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2002 WESTERN CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Never too early to start planning for the 2002 Western Canadian championships in Whitehorse, Yukon, in June. Promises to be a great one! 24th annual.

Schedule for the

MIDNIGHT SUN ORIENTEERING FESTIVAL

June 26	Yukon Championships - Miles Canyon
	5:00 pm start
June 27	Midnight Sun Race - Takhini Hot Springs
	11:30 pm start
June 28	Training Day - Long Lake
June 29-30	Western Canadian Championships

All meets are in or very close to Whitehorse. Lots of other stuff to do - hiking, mtn biking, rafting, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, etc.

Check out our web page, including links to tourism contacts etc.

<http://www.icefield.yk.ca/www/yoa>

SWEDEN APPOINTED ORGANISER OF 2004 WOC *IOF PRESS RELEASE*

Sweden has been appointed organiser of the 2004 World Orienteering Championships (WOC). The city of Vasteras, situated some 100 km west of Stockholm, will be the venue for the championships. The dates of the WOC have been set to 11-19 September, 2004.

- The 2004 WOC in Sweden is the first event to be organised within the framework of the recently decided elite events programme. The objective of the IOF is to organise attractive world events of high quality for elite athletes, media, spectators, and external partners, says IOF President, Sue Harvey.

- Sweden has outlined a very exciting event concept aimed at showing orienteering as a thrilling sport with a high entertainment value. The Swedish Orienteering Federation and the local organiser are committed to make the WOC 2004 a showcase for the sport. I feel confident that the championship will assist the IOF in its goal of raising the profile of orienteering world-wide, Sue Harvey continues.

The Extraordinary General Assembly held in conjunction with the 2001 World Orienteering Championships in Tampere, Finland, decided that World Championships and World Cup in foot orienteering be organised annually from the year 2004 onwards.

Switzerland is the organiser of the 2003 WOC, and the 2005 championships have been allocated to Japan. The organisers of the World Orienteering Championships 2006 and 2007 will be appointed in July 2002.

PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

by Ray St-Laurent

As the year wends inexorably towards closure, one ruminates on the applicability of events from the preceding twelve months. Oops. Let me try that again with the pomposity filter engaged; here is a bunch of stuff that happened.

I attended three significant meetings during the COCs, the Annual General Meeting, a board meeting, and a meeting between High Performance Program committee with junior and senior athletes.

At the HPP gathering, all parties met and openly discussed the evolving program. New initiatives, particularly in mentor/coaching were presented. Athletes gave their reactions and suggestions.

The minutes of the AGM are discussed in this edition of the newsletter. The motions have been moved to the webpage "About the COF/AGM Motions" on the COF website.

Every few years, the COF orders medals that are awarded at the COCs. New board member Mike Smith volunteered to look at the merits of changing the design of the medals. By unofficial vote, there was only one dissenter to the motion that the medals should not have a self-portrait of Mike.

At the AGM, motions were passed whereby membership fees would be cut in half and participation fees introduced. These would take effect in 2003. New board member Helen Howard agreed to head the task of working with associations to produce a practical mechanism for getting participation numbers from each association.

As a result of the revised association levy structure, the board has placed a new motion on our webpage for the 2002 AGM. Forum page of our website contains a motion modifying the manner in which the number of association votes is determined. The motion changes the manner in which the number of association votes is determined but is intended to retain the intent of the original manner of determination.

Feel free to go to "AGM Forum" on our webpage and comment on the new motion. Or, you can add your own motion. It is not mandatory to wait for a looming deadline to submit a motion; good ideas are not seasonal.

Manitoba's Dave Graupner has volunteered to help with our webpage. Hooray for volunteers. He is enabling the online completion A Meet sanctioning forms.

In my last podium, I mentioned a device called a Data Logger which continuously records GPS points. After reading the article, Dave Graupner purchased one of these units and tried it out at the COCs. The most amazing thing is that someone actually reads these articles.

I believe our best opportunities to enhance the long-term stability and growth of orienteering in Canada comes in the areas of promotion and individual development. Our problems are not unique. No-one has done a systematic search of how our orienteering difficulties (promotion, development, etc.) have been successfully met in other countries (e.g. Australia). Within Canada there are sports that have similar challenges of geographic constraints and unattractiveness to television (spelunking, rock climbing, soaring, etc.). Can we learn anything from any of these?

I am looking for a volunteer or volunteers for **MISSION POSSIBLE**: promotion/development. This mission, should you choose to accept it, is to research what other countries are doing and what we can learn from them as well as from similarly challenged sports in Canada.

An interesting aspect of this task is that it does not require anyone with great experience in orienteering. It could be performed by someone quite young. Most important is a person who has the ability and desire to scour the internet to locate and arrange the ideas that are out there. One of the results of this task will be an article in a national publication (so what if it is only Orienteering Canada).

If desired, I will help whoever volunteers with the analysis and presentation of the data. The goal is a catalogue of ideas, where they are applicable, and how they can be implemented. I expect we will end up with a toolbox full of tools that can be selectively applied to improve a variety of situations at every level: individual, club, association, and national.

Happy trails.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

October 5, 2001

Meeting held at Kinsmen Hall, Carberry, Manitoba

Attendance:

Board: Ray St-Laurent (President), Sheldon Friesen, Geraint Edmunds, Jack Forsyth, Charlie Fox, Colin Kirk. (Executive Director)

Delegates:

Alex Kerr	British Columbia
Geraint Edmunds	Alberta
Dave Graupner	Manitoba
Helen Howard	Quebec
Mike Smith	New Brunswick
Ian Folkins	Nova Scotia
* Ross Burnett	Yukon
* Charlotte MacNaughton	Alberta
* Jim Webster	Alberta

* In attendance for part of meeting

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT (AGM BOOK)

R St-Laurent commented on two items in his report:

- a) Establishment of the AGM Forum. Motions submitted by the board, associations, clubs and members are posted to AGM Forum on COF website. Members can review, comment, discuss.
- b) Conducting board meetings via internet. Viability of internet meetings will be tested this Fall. Internet meetings will permit more meetings at considerably less cost than "in person" meetings.

5. BOARD REPORTS

- a) Executive Director's Report - C. Kirk (AGM book).
- b) National Team report - Mike Smith, commented on the HPP program.
 - athlete's are most appreciative of financial support received from fundraising efforts by clubs/associations and member donations.
 - national team consists primarily of Maritime based athletes - little representation from Central and Western Canada.
 - Performance. No real improvement objectives established. Athletes do their best but losing ground to larger better financed nations.

- c) High Performance Program (HPP) - C. Fox (AGM book).
- C. Fox commented on three items in his report.
 - Fundraising - Stig Skarborn tried hard - little results. Provincial fundraisers - these annual event generated considerable revenues and are the prime source of fundraising income.
 - HPP - manual developed. Will be reviewed/updated annually. Senior and Junior tiers established. Performance criteria for seniors to be reviewed. Seniors selected to tiers based upon performance in specified events. No performance criteria established for Juniors. Juniors are selected based upon results and recommendations from provincial associations.
 - Training Plans & Camps. Athlete training plans to be submitted to HPP committee member, Ross Burnett, for review/comment. High level training camps with top level coaches planned in conjunction with APOC 2002. Meeting with HPP members scheduled during current COC.

