



ORIENTEERING NSW

ANNUAL REPORT

2021



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WHO WE ARE

ONSW BOARD

Robyn Pallas (President)
Mary Jane Mahony (Secretary)
Melanie Christie (Finance Director)
Louise Brooks
Jamie Kennedy
Andrew Lumsden (*retired April 2021*)
Rod Parkin
Andrew Power
Briohny Seaman
Robert Spry

MEMBER CLUBS

Bennelong Northside
Big Foot
Bush 'n' Beach
Central Coast
Garingal
Goldseekers
Hastings Orienteering Group
Illawarra Kareelah
Newcastle
Northern Tablelands
Southern Highlands
Uringa
Waggaroos
Western & Hills

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Kev Curby

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Rob Bennett
Toby Wilson
Michele Dawson

JUNIOR SQUAD COACH

Bjorn Mella

JUNIOR SQUAD MANAGER

Helen O'Callaghan

NSW SENIOR TEAM SELECTORS

Hillary Wood
James Lithgow

NSW STINGERS CO-ORDINATORS

Rebecca George
Toby Wilson
Rob Bennett

SENIOR SQUAD COACH

Renate F. Leuenberger-Widmer

BOY STATISTICIAN

Colin Bailey

MAPPING OFFICERS

Barry Hanlon

Hamish Mackie

SERIES CO-ORDINATORS

Ross Barr
(Sydney Summer Series) Jan-Mar

Ian Jessup & Tristan White
(Sydney Summer Series) Nov-Dec

Ron Pallas & Sue Froude
(River & Bay Series)

Janet Morris
(Western Sydney Series)

Ian Jessup
(Sydney MetrO League)

Colin Price
(Xmas 5-Days)

Greg Bacon
(Mountain Bike Orienteering)

Barbara Hill
(Saturday Orienteering Series)

John Oliver
(Wagga-Albury Interclub)

AUDITORS

KS Black & Co

ONSW STRATEGY 2018-2025

This document is designed to report on how we are tracking against the key pillars of the [ONSW Strategy 2018-2025](#), as summarised below.

MISSION

To enhance the lives of people of NSW through orienteering.

VISION

Orienteering becomes a choice known to all in NSW. An activity that is recognised as both competitive and recreational in nature with an even distribution over all ages and a reputation as friendly, inclusive and welcoming. Clubs will be central to our community. Commercial excellence will allow a sustainable professional and volunteer organisation. Our elite competitors will lead the Australian domestic competition and be viable medal contenders at world level. The orienteering community will be central to and enhance many lives.

OBJECTIVES

Create community

- Provide quality enjoyable events
- Implement a social media strategy and plan
- Work with clubs
- Use technology to create a buzz
- Use volunteering to create community
- Provide coaching and instruction to create enjoyment

Grow participation

- Convert newcomers
- Work through clubs
- Simplify processes
- Create exposure

2021 IN REVIEW

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

ROBYN PALLAS

2021 brought continuing challenges locally and globally as a result of COVID-19 and its impact. Orienteering was affected as were all sports. Enthusiasm for orienteering, the efforts of many to move yet again to new arrangements and practices, and further government financial support have kept our sport vigorous.

Orienteering NSW has grown in size and in complexity over its 50-year history, particularly in the past decade. It is both a sporting association and a business.

In 2021 with the assistance of consultants experienced in working with not-for-profit organisations, the Board began looking deeply at ONSW as organisation; this work is the basis of ongoing action being taken for ONSW to have a strong future.

I would like to acknowledge in particular these 2021 outcomes:

- Delivery across NSW of nearly a full calendar of events despite COVID-19 interruptions thanks to the efforts of clubs and their event organisers
- Nea and Ewan Shingler were selected in the Australian team for the junior world championships, which did not participate due to COVID-19
- A very active Junior Squad program led by Squad Manager Helen O'Callaghan and her team, in spite of COVID-19 restrictions and cancellations – and the disappointment for the Schools Team when the Australian Orienteering Championships were cancelled
- Approval of a reviewed and renewed ONSW Constitution at the August Special General Meeting following the work of Director Robert Spry and his working group
- An engaged and committed Board supported by comprehensive position papers, well-structured board meetings, and attendance from any location via Zoom has enabled substantial board engagement with ONSW governance and management (active participation by all Board members and the work of Secretary Mary Jane Mahony was essential in this)
- Very significant investment of time by Finance Director Melanie Christie supported by judicious investment from the NSW Sport & Recreation Recovery grant has ensured that ONSW's financial system and reports are comprehensive, transparent, timely and understandable
- Support for event organisers through establishment of an event cancellation policy to inform competitors and standardise cancellation administration
- Support for event organisers through the development of a written agreement model for clubs collaborating on the organisation and delivery of orienteering events

Orienteering could not develop as a sport nor prosper today without the contributions of many. In 2021 there was external recognition of the long (approaching 50 years) and extensive contributions of three ONSW members:

- Dave Lotty (Uringa) was inducted into the Orienteering Australia Hall of Fame.



- Basil and Jean Baldwin (Goldseekers) were awarded the 2021 Sport NSW Distinguished Long Service Award for Orienteering.

Looking ahead

The ONSW strategic plan is under review and a major focus for the ONSW board in 2022 is setting priorities for 2022. Committees are being formed to involve a wider range of ONSW members in governance and operational matters. This will ensure we develop and deliver a strong sport for the future. Committees already established are the Finance Committee and the Awards committee.

In conclusion

I would like to thank my fellow board members for their support and efforts in 2021 to keep our sport operating well. Thank you also to all NSW clubs and members for your continued support of orienteering in 2021 through both your organisation and your understanding in another difficult year.

2021 IN NUMBERS

FINANCIALS

Surplus/(deficit) 2021 v 2020

- 2021 revenue of \$348,445, a decrease of \$30,172 compared to 2020
- 2021 surplus of \$20,855 compared to a surplus of \$53,592 in 2020

ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2 new permanent courses installed at Cockatoo Island and West Pymble
- 16 coaching workshops held, with 213 coaches now accredited across three levels in NSW (p24)
- 49 controllers now accredited across the 3 levels in NSW (p24)
- 30 people (teachers and members) attended six Purple Pen workshops held online
- 7,732 students participated in 52 orienteering activities
- 50 schools held orienteering programs
- 31 schools mapped
- 1,421 members across the state
- 218 events held
 - 4 National events (Easter)
 - 9 State League events
 - 205 local events (including 3 MTBO)
- 23,424 entries in NSW events
- Media coverage:
 - 11 print articles
 - 3 TV news items

OBJECTIVES

OBJECTIVE 1

Create community

Enhance lives of our community

- Providing quality and enjoyable events
 - Course Setter of the Year surveys collected feedback on State League events (including two events carried over from 2020).
 - The ONSW central event calendar supported planning orienteering events across the state to minimise event clashes and maximise participation in a COVID-19 impacted year.
 - World Orienteering Day (May) featured events in Newcastle and Sydney (Manly Vale and Castle Hill).
- Utilising social media
 - 3-5 weekly posts on ONSW's Facebook page
 - Active post sharing between the OA Facebook page and the ONSW Facebook page (in both directions).
 - 1,600 people like the ONSW Facebook page (up from 1,513 at the end of 2020).
 - 13 clubs in NSW have active public Facebook pages and one has a closed group page.
 - Other non-club Facebook pages established to target particular participation communities (e.g. the 31-year-old Sydney Summer Series with over 600 followers, the newer River & Bay Series with 75 followers)
 - Weekly ONSW Members e-bulletin and fortnightly non-members e-bulletin were both reported to engage recipients above industry averages.
 - Increased number of NSW contributions to the monthly OA e-Newsletters.
 - Items in the *The Australian Orienteer* magazine online edition promoted in NSW.
- Working with clubs
 - An executive e-bulletin is sent to club executives and delegates after each Board meeting (eleven editions)
 - Location is no longer a barrier with online communication (Zoom, Teams) increasingly used for formal meetings (e.g. association general meetings) and specific topic conversations (e.g. finance, membership, matters).
 - The Association's Annual General Meeting (April) and General Meeting (August), both held by Zoom, well attended with nearly full representation of club delegates, and an updated Constitution approved.

- Using technology to create a buzz
 - Training and development are increasingly offered via Zoom or Teams enabling more people to take part.
 - Pre-entry on Eventor is now normal and enables participants to know who else is competing.
 - Contactless entry and payment are now normalised for most onsite registration processes.
 - Online splits and Livelox, plus live results, allowed same-day feedback on performance.
 - Sydney Summer Series statistical analysis by Richard Pattison generated wide-ranging comment.
- Utilising volunteering and creating a sense of community
 - Specific purpose Zoom meetings with club representatives provide a forum for exchanging ideas, practices and 'putting a name to a face'.
 - Volunteers were recognised both by ONSW (p11) and by other organisations (p6)
- Coaching to create enjoyment
 - Coach training for schools programs (Level 0 accreditation) was mainly conducted through innovative use of remote teaching approaches (using Zoom).
 - More teachers accredited as Level 0 coaches due to use of remote teaching approaches.

