POKAPŪ CENTRAL REGIONAL CHAMPS

FRI 28 - SUN 30 JUNE 2024

Pokapū Champs 28-29-30th June 2024 Matariki-O

Welcome

Hawkes Bay Orienteering Club is looking forward to welcoming you over New Zealand's inaugural Matariki Weekend for three days of fantastic orienteering in our region.

Date	Event	Location	Starts from
28/06/2024	Sprint, A-level event	Havelock North	1pm
29/06/2024	Middle, A-level event	Springvale	10.30 am
30/06/2024	Long, A-level event	Hautope	10.00 am

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General event information

Locations

All the events will be held within 50km of Hastings.
The Havelock North High Schools, the **Sprint** Event, are located at Te Mata Road, Havelock North, https://maps.app.goo.gl/ycD4wuFwrGNYwREc9

Springvale, **Middle** Event, is in Central Hawkes Bay, near Tikokino, allow 50 minutes from Hastings, https://maps.app.goo.gl/aadczv6YMVEyS7JZ9

Hautope, the Long Event, is South in Central Hawkes Bay, allow 50 minutes from Hastings, https://maps.app.goo.gl/Qn8EqUV7K5fsTPLi9

Transport

Public transport to the events is not available.
Driving will be the most likely mode of transport for most competitors. We encourage competitors to car-share where possible to minimise the impact on the environment.
Parking for the event will be along roadside or designated parking area's

Accommodation

Hastings Top 10 Holiday Park and Havelock North holiday park have units and camping sites to rent.
AirBnB, holidayhomes.co.nz and bookabach.co.nz also have many accommodation options in the region.

Entries and fees

Pre-entries are required and are open at Enter-O
Entries will close on the **Saturday 22nd June 2024, 8pm**
Entry costs are

	Junior	Senior
Sprint	**$15**	**$20**
Middle	**$20**	**$35**
Long	**$20**	**$35**

Entries are only confirmed when full payment is received on date of close of registration Saturday 22nd June 2024.

Entry-on-the-day will be available, a reduced selection of courses will be offered. 50% surcharge per entry.

Overall event contacts

You can contact the event organisers at Orienteering Wellington via the following methods:

- Email: events@hborienteering.com
- Via Facebook Messenger

Event cancellation

Cancellation of the event will occur in conditions that are too dangerous for safe competition. Situations that might lead to cancellation, fire risk, extreme weather, loss of access, serious earthquake, or death of a competitor or spectator. Should any of the events need to be cancelled, this information will be posted on the Hawkes Bay Orienteering Club website and HB Orienteering Facebook page.
An email will also be sent to all participants, using the email address provided as part of their entry, as soon as practicable after the decision is taken.

Withdrawal

If you have entered for **Pokapū Champs 2024** and you must withdraw for whatever reason, please notify the organisers as soon as possible by email.

Pokapū Champs 2024 Refund policy:

- *Refund of 90% of fees paid for withdrawals prior to standard entry fee close date (**Saturday 22nd June 2024**)*
- *Refund of 75% of fees paid for withdrawals after entries are closed and before start lists are published (**Wednesday 26th June 2024**)*
- *No refund after start lists are published*
- *Refunds will be processed after the event*
- *To withdraw from a race and request a refund, please e-mail treasurer@hborienteering.com and provide your bank account details*

Health and Safety

Bulletin 2 will go into more specific detail around the protocols in place regarding congregating, refreshments and mask requirements, if any.

Whistles

It is strongly encouraged to carry a whistle for the long and middle events.

Dogs

Dogs are not permitted at any of the events.

Actions to be taken by competitors in the event of an emergency:

- Abandon your course, evacuate from the forest;
- Help any other competitors to evacuate;
- If it is safe, evacuate to the event Centre, inform organisers, and download your SportIdent;
- If you evacuate to somewhere else, contact the main organiser –
- Call 111 if there is a fire or you require emergency assistance.