- d) Standards Committee - Officials Certification - J Forsyth. Working document with changes to Level 1 and Level 2 Practicum requirements (AGM book). It was noted that Level 1 Practicum states "Meet Director or Planner" and Meet Director requirement has been dropped for Level 2, making it possible to obtain certification without serving as a Meet Director at any level. Level 1 and Level 2 practical should be reviewed to remedy this situation.

- e) Promotion - G. Edmunds. Handout at meeting.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a) APOC/COC 2002. Mapping has been/is being done on new and revised areas. Events have been promoted at many overseas events - considerable overseas interest.
- b) COC 2003 & COC 2004. Alex Kerr reported that YOA and OABC delegates decided OABC will host COC 2003 and YOA COC 2004.

8. MOTIONS

Motions AGM 2001 5 - 14 submitted by COF Board of Directors.

COF DROPS

AGM 2001 - 6. Whereas the importance of athlete development is recognized, all provincial/territorial associations hold at least one event annually in which the proceeds are contributed to the High Performance Program fund.
Carried unanimously

AGM 2001 - 9. Affiliation Fee Sharing: To more accurately reflect the current state of orienteering in Canada it is moved that the Annual Affiliation Fee be changed from the present formula based entirely upon the number of Full Members to a formula whereby 50% is obtained from Full Membership Fees and 50% from Participation Levies.

Carried unanimously

AGM 2001 - 14. Flat Rate Levies : Participation levies will be determined by multiplying the participation rate, PRATE, by the participation orienteering days for each association. The value of PRATE is determined by the following procedure: 1. Determine 50% of total of all affiliation fees. Call that PSUM. 2. Divide PSUM by total participation orienteering days. Call that PRATE.

The number of participation orienteering days for each association will be provided by each association or, in the absence of data, by the COF Board's best estimation. The COF will base its calculations on reported meet results. If an Association disagrees with the estimate of the board and can provide the data needed to demonstrate a change, it may appeal to the Board for an adjustment of the levy.

Carried: 7 in favour - 3 abstentions

AGM 2001 - 15 J. Forsyth/R. Burnett:

J. Forsyth/R Burnett: Whereas number of competitors in Master Age categories in COC's 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, do not support a return to 5-year age classes, be it resolved that the motion be put aside and 10 year Master Age categories remain intact for Canadian Orienteering Championships.

Carried: 6 in favour - 1 against - 3 abstentions

11. ELECTIONS

AGM 2001 - 18

Treasurer: Sheldon Friesen.

Nominated by M. Smith/C. Fox

Board of Directors:

Mike Smith Nominated by J. Webster/A. Kerr

Helen Howard Nominated by I. Folkins/ D.Graupner

Jack Forsyth Nominated by C. Fox/C.MacNaughton

There being no other nominations the nominees were declared elected.

1. OABC TO HOST COC 2003

The 2001 COF AGM approved applications from OABC and YOA to host COC 2003 and 2004 with the decision as to who will organize which year left to the BC and YOA delegates to decide. They advised COC 2003 will be organized by OABC and COC 2004 by YOA.

2003 COC Schedule:

August - 22 - COC Short

August - 23-24 - COC Classic

Other planned events include:

- a) Western Canadian Championships (weekend prior to COC)
- b) Midweek Rogaine
- c) High Performance Program Fund Raiser

2. BC NEWS

a) Doug Smith (Sage OC), has succeeded Jackie Slavenova as OABC president. This is Doug's second term as OABC president having previously served in 1993-95.

b) Murray Foubister (Sage OC), has been appointed to the IOF Marathon Orienteering Working Group. Other members of the group include: Michael Woods (NZL), Bob Reddick (USA).

3. ALBERTA NEWS

a) Charlotte MacNaughton was re-elected president for another term - her fourth, at the 2001 AOA Annual General Meeting, November 17.

b) Please note new email address for Orienteering Alberta:

4. ONTARIO NEWS

a) Annette Van Tyghem was re-elected for another term, her fifth, at the 2001 Orienteering Ontario AGM, November 24.

b) An application to the Trillium Heritage Fund for a grant to purchase an electronic punching system has been approved.

WOC 2001 FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES & EXPENSES

(This was included in the 2001 AGM Financial report)

Associations, clubs and individual members generously supported our national team to the 2001 World Championships through the organization of, and participation in, fund-raiser events. The total amount of donations generated from these events was sufficient to cover accommodation, registration fees and out-of-country medical insurance coverage. Team members were responsible for air travel.

National Team Fund Raising Revenues & Expenses

ONB Championships - 1999	\$ 100.00
Orienteering Quebec - Fall 1999	208.00
Edmonton Overlanders - Spring 2000	154.00
Foothill Wanderers - 2000 WCOG	480.00
COC 2000 FUNdraiser - national team	1053.66
COC 2000 - registration fee donations	468.00
COC - Stained Glass sales (Margie James)	488.00
OANS - Sept. 2000 meet	318.75
Orienteering Ontario	500.00
Ramblers OC	400.00
OANS - Spring 2001 meet	218.00
Ilze Folkins (OANS) donation	25.00
Greater Vancouver OC - Spring 2001 meet	163.00
Stig Skarborn (ONB) donation	100.00
ONB - 2001	750.00
Orienteering Ontario	500.00
2001 - Yukon O A	130.00
Miscellaneous	60.00

TOTAL REVENUE \$6116.41

WOC Team Expenses

Accommodation	\$ 3574.85
Registration Fees	2363.96
Out of Country Medical Insurance	184.68

TOTAL EXPENSES 6123.49
(7.68)

National team members acknowledged their support by sending cards from WOC 2001 to clubs, associations, individuals who contributed to the WOC 2001 National Team Fund.

FUND RAISING 2001+

Following WOC 2001, fund raising efforts for the High Performance Program for future teams and activities commenced with several donations already received.

INCOME Received from July through October 31, 2001

Toronto Orienteering Club	\$400.00
Edmonton Overlanders OC	226.00
GVOC - BC Champs	165.00
Donations - COC	403.00
 Total to date	 1194.00

Clubs and associations are encouraged to include fund raising events in their 2002 schedule of activities.

FUND RAISER WITH A DIFFERENCE - GOLF TOURNAMENT

While most fund raising events are O-meets or donations added on to registration fees there have been other very successful fund raisers: eg. Silent Auctions held in conjunction with 1993, 1994 and 1995 COC's generated considerable amounts; 2000 COC - Stained glass items (miniature O markers, earrings); 1998 COC - 50/50 lottery tickets.

