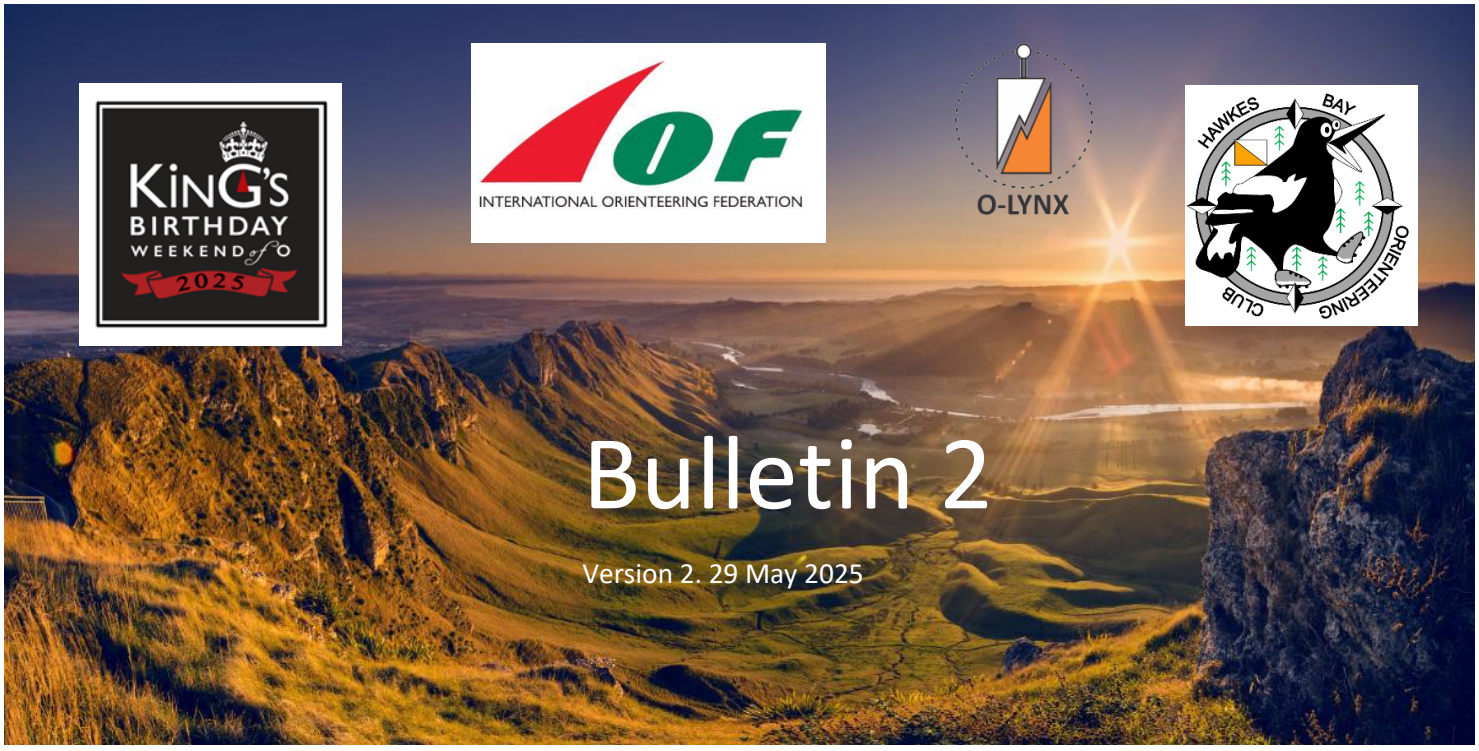

King's Birthday Weekend of Orienteering 2025

Event Map-o-zine

Bulletin 2

Hawke's Bay - Te Matau-a-Māui

31 May- 2 June 2025

King's Birthday Weekend of Orienteering 2025

Saturday 31st May	**Sprint**	**Iona School & Keirunga Gardens & Havelock North Cemetery**
Sunday 1st June	**Middle**	**Smedley Station, CHB**
Monday 2nd June	**Long**	**Te Apiti Station, Maraetotara**

Thank You

The organising committee of the King's Birthday Orienteering Championships 2025 would like to **thank the land owners and managers for their support** in enabling us to host this event.

In particular we would like to thank

- Iona College & Hastings District Council
- Smedley Station and Cadet training farm
- Te Apiti Station at Maraetotara

Contacts

Please direct all enquiries to events@hborienteering.com Please understand that in the final week all email correspondence will be read but not necessarily answered straight away.

Information in this Bulletin

This Bulletin was correct at time of publication. Last minute changes or updates will be posted on the ONZ & HBorienteering websites. Please check for updates.
Kings Birthday 2025 Orienteering or www.oevents.nz/kb25/ or https://www.oevents.nz/kb25/updates/

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Kia Ora and Welcome

On behalf of Hawke's Bay Orienteering, the organising committee of King's Birthday Orienteering Championships and Orienteering New Zealand, we welcome you to King's Birthday 2025. There are over 400 entries and are excited to be hosting you all in Te Matau-a-Māui for three days of fun and memorable competition.

This event is officially sanctioned by Orienteering New Zealand and incorporates three World Ranking Events (WREs).

To all participants, we hope you enjoy the challenging courses, the exciting competition, and the camaraderie throughout the weekend.

The weather is currently looking great for the whole long weekend! Bring sunblock just in case!

Find your adventure!
King's Birthday 2025 Event Team

Event Locations

Map of Event Locations

Event Information

The KB2025 website is the main source of information for the Championships. Bulletin 1 & 2, Start Lists, Results and additional resources for KB2025 can be downloaded from the website Kings Birthday 2025 Orienteering

There is a Facebook page for exhaustive hype and where we will share photos after each race. Please take care clicking on any links posted as comments. Any official links will be provided in the original posts only. If you wish for photos to be added to the Facebook page, please email them to secretary@hborienteering.com

Please direct any queries during the event to Registration, and they will locate the appropriate person.

Explanation for Secondary School Competitors

KB25 incorporates the trials for the 2025 New Zealand Secondary School representative teams which will compete in the 2025 Southern Cross Trophy during Australian Schools Championships at the end of September in Queensland near Brisbane. ('the Trials'):

- The grades for school students differ from those at other competitions for both the Challenge and the Trials. The M/W14/16/18 grades are replaced with Junior Girls / Boys (JG / JB) and Senior Girls / Boys (SG / SB) grades;
    - Senior A grades (SGA / SBA) run red-level courses.
    - Senior B grades (SGB / SBB) will run orange-level courses.
    - Junior A grades (JGA / JBA) will run orange-level courses.
    - Junior B grades (JGB / JBB) will run yellow courses.
    - B grades are not offered at the Sprint.
- All three races at King's Birthday are part of the Trials.
- Senior Boys/Girls A or B is for those 16 and over (as of 31 December 2025), but still at school ie. born in or before 2009.
- Junior Boys/Girls A or B is for those aged 15 and under (as of 31 December 2025) ie. born in or after 2010.
- All students seeking selection for the NZSS team in the Trials *must* enter the appropriate A-grade event (and must be Year 9 to 13).
- More info: https://www.orienteering.org.nz/news/selection-notice-southern-cross-challenge-nz-schools-team/

Rules

The events will be run under the latest version of the Orienteering New Zealand (ONZ) 'Competition Rules for New Zealand Foot Orienteering Events'. International Orienteering Federation (IOF) World Ranking Event (WRE) for M/W21E Sprint race) is an international event and will be run according to the 'IOF Rules 2023, version 1.21 WRE'.

Competitors

Entries to KB25 must be from persons affiliated to ONZ or an IOF member organisation, or who pay a one-event participation fee. New Zealand Championship titles may be held only by members of ONZ-affiliated clubs who are also NZ citizens or permanent residents, as defined by the New Zealand Immigration Service (payment of a one-event participation levy does not grant eligibility).