First aid
First aid will be available at the event centre during all events. However, we ask that you bring your own first aid kit and tend to minor injuries such as cuts and grazes yourself.
The nearest Emergency Department is at Hastings Fallen Soldier's Memorial Hospital and, in Waipukurau, the HBDHB Central HB Medical Centre.

On-the-day event information

Event centre
Cell-phone reception
The cell-phone reception at all the event centres is largely good.

Refreshment vendors
We anticipate having a coffee cart available for competitors to purchase hot drinks. This may be revised in bulletin 2

Orienteering gear vendors
There are no arrangements in place at this time to have orienteering gear vendors at the event. However, we invite attending vendors to contact us to make arrangements. This may be revised in bulletin 2.

Commentary and results screens
The HB Orienteering Club is the club that gave birth to the use of radio controls, results screens and commentary at the O-events in NZ, so you will see O-Lynx in full glory as usual.
Waste

Matariki-O will run on a 'leave no trace' basis. Please remove all your litter from the forest when you leave.
Water
Water will not be provided by the event organisers on the course or at the finish/ event centre. Please bring your own water.
Photos and videos
During the event, photos and videos will be taken and published on the HB Orienteering

Facebook page. We encourage anybody who would like to share their photos to be published on the Facebook page, please contact the organisers via email, ideally before the event.

Competition details

Timing system

The SportIdent (SI) punching system will be used in all NZOC2024 events in accordance with the ONZ Policy on Touch-free punching. To hire Is $ 3.00 per event.
To upgrade to a SIAC card, they will be available for hire at $5 per event.
You can request a SIAC card by e-mail events@hb-orienteering.com. When hiring an SI card, make sure you return the card at downloading after your last race. Lost or broken SI cards will incur a charge of $120 to cover the cost of a replacement.

Start lists

Start lists for all events will be published on the event website as soon as possible. A copy of the Start List will be available at Registration during the event. Start Lists and results will be published on the HB Orienteering Club Pokapū website.

Start procedure

- -4 minutes: Report to the start when the clock shows your start time (this is set to four minutes before race time). Officials will check SI card, name and start time are correct.

- -3 minutes: Officials will ensure each competitor punches the safety check box presented.

- -2 minutes: Control description sheets are available for runners to pick up (optional). The control descriptions are also printed on the map.

- -1 minute: Competitors wait beside the map box for their course. The five-second start- countdown will be indicated by a series of beeps. On the first (short) beep, competitors should pick up their maps and check it is for their course. On the long (final) beep, competitors start their run, following the marked route to the start triangle. All competitors must pass within 2m of the start triangle.

Late starts

Competitors who arrive at the start late (after their time is indicated on the start-clock) must report to the late-start lane where an official will accompany him/her. Control descriptions and the competition map will be handed over by an official, and the competitor then starts the race when told to do so (IOF Rule 22.9) by punching a start box. The results of competitors who start late will be based on their original start time (with no time dispensation). Only if their lateness is the fault of the organiser will their actual race time be used (IOF Rule 22.10).
Any competitor who is late, whether through their own fault or otherwise, should not discuss this with the start officials. Instead, if the competitor believes the organiser is responsible, he/she should make a complaint after finishing the race at the enquiries desk before leaving the finish area.

Controls
If you punch an incorrect control, ignore it and continue to the correct control; the extra punch will be disregarded by the results software. If the SI-card stops working or does not function (there is no beep and no flash) then use the control punch to clip your map next to the control description. If you have pin punched any controls on your map you must hand the map in at the download before leaving the finish area and explain what you have done.

Finish procedure
At the finish line, punch the finish units next to the finish flag. Your elapsed race time only stops when you punch one of these units. Competitors must punch one of these finish units even if they do not complete their course. Runners who do not register at the finish line and download will be considered missing in the terrain, which may cause a search. The download will be close to the finish, where you will then receive your time split printout. After download at your last event you should return any hired SI-Air Cards. Runners are free to go after the download.
Maps will be collected at the finish until the last starter has commenced their course.