OBJECTIVE 2

Grow participation

To see more people on more maps in more regions on more occasions

- Make access easier
 - Online event registration and payment now well established for both members and casuals.
 - Electronic payment for enter-on-the day event registration now widely used.
 - Season tickets remained high for a third year for the Sydney Summer Series (in spite of COVID-19 disruption to the season program).
- Convert newcomers
 - Newcomers registering as casuals in Eventor are added to the fortnightly casuals e-bulletin list. Clubs continue to welcome casuals in many ways.
- Create exposure
 - Permanent courses were opened at Cockatoo Island and West Pymble.
 - Clubs increasingly add short 'Mini' courses to their summer series events for children, newcomers and the less able – safe, easily navigated and visible to the community.
 - Public media exposure increased.
 - Some 'demonstration' events held in spite of COVID-19 limitations (e.g. Uringa Seniors Festival event).

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

OUR CLUBS AND OUR PEOPLE

- Volunteers are the powerhouse of orienteering in NSW.
- NSW's 14 orienteering clubs deliver orienteering events at all levels of competition.
- NSW's small band of employed staff support the work of the Association and its clubs.
- The Friends of Belanglo ensure that Belanglo Hut in the Belanglo State Forest is maintained and continually improved for use by orienteers for training, events and respite.
- Tony Hill (GO), Kelvin Meng (UR) and Alec Watt (NT) generously provide their superb photos for many uses.

ORGANISATIONS AND LANDHOLDERS

- Local councils
- Forestry Corporation NSW
- NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service
- Sydney Harbour Federation Trust
- Universities and schools
- NSW Office of Sport
- Service NSW
- Sport Australia
- Private landowners
- Orienteering Australia

BUSINESSES

- Bold Horizons
- Resolve Litigation Lawyers

ONSW AWARDS

President's Award – Helen O'Callaghan (Bush n Beach)

When Bush 'n' Beach first started, Helen put her hand up at the meeting to establish the club and has not brought that hand down in the role of secretary. She also brought hubby Tony (an experienced and well-performed orienteer) and their four boys, all of whom have gone on to perform well at State level.

Helen is a great communicator, especially with those new to the sport. When 'newbies' turn up at the registration table at an event, Helen goes out of her way to ensure that they are welcome and understand the concepts.

She is very passionate about getting juniors involved in orienteering. She has held a number of introductory courses, training and events for juniors at schools and over the school holidays (using the Active Kids vouchers). Helen has almost single-handedly contacted schools and offered her services and expertise.



Helen is considered the consummate secretary. Agendas are well prepared, and her minutes are always accurate. She is a motivator and is highly organised. Helen has almost single-handedly contacted schools in the Coffs Harbour area and offered her services and expertise.

In 2020 Helen was appointed manager of the NSW Junior Squad and she set about doing the job with gusto, developing many initiatives. She has initiated and developed many things for the Juniors including Zoom coaching sessions and a zoom competition for the Juniors to keep them motivated during COVID-19 lockdowns. This included organising a shirt for all NSW juniors to make them feel part of a team and a week-long camp at Easter involving Juniors and their families with many fun activities and interesting speakers.

When it came to hosting and organising larger events, such as QB3 and the Waterfall Way Weekend (in conjunction with NTOC), again it was Helen at the forefront. She took these events on with enthusiasm and the events ran like clockwork.

President's Junior Award – Nea Shingler (Big Foot)

In the six months available for competition, Nea made a massive impact. At just 16 years old - and giving away four years to some rivals - she was the Junior Women's National League Champion for 2021 and selected in the team for the Junior World Orienteering Championships.

In the State League Point Score competition she won W20A. She was also on the verge of winning the Australian Orienteering 3-Days for junior elite women at Easter until an unfortunate error on the last day at Gumble.

She is already an emerging coach, gaining experience as part of the Bold Horizons SOS crew, and helping coach newcomers at the first Moonlight Madness event in April (a fundraiser for the NSW junior squad).

Club of the Year – Bennelong Northside Orienteers

In the year our oldest club (and the oldest constituted club in Australia) turned 50, they were the lead club in putting on a superb Easter carnival with demanding courses on challenging terrain.

And they had to do all the preparation leg work twice due to covid forcing us to postpone the carnival from 2020 to 2021.

In doing so they unveiled a lovely new granite map (Noah's Ark Ridge) to complement the intimidatingly awesome Gumble map.

Back in Sydney, they also produced four new or updated maps (with four courses on each map) for the MapRun app for people to orienteer on during lockdown.

A massive effort in a crazy year. Curiously, this is the first time they have won this award.

Rookie of the Year – John Fitzsimmons (SHOO)

John has been an enthusiastic member of SHOO for two years, taking an active part in club events, Metro League and State League.

This year he won Men's Open B in the Orienteer of the Year and was SHOO's leading point scorer in Division 3 of the MetrO League.

In his first State League on a Hard course he won – at Newcastle for the QBIII carnival. This year he has really extended his understanding of the sport, maps and his physical ability.

He is an active member of SHOO always there to put out or bring in controls. He is taking a great deal of interest in course setting and has asked to set a SHOO Summer Saturdays in 2022. He has a very positive attitude and is well liked by all SHOOites.

Encouragement Award (Cox's Cup) – Barbara Dawson (Garingal)

Barbara is a whirlwind of positivity, whether coaching in schools or at local events.

She is one of our most important coaches working in schools, where she is always encouraging the students to have fun - and to come along to club events.

She has been a stalwart at the River and Bay Orienteering Series (a joint Uringa and Illawarra Kareelah activity) as the lead coach for newcomers. At events she's always quick to approach newcomers, check everything is in hand and let them know of the opportunities to do more. She has helped other club members to learn what works when helping first-timers.

She was ONSW's rep on OA's working group on the revamped primary schools kit, and in 2019 was named Volunteer of the Year along with husband Graeme.

Volunteer of the Year – Friends of The Hut (various clubs)

It's a safe bet that very few people are aware of this year's winner, yet every orienteer knows of their work!

Belanglo House – affectionately known as The Hut - has been an NSW asset leased from NSW Forestry Corporation since 1979. With the 2020-2021 COVID 19 pandemic, the Hut has been unavailable to members.

Our winners – very much unsung heroes - look after this valued resource for training and events, and on a regular basis continue to make sure everything is well looked after. It may include:

- general maintenance
- complete painting of rooms
- collecting and splitting firewood
- grass cutting, weed removal and spraying noxious weeds.

The team includes Kev Curby (manager), Peter Howe (occasional caretaker extraordinaire), Luke and Chris Wilmott, Dave Lotty, Ron Junghans, Barry Pearce, Doug and Simone Jay, Hugh Cameron, Chris Murphy and Len Minty.

A long-standing incentive is free accommodation in the Hut for one year following participation in a weekend working bee.

Course Setter of the Year – Anna Fitzgerald (Goldseekers)

Anna was lauded for her courses at Gumble on the last day of the Australian Orienteering Carnival at Easter.

They provided a heady contrast: fast open, rocky farmland for the first half of her courses - then sent everyone plunging back into the intricate granite that had proven so difficult the previous day.

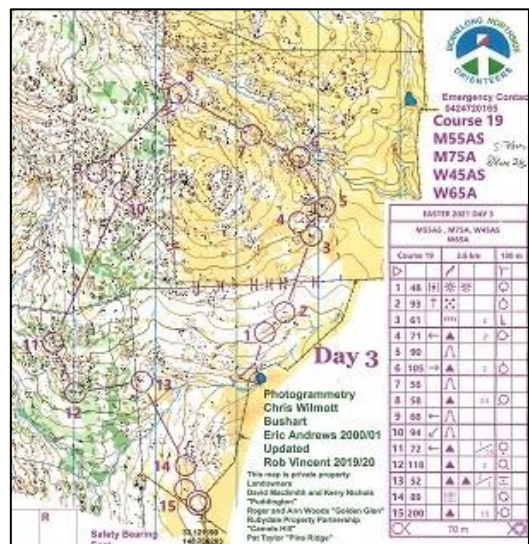
It's the first time in seven years the award has gone to a 'full length' bush event, after being dominated by Sprint setters in recent times.

Here are some of the comments from participants:

'Perfect level of difficulty and length for the last day of the Easter weekend.'

'This was a terrific course. There was heaps of variety and I finished completely stuffed after running/walking hard throughout.'