Competitions

Date	Event	Location	Registration opens	Starts from	Course Closure
Saturday 31 May	Sprint, A-level event, WRE, NSL	Iona College & Keirunga Gardens & HN Cemetery	11.30 pm	1.00 pm	4.00 pm
Sunday 1 June	Middle, A-level event, WRE, NOL	Smedley Station, Central Hawkes Bay	9.00 am	10.00 am	2.30 pm
Monday 2 June	Long, A-level event, WRE NOL	Te Apiti Station, Maraetotara	8.30 am	9.00 am	2.30 pm

Event Team

Event and Technical Director		James Watson
Logistics		Jane Herries, Alanda Rafferty
People - Volunteers		Pauline Korevaar & Club members & Volunteers
Land Liaison, Health and Safety		Jane Herries & Murray Franks
Technology		Phillip Herries & Alistair Nicoll
Entry System		EnterO
Registration		Pauline Korevaar & Sarah Nicoll
IOF Event Advisor		Graham Teahan
Sprint	Planner	Bill Edwards
	Controller	Susan Edwards
	A Grade Controller	Aiden Ellmers
Middle	Planner	Phillip Herries
	A Grade Controller	Murray Harty
Long	Planner	Robbie Smith
	A Grade Controller	Hugh Forlong-Ford

Event Embargo

All the areas used for King's Birthday 2025 are embargoed. Refer to the Embargo Notice on the event website for further information. Older versions of maps are available under Event Information on the event website and at the end of this bulletin. Follow this link to embargoed areas and links to previous maps.
https://www.oevents.nz/kb25/embargoes/

General Information

Registration

Registration or enquiries can be made at the Registration Desk at the times indicated in the timetable. Race bibs and hired SI cards must be collected from Registration prior to your first event. All SI cards hired from us will be SIACs. Hired SIACs must be returned at the end of the event. We will charge a fee of $160 for unreturned SIACs.

Entry Withdrawal

If you must withdraw for whatever reason, please notify the Event Team as soon as possible by email. Refunds will most likely not be actioned until the week after King's Birthday 2025. Providing your bank account details in your cancellation email will speed up the process. Unfortunately, HBOC cannot take liability for any loss associated with travel or accommodation cancellation.

Please note our Refunds and Changes Policy here: https://www.oevents.nz/kb25/entries/

Refunds and Changes Policy

Entries and refunds:

- Entry fees are inclusive of GST (New Zealand Goods & Services Tax).
- The entry fee does not include any form of insurance, including any medical or travel insurance.
- Refund of 90% of fees paid for withdrawals prior to standard entry fee close date (Friday 16th May 2025).
- Refund of 75% of fees paid for withdrawals after entries are closed and before start lists are published (Wednesday 28th May 2025).
- 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.
- If the event is cancelled due to extreme weather or other factors outside of the event organisers control, the organisers will endeavour to refund as much of the entry fee as possible, considering any sunk costs.

Changes:

- Each request to change entrant details, course, or start time after standard entries have closed will attract a non-refundable NZ$10 administration fee.
- As a last resort, SI Numbers can be changed at the event, in person at the registration desk (bring your new SI Card) at least an hour before the event starts.

Health and Safety

- The roads to the events are windy and travel times may take longer than expected, some parts are unsealed to the middle & long events. Please take care and allow plenty of time to get there and be courteous of other road users and residents.
- All participants are expected to be fit and well enough to compete. Participants are required to carry their own medication if required, e.g. inhaler for asthmatics, sweets for diabetics, epi-pen or adrenaline for those with severe allergies. It is the competitor's responsibility to notify the Event Team of any health matters that are important.
- First Aid will be available at all events. However, we would also ask that you bring your own first aid kit and tend to minor injuries such as cuts and grazes yourself.
- A portable AED is in the HBOC caravan located at the event centre at all events
- The closest emergency centre:
    - Hawke's Bay A&E, 398 Omahu Road, Camberley, Hastings 4120
- Please also advise Registration if there is an injury that requires an incident report to be completed.
- Anyone who is unwell or exhibiting cold or flu-like symptoms should not be attending any sporting event .
- Safety Plans and Hazards for each day will be displayed at the Arena.
- You are advised to carry whistles for the rural events. Please bring your own as these will not be provided at the Registration Desk. The distress signal is 6 short blasts, rest, then repeat. Use only in an emergency—this includes serious injury and/or becoming lost and unable to relocate and/or at risk from extreme elements.
- Good orienteering shoes with traction is recommended for the rural events.
- Metal spiked shoes must NOT be worn at the Sprint event.
- Refer to the course closure times stated for each day. If you haven't finished your course-by-course closure, then return to the finish area and report in at the download station.
- Lost or late runners – the organisers know who is or isn't out on the course at any given time. If you have a concern about a runner report to Registration and the controller will be notified to initiate any response necessary. Do not start your own search.
- Winter weather can be variable, so come prepared for all seasons, for the Arena and your run.
- A small amount of shelter will be provided by the organisers, but it is recommended that you bring your own if the weather is wet or hot and sunny or wet and cold.
- For sunny weather bring your own sunblock.

Dogs

Dogs are not permitted. This includes parking areas and in cars.

Smoking

Smoking, Vaping and fires are not permitted at our Arenas.

Food and Drink

Please bring cash for all food and drink as EFTPOS may not be available.

Fundraiser- There will be a fundraiser at the Sprint, Middle & Long events selling some baking and sausages at the sprint & middle events & also patties at the long event. There will also be pumpkin soup available at the middle- & long-distance events. Cash or Direct credit available.

Wild Rose Coffee NZ – Coffee cart will be at the Middle- & Long-distance events for your caffeine requirements. Eftpos should be available at the coffee cart. https://www.facebook.com/profile.php/?id=61557181053063

Water will not be available at the Arenas. You need to bring your own water. Make sure to bring enough to stay hydrated before and after each event and while you are in the Arena. It is not recommended to drink from the various ponds and streams.

Long Course: There will be water available on the Long- course for the courses with EWT of over 30 mins.

Saturday 31st May
There will be a fundraiser of home baking & sausages at the sprint. There will be no coffee cart as close to town for coffee purchases en route to the event! Cash/ direct credit available.

Sunday 1st June
A sausage/burger sizzle fundraiser will be present with home baking and soup also available.
A coffee cart will be present. Cash/eftpos available.

Monday 2nd June
A sausage/burger sizzle fundraiser will be present with home baking and soup also available.
A coffee cart will be present. Cash/eftpos available.

There are many wineries worth a visit in Hawke's Bay while you're here. Wine tastings – just pop in. For food prebooking is essential.

Vendors

The MAPsport Shop and TrailblazeNZ will be present selling a range of orienteering gear. See their websites for more information.

- MAPsport continues to support Red Cross working in Ukraine with every Russian product sold. Unfortunately, there are no thumb compasses for now due to supply difficulties, but Michael can take orders. Read more at www.mapsport.co.nz . Bring cash to settle on the spot with Michael or pay after the event with internet banking.

- TrailBlaze will be at all 3 Kings Birthday events with Orienteering gear for hitting the start line fully equipped trailblazenz.com. We will have our usual range of products including Sportidents, Gaiters, Glasses, VJ Shoes, O Pants and a wide range of Energy (gels, chews and hydration).
  We'll also have our Battery replacement service on site – drop your SIAC AIR off at the end of the day and we'll place replace for the following morning.
  Feel free to pre-order we'll have your gear ready to collect or pop over to our tent and say hi on the day.
  We'll have VISA, Mastercard and PayWave available. See you there.

Zero Waste and Sustainability

King's Birthday 2025 aims to be eco-friendly and minimise waste, leaving our venues exactly how we find them. King's Birthday 2025 will run on a 'carry in, carry out' policy, so if you carry it, please carry it out again.

Safety Pins

Please bring your own safety pins for your run bibs. We will have a few for back up at Registration.

Transport and Parking

For all events, driving is the only viable mode of transport. We would like to remind everyone to drive carefully, particularly if you are unfamiliar with the local roads. We encourage carpooling where possible to minimise the traffic and for parking. Drive to the conditions and remember that there is never any reason for speeding. Some roads to the middle- and long-distance events are unsealed. Please be courteous to other road users and residents. There will be Parking Wardens at the events where needed. Please follow their instructions.

Accommodation

Since it is King's Birthday Weekend accommodation may be tight. Hawke's Bay offers a diverse range of accommodation, from exclusive luxury lodges, international award-winning hotels, high-quality motels and serviced apartments through to camping grounds, holiday homes, farm-stays and backpacker lodges. For more information, please see: https://www.hawkesbaynz.com/plan-your-stay/accommodation/the-accommodation-guide/ or https://www.oevents.nz/kb25/accommodation/

Photos and Videos

During the event, photos and videos will be taken and published on our Facebook page (2) Hawkes Bay Orienteering | Facebook We encourage anybody who would like to share their photos to please contact the Event Team via email, ideally before the event. Email secretary@hborienteering.com

Arenas & Results

Each race will have an Arena which will incorporate Registration, toilets, First Aid, Finish, and the unofficial O-Lynx results display. There will be limited tent space available for competitors, so participants are encouraged to bring their own tents. Cell phone coverage at the middle and long events likely to be patchy, although variable depending on the provider. There will be no water at the Arenas - please bring your own.