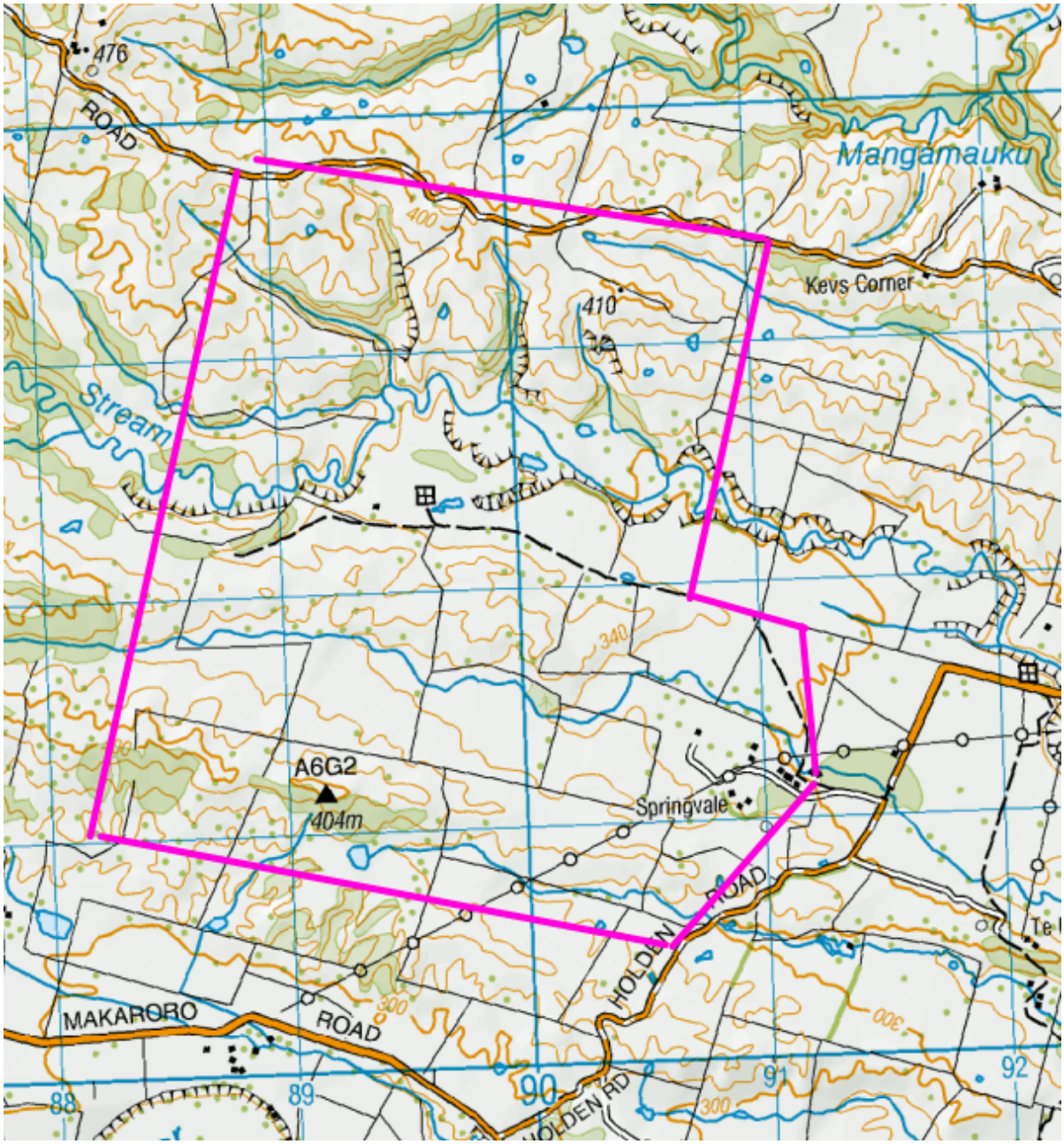
Results
Official results will be posted on winsplits at the end of each day of competition.