This Fall, APOC 2002 Meet Director, Adrian Zissos, came up with a novel fund raiser - a golf tournament. The event was held at Whistler, BC. The entry fee of \$100.00 included green fees, dinner and a donation to COF with a tax donation receipt for the donated portion. The event was attended by OABC members and friends including: Charlie Fox, John Rance, Ted and Maureen de St Croix.

The stained glass items and golf tournament are original ideas that may stimulate other new ideas to the normal fund raising activities.

C O C 2001 -

A RETURN TO FRIENDLY MANITOBA

Orienteers who have competed in the Sandhill Region of Western Manitoba look forward to return visits knowing they will find interesting, enjoyable terrain, challenging courses and well organized competitions, in weather that ranges from warm and sunny to extremely hot and sunny.

The competition venue was Seton Park North - the same area and map used for COC 1997. Using the same area and map in the Sandhills region is not quite the same as using the same area and map in other parts of the country. The unique terrain and intelligent course planning always provides new challenges to those who have previously competed in the area while introducing 'first timers' to a complete new orienteering experience.

The Seton Park area is bounded on the south side by the Trans Canada Highway and access to the meet site was directly off the Trans Canada. The Parking area was less than 200 metres from the highway. The Finish was about 100 metres from the Parking and the Start areas about 200-300 from the Parking/Finish. The same Finish was used for each of the three days with 'run-in' direction changed each day - very friendly event site for competitors and officials.

The ever present herds of cattle still roamed the area and caused concern to some competitors who, when visiting controls found themselves accompanied by a posse of cattle interested in what was going on. The cattle are as much an integral part of Seton Park as the countless knolls and depressions.

Previous Manitoba COC's were held in July - August. Major reasons for the October dates: MOA does not have the manpower resources to organize a week of events; MOA responded to a COF request to organize the event as no other association were willing to organize the COC. This was their 2nd COC in 4 years (3rd in 9 years). In our early years most COC's were on Thanks Giving weekend. Since 1981 the COC has always been held in July-August. Summer dates allow families to include the COC in vacation plans.

The October dates resulted in a lower than usual number of competitors. This was unfortunate and those who did not attend missed a fine three days of orienteering in close to

ideal conditions. All three mornings were on the cool side. Days 1 and 2 warmed up into beautiful sunny afternoons. Rain developed on Day 3 resulting in about half the field having to endure some wet weather.

Although having the event in October may have affected the number of juniors and families there are advantages to having a Fall COC: much better season for competing; cooler temperatures; reduced vegetation, no bugs, etc. means giving up just a weekend rather than one or two weeks of vacation; weekend air travel can be obtained at greatly reduced prices; hotel/car rentals etc are only required for 3-4 days.

Classic

M20 - Mike Smith, with two consistent runs, successfully defended his title.

After Day 1 Mike had a lead of almost 4 minutes over Ross Burnett followed Ted de St Croix, Wil Smith and Brian May. Another fine run on Day 2 solidified his victory. Mr Consistency - 13 time champion, Ted de St Croix, finished second and Nick Duca, with the fastest time of the day finished third.

F20 - Pam James was the class of the field, winning by a margin of almost 27 minutes over Marie Catherine Bruno with Cherie Mahoney another 9 minutes back in third spot. This was Pam's seventh F20 title and third won in Manitoba.

Map printing error cancels Day 1 Course 6

A printing error resulted in cancellation of Course 6 classes F17-19, F35 and M45. Based upon Day 2 and Short distance results it is very likely that Day 2 winners, Kitty Jones and Olav Nipen, would have also won over the 2 Days. The class most affected was F17-19 as Day 2 order of the top three finishers was quite different from the probable Day 1 placings.

Short

Elite champions, Pam James and Mike Smith, emphasized their superiority by winning their second title; Pam by a comfortable 5 minutes over Abigail May; Mike by a narrow 13 seconds over US runner, Sergey Velichko with Thomas Nipen being the 2nd place COC eligible .55 behind the winner. Thomas is still a junior and his 2nd place is most impressive.

Other impressive performances are those of Katherine Scheck (F17) and Kitty Jones (F35). Their TPK times on Course 6 were very respective relative to those of Pam James - the course length and difficulty of course 6 and 7 were comparable. The performances by the five F7-19 runners were most encouraging and auger well for the future.

Danilo Malanczyj (M 19) and Alex Kerr (M 65) bounced back from Classic DNF's to win the Short titles and salvage their weekend.

Double champions

F 15 Megan Rance
F 20 Pam James
F 35 Kitty Jones
F 55 Mardy Roberts

M 12 Mathew Nipen
M 13 Carl Lundgren
M 15 Darius Konotopetz
M 20 Mike Smith

Squeakers - closest victory margins

Classic - M 45 - .34 Mark Astridge over Vince Fagnan
Short M45 - .22 Don Bayly over Geraint Edmunds

Saskatchewan Cadets Compete

A group of cadets from Saskatoon competed in M Open 2 (course 2). Their leader, Mark Rosin, competed in M Open C (course 6). Three years ago, Mark contacted the COF Office for information on O activities in Saskatchewan. When advised there was no provincial association or clubs Mark pursued his interest by travelling to events in Alberta, sometimes alone and sometimes taking a few cadets. He continued attending AOA events and became a member. This year with the COC in Manitoba he organized a trip for his group. He arranged for a mini-bus and held a selection meet to determine which cadets would make the trip.

Plans are already underway for a larger group to attend APOC 2002 events.

COC BANQUET

Most competitors attended the Sunday evening banquet, held in the Kinsmen Hall in Carberry. There was no music or dancing which provided ample opportunity to socialize. COC

Meet Director, Jack Forsyth and MOA board member, Jennifer Hamilton, recognized volunteers with gifts for their efforts.

When AOA Executive Director, Jim Webster, took to the stage, most anticipated a promotional presentation for APOC 2002. Jim, in the role of MC, accompanied by Clarence Kort on guitar, and a group of Foothill Wanderers members, entertained the banquet with a series of songs and sing a longs, including several numbers written specially for the occasion and based upon tunes and of well known popular tunes. eg. The Beatles: When I'm Sixty Four (dedicated to Pat and Dick de St Croix; Elvis Pressley; Heartbreak Hotel. One number, "Olav's Song", recounting the problems of Olav Nipen on the Day 1 Course 6 cancellation follows..

Olav's Song

(to the tune of Annie's Song by John Denver)

*You run along fences, like a deer in the forest,
you look at your compass, you race through the
grass.*

*You're on the right bearing, kept track of your
pace count,
you've found the control now, but it's not the right
one.*

*Come let me find you, control number eleven,
I'm sure you must be here, I'm so near the end.
I'll check out the other, twenty seven depressions,
why can't it be this one, number one seven four.*

*Orienteering I love you, you frustrate me always,
let me down in your swamplands, let me die on
your plains.
Let me sprint to the finish, still clutching my punch
card and
hoping that someone's remembered the beer.*

THANK YOU MOA

The Manitoba Orienteering Association have done a remarkable job of organizing successful championship events with a very limited number of members. Most of workload has been carried by a core group: Jack Forsyth, Jim Lee, Lois Watt, Pat Lee and Sheldon Friesen. The same five performed the brunt of the work at COC 2001. The COF is very fortunate to have had such a committed group willing to undertake the organization of major events on such a regular basis. Sincere thanks to MOA for another successful championship event.

CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

CLASSIC

			Day 1 2.65 k	Day 2 2.60 k	Total
COURSE 1					
F13					
1	Melanie Roussel	ON	30.58	33.14	64.12
2	Tori Owen	AB	28.40	39.28	68.08

M12					
1	Mathew Nipen	AB	19.06	19.20	38.26
2	Dougal Owen	AB	26.49	25.14	52.03
3	Tyler Hertel	US	38.10	23.34	61.44
4	Damian Konotopetz	MB	62.23	27.23	89.46

F OPEN - 1					
1	Marnell Weikle	SK	68.13	64.48	133.01

			3.65 k	3.50 k	
COURSE 2					
M13					
1	Carl Lundgren	AB	28.43	28.07	56.50
2	Steven Graupner	MB	32.11	28.25	60.36
3	Thomas Graupner	MB	59.01	47.10	106.11
4	Kyle Hertel	US	59.17	60.24	119.41

M OPEN - 2					
1	Alex Stevens	SK	52.03	42.38	94.41
2	Linton Weikle	SK	50.27	45.24	95.51
3	James Melsted	SK	61.30	54.44	116.14
4	Geordie Gibson	SK	71.26	56.43	128.09
5	Mike Sorochan	SK	50.28	129.07	179.35
6	Devlin Clancy	SK	44.48	135.46	180.34

			3.65 k	3.80 k	
COURSE - 3					
F15					
1	Megan Rance	BC	56.09	65.15	121.24
	Kris Roe	MB	DNF	52.26	
	Katy Innes	ON	DSQ	41.30	

F OPEN - 3					
1	Laura Hermann	MB	66.40	68.03	134.43
2	Eleanor Menzies	MB	71.51	74.43	146.34
3	Cheryl Atcheson	AB	94.04	103.35	197.39
4	Judy May	NF	95.10	109.33	204.43

M15					
1	Darius Konotopetz	MB	34.12	43.00	77.12

M OPEN - 3					
1	Charlie Fox	BC	46.11	47.50	94.01

			4.30 k	3.70 k	
COURSE - 4					
F55					
1	Mardy Roberts	AB	66.35	63.58	130.33

			Day 1	Day 2	Total
F55 - continued					
2	Caroline Phillips	QC	93.56	87.44	181.40
3	Vera Malnczyj	ON	173.39	76.39	250.18

F65					
1	Pat de St Croix	ON	82.17	86.40	168.57
2	Shirley Donald	BC	84.09	91.22	175.31
3	Marg Brenda	AB	216.13	193.39	409.52

F OPEN - 4					
	Karin Gerritsen	AB	DNF	87.14	

M65					
1	Dick de St Croix	ON	76.54	72.30	149.34
2	Lief Lundgard	QC	92.25	71.02	163.27
3	Don Scott	AB	85.32	94.25	179.57
	Alex Kerr	BC	51.02	DNF	

			5.10 k	5.30 k	
COURSE - 5					
F45					
1	Marion Owen	AB	62.59	55.38	116.37
2	Muriel Gamey	MB	57.38	60.58	118.36
3	Christin Lundgren	AB	68.06	64.32	132.38
4	Margaret Ellis	BC	63.07	69.56	133.03
5	Mary-Lou Hogg	AB	71.01	68.29	139.30
6	Nancy Craig	AB	77.31	69.19	146.50
7	Laura Querengesser	AB	70.06	80.06	150.12
8	Luella Smith	NB	90.40	79.21	170.01
9	Jennifer Hamilton	MB	81.38	146.32	228.10
10	Marilyn Edmunds	AB	100.47	132.51	233.38
11	Svatava Hermanek	ON	116.54	119.28	236.22
12	Anne Cowling	AB	114.41	142.20	257.01
	Marion Loewen	MB	118.12	DNF	

M55					
1	Brian Ellis	BC	41.42	49.03	90.45
2	Gord Hunter	QC	46.21	55.32	101.53
3	Greg Yarkie	AB	66.34	50.04	116.38
4	Hugh Connolly	ON	93.56	60.11	154.07
5	Einar Vidda	AB	71.01	96.32	167.33
6	Scott Donald	BC	79.34	103.08	182.42
7	Garry Atcheson	AB	180.02	89.18	269.20
	Ed Smith	NB	DNF	75.39	

M OPEN - 5					
1	Barry May	NF	78.00	145.58	223.58

			6.20 k	5.80 k	
COURSE - 6					
F 17					
1	Heather Smith	NB		64.29	
2	Victoria Smith	NB		70.36	
3	Katherine Scheck	YK		76.27	
4	Louise Oram	BC		79.00	
5	Erica Lay	BC		100.36	

			Day 1 6.20 k	Day 2 5.80 k	Total
F 35					
1	Kitty Jones	AB		60.49	
2	Andree Powers	AB		77.59	
3	Nancy Koehler	US		104.59	
4	Helen Howard	QC		121.43	
5	Phillipa Hocking	AB		127.25	
M 45					
1	Olav Nipen	AB		40.48	
2	Geraint Edmunds	AB		57.29	
3	Robert Gilchrist	AB		64.27	
4	Don Bayly	AB		66.03	
5	Clarence Kort	AB		68.58	
6	Bill Menzies	AB		83.35	
7	Jim Webster	AB		83.49	
8	Gene Brenda	AB		84.53	
9	Larry Konotopetz	MB		87.48	
10	Ron Grayson	AB		96.08	
11	Lennart Lundgren	AB		109.17	
12	Ray St-Laurent	NB		118.06	
M OPEN - 6					
1	Mark Rosin	SK		80.25	
COURSE - 7					
			6.20 k	5.80 k	
F20					
1	Pam James	NS	52.58	54.06	107.04
2	Marie-Cat Bruno	BC	69.20	64.33	133.53
3	Cherie Mahoney	QC	76.29	68.02	144.53
4	Angela Pearson	AB	88.49	74.58	163.47
5	Annabel Fernandez	US	81.53	83.38	165.31
6	Abigail May	US	92.45	74.12	166.57
7	Teresa Winn	AB	82.22	88.19	170.41
8	Charlotte MacNaughton	AB	91.28	81.02	172.30
9	Anita O'Brien	NB	162.00	104.59	266.59
M17					
1	Daniel Innes	ON	95.50	107.17	203.17
	Danilo Malanczyj	ON	73.10	DNF	
M35					
1	Mark Astridge	AB	56.58	53.09	110.07
2	Vince Fagnan	AB	54.09	56.32	110.41
3	Juha Heinonen	US	58.49	52.45	111.34
4	James Baker	AB	59.45	58.44	118.29
5	Bill Jarvis	AB	60.44	57.54	118.38
6	Don Roe	MB	62.23	59.33	121.56
7	Adrian Zissos	AB	56.24	74.22	130.46
8	Ian Folkins	NS	63.01	67.51	130.52
9	Miles Tindal	AB	74.04	62.02	136.06
10	Jeff Watson	US	64.36	79.24	144.00
11	Mike Minium	US	80.50	82.52	163.42
12	Don Riddle	AB	83.13	80.34	163.47
13	Peter Innes	ON	84.38	79.53	164.31
14	Donald Watson	MB	96.07	85.11	181.18
15	Dave Graupner	MB	98.52	89.56	188.48