Provisional live results will be displayed on the O-Lynx results display at the Arena. This will include information from the radio controls updating competitors' progress on the course. Official results will be available on the results page of the event website. Results on winsplits will be posted as soon as possible. WRE results will be uploaded to IOF Eventor.
Maps for each event will be published as soon as possible after the event.

Live results will be available on each day if cell phone coverage allows. Use the following links …

Sprint
https://liveresultat.orientering.se/followfull.php?comp=33458&lang=en
Middle
https://liveresultat.orientering.se/followfull.php?comp=33459&lang=en
Long
https://liveresultat.orientering.se/followfull.php?comp=33460&lang=en

Race commentary will be provided throughout the competitions by **Ed Cory Wright.**

Childcare – parents need to make their own childcare arrangements.

Toilets will be available at the Arenas. A camp toilet will also be accessible at the start of the Long-distance event only.

Fences and Gates

Please leave all gates closed and climb all fences at a post. If any damage occurs to a gate or fence, please advise Registration.

Competition Information

Event Information Updates

It is your responsibility to ensure you are familiar with all procedures and information about the courses by careful reading of this programme. Updates may be posted at the Arena. If you are unsure of anything, ask for clarification at the Registration Desk before you head to the Start. This helps us keep the noise down at the Start and allows all competitors to focus on their run.

Fair Play

All competitors shall behave with fairness and honesty. Attempts to gain any information related to the courses, beyond that provided by the organiser, is prohibited before and during the competition.

You may not bring any previous maps (either physical or digital) to the competition Arenas. A competitor who breaks any rule, or benefits from the breaking of any rule, may be disqualified.

Specifically in the Sprint, please familiarise yourself with the uncrossable symbols.

GPS Equipment

As per IOF Foot O rule 21.4, competitors shall not use or carry telecommunication equipment between entering the prestart area and reaching the finish of a race, unless the equipment has been approved by the Controller prior to the event. GPS-enabled devices (watches etc.) may be carried if they have no map display and are not used for navigation purposes.

Maps and Control Descriptions

Competition maps will be digitally pre-printed on synthetic waterproof paper (Teslin 115g).
The maps have been produced using the International Specification for Orienteering Maps (ISOM2017- 2) or the International Specification for Sprint Orienteering Maps (ISSprOM2019).
Control descriptions are printed on the map for all courses. Separate control descriptions are also available at the Start for the Sprint, Middle and Long events. The control descriptions are in the form of symbols and in accordance with the IOF Control Descriptions. Both IOF symbols and English written descriptions will be available for age classes 14 and under and for B, Easy and Very Easy courses.

Scales

For the WRE races, the scale of the map is decided by the IOF Competition Rules.
For all non-WRE races, the scale of the map is decided by the ONZ Competition Rules.

Classes

Competitors are divided into classes according to their gender and age, and women may compete in men's classes:

- Class eligibility is determined by the participant's age on 31 December 2025.
- Competitors aged 20 or younger are eligible to run in each class up to the end of the calendar year in which they reach the given age. They are entitled to compete in older classes up to and including 21.
- Competitors aged 21 or older are eligible to run in each class from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the designated age. They are entitled to compete in younger classes down to and including 21.

Classes offered for King's Birthday 2025 Men and Women:

- A-Classes: 10, 12, Junior, Senior, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90
- AS-Classes: 21, 40
- B-Classes: 10N, Junior, Senior
- Elite Classes: 20, 21

For M/W21E and M/W20E the Sprint, Middle and Long are WRE events. Junior & Senior Classes are eligible for selection into NZSS competition.

Winning Times

Target winning times for all classes will be in line with ONZ guidelines.

Model Maps

There are no Model Maps available for any of these events.

Start Lists

The start lists will be published on the KB2025 website https://www.oevents.nz/kb25/ before the event. Please check for updates prior to the event: Updates - Orienteering Kings Birthday 2025 A copy of the Start List will be available at Registration during each event.
Start Lists can be found here Start Lists - Orienteering Kings Birthday 2025

The Start List for the WRE race is compiled in accordance with Section 12 of the IOF Rules. There will be a reversed start order where the best-ranked athletes start at the end of the start field. All WRE entrants are classified as M/W21E. The Start Lists for the WRE course will also be published on IOF Eventor, as will the results.

For organisers and volunteers who cannot make their allocated start times, competitors entered in MW10N and anyone else who has been explicitly told: You may start whenever suits, so long as you do not start at the same time as anyone else running the same course. Officials at the Start will determine a convenient time.

See Late Starters later in the bulletin for more information.

Punching system

All events use the SportIdent (SI) electronic punching system in accordance with the ONZ Policy on contactless punching. SI cards (dibbers) will be used for recording your punches. If you have a SportIdent Active Card (SIAC) you will be able to use SI Air+ contactless punching.

Your SI card has a number that is specifically related to you as a competitor. Your SI card must not be used by anyone else at the event.

If hiring an SI card, collect from Registration and make sure you return the card at download after your last race. Lost or broken SIAC cards will incur a charge of $160 to cover the cost of a replacement.

Regular SI-cards and SIAC must be cleared and checked before each race. Stations to clear and check SI-cards will be in the prestart area and again in the start box. The check boxes also turn on SIAC cards. At each control, either insert your SI-card into the control unit until the unit beeps and flashes or pass your SIAC close to the control box and check that the SIAC beeps and flashes. 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 SIAC stops working in Air mode (no beep or flash), it can still be used like a regular SI card to punch each station. If an SI unit does not function (there is no beep and no flash) then use the pin punch attached to the control stand and punch on your map in one of the spaces provided. If you have pin punched any controls on your map you must hand the map in at the Finish and explain what you have done.

At the Finish, punch one of the SI units or, when using SIAC, pass your SIAC card over the Finish control and your elapsed race time stops. You can run at full speed past this Finish. SIACs are automatically turned off by the Finish control.

Report to the download station.

Controls

Each control is equipped with:

- one electronic punching station (SI unit). Some control sites with high traffic (e.g. last control) may have two SI units.
- one backup needle punching device, only to be used if SI unit fails.
- a control flag.

The control code is located on top of the SI unit, or on the ear tag attached to the stand. There are many controls in the competition terrain, so it is important to check the control code when you punch.

Radio controls will be used at all three events. This makes no difference for competitors but enables the timing system to pick up ‘interim’ times and gives spectators and the commentators the ability to follow the race in more detail.

Start Procedure

There will be two Start locations for the Sprint courses. There is one Start location for the Middle & Long events. The competition area is out of bounds (OOB) until your start time.

It is the competitor’s responsibility to be at the start on time. Note the distance from the Arena to the Start and allow time to walk. Be prepared by knowing your class, grade and course number.

Spoken briefings will not be given at Start boxes. It is your responsibility to familiarise yourself with any changes or procedures as well as OOB, safety bearings, hazards and course closure. These will be available in writing at the Arena.

The pre-start area has clear, check and SIAC battery check boxes in it.

In the Start area, competitors will pass through four consecutive starting pens and remain one minute in each one. The procedure is shown in the diagram below

Prestart	-4 mins	-3 mins	-2 mins	-1 min	GO!
Clear Check SIAC battery test	Clear Check	Check SIAC battery test	Collect control descriptions	Collect maps	→ start

- -4 minutes: Competitor call-up. Bib, SI-card number and the start time are checked. Competitors without an SI-card or without a bib will not be allowed to start.
- -3 minutes: Each competitor inserts their SI-card into a Check box. Option to check SIAC battery.
- -2 minutes: Loose control description sheets are available for competitors to pick up (optional). Control descriptions are also printed on the map.
- -1 minute: The competitor stands beside the map box labelled with their correct course and class. The start countdown will be indicated by a series of six beeps at -5 to 0 seconds. At the last (long) beep the competitor's race time begins and the competitor can look at the map. Each competitor is responsible for taking the correct map.

Competitors will then follow the marked route to the Start, which is indicated by a control with a flag (but without a SI punching unit) in the terrain and a triangle on the competition map.