'Great use of the yellow and then green areas, good hard controls, great use of direction and length change and making people look for the easy way.'



CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

Bennelong Northside Orienteers Inc

- 50th Anniversary of the club was celebrated at a magnificent function at Balgowlah RSL in December. The organising team of Katherine Cameron, Linda Mandin, Sharon Lambert and Peter Hopper ensured the celebration was an outstanding success.
- Club of the Year for 2021, the first time Bennelong has been awarded this trophy, was announced at the 50th Anniversary function.
- Easter 2020/2021 with great challenging courses was held on Bennelong maps at Noahs Ark Ridge and Gumble Pinnacles. Goldseekers and Central Coast combined with Bennelong Northside to organise the carnival. The 2020 carnival was postponed due to COVID-19 restrictions.
- Day 4 of the Xmas 5-Days was held on the Wattle Ridge map. This was also postponed from 2020 when COVID-19 restrictions prevented the carnival from going ahead. The map had thickened up considerably during the 12-month postponement making the courses more difficult than originally planned.
- Richard Pattison continues to produce new maps for the club. He also produces statistics and commentary on the Sydney Summer Series each week which makes the competitor experience more enjoyable.

Big Foot Orienteering Club Inc

- Siblings Ewan and Nea Shingler were named in the Australian JWOC Honour Team.
- Big Foot were relatively lucky in our 40th year: we were able to squeeze in a State League at Wattle Ridge in March as well as the Big Foot Sprints in December.
- Wattle Ridge was particularly memorable for the preceding torrential rain; many were unfortunately unable to attend, but we were impressed with those who did have their runs in damp conditions that had eased.
- During the winter lockdown some members were able to do some bush training in their LGA.

Bush n Beach Orienteering Club Inc

- Club powerhouse Helen O'Callaghan won the ONSW President's Award.
- All four Woolford boys were selected in the NSW Schools Orienteering Team.
- Combined with Northern Tablelands to put on the Waterfall Way Weekend.

Central Coast Orienteers Inc

- Easter 2021 (delayed from 2020 due to COVID-19) - very successful Easter carnival with great courses, great commentary. Provided innovative string course maze day 2 course and map for day 2 and 3. Nick Dent, Ron Pallas (CC life member) and Hilary Wood all heavily involved.
- Combined with Uringa to run NSW Middle and Long Championships at Ben Bullen State Forest.
- Continued our summer series, albeit with lower numbers; we have encouraged newer members to set courses
- Enthusiastic uptake of online entry due to COVID-19

Garingal Orienteers Inc

- The highlight of the year was the very successful 2020 (held in 2021) NSW Middle and Long Distance Championships at Eugowra. We are very grateful to the team of Rod Eckels, Barbara Hill, Graeme Dawson, Tony Hill and James Lithgow who travelled the long distances yet again after the 2020 postponement just a few weeks short of the original dates.
- Membership at the end of 2021 stood at 265, quite a large number of whom solely enter Summer Series and/or local events.
- After sadly farewelling computer gurus Col Burnett and Di Bergen to their new home in Adelaide, we have transitioned to using SI Timing event software.
- Ross Barr (M75A) is Club Champion, Anneke Corry (W14) got the Club Encouragement Award and Nick Stanley (M16) the Most Improved Junior Award. Johnny Petersen was awarded the Silver Hare, a perpetual trophy donated by Moira Whiteside to recognise service to Garingal.
- David Bray has empowered Garingal with a free Google Workspace account that will revolutionise our document storage and access rights. David has also created the skeleton of a new GO webpage using the Wix platform which is proving excitingly easy to use.

Goldseekers Orienteers Inc

- Organised the Sprint Prologue and Family Relays at CSU Orange campus as part of the 2021 National Easter Carnival.
- A successful street series in February 2021.
- Good start to the club bush series until COVID-19 restrictions were introduced.
- Conducted a 6-week orienteering program for the Orange Anglican Grammar School and mapped St Raphael's College in Cowra.
- Increased number of people capable of organising club events.

Hastings Orienteering Group Inc

- First Junior Sprint Series event held in December, which encouraged children to compete on their own in a traffic-free area and develop map reading and navigational skills. Well supported and received great feedback
- Newcastle Orienteering Club provided valuable mentoring for State League event (postponed to 2022).
- 31 members in 2021.
- Purchased banners and flags via council grant to promote the club.
- Facebook page continues to be well followed and engaged with 630 followers.

Illawarra Kareelah Orienteers Inc

- Bought a defibrillator and trained members in its use.
- Unveiled 2 new urban maps (Little Bay and Berry).
- Hosted a Xmas 5-Days event.
- Steve Holloway conducted two Sporting Schools programs.
- Good coverage of events in local newspapers (South Coast Register, Narooma News).
- Followed up casuals by email to notify them of future events.

Newcastle Orienteering Club Inc

- Won the ONSW Interclub Trophy for State League events.
- Club meetings have successfully continued in video format.
- The 2020 initiative of using MapRun for summer street orienteering has continued for the 2021-2022 series. This was also used successfully as a COVID-19-safe way of orienteering when lockdowns were decreased allowing for individual participation in orienteering events
- For the second consecutive year we had a shortened Newcastle Orienteer of the Year season with everyone successfully adapting to this
- The BOSS (Bike Orienteering Summer Season) and other MTBO events have been interrupted, however plans are in hand for these to progress in the near future,
- A successful 2021 QBIII was held over the June long weekend.

Northern Tablelands Orienteering Club Inc

- Website had a makeover thanks to Maurice Anker and increased Facebook presence thanks to Erica Smith.
- Combined with Bush n Beach to stage the Waterfall Way weekend in March, which brought street orienteering to the community of Dorrigo.
- Successfully conducted the 'boring' AGM in a new format by inviting members to a pub dinner!
- Due to COVID-19 had to cancel the Armidale school championships, but reinstated our November twilight park orienteering series using MapRun.

Southern Highlands Orienteers Inc

- We ran the NSW Sprint Championships on our updated WSU Macarthur map. It was held under very trying conditions, both in terms of weather (flooding rain) and complying with the University's COVID-19 protocols. Another great effort from Stephan Wagner and everyone else involved
- John Fitzsimmons won the ONSW Rookie of the Year Award and we had 10 juniors receive ONSW Junior Participation Awards
- A club is only as good as its volunteers, and we have the best. Thank you to the SHOO executive and other volunteers who make our events such a success under very trying, pandemic induced, conditions.

Uringa Orienteers Inc

- Returned to orienteering after lockdown with the NSW Middle and Long Distance Championships at Lidsdale in November in collaboration with Central Coast Orienteers.
- Welcomed new course setters, first aiders and community coaches.
- Ran events for the NSW Seniors Festival, Sydney Summer Series, Metro League plus put on 5 River Bay Series events in collaboration with IKO and the Stingers.
- Provided coaching support for several School Sporting Schools programs.
- Applied for affiliation with the NSW Companion Card program to encourage people with disability that need a carer to participate in club events.

Wagga and Riverina Occasional Orienteers

- Although interrupted by COVID-19 restrictions, WaggaRoos managed to conduct 80% of its scheduled event calendar. This included the annual Interclub Challenge against Albury-Wodonga, a very successful 10th running of the Riverina Schools Orienteering Day, and the annual WaggaRoos club Training Weekend.
- Following a continual decline in attendances at the WaggaRoos Summer Series street-orienteering series over the past few years, WaggaRoos tried MapRun as a means of revitalising interest and increasing participation.
- Our bush events attract three times as many participants as street events, suggesting that it is the forest that attracts local orienteering.
- Initial steps were undertaken to incorporate the club.

Western and Hills Orienteers Inc

- Three members selected in the NSW Junior team. These were three different members from those selected in the 2019 team (no team selected in 2020), highlighting WHO's current strength in the junior ranks.
- Active encouragement of first-time course setters and getting juniors involved in events is a great thing for the long term.
- We have welcomed some new members despite the pandemic disruptions to events.
- Paperless and cashless registration processes developed due to COVID-19 are now well established and here to stay. This has resulted in a much simpler and accurate system for both participant and volunteer.



CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

As outlined in the ONSW Constitution, the ONSW Board is elected at the Annual General Meeting. Duties of the Board include administering and managing the affairs of ONSW, to report regularly to members on achievements and to oversee the pursuit of strategic objectives endorsed by ONSW.

ONSW BOARD

The ONSW Board met twelve times in 2021 via Zoom.

2021 was the last year for which all board members were elected to one-year terms of office. Following the approval of the revised Constitution in August 2021 a transition to two-year terms of office will commence in 2022.