			Day 1 10.0 k	Day 2 9.20 k	Total
COURSE - 8					
M20					
1	Mike Smith	NB	60.56	57.35	118.31
2	Ted de St Croix	BC	66.12	55.36	121.48
3	Nick Duca	ON	70.03	54.52	124.55
4	Ross Burnett	YK	64.37	62.08	126.45
5	Wil Smith	NB	66.36	61.23	127.59
6	Brian May	US	67.49	63.55	131.44
7	Martin Pardoe	BC	73.43	58.13	131.56
8	Mike Fellows	NB	72.07	62.54	135.01
9	Sergey Velichko	US	78.43	58.43	137.26
10	William Hawkins	US	82.31	55.40	138.11
11	Thomas Nipen	AB	84.03	65.26	149.29
12	Tim Lee	MB	145.55	91.57	237.52
13	Jonathan Winn	AB	110.39	128.30	239.09
14	Carl Sack	US	154.19	103.55	258.14

SHORT DISTANCE

COURSE - 1					
F12					
1	Tori Owen		AB		17.46
2	Melanie Roussel		ON		19.11
M12					
1	Mathew Nipen		AB		10.58
2	Dougal Owen		AB		11.57
3	Damian Konotopetz		MB		13.48
4	Tyler Hertel		US		16.19
F OPEN - 1					
1	Marnell Weikle		SK		25.00
COURSE - 2					
M13					
1	Carl Lundgren		AB		13.29
2	Kyle Hertel		US		20.27
3	Thomas Graupner		MB		23.13
4	Steven Graupner		MB		25.56
M OPEN - 2					
1	Alex Stevens		SK		16.25
2	Mike Sorochan		SK		18.06
3	Geordie Gibson		SK		20.06
4	Linton Weikle		SK		20.20
5	James Melstad		SK		23.36
6	Devlin Clancy		SK		25.17
COURSE - 3					
F15					
1	Meghan Rance		BC		22.48
2	Katy Innes		ON		31.06
F OPEN - 3					
1	Laura Hermann		US		47.53

M 15			2.15 K
1	Darius Konotopetz	MB	20.23
COURSE - 4			2.25 k
F 55			
1	Mardy Roberts	AB	28.10
2	Vera Malnczyj	ON	31.35
3	Caroline Phillips	QC	61.29
F 65			
1	Shirley Donald	BC	31.47
2	Pat de St Croix	ON	44.46
3	Marg Brenda	AB	72.20
F OPEN			
1	Karin Gerritsen	AB	27.44
M 65			
1	Alex Kerr	BC	18.57
2	Dick de St Croix	ON	31.27
3	Leif Lundgard	QC	37.33
4	Don Scott	AB	40.57
COURSE - 5			2.75 k
F 45			
1	Christin Lundgren	AB	22.28
2	Muriel Gamey	MB	24.22
3	Marion Owen	AB	25.34
4	Margaret Ellis	BC	25.49
5	Mary-Lou Hogg	AB	26.53
6	Luella Smith	NB	34.28
7	Marilyn Edmunds	AB	40.38
8	Laura Querengesser	AB	48.07
9	Anne Cowling	AB	57.02
10	Jennifer Hamilton	MB	79.38
M 55			
1	Gord Hunter	QC	21.40
2	Brian Ellis	BC	22.39
3	Einar Viddal	AB	22.41
4	Greg Yarkie	AB	23.29
5	Ed Smith	NB	35.54
6	Don Heron	NB	56.05
7	Hugh Connolly	ON	72.56
	Scott Donald	BC	DSQ
COURSE - 6			3.20 k
F 17			
1	Katherine Scheck	YK	26.13
2	Erica Lay	BC	30.25
3	Louise Oram	BC	32.48
5	Victoria Smith	NB	33.19
5	Heather Smith	NB	36.03
F 35			
1	Kitty Jones	AB	27.14
2	Nancy Koehler	US	35.45
3	Phillipa Hocking	AB	47.01
4	Andree Power	AB	54.24
M OPEN - 6			
1	Mark Rosin	SK	59.15

M 45			
1	Don Bayly	AB	26.04
2	Geraint Edmunds	AB	26.26
3	Robert Gilchrist	AB	28.02
4	Clarence Kort	AB	28.45
5	Jim Webster	AB	31.39
6	Lennart Lundgren	AB	34.28
7	Larry Konotopetz	MB	37.08
8	Gene Brenda	AB	40.46
9	Ron Grayson	AB	42.13
10	Ron Monk	AB	45.25
11	Ray St-Laurent	NB	102.57
COURSE - 7			3.50 k
F 20			
1	Pam James	NS	27.22
2	Abigail May	US	32.31
3	Cherie Mahoney	QC	33.59
4	Angela Pearson	AB	36.04
5	Marie-Cat Bruno	BC	37.49
6	Annabel Fernandez	US	46.38
7	Anita O'Brien	NB	47.05
8	Teresa Winn	AB	57.05
9	Charlotte MacNaughton	AB	66.06
M 17			
1	Danilo Malanczyj	ON	31.36
2	Daniel Innes	ON	M 35
1	James Baker	AB	25.56
2	Miles Tindal	AB	28.08
3	Ian Folkins	NS	28.47
4	Jeff Watson	US	29.38
5	Adrian Zissos	AB	31.04
6	Mark Astridge	AB	31.48
7	Mike Minium	US	34.45
8	Vince Fagnan	AB	35.46
9	Peter Innes	ON	37.37
10	Bill Jarvis	AB	38.38
11	Don Riddle	AB	42.38
12	Donald Watson	MB	42.53
13	Dave Graupner	MB	53.13
COURSE - 8			3.85 k
M 20			
1	Mike Smith	NB	21.50
2	Sergey Velichko	US	22.03
3	Thomas Nipen	AB	22.45
4	Brian May	US	23.47
5	Wil Smith	NB	24.13
6	Olav Nipen	AB	27.26
7	Ross Burnett	YK	27.37
8	Will Hawkins	US	28.04
9	Mike Fellows	NB	29.13
10	Nick Duca	ON	29.33
11	Ted de St Croix	BC	31.31
12	Martin Pardoe	BC	32.20
13	Tim Lee	MB	35.10
14	Jonathon Winn	AB	39.04

LETTER STIG SKARBORN

Orienteering Promotion and Meet Format

With respect to promotion we still do not seem to attract more than an occasional member now and then. Perhaps it is time to rethink the target group with respect to publicity.