Late Starters

Competitors who arrive at the Start late must report to the signposted late start lane where an official will handle any queries and manage the competitor's start. Control descriptions and a competition map will be handed over by an official, and the competitor will start the race when told to do so, using a punch-start. The rules on late starts as per ONZ Rules are as below:

> 22.8. Competitors who are late for their start time must be permitted to start. Their new start time must be recorded.
> - In an interval start, if the competitor is at the start line less than half the start interval after their start time, they shall start immediately.
> - In an interval start, if the competitor is at the start line more than half the start interval after their start time, they shall start at the next available half start interval.

When you start, your race time will run from your original start time.

If you consider that you have a valid reason for being late, inform the officials at the download station after you finish your course. At the Controller's discretion, they may adjust your start time to your actual start time. The organisers at the download station will not adjust your time unless they have the all-clear from the Event Controller. Exceptions to this are known organisers and volunteers, runners in MW10N (after their shadow runner has finished their run), and any others who have had explicit confirmation that they can have a manual start.

It is your responsibility to ensure that your time is adjusted accordingly. Results will not be changed once they are finalised and published.

Finish and Download

The Finish is in the Arena for all three events. All competitors, including those competitors who do not complete the whole course, are required to pass and punch one of the Finish control boxes. Competitors who do not punch the Finish will be considered as missing, resulting in a search for them.

Each competitor must download their SI-card at the manned download station. Any problems with download will be handled at this station.

After downloading, competitors are required to leave their map in the designated bins (at the Sprint & middle-distance events) located directly after the Finish, until the time that the last competitors have started. After finishing their race, competitors are not allowed to re-enter the competition area until after the last competitors have finished their race.

You must report to the finish, even if you do not complete your course.

Result Queries

If there is anything a competitor wishes to clarify about the download, or if a control failed to beep and flash, was missing, or any other problem relating to results occurred on the course, please proceed to the download station. Officials there, in consultation with the Event Controller, will assist to resolve the issue as soon as is practical.

A competitor with a control punch missing or unidentifiable will be disqualified unless it can be established with certainty that the punch missing or unidentifiable is not the competitor's fault.

During King's Birthday 2025, this rule means that:

- If one unit is not working or appears not to be working, a competitor must use the backup provided (a needle punch) and will be disqualified if no punch is recorded.
- If a competitor punches too fast and fails to receive the feedback signals, the card will not contain the punch and the competitor will be disqualified, even though the control unit may have recorded the competitor's card number as an error punch.

It is permitted for the organiser to read the backup from any control. A competitor can request that the organiser read the backup from a control, subject to the payment of a $30 fee. If the control is found to contain a complete (non-error) punch, the competitor must be recorded as having punched that control correctly and the fee will be returned; otherwise, the fee shall be retained by the organiser.

Note that SIAC does not record a punch in the control unit.

Shadowing

Shadowing by parents is not permitted in any championship classes, including M/W10A. If parents wish to shadow or directly assist their younger children, the children must have been entered in the non-competitive M/W10N (Novice)

class. Although there are allocated times for MW10N, competitors can start whenever their shadow is ready. Caregivers shadowing MW10N must either be not competing or have already run their course.

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 competitors, which are handled in accordance with the IOF rules.

Before a protest is made, you are entitled to complain to the Controller about an infringement of the rules or organiser's directions. A complaint is made in writing and handed to the Controller as soon as possible, but within 60 minutes of the affected competitor finishing. A complaint is adjudicated by the Controller. The Controller's decision on a complaint shall be advised to the complainant, and displayed on the results board as soon as possible, within no more than 60 minutes of the complaint having been received.

If the complainant is not satisfied with the decision, a protest may be made against the Controller's decision.

Complaints regarding a WRE event can be made by competitor in writing. They must be made as soon as possible after the problem is recognised. During the event, “as soon as possible” usually means within 15 minutes of the last result being displayed.

A competitor can submit any complaints or query other aspects of the event. The Controller investigates the case, seeking appropriate advice from quarters (including the independent IOF Event Advisor) other than that of the Jury. When all the necessary information has been collected and all people involved have been heard, the Controller then makes their decision and informs the complainant of their decision.

A protest can only be made after a complaint. The Jury acts as a court of second instance and bases its final decision on the Controller's investigations and its reflections about the case. A protest is made in writing to the IOF Event Adviser or another member of the Jury. Protests must be made no later than 15 minutes after the decision about a complaint is known. Protests received after this time limit may be considered at the discretion of the jury if there are valid exceptional circumstances which must be explained in the protest.

Jury

Jury members for King's Birthday 2025 are as follows:

	Sprint	**Middle**	**Long**
Convenor	Michael Croxford M50, Nelson	Martin Crosby M60, AOC	Gillian Ingham W60, WOC
	Nick Collins M70, OT	Tane Cambridge M21E, PAPO	Gene Beveridge M21E, NWOC
	Jenni Adams W50, PAPO	Jean Cory-Wright W60, PAPO	Greg Flynn M40, OBOP
Reserve 1	Guy Cory-Wright M60, AOC	Rolf Boswell M50, Waikato	Alistair Cory-Wright M50, PAPO
Reserve 2	Malcolm Ingham M60, RK	Michael Wood M70, OHV	Pete Swanson M60, OBOP

Map Collection

You must leave your map at the download station. Maps will be collected from runners as they finish their course and placed in a box labelled with the club's name. When maps are available, one member from each club will be able to collect their club's maps for distribution. Printable copies of the map for each course will be downloadable from the event website https://www.oevents.nz/kb2025 as soon as possible. This is necessary at the Sprint & Middle- events only. Competitors may retain their maps after the Long-distance event.

Prize-giving

There will be no official Prize giving ceremonies after each event to save people waiting around. Certificates will be awarded for Podium Placings in all grades. These may be collected the following day's event or after the final event, or they will be posted out to clubs to distribute to members. A Schools' prize giving ceremony will be carried out after the Long-distance event once all the results are known.

Lost or late runners

Our organisers know who is or isn't out on the course at any given time. Report to Registration and organisers if you have concerns. They will initiate any response necessary. **Do not start your own search.**

Saturday 31 May - Sprint – Iona College & Keirunga Gardens & Havelock North Cemetery

Welcome to Iona College and Keirunga Gardens Map with the newly mapped addition of Havelock North Cemetery. Iona College is a mix of intricate buildings & walkways with some open parkland and trees. Keirunga has plenty of route choices through semi wooded and open parkland and the cemetery has lots of paths and various trees and tricky navigation. Spotters will be out on course.

Pay attention to OOB areas marked on the maps as competitors entering these areas, particularly in the cemetery or jumping over them or gardens marked OOB will be disqualified.

photos from hastingsdc.govt.nz

Overview

Date	Saturday 31 May 2025
Event Status	A-Level, WRE, NSL
Arena	Iona College
Arena GPS Coordinates	-39.676760, 176.878431
Planner	Bill Edwards
A-Grade Controller	Susan Edwards with Aiden Ellmers
IOF Advisor	Graham Teahan
Map	Iona College, Keirunga Gardens & HN Cemetery
Mapper	Duncan Morrison updated by James Watson
Map Scales	1:2,500, 1:3,000, 1:4,000
Contour Interval	2.5m
Registration Opens	11.30 am
First Start	1.00 pm
Last Start	3.15 pm
Course Closure	4.00 pm
Prizegiving	No official Prize giving event. Certificates for podium places available to collect at the Middle event registration desk.