Board members during the year were members of eight of ONSW's fourteen clubs

Board members	Term/s	Meetings possible	Meetings attended	Positions & portfolios 2021
Louise Brooks	2021 ongoing	9	8	Elected at 2021 AGM Director
Melanie Christie	2020 ongoing	12	12	Re-elected at 2021 AGM Finance Director
Jamie Kennedy	2020 ongoing	12	12	Re-elected at 2021 AGM Director (Coaching)
Andrew Lumsden	2012 - 2021	3	2	Resigned March 2021 Director (Technical, including mapping)
Mary Jane Mahony	2020 ongoing	12	12	Re-elected at 2021 AGM Secretary (Membership)
Robyn Pallas	2020 ongoing	12	11	Re-elected at 2021 AGM President (Event Planning)
Rodney Parkin	2020 ongoing	12	11	Re-elected at 2021 AGM Director (Technical, including mapping from May)
Andrew Power	2014 ongoing	12	10	Re-elected at 2021 AGM Director (MTBO)
Briohny Seaman	2020 - 2021	12	9	Appointed to Board vacancy Nov 2020, elected 2021 AGM, resigned Dec 2021
Robert Spry	2008 ongoing	12	12	Re-elected at 2021 AGM Director (Governance)

ENGAGEMENT WITH ORIENTEERING AUSTRALIA

OA, as with ONSW, has moved to remote technology-supported meetings with the exception of the 2021 OA Annual General Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting was held in person in Molong, NSW, during the Australian 3-Days at Easter, and was attended by delegates Robyn Pallas and Robert Spry, with other ONSW members present.

Online meetings have enabled more members of the ONSW Board as well as other ONSW members to attend OA workshops and meetings, including occasional consultations and the traditional end of year workshops.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

MELANIE CHRISTIE

ONSW is currently solvent and able to pay its bills.

Principal Activities

Orienteering NSW Inc. is a State Sporting Organisation. The principal activities of ONSW are to act for, on behalf of and for the benefit of members in the promotion of the sport of orienteering in NSW. No significant changes to the principal activities of ONSW occurred during the reporting period.

Tax and Dividends

ONSW is exempt from paying income tax under section 50-10 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act, 1997*. ONSW does not pay dividends and its income and property are applied solely towards the promotion of its objects.

The Association is registered with the Australian Tax Office (ATO) for GST. With gross receipts exceeding \$250,000, ONSW is classified as a Tier 1 association and is required to submit audited financial statements each year to members at the AGM.

Results

The results show a surplus for the financial year of \$20,855, which is a decrease from the surplus of \$53,592 in the previous financial year. As the surplus of 2020 was a direct result of COVID-related government support, so the surplus of 2021 reflects the decreased government support in 2021. A second COVID shutdown in 2021 greatly affected ONSW's revenue, particularly from the Sporting Schools program as well as that raised from Clubs via running events.

Despite the continued uncertainty in the operating landscape during 2021, it was the contributions, dedication and commitment of the Orienteering family that remained wonderfully solid.

Achievements and Highlights in 2021

In order to better serve ONSW's members and improve clarity and transparency, the accounts have been restructured. This means that more granular detail may be extracted from the data, be it information about Sporting Schools, Belanglo House or various series. Funds for the Junior Squad, Schools Team and Stingers are now more clearly marked. Information can be more easily extracted through the introduction of cost centres.

Other financial improvements have involved the simplification of procedures and guidelines for the use of ONSW's accounts. Whilst a security concern precipitated the cessation of support for POLi services through Eventor, the reduction in processing complexity has further improved back-end processes.

The introduction of more stringent financial controls and tracking means that costs are put against the event or series that incurred them, allowing for better budgeting and financial oversight.

The ongoing simplification spilled over into the physical space, when it was discovered that few members actually wanted the goods in ONSW's storage box. The tidy-up resulted in several clubs obtaining useful items for never-to-be-seen-again prices. Closing this unwanted storage unit has saved ONSW over \$1,200 per year in rental costs.

2021 continued the trend of clubs deciding to manage their own financial affairs. Additional clubs have acquired or begun the process of acquiring their own PayPal accounts, bringing the total to eight. ONSW thanks those clubs that have made this decision, as it means funds are received instantly by the club and reduces double handling of funds and therefore the chance of error. In addition, it minimises the amount of data transmitted, protecting members' information from external parties.

This year also saw another financial innovation for orienteering: the introduction of refund policies for most events. This was a direct response to pandemic and weather-based cancellations. 2021 also saw the successful introduction of a formal financial agreement between ONSW and event organisers. These have brought clarity and stability for organisers, participants and ONSW, particularly in such uncertain times as orienteering finds itself today.

Grants

Grants, particularly those from the NSW Office of Sport, continue to be a major source of funding for both short and longer-term projects.

The Sport and Recreation Support grant (received in 2020 with two years to expend it) was offered to clubs for any project within the grant guidelines. This has been used for new equipment purchases, upgrading of old equipment (particularly jettisoning noisy, toxic generators for quiet lithium batteries) and compensation for COVID-induced double expenses where significant events had to be postponed. Funds were also used to assist with purchasing IOF-standard MTBO control units, which have been put to good use, notably at the Australian MTBO Champs this year.

A pilot project is underway to improve the orienteering experience in schools by introducing the printing of results for all events. The data for this project continues to be collected, due to the COVID-induced shutdowns in schools during 2021.

The remaining funds are being expended for improving the functions of ONSW, with a focus on the long-term sustainability of the organisation.

ONSW also received \$20,000 (ex GST) from the NSW Office of Sport through its Sport Development Grant program. This grant is to be used explicitly for the development of Board members, coaches and trainers for the advancement of the sport by upskilling officials. In 2021, these grant monies were offered to select coaches for various courses, and more broad support offered for those who wished to learn more about mentoring others. Board members undertook analysis and workshops to focus on how best to steer the sport of orienteering into the future. This reflection and support encouraged two members to invest their time and seek out more formal qualifications to improve their Board-level management skills. The management of ONSW as an association was assisted by acquiring access to a library of governance resources.

The Board is grateful to the NSW Office of Sport for the funds that enable projects such as these to be undertaken for the benefit of the sport of orienteering.

Event Levies and Sporting Schools

ONSW derives a significant source of income from event levies. The 2021 calendar year brought in over \$130,000 in levies, assisted by the successful running of the postponed 2020 Easter carnival. However, this amount is still noticeably less than a non-COVID year with a major event.

The other source of income for ONSW is brought in by the NSW Department of Education's Sporting Schools program. At only \$65,000 revenue, this was once again strongly impacted by the timing of 2021's COVID-induced shutdown.

Membership Revenue and Donations

ONSW is grateful for the continued support from members, despite the vagaries introduced by pandemics and extreme weather events. At over \$46,600, membership revenue was healthy.

2021 was a replay of 2020 in the donation space. Once again, COVID played havoc with many donors' fundraising activities. However, Uringa Orienteers is thanked for its continued annual support of the Schools Team, despite the COVID-19-related disappointments of 2021. These donations meant that parents did not have to shoulder the whole burden of a year with expenses but no actual competition to attend.

Belanglo House

The tireless efforts of the Friends of Belanglo House continue to serve the orienteering community. Whilst COVID prevented many orienteers staying at the Hut, the needs of the forestry workers supported the revenue generated by this unique and incredibly useful accommodation.

Major Expenses

The major costs for ONSW, as for any business, are salaries (~\$150,000). Additional major costs for orienteering include coaching and mapping expenses for Sporting Schools (mostly covered by income from the same and mostly in the form of personnel costs) and Orienteering Australia membership registration fees (~\$34,000) and levies (~\$30,000).

2022 and beyond

ONSW is looking forward to building on the success of the last year and reporting on the fruits of other changes and innovations begun in 2021. We hope that 2022 brings us a year without lockdowns, pandemic-induced border closures, floods or bushfires. Considering all that the orienteering community has been through in the last two years, we have weathered it remarkably well. ONSW is keen to continue and expand actively supporting our volunteers who coach, officiate and run events now and into the future.

NSW BLUEBOTTLES

Orienteers are juniors up to the age of 20 in the calendar year ending 31 December.

2021 kicked off with some older juniors attending a NSW Stingers training camp based in Mittagong. It was a great opportunity for all to reconnect, fire up the orienteering brain and think about the season ahead.

The season started with a sense of normality with State League events in the Southern Highlands, and a huge week with the Easter Australian Orienteering Carnival, an Easter Egg fundraiser, and a junior training camp at the Canobolas Scout Camp near Orange and the NSW 2020 Champs.

Things started to feel even more 'normal' at the State League/National Orienteering League events at Broulee in May as juniors strived for selection to represent NSW at the Australian Schools Championships.