We have always promoted orienteering as a great family activity. I agree with this; it is a great family activity, and one where the family needs to be involved in order to provide the required support and transportation. However, perhaps advertising something as a great family activity is not attractive to many.

I believe that serious consideration should be given to switching the focus of promotion to the more challenging aspects of our sport; rugged outdoor activity, requires strength and stamina to run through woodland terrain, can be strongly individualistic or a team oriented, contact sport, requires different orienteering techniques to successfully cope with different terrain types, mentally tough, etc.

Such a switch in promotion should also involve changing the focus of orienteering away from simple city park events to “forest” events. My reason for suggesting this, is that experience has shown that the “city park orienteer” very seldom becomes an avid “forest orienteer” who eventually goes on to learn other aspects of orienteering such as organization or coaching, a well established need. City park events would be used sparingly, primarily as learning areas. Instead, attempt to get the people out in the woods to illustrate that this sport is challenging and requires mental and physical strength.

A complaint that I have heard about orienteering is that some people have little interest in driving for an hour or more to participate in an event which will have them, or their kids, participating for as little as 20-25 minutes (beginner’s course) to 90 minutes at the most (winning time on a one day course 8 event). While I recognize that the majority of participants may take up to twice as much time to complete the course, the complaint should be taken seriously. I would suggest that it is time to examine our course standards, or to revise meet procedures so that participants have an opportunity to run longer distances. This could easily be accomplished by giving every participant who wants to, the opportunity to run more than one course.

With respect to results, I believe that they always need to be posted, since the majority of individuals are interested in their time (and perhaps time per km). However, perhaps we should consider posting results by course only, so that you can easily see how you fared in comparison with all participants on the course, not just those in your age category. This method was used at the 2001 Boulder Dash in New Hampshire, and did not seem to attract negative critique.

2001 WORLD MILITARY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Information from: www.orienteingonline.com

The 2001 World Military Orienteering Championships (CISM), were held at Beja, Portugal, October 11-13. Individual and Relay events for Men and Women. (Relay teams of 3 runners).

Individual event format: Qualification race to qualify runners to A & B Final. Qualification Times are combined with Final Times to determine over-all placings - basically a 2-Day Total Time event.

Terrain: Extremely fast - lots of semi-open, little vegetation and few paths. Times were comparable to those of Park events - Qualification times: Men - Mikhail Mamleev - 58:04 for 12.5 km (4.6 min/km); Women - Maret. Vaher - 40:49 for 6.8 (5.8 min/km). Times were even faster in the Finals with Evgeni Fadeev running the 16.2 km 'A' course in 69:56 (4.3 min/km).

In many countries citizens in certain age groups must serve time in the military and also some part time annual service. Both full and part time service qualifies for CISM eligibility resulting in many top level orienteers, including WOC champions, eligible to compete in CISM. Neither Canada or the USA compete in CISM orienteering championships.

The Norwegian team included: Bjornar Valstad (world # 1 ranked); Oystein Kristiansen, Bernt Bjornsgard, Havard Tveite, (all WOC gold medal Relay winners). The Russian team included Valentin Novikov, Mikhail Malmeev and Tatiana Pereliaeva - all top 20 in the world. The Polish, Estonian, Italian, Ukrainian, German and Lithuanian teams contained runners who competed in the 2001 WOC.

Turkey Delights

The biggest surprise of the championships was the fine showing by the team from Turkey. One member of the team had a very good time in the 'A' final and beat a member of the Finnish team while in the 'B' Final another Turkish runner beat 3 Swedes and several Danes, French and German runners. Their good performances in the Individual race was followed up by equally fine results in the Relay. They finished 20th just behind Poland and ahead of the 'B' teams of Sweden, France, Denmark, Italy and Austria. Quite impressive results.

Bjornar Valstad commented: "those guys come from track and field and were taught orienteering skills secondarily. And now there's a lot of enthusiasm in their team".

There is no O federation in Turkey and they are not members of the IOF - perhaps IOF, in their efforts to increase the number of member nations should take a look at the situation in Turkey.

Clean Sweep for Russia

With gold and silver placings in both individual events and gold medals in both relays the Russian team dominated the championships. The 1st and 2nd placings of Mikhail Mamleev and Evgeni Fadeev ahead of the four Norwegians is a major upset - Valstad, Bjornsgard and Kristiansen were 3rd, 11th and 12th in WOC 2001 Classic. The Russian victory in the men's relay confirms their fine 4th place in the WOC - only 5 minutes behind the winning Finnish team and less than 2 minutes behind the 2nd place Norway.

Individual - Men

		Total Time	
1	Mikhail Mamleev	Russia	2:10:53
2	Evgeni Fadeev	Russia	2:11:46
3	Bjornar Valstad	Norway	2:12:20
4	Janusz Porzycz	Poland	2:12:57
5	Ingo Horst	Germany	2:13:59
6	Michael Tavernaro	Italy	2:14:48
7	Ambrazas Svajunas	Lithuania	2:15:35
8	Havard Tveite	Norway	2:15:41

Individual - Women

1	Julia Seidina	Russia	1:26:39
3	Tatiana Pereliaeva	Russia	1:28:20
3	Barbara Baczek	Poland	1:29:00
4	Anna Fadeeva	Russia	1:29:38
5	Monika Depta	Poland	1:29:47
6	Maret Vaher	Estonia	1:30:11
7	Ruth Vaher	Estonia	1:30:58
8	Nina Vinnytska	Russia	1:31:19

Relay - Men

1	Russia	2.22.09
2	Italy	2.25.39
3	Norway A	2.26.18
4	Germany A	2.26.52
5	Norway B	2.27.06

Relay - Women

1	Russia	2.09.00
2	Estonia	2.14.02
3	Sweden	2.17.00
4	Lithuania	2.18.02
5	Poland	2.23.35

KING AND QUEEN WITHOUT THE CROWNS

From www.orienteeringonline.com

The Park World tour (PWT) is having serious problems providing the prizes for overall winners of this year's series. The reason is withdrawal of a major Korean sponsor, due to the current political situation in the world, which also reflects in their business. Therefore the PWT cannot guarantee the prizes, a total of about 300,000 SEK (CDN \$48,000). "We work as hard as we can and hope to find the solution, However, it can take a month before we give the final answer" said PWT president, Anders Vestergard.

Financial Turmoil

On the eve of the Final Tour events, referring to the downturn in the world economy following the September 11 terrorists attacks, one of the main partners in Asia withdrew from its entire financial involvement, without having paid a single cent of its financial commitment. One week before the Golden Final kick-off, two European sponsors notified the Park World Tour that they would reduce their support significantly for the same reason.

Some of the runners responded fiercely:

"Money prizes are obviously the strongest reason for me to take part in Park World Tour. I get no additional attention in Switzerland for winning here. At home they don't know what PWT is" says Vroni Konig-Salmi, who, in any case has already earned 42,000 SEK in 2001 PWT series.