Directions and Parking

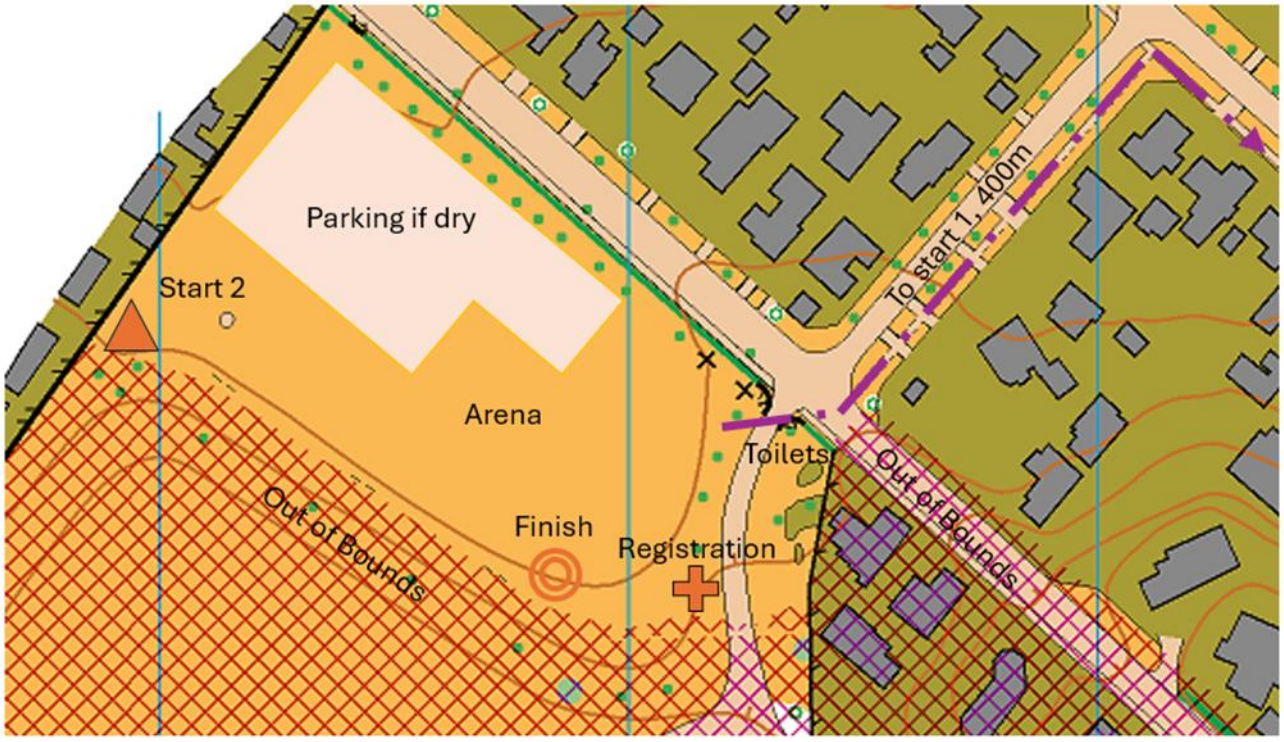
The Event Centre is on the playing fields of Iona College accessed from the entrance on Lucknow Road opposite Crosby Street. If the grounds are hard, then parking will be on part of the playing fields. If not, parking will be along Lucknow Road northwest of the College, and adjacent streets.

The event should be approached from the North (i.e. from the centre of Havelock North). From Havelock North, head west on Middle Road and then first left onto Lucknow Road. Iona College is 550m on the right. Do not approach from the South or East - Lucknow Road southeast of Iona College and Iona Road from Tanner Street to Palmerston Road are out of bounds by foot or by vehicle until after the last finisher.
If parking is on the street please park on Lucknow Road between Middle Road and the school gates, or down Complin and Given Streets. Please Park with consideration.

Sprint Arena

There will be two start areas. One for White & Yellow courses and a second for all other courses. See attached map of the event centres for Start and distances.

Sprint Arena Map:



Toilets

Toilets are available in the event arena. See diagram above.

Quarantine/Warm-up/Start

Quarantine

There is no official quarantine. However, as this is a world ranking event 20/21E runners need to exit the Arena area before 1:00pm until after they have completed their course. Please collect your registration pack before this time.

Warm-up

You may warm up in the Arena Field and on the footpaths on the way to Start 1

Starts

Courses 1 to 8 walk 400m to Start 1 crossing Lucknow Street (please cross with care) and along Crosby Street. Space for warming up near the start is limited, but you can warm up in the Arena Field and on the streets on the way to the start. There is a short, taped route to the start triangle from Start 1.

Courses 9 and 10 will start at Start 2 at the west side of the Arena field.

Out of Bounds

Keirunga Gardens, Havelock North Cemetery and the school grounds of Iona College, (beyond the arena and parking in the lower field) are out of bounds unless competing. Lucknow Road Southeast of Iona College and Iona Road from Tanner Street to Palmerston Road are also out of bounds by foot or by vehicle.

There will be spotters, wearing high vis vests, on the course. Their role is to observe Fair Play and adherence to the Rules of Sprint Orienteering. They will not interfere with runners progressing through their courses, but will report breaches to the Controller, at course closure.

Marshals

Courses 1 to 8 will all have at least 1 road crossing. Road crossings will be marshalled from the common points of exit onto the road, warning runners of any oncoming vehicles. You may cross roads at any point, but please take care. There will be no untimed crossing legs.

There will also be multiple marshals checking for infringements of out-of-bounds / olive green / dark green areas. This applies to all areas, in particular, the cemetery where there is much olive green on the map to show the location of graves, and competitors should avoid treading on or crossing these areas. Continued use of this area is contingent on these out-of-bounds areas being respected.

Terrain

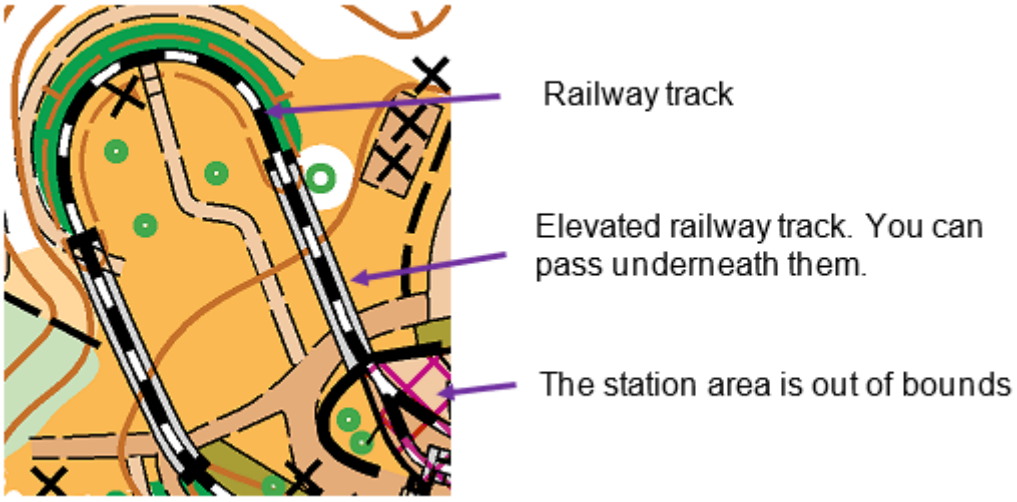
The area is split into 3 parts:

1) Iona College is typical school terrain with random buildings, playing fields and some small areas of passable bush
2) Keirunga Gardens is a mixed parkland area with some building detail and a miniature railway. There is one major valley whose sides are steep in places. Much of the area is bush covered with variable runnability.
3) Havelock North cemetery is a small cemetery separating Keirunga Gardens from Iona College.

Specific Mapping Notes/Symbols

There are no map flips.

There is a convoluted miniature railway in Keirunga Gardens. Please be aware that trains may be running, take care crossing tracks and do not run along them. The track has multiple elevated sections and bridges. Elevated sections are marked with a grey border to show when you can pass underneath them as in the map sample below.



The white areas of bush in Keirunga on the map are runnable, but not always fast.

Not all seats are marked on the map, particularly around the cemetery area.

There is an agapanthus border along a driveway in the Gardens which is generally uncrossable. There is one crossing point which will be marked both on the map and on the ground with tape. See the map sample below - the photo shows the border but not the crossing point. There will be a marshal in this area.

In Sprint Orienteering, if a feature is mapped as impassable or uncrossable, you may not cross even if it is physically possible to do so. If a path is mapped through olive green, consider the path is passable.

Hazards

Courses 1 to 8 will have at least one road crossing. See the section on Marshals above. There is also a road through the Keirunga Gardens which has very low traffic. Please cross all roads with care.

There are some narrow spaces between buildings and blind corners, and areas where runners will be going in opposite directions. As always in sprint orienteering, take care. The college is closed to the public over the long weekend, but the gardens are a popular walking area so please be aware of other track users. Please be respectful of any visitors in the cemetery area.

If wet, areas of concrete may be slippery.

There are some steep slopes which could be very slippery if wet and, thanks to autumn leaves, will be somewhat slippery even if dry.

The white and light green areas of bush have varying levels of lush undergrowth. This can hide uneven ground.

Footwear

Shoes with grip are recommended.

Spiked shoes MUST NOT be worn.

Scales

The map scales used are 1:2,500, 1:3,000 & 1:4,000. Some courses are printed on maps of two different scales. It is important that you pick up the correct map for your grade as there are limited maps of each scale!

Safety Bearing

North to road then follow the road west back to event centre.

