The Association AGM will be held at Sports House, Sydney Olympic Park on Tuesday, 16 March, 2010 at 7-30pm. The clubs are represented at the meeting by a number of delegates depending upon the number of memberships they have.

The Board has operated in 2009 with only 8 of the 9 Director positions filled and it would be good if all positions could be filled in 2010. There are also a number of current Directors who have indicated they will not be standing in 2010. If you are interested contact the office or your club secretary - nominations are required by 16 February 2010.

## 2010 Calendar

The 2010 Calendar is with this Newsletter or can be downloaded at:

<http://www.nsw.orienteering.asn.au/events/NSWCalendar/Fixtures2010.pdf>

Because many members now receive electronic information it is no longer in a folded card format but as A4 pages.

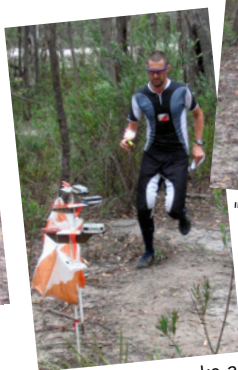
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# Seen at the Xmas 5-Days. . .



"On target. . ."



"Do I have to make a choice?"



"I'll go for the middle one"



"Eenie, meenie, meinie, mo!"



"I think north is that way."  
"Really!"



"Red line or track?"



"It was the only hat I could find!"



"I still say you made a bad route choice!"



## RESULTS

Results of all events from 18 November 2009 to 31 December 2009 are included in this listing.

2009 Orienteer of the Year scores and 2009 State League Events results and split times are at [www.stateleague.nsw.orienteering.asn.au](http://www.stateleague.nsw.orienteering.asn.au)

2009 MTBO Super Series results, split times and scores are at [www.mountaindevils.com](http://www.mountaindevils.com)

2008-09 Summer Series results and scores are at [www.sydneysummerseries.com.au](http://www.sydneysummerseries.com.au)

18 November 2009  
FEDERATION  
SYDNEY SUMMER SERIES #7  
Organiser David McKenna  
For Uringa Orienteers  
Results are at  
[www.sydneysummerseries.com.au](http://www.sydneysummerseries.com.au)

25 November 2009  
POTTERY GREEN  
SYDNEY SUMMER SERIES #8  
Organiser Gordon Wilson  
For Bennelong Northside Orienteers  
Results are at  
[www.sydneysummerseries.com.au](http://www.sydneysummerseries.com.au)

2 December 2009  
BUTCHERS BLOCK  
SYDNEY SUMMER SERIES #9  
Organiser Wendy Stevenson  
For Big Foot Orienteers  
Results are at  
[www.sydneysummerseries.com.au](http://www.sydneysummerseries.com.au)

9 December 2009  
NORTH STEYNE  
SYDNEY SUMMER SERIES #10  
Organiser Ian Jessup  
For Garingal Orienteers  
Results are at  
[www.sydneysummerseries.com.au](http://www.sydneysummerseries.com.au)

16 December 2009  
BUSHRANGERS RESERVE  
SYDNEY SUMMER SERIES #11  
Organiser Adrian White  
For Western and Hills Orienteers  
Results are at  
[www.sydneysummerseries.com.au](http://www.sydneysummerseries.com.au)

23 December 2009  
GEORGES HEIGHTS  
SYDNEY SUMMER SERIES #12  
Organiser Robert Spry  
For Bennelong Northside Orienteers  
Results are at  
[www.sydneysummerseries.com.au](http://www.sydneysummerseries.com.au)

27-31 December 2009  
SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS  
XMAS 5 DAYS  
Organisers Dick Ogilvie and Ron Pallas  
For the Association  
Full results and splits are at  
[www.uringa.nsw.orienteering.asn.au](http://www.uringa.nsw.orienteering.asn.au)

30 December 2009  
BROWNS WATERHOLE  
SYDNEY SUMMER SERIES #13  
Organiser Stuart McWilliam  
For Garingal Orienteers  
Results are at  
[www.sydneysummerseries.com.au](http://www.sydneysummerseries.com.au)



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## NSW Schools Team 2010

The Australian Schools Championships in 2010 will be held in South Australia on 28/29 September. NSW will again be selecting a team to contest the Championships consisting of 4 orienteers in each of the 4 age groups – senior boys (M16+), senior girls (W16+), junior boys (M-15) and junior girls (W-15). Note that these are not the usual orienteering age groups.

To be considered for selection in the NSW School Team 2010 you need to:

1. Compete in the Australian 3 Days (in ACT) SL4 and 5 (at Hilltop and Belanglo) and SL6, 7 and 8 (QBIII at Dubbo) in your correct age class (this will of course not be the same as the schools class).

2. Compete in as many other orienteering events as you can including other SL events.

3. Attend and participate in NSW Junior Orienteering Squad camps.

4. Maintain a reasonable level of fitness.

You will also need to advise the NSW Junior Squad Managers

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of your interest in being a member of the team before Easter in order to be considered for selection.

The Association is now seeking applications from interested persons to act as Managers/Coaches of the Team. Please contact the office immediately if you are interested.

We would like to make the appointments at the Board Meeting on 18 February



# Membership Renewal for 2010

With this newsletter is a renewal form for your 2010 Membership or can be downloaded at:

<http://www.nsw.orienteering.asn.au/gfolder/admin/membership/OANSWMembershipFormDirectory2010.pdf>

Renew immediately by forwarding your membership fee and completed renewal form to your club membership person - see the Directory with the form (do not send direct to the Association)



Each Member will continue to have the option of receiving the NSW Newsletter (which includes the editorial/results pages, coming events and event information/entry forms) by email or hard copy. The Australian Orienteer magazine will continue to be sent by post. There is a place on the membership form to indicate the preference.

## Don't delay - do it now!