Overall PWT standings

MEN			Points
1	Yuri Omeltchenko	Ukraine	121
2	Mikhail Mamleev	Russia	113
3	Thomas Buhner	Switzerland	89
4	Bjornar Valstad	Norway	73
5	Allan Mogensen	Denmark	73

WOMEN			Points
1	Vroni Konig-Salmi	Switzerland	145
2	Hanne Staff	Norway	120
3	Jenny Johansson	Sweden	94
4	Maria Sandstrom	Sweden	92
5	Emma Engstrand	Sweden	88

ATHLETE PROFILES

Danilo Malanczyi

<u>Age:</u>	17
<u>Club:</u>	Ukrainian Orienteering Club
<u>Current Status:</u>	Grade 11 Student
<u>Part-time job:</u>	Home Hardware Building Centre
<u>Future Goal:</u>	Mechanical Engineer
<u>Competition:</u>	Has competed at national level since 1994

Results:

Won medal at the North Americans in St. Louis, Missouri, in 1996. Has not been beaten in his age category at the Ontario Classic Orienteering event since 1996. Won medals at several COCs Classic events, but never gold at the classic. Won the COC Short in 1997, 2000 and 2001.

This year planning on competing at the USOC Classic, all major Meets in Ontario and some in NY.

Training:

Basketball in the winter; soccer, mountain bike racing, and orienteering events in the summer. Not playing soccer at a regional level this year, in order to concentrate more on orienteering and mountain bike racing. Started a rigorous training program this spring, mostly to increase his speed and endurance.

Thomas Nipen

<u>Age:</u>	17
<u>Club:</u>	Foothills Wanderers Orienteering Club, Calgary, Alberta
<u>Education:</u>	Currently grade 12 student, St. Mary's High School
<u>Work:</u>	Map making for Alberta Orienteering Association, since August 2001
<u>Orienteering Objectives:</u>	Develop into a high performing orienteer. Compete at international events.

Best results:

1st in M20 at the WCOC 2001 short distance, and 2nd in M20 short distance at the COCs 2001.

Favourite Orienteering Area: Swiss mountain terrain.

Training:

Trains four to five times a week. mostly on road, but also once a week in the terrain together with FWOC. Plans to continue to participate at the orienteering training in city terrain held by the club throughout the winter. Uses map making as navigation training.

2002 SASS PEEPRE NATIONAL JUNIOR TRAINING CAMP

- Where?** Kamp Kiwanis, ½ hour west of Calgary, Alberta
- When?** July 1, 4:00pm – July 4, 5:00pm
- For Whom?** Junior orienteers ages 10 – 20 (all levels of experience)
Canadians will be given priority. Juniors from other countries are welcome to apply by sending their registration forms to the registrar. About 1/3 of the space will be open to non-Canadians.
- Cost?** Canadians \$175 (thanks to Sass Peepre Fund subsidy)
Non-Canadians \$220 (Canadian funds)
Cost includes meals, accommodation, instruction, supplies
- Subsidy?** Canadians should contact their club and/or provincial orienteering association to see if funding support is available.

Registration Deadline: June 15, 2002 (registration and full fees received by this date)

How to Register: Complete the registration form, including an outline of your orienteering experience. Send a non-refundable deposit of Cdn\$30 with your form. Send the balance to be received by June 15. Make cheques or money orders, in Canadian funds, payable to: “Canadian Orienteering Federation – Sass Peepre Fund”.

Mail forms and cheques to the registrar: Marion Owen, 4839 Nordegg Cres NW, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2K 2M3; phone (403) 282-5098 email JAOwen@cadvision.com

More information: contact the Camp Coordinator,
Kitty Jones, 1927 – 10 Ave. NW, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2N 1G4; phone (403) 282-5235; email:
kittyjones@shaw.ca

If you are 10 - 20 years old and want to meet orienteers your own age while improving your ‘O’ skills, then this camp is for you. There will be one group of 10-12 year olds, and the 13-20 year olds will be split into groups based on ability. There will be theory and practical sessions for everyone. Although there is a small map of Kamp Kiwanis, we will have most of our activities off site on maps in Kananaskis Country, Bow Valley and Banff. The team of coaches will include Ted de St Croix, Ross Burnett, Kitty Jones, Pam James and Marie-Catherine Bruno.

A confirmation letter and more details will be sent to you after you register.

**2002 SASS PEEPRE NATIONAL JUNIOR TRAINING CAMP July 1-4
REGISTRATION FORM**

Name _____ Phone _____

Birthdate _____ Email _____

Address _____

Emergency Contact (someone we can phone if we need to during camp) & Phone No.

Health Plan Information

Health/Medical problems, including allergies

WAIVER

In consideration of the Canadian Orienteering Federation accepting enrolment of _____ in the 2002 Sass Peepre National Junior Training Camp for orienteering, I agree to release and indemnify and save harmless the Canadian Orienteering Federation and any of their servants, agents, sponsors, volunteers or employees from any and all claims or demands whatsoever which might be made against the Canadian Orienteering Federation arising out of or in consequence of the above named participant in the 2002 Sass Peepre National Junior Training Camp.

I hereby authorize the staff of the 2002 Sass Peepre National Junior Training Camp to act on my behalf should they be unable to contact us in a reasonable amount of time in the event of a medical emergency.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Please attach an outline of your orienteering experience on a separate page. Include the competitive orienteering course level that you normally run and any orienteering training camps you have attended in the past. Indicate areas you are hoping to improve.

Please send this form, along with a Cdn\$30 non-refundable deposit (cheque made out to "Canadian Orienteering Federation - Sass Peepre Fund") to: Marion Owen, 4839 Nordegg Cres. NW, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2K 2M3

WHAT ARE YOU DOING NEXT APRIL? LOOKING FOR A CHALLENGE? NAVIGATE THIS!

What do you do after you have held the most successful navigational exercise and race in Nova Scotia? You immediately start planning to make it even better!

In 2001, more than 120 participants challenged their physical and skill limits in the Halifax Search and Rescue's SAR Challenge. Competitors came from as far away as Montreal to spend up to 24-hours racing through the forests near Tantallon, Halifax County.

Everyone had fun; everyone demanded more! So, on April 27/28, 2002, the Eco-Endurance Challenge - (E2C) Maritime Canada's premier wilderness navigational challenge, will be held. The Eco-Endurance Challenge will be a physically and mentally demanding eco-adventure with an event area covering more than 150-kms of thick forests, extremely wet bogs, fast flowing streams and miles of backwoods trails and cart tracks.

Good physical conditioning is necessary to push one through the tough terrain, but accurate navigation skills are key to finding the controls and minimizing the distance travelled. The challenge is mentally exhausting as team members must always be aware of their surroundings and their place on the map. The course map will not be adjusted for manmade features such as roads or buildings, so land features will be the only accurate means of determining where you are.