Course Closure

Course closure will be at 4.00 pm. If you are still on the course at this time, please proceed straight to the finish.

Courses

	KB2025 Sprint. Sunday 1st June 2025 Map: Iona College, Keirunga Gardens & HN Cemetery Planner: Bill Edwards | A Grade Controller: Susan Edwards with Aiden Ellmers WRE IOF Controller: Graham Teahan							
Course	**Class**			**Scale**	**Length (km)**	**Climb (m)**	**Controls**	**EWT (min)**
	Men	**Women**	**Open**					
1	M21E M20E SBA			1:4,000	3.4	90	20	12-15
2		W21E W20E SGA		1:4,000	2.9	60	18	12-15
3	M21A M40A M50A			1:3,000	2.5	70	20	12-15
4	JBA	W21A W40A		1:3,000	2.2	60	17	12-15
5		JGA W50A		1:3,000	2.2	60	15	12-15
6	M60A M70A	W60A		1:2,500	1.9	35	16	12-15
7	M80A M90A	W70A W80A W90A		1:2,500	1.3	20	10	12-15
8	SBB	SGB	Rec Orange	1:3,000	2.1	65	14	12-15
9	M12A JBB	W12A JGB	Rec Yellow	1:3,000	1.4	35	14	12-15
10	M10A	W10A	MW10N Rec White	1:3,000	1.3	25	14	12-15

Sunday 1 June - Middle – Smedley Station

The King's Birthday 2025 Middle distance event is being held at Smedley Station located West from Tikokino township. It offers an opportunity to run on extensive farmland with patches of scrub and woodland with deep gorges at the foot of the Ruahine Ranges in New Zealand. The terrain varies from easy running open farmland to quite dense scrub. There are some farm tracks and ford crossings across the map with cliffs and multiple streams and areas of forest.

Overview

Date	**Sunday 1st June 2025**
Event Status	**A-Level, WRE, NOL**
Arena	**Smedley Station**
Arena GPS Coordinates	**-39.7833727, 176.3483746**
Planner	**Phillip Herries**
A-Grade Controller	**Murray Harty**
IOF Advisor	**Graham Teahan**
Map	**Smedley Station**
Mapper	**Geoff Morrison & Pamela Morrison**
Map Scales	**1:10,000, 1:7,500, 1:5,000**
Contour Interval	**5m**
Registration Opens	**9.00 am**
First Start	**10.00 pm**
Last start	**1.30 pm**
Course Closure	**2.45pm**
Prizegiving	**No official prize giving event. Certificates for all podium finishers available to collect at the Long event registration desk.**

Directions and Parking

Event Centre is at Smedley Station, 60km from Hastings.

Please allow one hour from Hastings, as there are currently roadworks with traffic lights.
From the North take SH50 from Hastings to Smedley Rd. From the South take SH50 and turn West into Smedley Road, 1km North of Tikokino. Continue along Smedley Road, following the signs, to the Smedley Station woolshed. This road turns into a good-quality gravel road, please slow down and be cautious on the bends for on-coming traffic.

Parking is on the large, grassed area in front of the Education Centre. From there walk 900m back up the road to the event centre/arena

Cell phone reception is poor at the carpark and the event centre, but good up the hill close to the start and back down Smedley Road.

Middle Arena

The Arena is situated 200 m from Smedley Road alongside a farm track.

The toilets will be situated at the Arena.

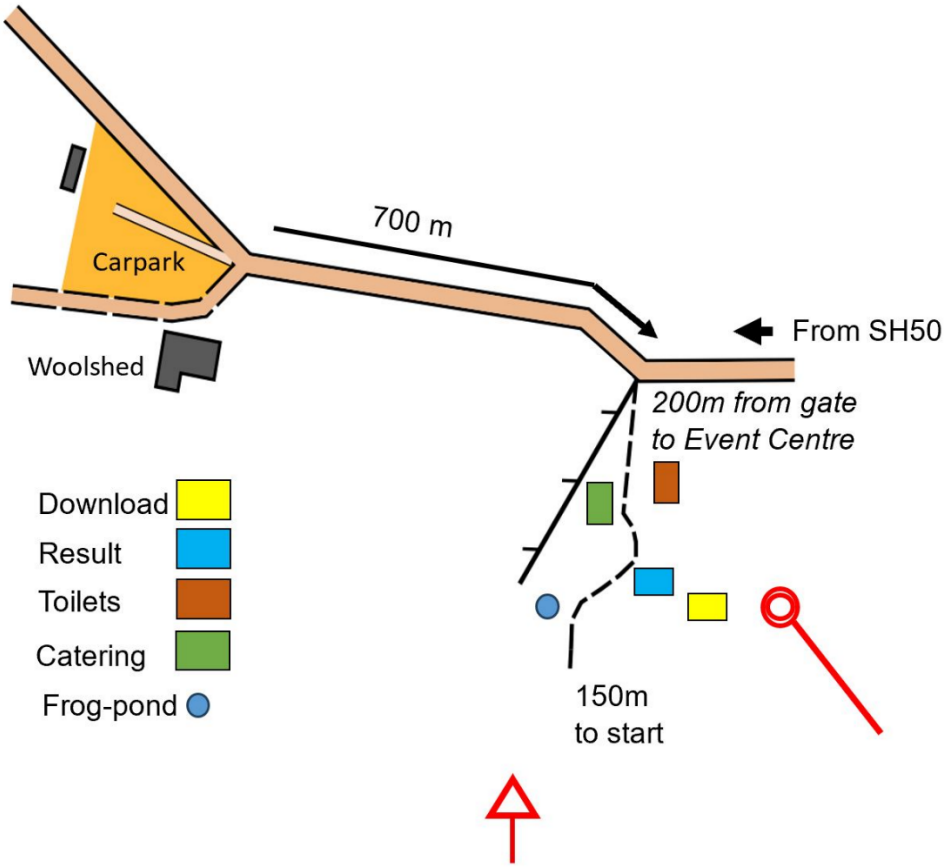
Start is located 150-200m up a farm track from the Arena.

The Finish is at the Arena

There is no water available at the Arena or start or on course. Bring your own water.

Cell phone reception is patchy to poor at the carpark and the arena.

Map of Middle Arena



Quarantine and Warm-up Area

There is no designated quarantine and warm-up area. WRE runners are first starters.

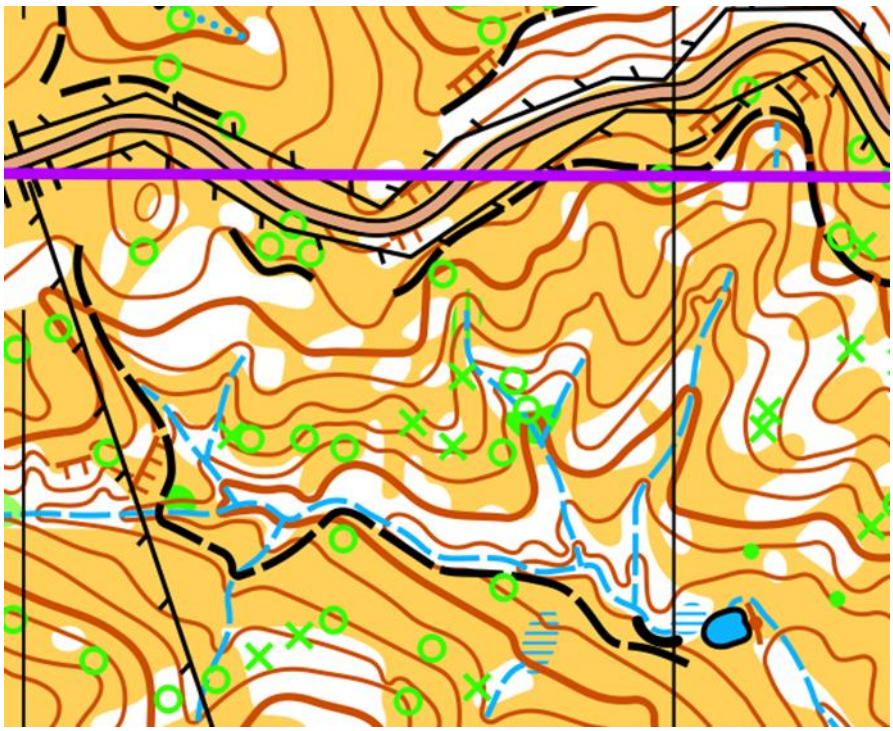
Out of Bounds

Please respect the privacy of the dwelling at the farm track to Event Centre.
The track to Event Centre is to the East of the dwelling and will be signposted.
There are no “Out of Bounds Areas” on the map.