The squad was able to get back into its 'usual' fundraiser of catering at the QBIII weekend in the Newcastle area, offering delicious hot soup, home baked goodies and drinks. Some collective brainstorming and voting hatched the new squad name Bluebottles. Squad Manager Helen O'Callaghan set to work coordinating feedback on design proposals for a squad shirt. The juniors raced their hearts out and a week or so later, the Schools Team was announced.

Senior Girls: Julia Barbour, Louise Barbour, Mikayla Enderby, Nea Shingler

Senior Boys: Oliver Freeman, Clyde McGhee, Oskar Mella, Jamie Woolford, Oscar Woolford, Sam Woolford

Junior Girls: Rebecca Craig, Erika Enderby, Lilja Lehtonen, Maggie Mackay, Lyra Simpson, Savanna Sweeney

Junior Boys: Lachlan Coady, Cooper Horley, Will Kay, Alex Woolford

Two camps were planned for the school holidays – one in NSW and a National Junior Training Camp at Stanthorpe – when everything came crashing down again and COVID-19 put us back into lockdowns and cancellations. The NSW camp was cancelled and only a handful of our juniors made it to Queensland, while our Sydney-based juniors entered an extended lockdown.

As a response to this, an online junior challenge started in August, with juniors allotted into teams of three to undertake a series of weekly challenges and connect via weekly zoom meetings. Each week there were physical and online challenges: long run, intervals, hill climbing, strength, Street View Orienteering, puzzles, Running Wild and more. Some then went on to perform very successfully in the Virtual Aus Champs hosted by Orienteering Australia.

The squad crept cautiously out of lockdown to compete at the 2021 NSW Championships in November, selling a few drinks for fundraising.

The year ended with a very successful training camp in December, hosted by the Mella Family, with a nice mix of training and social activities. Favourite activities included the sprint relay, firehoses, swimming, training, card games and the burning BBQ! Many juniors had great results at the Christmas 5-Days in the Southern Highlands to round out a mixed year of orienteering.

NSW STINGERS

Orienteers competing in the National Orienteering League (NOL), Australia's interstate competition for elite orienteers, represent New South Wales collectively as the Stingers.

Skills and fitness level rather than age determine whether an orienteer runs in an elite class. The NOL changed to a shorter four-round format in 2021. All up, 36 NSW orienteers were designated as Stingers in 2021, ranging in age from 14 to 59.

The Stingers are self-funding; funds raised are used to reduce the cost of competing for athletes. Although Covid-19 wiped out a third of the year they were able to contribute to the River and Bay Series, conducting one event and assisting across the series, and were responsible for one of the Xmas 5-Days events.

Nea Shingler won the junior women's division and Ewan Shingler was second.



ACCREDITED OFFICIALS

COACHES

	Level 3	Level 2	Level 1	Level 0 ¹	TOTAL
2021	0	5	9	198	213
2020	1	6	13	235	255
2019	1	4	11	267	287
2018	1	5	16	229	251
2017	1	4	14	165	184
2016	0	2	7	95	104
2015	1	2	3	13	19

¹The total of Level 0 coaches includes both ONSW members and non-member teachers.

Level 0

198 coaches including 42 members of ONSW and 156 teachers, trained mainly to deliver school programs with specific resources.

Level 1

Greg Barbour	M	BF
Jock Davis	M	BF
Damien Enderby	M	NC
Alastair George	M	BF
Rebecca George	F	BF
Ian Jessup	M	GO
Tracy Marsh	F	BF
Carolyn Rigby	F	NC
Dylan Sherman	M	BF

Level 2

Stephen Craig	M	NC
Jennifer Enderby	F	NC
Barbara Hill	F	GO
Renate Leuenberger-Widmer	F	BN
Paula Shingler	F	BF

Level 3

None in NSW.

Source: Level 0 report 17 February 2021 and advice from ONSW Development Officers Coordinator, Levels 1-3 report 15 October 2022 using existing accreditation system. Orienteering Australia reviewed and redeveloped the national coaching accreditation scheme in 2021 for implementation in 2022.

CONTROLLERS

Level 1

Maurice Anker	M	NT
Sheralee Bailey	F	BN
Robert Bradley	M	WH
Kev Curby	M	IK
Ian Dempsey	M	NC
Miles Ellis	M	BF
Maureen Fitzpatrick	F	WH
Jim Forbes	M	GO
Mark Freeman	M	BF
Rebecca George	F	BF
Simon George	M	BF
Ori Gudes	M	UR
Robert Hawkins	M	NT
Lynda Hewson	F	NC
Doug Jay	M	SH
Shane Jenkins	M	NC
Ian Jessup	M	GO
Jamie Kennedy	M	GO
David Kitchener	M	NC
Karen Langan	F	WH
Ian Mckenzie	M	UR
Wayne Pepper	M	BN
Johnny Petersen	M	GO
Michael Roylance	M	BF
Dylan Sherman	M	BF
Andy Simpson	M	BF
Shane Trotter	M	NC
Ted Woodley	M	GO

Level 2

Terry Bluett	M	BN
Graeme Dawson	M	GO
Anna Fitzgerald	F	GS
David Green	M	IK
Barbara Hill	F	GO
Keith Jay	M	IK
James McQuillan	M	WH
Peter Meyer	M	SH
Rodney Parkin	M	BN
Andrew Power	M	NC
Mark Shingler	M	BF
Scott Simson	M	NC
Robert Spry	M	SH
Geoff Todkill	M	NC
Nick Wilmott	M	GS
Hilary Wood	F	CC

Level 3

Alex Davey	M	WR
Nick Dent	M	CC
Andrew Lumsden	M	BF
Paul Prudhoe	M	CC

Source: Orienteering Australia report Report 12 March 2022

ORIENTEERING IN SCHOOLS

Sporting Schools Programs

Sporting Schools is an Australian government-funded sporting program 'designed to help schools increase children's participation in sport and connect them with community sport opportunities'.

In 2021, despite the imposed lockdowns from COVID-19, the number of Sporting Schools programs totalled 50, surpassing the previous high of 44.

There has been a large increase in teacher professional development coach workshops via ZOOM leading to a reduction in the number of coach visits to schools. For teacher-led programs, participant and participations data are based on booked numbers rather than numbers confirmed by ONSW's sub-contracted coaches; consequently, year on year comparisons may not be appropriate.

Program	SSP	SSP	SSP	SSP	SSP	SSP	SSP/AASC	AASC
Year	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Schools Visited	50	44	34	41	41	44	5	65
Total Visits	89	172	161	189	165	243	30	452
Total Participations	31,988	19,164	16,650	21,196	15,017	17,542	3,488	11,013
Total Participants	7,636	4,791	3,460	4,732	3,526	3,216	678	1,587
Coaches Upskilled	53	52	43	63	75	79	42	0
Schools Mapped	31	26	23	27	23	43	5	

All School Orienteering Activities

A range of orienteering opportunities are normally offered to school students. These include the Sporting Schools Programs, other in-school programs, regional and state school championships and others.

Most school regional championships and gala days were cancelled in 2021 due to COVID-19, although those in the Riverina, Sydney South-West and Sydney West went ahead.

Year	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
School Champs & Gala Days	902	0	2,392	2,665	2,433	2,217	2,167	2,044	1,617
Other school events	192	665	1,734	1,734	2,479	2,581	3,789	3,012	2,579
Space Racing	0	0	68	113	143	236	100	196	416
Permanent Courses ¹		5,057	9,183	9,183	8,928	1,256	-	-	-

¹Estimates based on externally provided data. Data not received for 2021.

Summary

Permanent course estimates not included.

Year	Programs	Participants	Participations
2021	52	7,732	32,180
2020	65	10,513	25,086
2019	150	16,837	30,827
2018	157	18,560	35,816
2017	101	17,322	28,962
2016	103	9,506	24,965
2015	78	5,067	10,243
2014	123	5,376	16,265
2013	131	6,315	16,803

Level 0 Community Coaching

Level 0 coaching workshops are primarily aimed at preparing coaches to deliver coaching to school students. Both ONSW members and non-members (teachers) receiving training and are accredited at Level 0 for this purpose.

Two Level 0 Community Coaching workshops were held face-to-face (one in a school and one at Sports House) for both orienteers and teachers, presented by Ian Jessup (ONSW) and Carolyn Rigby (NC). A further fourteen were held for teachers using ZOOM by Arpad Kocsik (GO). An additional workshop was held by the NSW School Sports Unit (SSU).



2021 MAJOR RESULTS

SYDNEY METRO LEAGUE

The Metro League in 2021 maintained a record 32 teams in six divisions. Divisions 1 and 6 had four teams each, and Divisions 2-5 six teams each. Covid-19 cut the season short by two rounds, so no trophies or medals were awarded.