Complaints and protests
Complaints and protests will be handled in accordance with the ONZ rules 27, 28, 29 and 30. The only exception to this procedure will be in the case of WRE events for elite runners, which are handled in accordance with the IOF rules.

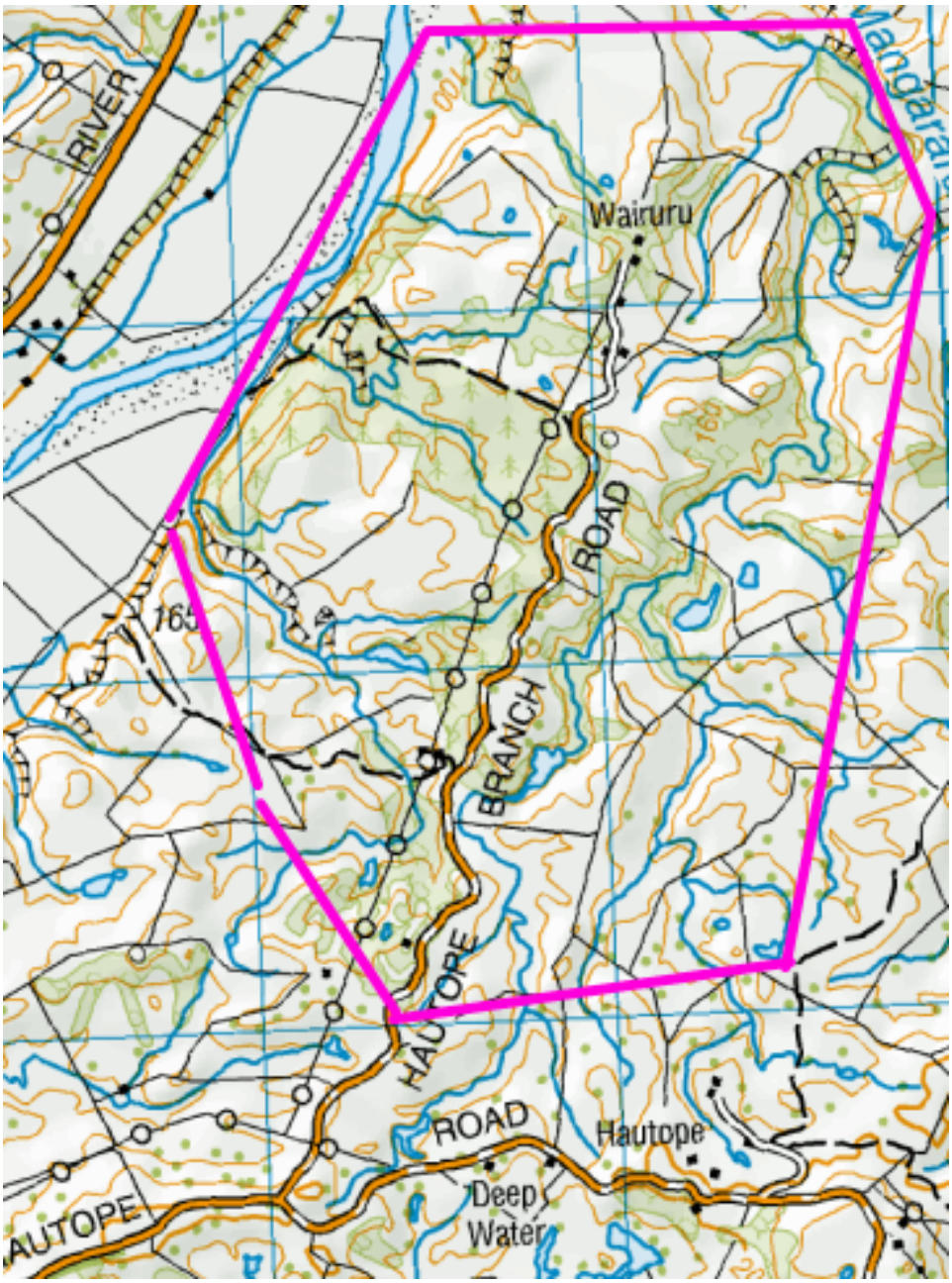
FAIR PLAY, Embargoed areas.