Terrain

Smedley Station is hilly, pastoral farmland with spurs, gullies and patches of bush. Prior to human interference, this was podocarp forest and many impressive single Totora trees have survived or regenerated after logging and are scattered throughout the paddocks. There are also many patches of bush, especially in the steep gullies. Some areas have been fenced to keep stock out and the regeneration will slow the run ability.

Sample area of the map:



Specific Mapping Notes/Symbols

Some areas mapped as White are regenerating, with low saplings, still runnable, but slow in places.
Fences will be on ALL courses and maps.
There is NO water on any of the courses.

Scales

The map scales used are 1:10,000, 1:7,500 and 1:5,000. Some courses are printed on maps of two different scales. It is important that you pick up the correct map for your grade as there are limited maps of each scale!

Hazards

Usual farm hazards. There are no electric fences. Will be slippery and muddy, if wet. There are many patches of gorse, blackberry and bush-lawyer, plus a few Onga Onga plants (native NZ stinging nettle). There may be stock around - sheep, cattle and horses. The farm manager will move stock from the main areas of the courses.

Footwear/Clothing

Orienteering shoes would be advisable. Full body or leg cover is strongly recommended

Safety Bearing

North to Smedley Road.

Course Closure

Course closure will be at 2.30 pm. If you are still on the course at this time, please proceed to the finish.

Maps

Maps must be placed in the appropriate club box after your run at the finish area. Once the last starter is out on course then the maps will be distributed back to the clubs.

Water

There is no water available on any of the Middle courses. Please carry your own if you think you will need it. Courses are designed to be no more than 35minutes EWT. As we are in winter the demand for water should not be too great. Ensure good hydration before you start your run.

Courses

	KB2025 Middle Sunday 1st June 2025 Map: Smedley Station **Planner: Phillip Herries | A Grade Controller: Murray Harty** **WRE IOF Controller: Graham Teahan**							
Course	**Class**			**Scale**	**Length (km)**	**Climb (m)**	**Controls**	**EWT (min)**
	Men	**Women**	**Open**					
1	M21E M20E			1:10,000	4.8	205	28	35
2		W21E W20E		1:10,000	4.1	150	22	35
3a	M21A			1:10,000	3.6	180	19	30
3b	M40A			1:7,500	3.6	180	19	30
4	SBA			1:10,000	3.1	130	16	30
5a		W21A SGA		1:10,000	3.0	155	17	30
5b	M50A	W40A		1:7,500	3.0	155	17	30
6a	M21AS M40AS	W50A		1:7,500	2.9	140	18	25
6b	M60A			1:5,000	2.9	140	18	25
7a		W21AS W40AS		1:7,500	2.1	80	13	25
7b	M70A	W60A		1:5,000	2.1	80	13	25
8	M80A M90A	W70A W80A W90A		1:5,000	1.7	80	12	20
9	JBA SBB			1:7,500	2.5	115	14	25
10		JGA SGB	Rec Orange	1:7,500	2.1	90	12	25
11	M12A JBB	W12A JGB	Rec Yellow	1:5,000	2.5	115	11	25
12	M10A MW10N	W10A	MW10N Rec White	1:5,000	2.4	100	16	25

Monday 2nd June - Long– Maraetotara

Maraetotara Station overlooks Cape Kidnappers in Hawke's Bay. This map is rugged with lots of rocks and gullies, with some patches of woodland, but mostly farmland.

Overview

Date	**Monday 2nd June 2025**
Event Status	**A-Level, WRE, NOL**
Arena	**874 Okaihau Road, Maraetotara 4294**
Arena GPS Coordinates	**-39.831984, 176.911998**
Planner	**Robbie Smith**
A-Grade Controller	**Hugh Forlong-Ford**
Map	**Maraetotara**
Mapper	**Pamela Morrison and Alan Berry**
Map Scales	**1:10,000 1:7,500 1:5,000**
Contour Interval	**5m**
Registration Opens	**8.30 am**
First Start	**9.00 am**
Last Start	**12.30 pm**
Course Closure	**2.30 pm**

Prizegiving	**There will be a short Prize giving after this event for all podium finishers on this event. Certificates available to collect from previous 2 days competition from registration.**

Directions and Parking

From Napier drive south to Clive, turning left into Mill Rd. Turn right at Lawn Rd then left at Te Mata-Mangateretere Road which becomes Waimarama Road, following it to the "Red Bridge" over the Tukituki River.

From Hastings head to Havelock North then head East on Te Mata Road. Turn right onto Waimarama Road, following it to the "Red Bridge" over the Tukituki River.

Cross the Tukituki River via Red Bridge bearing right and head almost immediately left up the hill on Waimarama Road.
Turn right onto Maraetotara Road and follow for 17km to the event centre, (Maraetotara Road becomes Okaihau Road). **This is a very winding, narrow road, so please drive to the conditions and take care.**

With parking near the event centre now ruled out by soft ground conditions, most parking will now be along the road. Please prepare for an extended walk of up to 1km to the Event Centre.

Allow 45 minutes from Napier and 30 minutes from Hastings.

Long Arena

The Arena is situated 200m along the farm track from the road, which is the parking area. Registration, toilets, vendors and First Aid will be present at the arena.

The finish is fast towards the Arena.

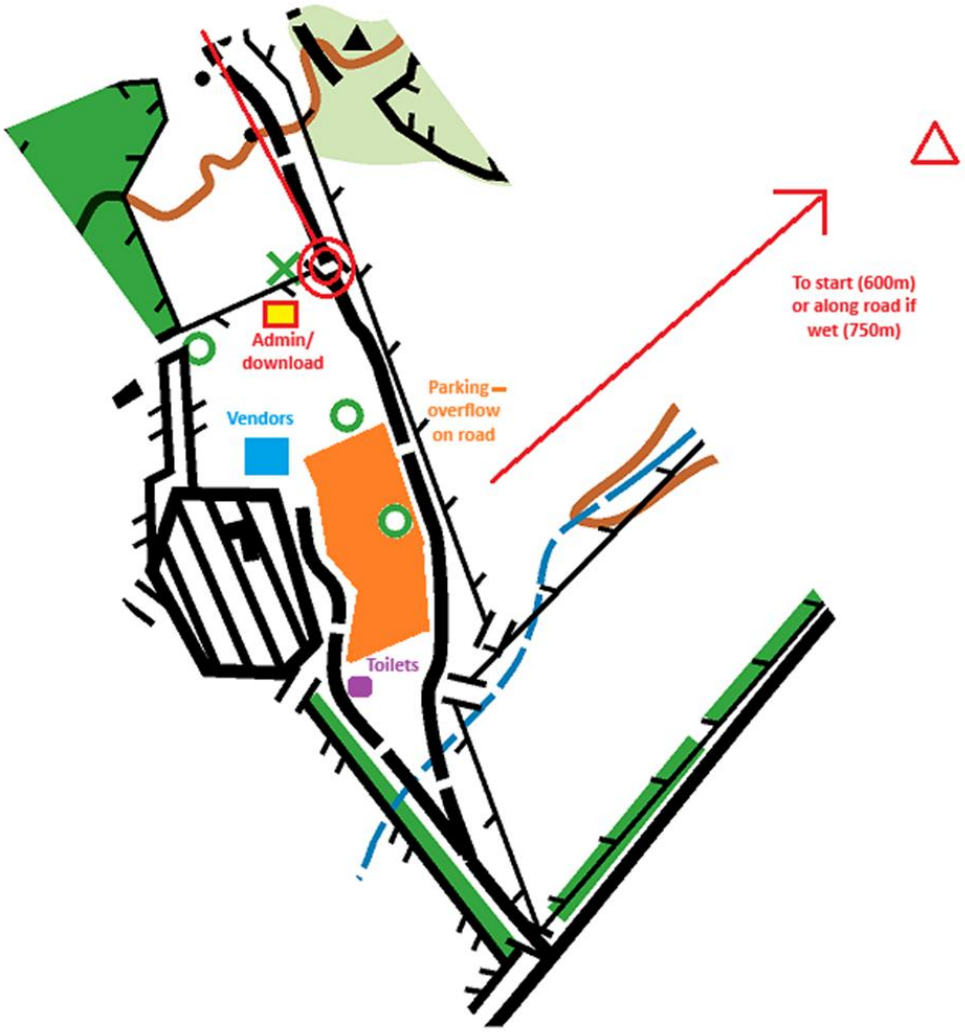
There will be limited shelter available, but competitors are welcome to bring their own shelters.