NSW CHAMPIONSHIPS

NSW MIDDLE CHAMPIONS 2021			NSW LONG CHAMPIONS 2021		
The NSW Middle Championships were held at Lidsdale ("Gardiners Gap") on 20 November.			The NSW Long Championships were held at Lidsdale ("Long Swamp") on 21 November.		
Organiser:	John Fuller	UR	Organiser:	John Fuller	UR
Planner:	Colin Price	CC	Planner:	Alice Martin	CC
Controller:	Nick Wilmott	GS	Controller:	Paul Prudhoe	CC

W10	Justine de Remy		WH	W10	Justine de Remy		WH
W14	Maggie Mackay		UR	W14	Rebecca Craig		NC
W16	Erika Enderby		NC	W16	Erika Enderby		NC
W18	Natalie Miller		ACT	W18	Justine Hobson		ACT
	Mikayla Enderby	ONSW (3)	NC		Mikayla Enderby	ONSW (2)	NC
W20	Caitlin Young		ACT	W20	Nea Shingler		BF
	Nea Shingler	ONSW (2)	BF				
W21	Melissa Thomas		BN	W21	Melissa Thomas		BN
W35	Liga Arniece		LAT	W35	Liga Arniece		LAT
					Renate Leuenberger	ONSW (3)	BN
W40	Samantha Howe		NC	W40	Samantha Howe		NC
W45	Silke Speier		ACT	W45	Anna FitzGerald		GS
	Melissa Joseph	ONSW (2)	GO				
W50	Cath Chalmers		BF	W50	Cath Chalmers		BF
W55	Paula Shingler		BF	W55	Paula Shingler		BF
W60	Carolyn Jackson		VIC	W60	Debbie Davey		WR
	Debbie Davey	ONSW (2)	WR				
W65	Hilary Wood		CC	W65	Hilary Wood		CC
W70	Jenny Hawkins		NT	W70	Alison Radford		VIC
					Jenny Hawkins	ONSW (2)	NT
W75	Ann Ingwersen		ACT	W75	Jean Baldwin		GS
	Margaret Duguid	ONSW (2)	IK				
W80	Janet Morris		WH	W80	Janet Morris		WH
M10	Shay Sweeney		WH	M10	Euan Shedden		SH
M12	Rory Shedden		SH	M12	Rory Shedden		SH
M14	Curtis Pepper		BN	M14	Alex Wollford		BB
M16	Cooper Horley		GO	M16	Oliver Freeman		BF
M18	Sam Woolford		BB	M18	Sam Woolford		BB

M20	David Stocks		ACT	M20	David Stocks		ACT
	Oscar Woolford	ONSW (4)	BB		Oscar Woolford	ONSW (4)	BB
M21	Aston Key		VIC	M21	Patrick Jaffe		VIC
	Ewan Shingler	ONSW (4)	BF		Alastair George	ONSW (4)	BF
M35	Artis Jansons		LAT	M35	Artis Jansons		LAT
	Ian McKenzie	ONSW (2)	UR				
M40	Ben Rattray		ACT	M40	Bruce Arthur		VIC
	Vivien de Remy	ONSW (2)	WH		Vivien de Remy	ONSW (3)	WH
M45	Angus Shedden		SH	M45	Simon Rouse		VIC
					Jock Davis	ONSW (2)	BF
M50	Scott Simson		NC	M50	Stephen Craig		NC
M55	Tony Woolford		BB	M55	Tony Woolford		BB
M60	Ian Prosser		ACT	M60	Ian Prosser		ACT
	Bjorn Mella	ONSW (2)	NC		Rob Vincent	ONSW (3)	NC
M65	Ted van Geldermalsen		VIC	M65	Eoin Rothery		BF
	Eoin Rothery	ONSW (2)	BF				
M70	Tony Radford		VIC	M70	Steve Flick		BN
	Steve Flick	ONSW (2)	BN				
M75	Ross Barr		GO	M75	Leigh Privett		VIC
					Ross Barr	ONSW (2)	GO
M80	Basil Baldwin		GS	M80	Basil Baldwin		GS
M85	Barry Hanlon		WH	M85	Barry Hanlon		WH

NSW MIDDLE CHAMPIONS 2020			NSW LONG CHAMPIONS 2020		
The NSW Middle Championships were held at Eugowra ("Seldom Seen") on 10 April 2021.			The NSW Long Championships were held at Eugowra ("Seldom Seen") on 11 April 2021.		
Organiser:	Rod Eckels	GO	Organiser:	Rod Eckels	GO
Planner:	Tony Hill	GO	Planner:	James Lithgow	GO
Controller:	Graeme Dawson	GO	Controller:	Barbara Hill	GO

W10	Layla Dent		ACT	W10	Veronika Iskhakova		ACT
	Justine de Remy	ONSW (2)	WH		Justine de Remy	ONSW (2)	WH
W12	Alice Radajewski		ACT	W12	Alice Radajewski		ACT
W14	Savanna Sweeney		WH	W14	Aoife Rothery		ACT
W16	Erika Enderby		NC		Savanna Sweeney	ONSW (2)	WH
W18	Zali McComb		TAS	W16	Erika Enderby		NC
	Mikayla Enderby	ONSW (3)	NC	W18	Justine Hobson		ACT
W20	Nea Shingler		BF		Mikayla Enderby	ONSW (3)	NC
W21	Marina Iskhakova		ACT	W20	Joanna George		SA
	Jenny Enderby	ONSW (2)	NC		Serena Doyle	ONSW (5)	UR
W35	Aniko Fozo-Kertesz		GO	W21	Marina Iskhakova		ACT
W40	Kathie Dent		ACT		Rebecca George	ONSW (2)	BF
	Samantha Howe	ONSW (2)	NC	W35	Mace Neve		ACT
W45	Melissa Joseph		GO		Aniko Fozo-Kertesz	ONSW (2)	GO
W50	Cathy McComb		TAS	W40	Samantha Howe		NC
	Sheralee Bailey	ONSW (3)	BN	W45	Anna Hasan		ACT
W55	Jo Parr		BF		Melissa Joseph	ONSW (2)	GO
W60	Debbie Davey		WR	W50	Cathy McComb		TAS

W65	Sue Key		VIC		Sheralee Bailey	ONSW (2)	BN
	Julia Prudhoe	ONSW (4)	CC	W55	Paula Shingler		BF
W70	Val Hodsdon		SH	W60	Carolyn Jackson		VIC
W75	Carolyn Chalmers		NC		Debbie Davey	ONSW (2)	WR
				W65	Sue Key		VIC
					Julia Prudhoe	ONSW (3)	CC
				W70	Jenny Hawkins		NT
				W75	Ruth Goddard		VIC
					Jean Baldwin	ONSW (2)	GS
				W80	Helen Alexander		VIC
M10	Connor Dent		ACT	M10	Connor Dent		ACT
	Rory Shedden	ONSW (2)	SH		Rory Shedden	ONSW (2)	SH
M12	Hayden Dent		ACT	M12	Hayden Dent		ACT
	Alton Freeman	ONSW (2)	BF		Alton Freeman	ONSW (2)	BF
M14	Elye Dent		ACT	M14	Elye Dent		ACT
	Alex Woolford	ONSW (2)	BB		Alex Woolford	ONSW (2)	BB
M16	Sam Woolford		BB	M16	Sam Woolford		BB
M18	Oskar Mella		NC	M18	Oskar Mella		NC
M20	Ewan Shingler		BF	M20	Ewan Shingler		BF
M21	Aston Key		VIC	M21	Aston Key		VIC
	Alastair George	ONSW (3)	BF		Alastair George	ONSW (2)	BF
M35	Andrew Smith		GO	M35	Istvan Kertesz		GO
M40	Jonathan McComb		TAS	M40	Bruce Arthur		VIC
	Angus Shedden	ONSW (3)	SH		Vivien de Remy	ONSW (6)	WH
M45	Matthew Stocks		ACT	M45	Matthew Stocks		ACT
	Doug Jay	ONSW (3)	SH		Armands Teteris	ONSW (2)	GO
M50	Jock Davis		BF	M50	Jock Davis		BF
M55	Tony Woolford		BB	M55	Greg Barbour		BF
M60	Warren Key		VIC	M60	David Poland		ACT
	Malcolm Roberts	ONSW (7)	NC		Geoff Todkill	ONSW (3)	NC
M65	Geoff Lawford		VIC	M65	Geoff Lawford		VIC
	Nick Dent	ONSW (3)	CC		Gordon Wilson	ONSW (4)	BN
M70	Peter Shepherd		IK	M70	Greg Chatfield		QLD
					Terry Bluett	ONSW (5)	BN
M75	Leigh Privett		AW	M75	John le Carpentier		SH
	Jim Merchant	ONSW (3)	GO				
M80	John Hodsdon		SH	M80	Basil Baldwin		GS
M85	Barry Hanlon		WH	M85	Barry Hanlon		WH

