

# BluePrint

The newsletter of Bennelong Northside Orienteers

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BLUEPRINT aims to provide topical, timely news of Bennelong Northside. Contributions are always welcome by e-mail to the Editor at: [terryb@smartchat.net.au](mailto:terryb@smartchat.net.au)

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## **2007 season**

Club membership renewals are now due. Please send your renewal to Wayne, you can either send a cheque or pay by electronic bank transfer, the account details are as follows:-

**BENNELONG NORTHSIDE ORIENTEERS**

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This year there are only 10 State League Events while they had 15 last year. There was a widespread thought that there were too many last year and too much travel. We are organising State League 4 on 19th May on Gumble Pinnacle. This will be a big event with the event also being the NSW Middle Distance Championship, the JWOC selection trial and a National O League event. Frank Assenza is the organiser, John Porter the course Setter and Mel Cox the event secretary.

Also coming up soon will be Summer Series on 28th Feb at Pottery Green organised by Michael Halmy and Come and Try It at Thornleigh Oval on 18th March organised by Tony Williamson.

## **Summer Series**

Since last Blueprint, Bennelong has organised 2 Summer Series, both were great successes. The weather wasn't as kind this year at Balmoral when Graham Galbraith organised the 20th Dec event, but still we had over 200 entries.

On 17th Jan, Bruce Dawkins organised the event at Greenwich, this was a Summer Series record breaker with over 250 entries on the evening, we originally printed 250 maps but got a hint that this would be a big one and ordered an extra 30 maps, just as well.

## **Socials**

After the Summer Series events on 21st Feb and 14th March, we plan to have socials.

On 21st Feb from 7.30pm at the bistro at The Ranch, corner of Epping Rd and Herring Rd, Marsfield, all welcome after the Summer Series at Epping Oval.

On 14th March, a Bring your own barbeque at Gordon Wilson's, 7 Pooley St, Ryde, after the Summer Series at Magdala Park, East Ryde.

## **First Aid**

The Orienteering Association is compiling a list of members with Medical or First Aid training.

I already know that Judi is a doctor, but anyone else who has first aid training could you please let me know so I can pass the info on to Dave Lotty.

## **JWOC**

During the JWOC / Australian Championship carnival in Dubbo in July, Bennelong has been allocated with parking/traffic control duties for the carnival. Do we have any volunteers to be the parking team leader. All members who attend the carnival will be asked to help with the parking at some time but we need a team leader, any volunteers?

## **Metro League**

Last year we had difficulty filling our Metro League teams, so this year we plan to only enter 3 teams. You can still enter these events if not in a team. It is still to be decided which divisions we will be in. Last year we were premiers in Div 4, lets see what we can do this year.

Bennelong will be hosting the Metro League final at Lake Parramatta on 16th Sept. The first Metro League will be on 29th April at Castle Hill.

## **Candlelight Lodge, Thredbo**

I have some 20% discount vouchers valid before 7th June or after 2nd October for Candlelight Lodge, Thredbo. If you are interested please contact me for the vouchers.

## **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Mel and Kathy Cox who celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on 10th Feb. Mel and Kathy must have been comparatively newlyweds when I first met them. I can't remember the exact date but it must be nearly 20 years ago when they came over from New Zealand and joined Bennelong. Congratulations Mel and Kathy.

## **Welcome Back**

Welcome back to Bennelong to Peter Thomason, Peter has been overseas for a few years but is back in Sydney again. I've seen Peter around at a few events recently, welcome back, Peter.

## **Stocktake**

We'll be having a stocktake and clean up of our gear at the compound in Epping on 31st March. More on this closer to the date.

## **New Member**

Welcome to Rebecca Grubb. Rebecca will be joining Bennelong. She will be at the event tomorrow evening. Please make yourself known to Rebecca if you meet her tomorrow.

All the best for 2007. Hoping to see all Bennelong members at an event soon.

Best wishes  
Terry Bluett