The route to the start is along a marked route about 700 metres walk from the Arena for all courses. Please allow adequate time to get to the start box in time for your run. Allow 10-15mins to walk to the start.

There will be water on the course, but no water at the event centre. Please bring your own.

No cell phone reception at event centre.

Map of Long Event Arena



Out of Bounds

Anywhere of higher elevation than the event centre or the marked route to the start.

Terrain

Maraetotara is a rolling farm map with small patches of woodland. There are lots of rocks. Small rocks, big rocks, rocky outcrops, hidden rocks and the occasional cave.

There are multiple gullies with some small streams. Ongaonga is present in places with some blackberry.

Underfoot conditions are generally good, if dry, this ground can be hard on the ankles but can be very slippery if wet.

Fences

All Fences are shown on the maps for courses 1, 2, 8c, 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13.

That is: Elites, 70A and older age groups, and orange, yellow & white courses.

All other courses, fences are NOT marked on the maps (Red maps under 70 years).

All electric fences will be turned off.

Other notes

No guarantee of cell phone reception at event centre. Some service providers may have some reception, but others not.

Maps do NOT need to be handed in after the event as all competitors should be on course before the first finishers come in.

Hazards

Typical farmland hazards
- fences of multiple types (see above).
- cattle and sheep.
- dangerous cliffs and loose rocks. Sensible routes avoid these.
- blackberry, ongaonga and low branches in some of the wooded areas.

Footwear/Clothing

Orienteering shoes are recommended as routes include some steeper terrain.

Water

There are drinks controls on all courses except 11 & 12 (as EWT is less than 30 mins). There are also some extra drinks points in between controls as marked on the map. This should allow for drinks to be available every 30 minutes or less for the median runner on each course.

Carrying your own water is also an option (no water available at event centre).

Starts

There is one start for all courses. The route to the start will depend on the weather. If wet, the route to the start will be via the road, if dry, it will be across the paddock and stream.

There may not be water available at the start.

Start is 10-15 min walk, about 700m.

Toilets

There will be a single camp dug toilet available at the start. Try to use the main toilets at the event centre where possible prior to your run.

Scales

The map scales used are 1:10,000, 1:7,500 and 1:5,000. Some courses are printed on maps of two different scales. It is important that you pick up the correct map for your grade as there are limited maps of each scale!

Finish

For all courses there is a spectator control visible from the arena heading towards the finish.

Safety Bearing

Safety bearing - South to road

Course Closure

Course closure will be at 2.30pm. If you are still on your course then, please proceed to the finish.

Courses

KB2025 Long Monday 2nd June 2025 Map: Maraetotara
Planner: Robbie Smith | A Grade Controller: Hugh Forlong-Ford
WRE IOF Controller: Graham Teahan

Course	Class			Scale	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Controls	EWT (min)
	Men	Women	Open					
1	M21E M20E			1:10,000	13.3	460	31	75
2		W21E W20E		1:10,000	11.5	420	28	75
3a	M21A			1:10,000	10.1	400	25	75
3b	M40A			1:7,500	10.1	400	25	75
4	SBA			1:10,000	8.0	330	25	65
5a		SGA W21A		1:10,000	7.0	290	21	60
5b		W40A		1:7,500	7.0	290	21	60
6	M50A			1:7,500	6.9	290	19	50
7a	M21AS			1:10,000	5.4	220	21	50
7b	M60A M40AS	W50A		1:7,500	5.4	220	21	50
8a		W21AS		1:10,000	4.6	180	18	50
8b		W60A W40AS		1:7,500	4.6	180	18	50
8c	M70A			1:5,000	4.6	180	18	50
9	M80+A	W70+A		1:5,000	3.5	130	13	40
10	JBA SBB			1:7,500	5.2	210	17	40
11		JGA SGA	Rec Orange	1:7,500	4.6	190	17	40
12	JBB M12A	JGB W12A	Rec Yellow	1:7,500	3.2	120	13	25
13	M10A M10N	W10A W10N	MW10N Rec White	1:7,500	2.3	80	11	20

Previous Maps

Old maps for the current embargoed areas for KB2025 are provided below. These maps are available in higher quality on the event website. On the day of the competition, the use of any map of the competition area by competitors or team officials is prohibited until the last participant has started. Refer to the Embargo notice.

[Embargoes - Orienteering Kings Birthday 2025]

Links for previous maps here:

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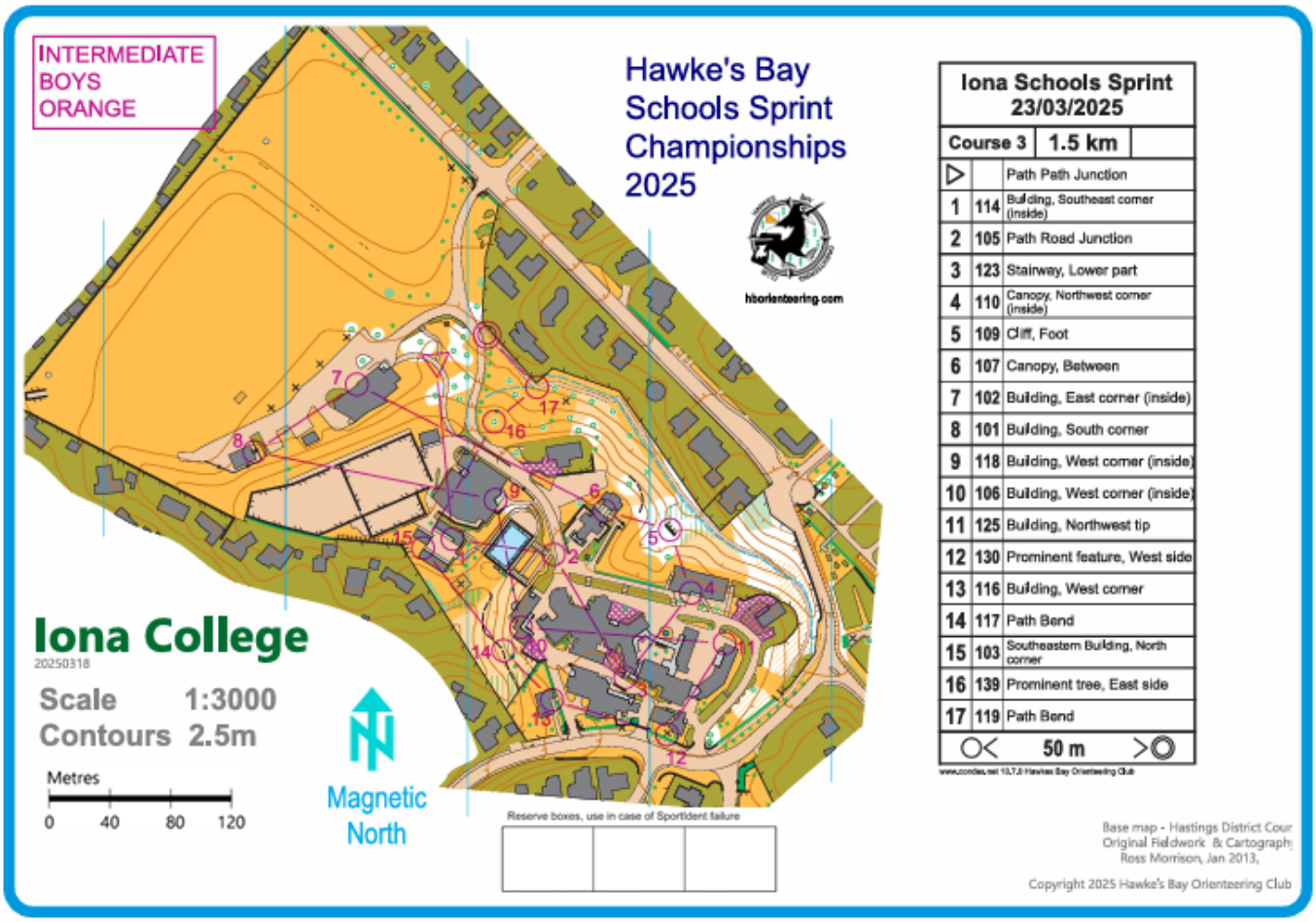
Iona College & Keirunga Gardens



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