NSW SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIPS

NSW SPRINT CHAMPIONS 2021		
The NSW Sprint Championships were held at WSU Campbelltown on 20 March.		
Organiser:	Garry Stewart	SH
Planner:	Stephan Wagner	SH
Controller:	David Green	IK

W12	Ariadna Iskhakova		ACT
W14	Svanna Sweeney		WH
W16	Erika Enderby		NC
W18	Nea Shingler		BF
W20	Emily Sorensen		SA
	Serena Doyle	ONSW (2)	UR
W21	Shannon Jones		ACT
	Melissa Thomas	ONSW (2)	BN
W35	Aniko Fozo-Kertesz		GO
W40	Jenny Casanova		SA
	Ruth Shedden	ONSW (2)	SH
W45	Toni Bachvarova		GO
W50	Barbara Hill		GO
W55	Paula Shingler		BF
W60	Debbie Davey		WR
W65	Julia Prudhoe		CC
W70	Val Hodsdon		SH
W75	Margaret Duguid		IK
W85	Maureen Ogilvie		UR
M10	Shay Sweeney		WH
M12	Rory Shedden		SH
M14	Curtis Pepper		BN
M16	Cooper Horley		GO
M18	Sam Woolford		BB
M20	Ewan Shingler		GO
M21	Alastair George		BF
M35	Andrew Smith		GO
M40	James MacQuillan		WH
M45	Angus Shedden		SH
M50	Michael Ridley-Smith		GO
M55	Greg Barbour		BF
M60	Grant McDonald		ACT
	Jim Mackay	ONSW (3)	UR
M65	Eoin Rothery		BF
M70	Steve Flick		BN
M75	Terry Bluett		BN
M80	Frank Anderson		CC

M85	Lloyd Gledhill		GO
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2021 ORIENTEERS OF THE YEAR

W10	Justine de Remy	WH		M10	Shay Sweeney	WH
W12	Eleanor Thompson	NC		M12	Rory Shedden	SH
W14	Rebecca Craig	NC		M14	Alex Woolford	BB
W16	Erika Enderby	NC		M16	Cooper Horley	GO
W18	Mikayla Enderby	NC		M18	Sam Woolford	BB
W20	Nea Shingler	BF		M20	Oscar Woolford	BB
W21	Jenny Enderby	NC		M21	Ewan Shingler	BF
W21AS	Sally-Anne Todkill	NC		M21AS	Robert Herkes	GO
W35	Aniko Fozo-Kertesz	GO		M35	Ian McKenzie	UR
W35AS	Caroline Jenkins	NC		M35AS	Adam Horley	GO
W40	Samantha Howe	NC		M40	Lee Coady	WH
W45	Melissa Joseph	GO		M45	Angus Shedden	SH
W45AS	Rachael Povah	BN		M45AS	Shane Jenkins	NC
W50	Martina Craig	NC		M50	Scott Simson	NC
W55	Paula Shingler	BF		M55	Tony Woolford	BB
W55AS	Maria Orr	NC		M55AS	Andrew McDonald	BF
W60	Debbie Davey	WR		M60	Bjorn Mella	NC
W65	Hilary Wood	CC		M65	Eoin Rothery	BF
W65AS	Barbara Junghans	GO		M65AS	Robert Spry	SH
W70	Jenny Hawkins	NT		M70	Steve Flick	BN
W75	Carolyn Chalmers	NC		M75	Ross Barr	GO
W80	Janet Morris	WH		M80	John Hodsdon	SH
W85	Maureen Ogilvie	UR		M85	Barry Hanlon	WH
WOpenB	Ginaya Dunn	NC		OpenEasy	Zoe Tse	NC
WJuniorB	Constance Valais	WH		MOpenB	John Fitzsimmons	SH
	Rose Haasyk	UR		MJuniorB	Kieran Joseph	GO

NSW INTERCLUB TROPHY 2021

1	Newcastle	918
2	Garingal	823
3	Big Foot	622
4	Western and Hills	501
5	Bennelong Northside	419
6	Southern Highlands	348
7	Uringa	301
8	Bush n Beach	174
9	Central Coast	156
10	Waggaroos	92
11	Illawarra Kareelah	71
12	Goldseekers	59
13	Northern Tablelands	42
14	Hastings Orienteers	27

AUSTRALIAN TEAMS 2021

Australian teams were selected but did not compete at the World Junior Foot O Championships in Turkey in August and World Foot O Championships in the Czech Republic in July. Athletes from NSW selected for these events as follows:

Junior World Orienteering Champions

Ewan Shingler BF

Nea Shingler BF

ORIENTEERING AUSTRALIA ANNUAL TROPHIES 2021

Australian Champion Club (after Day 2 at Easter)

1. Red Roos (ACT) 68
2. Australopers (Tas) 48
3. Bushflyers (ACT) 39
4. Melbourne Forest Racers (VIC) 35
5. Newcastle (NSW) 33

Not competed for in 2021

Xanthorrhoea Trophy (Australian Relay Championships)

OA Shield (Australian Long Distance Championships)

OA MTBO Plaque (Australian MTBO Champs)

Bennelong Trophy (ACT v NSW in Long Champs)

NSW SCHOOLS TEAM

The Australian Schools Championships were to be held at St Helens, Tas, 28-30 September but were cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Junior Boys	Alex Woolford	BB		Junior Girls	Erika Enderby	NC
	Cooper Horley	GO			Lilja Lehtonen	GO
	Lachlan Coady	WH			Lyra Simpson	BF
	Will Kay	WH			Maggie Mackay	UR
					Rebecca Craig	NC
					Savanna Sweeney	WH
Senior Boys	Clyde McGhee	BN				
	Jamie Woolford	BB		Senior Girls	Julia Barbour	BF
	Oliver Freeman	BF			Louise Barbour	BF
	Oscar Woolford	BB			Mikayla Enderby	NC
	Oskar Mella	NC			Nea Shingler	BF
	Sam Woolford	BB				

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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The Australian National League was contested over 4 rounds and 11 events in Vic, NSW, SA and NSW (the last round hosted by ACT).

W21	Teams				M21	Teams		
1	Canberra Cockatoos	ACT	75		1	Victorian Nuggets	VIC	102
2	Victorian Nuggets	VIC	69		2	Canberra Cockatoos	ACT	88
3	Southern Arrows	SA	64		3	NSW Stingers	NSW	57
4	Queensland Cyclones	QLD	63		4	Queensland Cyclones	QLD	45
5	NSW Stingers	NSW	38		5	Southern Arrows	SA	44
6	Tassie Foresters	TAS	16		6	Western Nomads	WA	12
7	Western Nomads	WA	0		7	Tassie Foresters	TAS	0
W20	Teams				M20	Teams		
1	Southern Arrows	SA	59		1	Victorian Nuggets	VIC	59
2	NSW Stingers	NSW	57		2	NSW Stingers	NSW	51
3	Tassie Foresters	TAS	40		3	Queensland Cyclones	QLD	43
4	Victorian Nuggets	VIC	29		4	Southern Arrows	SA	42
5	Canberra Cockatoos	ACT	19		5	Canberra Cockatoos	ACT	41
6	Queensland Cyclones	QLD	16		6	Tassie Foresters	TAS	21
7	Western Nomads	WA	0		7	Western Nomads	WA	0

W21	Individual				M21	Individual		
1	Grace Crane	ACT	197		1	Aston Key	VIC	210
2	Krystal Neumann	QLD	192		2	Patrick Jaffe	VIC	193
3	Olivia Sprod	SA	192		3	Brodie Nankervis	VIC	176
9	Rebecca George	NSW	107		4	Alastair George	NSW	161
15	Nicola Blatchford	NSW	72		15	Toby Wilson	NSW	93
16	Briohny Seaman	NSW	66		19	Rob Bennett	NSW	66
19	Jennifer Enderby	NSW	57		24	Andrew Brown	NSW	58
25	Nicole Mealing	NSW	34		27	Duncan Currie	NSW	43
25	Melissa Annetts	NSW	34		30	Eric Morris	NSW	40
27	Toni Bachvarova	NSW	32		32	Rob Preston	NSW	35
36	Aniko Fozo-Kertesz	NSW	6		34	Jock Davis	NSW	33
					38	Greg Barbour	NSW	20
					41	Dave Meyer	NSW	18
					45	Alex Massey	NSW	15
					51	Andrew Smith	NSW	7
					53	Justin Stafford	NSW	2