1. Sprint Event, Havelock North Schools

2. Middle Event, Springvale



3. Long Distance, Hautope



Sprint distance , Havelock North Schools, Event 1

Date: Friday 28th June 2024
Map: Havelock North Schools
Planner: Phillip Herries
Controller: Hugh Forlong-Ford
Scale: 1:4,000/3,000
Map description: School Campus.
Registration: Event centre/arena
Parking: Near Event Centre
Distance to start: To be advised
Start times: Allocated start times from 1:00pm Course closure: 3:30pm
Toilets: Toilets are located by the event centre.
Mobile Coverage: Available.

SPRINT	Men	Women	Relative Course Length	Difficulty
1	M21E M20E		100%	Red
2	M16A M18A M20A M21A M40A	W21E W20E	85%	Red
3	M50A		75%	Red
4	M14A	W16A W21A W40A W18A W20A	70%	Red
5	M60A	W14A W50A	60%	Red
6	M70A	W60A	50%	Red
7	M80A M90A	W70A W80A W90A	40%	Red
8	M12A	W12A		Yellow
	Open Easy			
9	M10 W10 MW10N			White
	Open Very Easy			

Middle Distance, Springvale, Event 2

Date: Saturday 29th June 2024
Map: Springvale
Planner: Shane Wilson
Controllers: Susan Edwards
Scale: 1:10,000, 1:7,500
Climb: To be advised for all courses.
Map description: Gully/spur farmland with sections of native bush.
Registration: Event centre/arena
Distance to start: To be advised
Start times: Allocated start times from 10:30am to 12:30pm
Toilets: Toilets are located by the event centre.
Mobile Coverage: Available.

Middle	Men	Women	Relative Course Length	Difficulty
1	M21E M20E		100%	Red
2	M21A M40A	W21E	80%	Red
3	M18A M20A M50A	W20E	65%	Red
4	M16A	W21A W40A W18A W20A W50A	45%	Red
5	M60A	W16A	35%	Red
6	M21AS M70A	W60A	30%	Red
7	M80A M90A M40AS	W40AS W70A W80A W90A W21AS	20%	Red
8	M14A	W14A	30%	Orange
	Open Medium			
9	M12A	W12A		Yellow
	Open Easy			
10	M10 W10 MW10N			White
	Open Very Easy			

Long Distance, Hautope, Event 3

Date: Sunday 30th June 2024

Map: Hautope
Planner: James Watson
Controller: Murray Harty
Scale: 1:10,000, 1:7500
Climb: To be advised for all courses.
Map description: Rolling Farmland
Registration: Event centre/arena
Distance to start: TBA
Start times: Pre-allocated start times from 10:00am to 12pm
Toilets: Toilets are located by the event centre.
Mobile Coverage: Available.

Long	Men	Women	Relative Course Length	Difficulty
1	M21E		100%	Red
2	M20E		80%	Red
3		W21E	65%	Red
4	M18A M20A M21A M40A	W20E	50%	Red
5	M16A M50A	W40A	45%	Red
6	M21AS M60A	W16A W18A W20A W21A W50A	35%	Red
7	M70A M40AS	W60A	30%	Red
8	M80A M90A	W40AS W70A W21AS W80A W90A	20%	Red
10	M14A	W14A	30%	Orange
	Open Medium			
11	M12A	W12A		Yellow
	Open Easy			
12	M10 W10 MW10N			White
	Open Very Easy			