Participants will represent a wide variety of backgrounds and interests: Search and Rescue Emergency Responders, adventure racers, orienteering enthusiasts, scouts, cadets, and ordinary outdoor enthusiasts. Based on 2001's participation, more than half may be female. The Eco-Endurance Challenge will be the most broadly based navigation exercise held in Atlantic Canada. Organizers expect over 350 participants to challenge themselves in 2002.

The 2002 Eco-Endurance Challenge offers four challenges for the adventurous:

Challenge	Description	Team Size	Options
Challenge I	Search & Rescue Challenge	2 person	8 or 24 hour
Challenge II	Public Competitive	2 person	8 or 24 hour
Challenge III	Recreational	2 to 5 person	8 or 24 hour
Challenge IV	Mountain Bike	2 person	6 hour

The Eco-Endurance Challenge has emerged from the highly successful Maxi-Moose competitions held in the Cobequid Mountains in 1997 and 1999 by the Orienteering Association of Nova Scotia, and Halifax Regional Search and Rescue's Search and Rescue Challenges held outside Halifax, Nova Scotia in 2000 and 2001.

Visit www.hrsar.ca [not available until August 31, 2001] for details of Eco-Endurance Challenge 2002, or contact haynesmc@sportns.ns.ca.

Kelvin King and Michael Haynes
Directors, Eco-Endurance Challenge 2002

Chinese orienteers - avid readers? from orienteeringonline.com

In 198 PWT and Jorgen Martensson started a big campaign to spread orienteering to China. And they are doing a very job, as the Chinese Ministry of Education decided to introduce orienteering into their schools and ordered a book, to help them accomplish this.

The book, written by Goran Andersson, one of the best known orienteering coaches and current leader of the British national squad, covers the basics of orienteering, organizing competitions, making maps, etc.

Goran will not receive much money from book sales, as through the assistance of sponsors it will be gratis for the Chinese. 11,000,000 copies of the book will be published (it means every single person in Slovenia could have 5 copies of the book.)

National Orienteering Map Archives

National Archives Canada is in the process of establishing an Orienteering Map Archive and would like to receive copies of orienteering maps produced by clubs and associations. The Archive will be established by province.

Clubs and associations are requested to forward 1 copy of orienteering maps produced to:

National Archives Canada
Government Records Branch
344 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0N3
Attention: B. Bjorndal

A PROCRASTINATORS GUIDE **TO EVENT ORGANIZING OR HOW TO ORGANIZE** **A MULTI-DAY CHAMPIONSHIP IN 48 HOURS**

Bill Jarvis

Editors Note: Due to an imposed fire ban and forest closure which was implemented in Kananaskis Country, site of the 2001 Alberta Championships, organizers had to scramble to find a new venue and reorganize the event, all in less than 48 hours. Here is their story.

Procrastination Pays Off Once Again! – Even though the K-Country event was only 2 days away, there was still a lot of stuff to do, like putting control stands into the forest, preparing control descriptions, and setting courses for the Fun Relay. We were wondering how we would get it all done when the news broke about the Fire Ban. Our first instinct was to postpone, but on sober second thought, this was not an attractive option, due to major potential hassles to unwind the event and then revive it again in 3 weeks time.

At least two of the AOC organizers are in fact expert procrastinators! We gauge how much time something should take, then we wait until that much time is left before we begin working on it. That way there is no time to waste deliberating or spending that 80% of the effort that only improves things by 20%! If we miscalculate that's OK because we are also experts at improvising, or to be more exact, scaling down and/or creating more time at the expense of sleep, leisure, family and work. We encourage others to practice procrastination and improvisation techniques when organizing their next Weds Night event!

For the Fun Relay, I had only 20 minutes of spare time to set the entire course. So I looked at the Short event controls and attempted to make 2 easy and 2 not-so-easy relay courses with what was out there. By adding 2 new controls I was able to get half-way decent courses. I emailed the courses to Thomas Nipen, who cut and pasted and did the control descriptions (using OCAD 8 Beta) for the final splendid result!

Stick to the Original Plan ...but Be Flexible – In order to simplify, we endeavored to keep to the original itinerary as closely as possible, but we needed to quickly find maps to use. Alberta environment were only offering Fish Creek Park, which seemed to be an acceptable compromise for the Short event. However, the only suitable maps for the Classic event were all more than 2 hours north of Calgary. It seemed too excessive for the Calgary people to drive this far and then back again immediately after for the Sprint event at Camp Kiwanis. Jim Webster came up with a perfect solution – the O-Bus. The private landowner at McKenzie Crossing was also happy to oblige us for the 2nd time this year.

Decide, Delegate and Push Ahead – we didn't have much

time for deliberation. First we formed the Crisis Team and assigned duties: Jim Baker: Crisis Commander; Jim Webster: McKenzie Crossing Course Setter; Bill Jarvis: Fish Creek Course Setter. Adrian and Olav would continue in their roles of Training Day Chief and Sprint-O Meet Director. Webster set the courses on Thursday, and then hung the controls on Friday with Ken Robertson who stepped forward to volunteer as soon as he'd heard about the forest closure. The Bills and Baker would program and place the ePunches on Saturday morning. Other than the small oversight of the course setter not having time to calculate the climb (and there was a lot of it), the event went off without a hitch.

Setting courses for the Short event was a little stressful, starting with my on-location discovery that the scale of the OCAD map was wrong (1:6667 instead of 1:10000). After some discussion with my consultants we figured out how to lengthen the courses with a few extra controls and some gratuitous extra running at the start. We then headed into the field and realized quite quickly why we always have trouble on that map – it was really really bad! One of my consultants shook his head, told me I was hooped and then left us to panic on our own. Fortunately, my other consultant was Thomas, whose mapping skills are improving at light speed, along with his orienteering abilities. We spent 5 hours in the field, checking control locations and doing whatever quick map corrections along the most logical route choices. If you had trouble, then I guess you weren't using a logical route choice! Then it got dark, and that was that.

This event also almost went off without a hitch, except for the 2 Edmontonians (neither named Greg) who were racing each other to the finish punch. The leader punched in, and we had a good laugh when we pointed out that it was the 2nd day in a row that she had forgotten to go to the last control. She went off to correct her mistake (no instructions necessary). Meanwhile her pursuer came in and before he could punch the Finish, we suggested that he might also want to visit the last control. But as we were distracting him, the spry M35er somehow placed his punch into a nearby Clear punch and erased all of his data from a sure winning run. Oh well...

Thanks to our Helpers – Lots of people played a hand at making this a successful event. Jim and the Bills would like to thank the original helpers: Ted, Adrian, Olav, Russ, Adele, Vince, Janet, Teresa, Jonathan, Sarah, Dave, Kitty, Christina and Joe. Also special thanks to those who eagerly volunteered to be a part of the Crisis Team: Webster, Ken, Thomas, John, Joan, Adrian, Charlotte, Andree and Marilyn (who happily contacted all of the Edmonton folks).

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