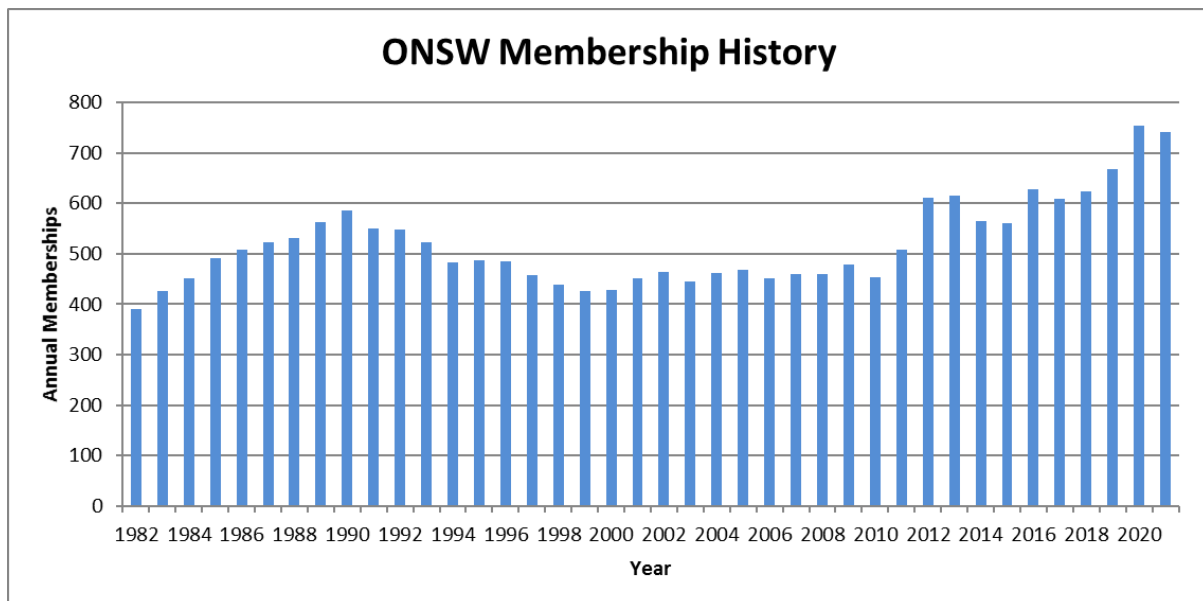
W20	Individual				M20	Individual		
1	Nea Shingler	NSW	178		1	David Stocks	ACT	198
2	Emily Sorensen	SA	177		2	Ewan Shingler	NSW	192
3	Milla Key	VIC	158		3	Jensen Key	VIC	173
8	Erika Enderby	NSW	125		4	Sam Woolford	NSW	144
12	Mikayla Enderby	NSW	106		10	Oskar Mella	NSW	110
13	Serena Doyle	NSW	105		21	Selwyn Sweeney	NSW	67
21	Tshintia Hopper	NSW	52		24	Oscar Woolford	NSW	44
22	Claire Burgess	NSW	51		29	Riley Grainger	NSW	20
24	Ellen Currie	NSW	44		32	Kelvin Meng	NSW	13
					35	Cameron Will	NSW	9

ORIENTEERING NSW KEY STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

Membership Types by Club							
Club	Associate	Family	Senior	Junior	Total	Difference	2020 Total
Bennelong	4	21	37	2	64	2	62
Big Foot	3	27	20	3	53	-8	61
Bush N Beach	0	6	3	0	9	-8	17
Central Coast	5	12	14	0	31	5	26
Garingal	8	47	89	10	154	-7	161
Goldseekers	14	22	12	2	50	13	37
Hastings (Port Macq)	5	5	7	0	17	-12	29
Illawarra Kareelah	8	13	15	1	37	9	28
Newcastle	28	49	66	0	143	-13	156
Northern Tablelands	4	7	8	0	19	2	17
Southern Highlands	2	16	21	2	41	1	40
Uringa	1	30	28	3	62	3	59
Waggaroos	0	5	2	2	9	-1	10
Western Hills	3	24	23	2	52	2	50
2021 Total	85	284	345	27	741	-12	753
Difference	28	-31	-13	4	-12		
2020 Total	57	315	358	23	753		

Individual Members Age & Gender							
Age Group	Females	Females %	Males	Males %	2021 Total	Difference	2020 Total
Sub Junior <11	57	44.2%	72	55.8%	129	-8	137
Junior 11-20	121	42.6%	163	57.4%	284	-21	305
Senior 21-34	50	51.0%	48	49.0%	98	4	94
Masters 35+	391	43.0%	519	57.0%	910	-3	913
2021 Total	619	43.0%	802	57.0%	1421	-28	1449
Difference	3		-31		-28		
2020 Total	616	42.5%	833	57.5%	1449		



PARTICIPATION STATISTICS FOR 2021

[Post publication note: In the version distributed to all members by email link on 11 April 2022, there was a work-in-progress data table inadvertently included at this position. That table has been removed and the next table moved from the end of the report to this position.]

Event and Participation Summary													
Year	Major Events			Regional Events			MTBO/DuO Events			Totals			Notes*
	Events	Participants	Average	Events	Participants	Average	Events	Participants	Average	Events	Participants	Average	
2021	93	17085	184	122	6142	50	3	197	66	218	23424	107	X E C
2020	79	10471	133	122	6033	49	9	755	84	210	17259	82	C
2019	140	19779	141	147	5700	39	11	762	69	298	26241	88	X
2018	134	17530	131	161	5948	37	8	429	54	303	23907	79	X
2017	137	20681	151	162	5717	35	11	929	84	310	27327	88	X A C A3
2016	125	16628	133	145	5504	38	14	604	43	284	22736	80	X
2015	114	15485	136	169	5483	32	12	540	45	295	21508	73	X
2014	133	18708	141	147	5045	34	17	675	40	297	24428	82	X E
2013	114	14568	128	146	5593	38	14	717	51	274	20878	76	X
2012	123	12382	101	105	4251	40	20	1097	55	248	17730	71	
2011	92	13773	150	118	4899	42	8	489	61	218	19161	88	X
2010	84	13040	155	119	4788	40	10	603	60	213	18431	87	X
2009	83	17023	205	83	5432	65	11	699	64	177	23154	131	WM X
2008	81	12567	155	123	5060	41	11	863	78	215	18490	86	A3
2007	89	16122	181	105	4438	42	12	1034	86	206	21594	105	X A C WJ

*Notes: X = Christmas 5 Day; AC = Aus Champs; A3 = Aus 3 Day; WM = World Masters; WJ = World Juniors; E = Easter; C = Covid-19

	EVENTS 2021							
	State League	METRO	Summer Series	Sydney Club	Regional Club	Other	MTBO & DuO	TOTALS
January	0	0	8	0	14	0	1	23
February	0	0	8	4	24	0	0	36
March	2	0	7	3	16	0	1	29
April	2	1	1	3	10	4	0	21
May	0	2	1	6	14	2	0	25
June	3	1	1	3	9	3	0	20
July	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5
August	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
September	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
October	0	0	0	2	4	0	0	6
November	2	0	2	6	12	0	0	22
December	0	0	8	3	12	5	1	29
TOTALS	9	4	36	30	122	14	3	218
2020	1	5	41	31	122	1	9	210
(2021/2020)	800%	-20%	-12%	-3%	0%	1300%	-67%	4%

Summer Series: includes Sydney Summer Series, Western Sydney Summer Series, Sprint Series, Moonlight Madness

Sydney Club: includes River & Bay Series, Saturday Orienteering Series, BigFoot Sprints

Regional Club: includes all local events outside Sydney Metro area

Other: includes Christmas 5-Days, Australian Orienteering Carnival at Easter, regional schools championships.

	Entries 2021								No Club	% Not Members
	State League	METRO	Summer Series	Sydney Club	Regional Club	Other	MTBO & DuO	TOTALS		
January	0	0	1192	0	832	0	93	2117	250	11.8
February	0	0	1394	342	1161	0	0	2897	329	11.4
March	567	0	1151	303	1063	0	58	3142	159	5.1
April	668	192	95	141	888	3137	0	5121	325	6.3
May	0	378	83	457	572	107	0	1597	198	12.4
June	988	187	58	248	331	819	0	2631	148	5.6
July	0	0	0	0	266	0	0	266	0	0.0
August	0	0	0	0	72	0	0	72	72	100.0
September	0	0	0	0	23	0	0	23	23	100.0
October	0	0	0	337	113	0	0	450	77	17.1
November	595	0	429	468	308	0	0	1800	78	4.3
December	0	0	1091	203	513	1455	46	3308	159	4.8
TOTALS	2818	757	5493	2499	6142	5518	197	23424	1818	7.8
2020	188	881	6007	3313	6033	82	755	17259	2540	14.7
(2021/2020)	1399%	-14%	-9%	-25%	2%	6629%	-74%	36%		