

# MTBO Report – OV Council meeting 24<sup>th</sup> January 2013

## Orienteering Victoria Board Meeting

### RECOMMENDATION

*Actions or Decisions required---None*

### OVERALL STATUS

Good

## 1. ACTIVITIES & PLANS

### Christmas 5 Days MTBO events

The two MTBO events run as part of the Christmas 5-days Orienteering Carnival went really well with approx 70 riders competing in each.

The first at Indigo Winery utilised two maps, one a scatter course, followed by a line course for the second map. Thanks to Eureka for running the event. [Results here.](#)

The second at Stanley run by Albury/Wodonga with an interesting scoring system with an age component devised by Leigh Privett to try and give everyone a go at scoring well. [Results here.](#)

Both featured a bit of creativity from organisers and resulted in two fun, low key events enjoyed by all in perfect weather.

### MTBO Summer Series event #1.

The first MTBO Summer Series event for 2013 was held at Westerfolds Park on Saturday 19th January. 75 riders took part, 60 males and 15 females.

This event was the trial of the new timing system.

Similar to SI, the system used a finger 'stick' or e-card which required the rider to press a red button on the e-control to record a visit.

On arriving at the finish the e- results were immediately available: firstly on a small screen on the finish table showing which controls had been visited and time taken,

secondly another larger display screen was set up so riders could view their time and scores in result order.

Thanks to Geoff and Schon Hudson for setting up and overseeing the first usage of this system.

Dennis Mews, new OV Media Officer, attended the event and had his first go at MTBO.

### Victorian Championships (Sprint, Middle and long)

To be held the weekend of April 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

Event organisation and course setting well underway.

### Silva DuO Series

With a day to go before entries close, the first of this year's DuOs at Ballarat looks like numbers will be down on last year.

Good news for the second race to be held at Emerald Lake though.

I have been contacted by Jetts Gyms who have a chain of 187 gyms around Australia. They want to promote the race at six of their local gyms as something their members can aim for. They estimate that they should be able to provide 50 to 80 entries (which would just about double the entries from the Silvan race last year). They would also like to be a sponsor and provide some memberships as prizes. If it goes well, they are interested in an ongoing arrangement.

## 2. HIGHLIGHTS

### 3. ISSUES, CONCERNS & RISKS

None at this stage.

Thanks to Peter Cusworth & Peta Whitford for this information.