

## Urban Orienteering Subcommittee Report – January 2013

### Orienteering Victoria Board Meeting

<b>Decisions Required</b>
nil

<b>OVERALL STATUS</b>	Business as usual
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### ACTIVITIES & PLANS

#### 1. ASC/OA funding for participation projects

##### Casey Southern Series

The first three events of the Casey Challenge have been run, with 86, 77 and 88 participants, including approx 35 newcomers, many of whom have returned in subsequent weeks. Greg Andrews has produced flyers for local distribution, had an article and advertising in the Berwick and Cranbourne Leader newspapers, and used social media such as [www.meetup.com](http://www.meetup.com), to promote the series. Greg has also produced a weekly report and results for the OV website, and has been hosting the events and liaising with the newcomers.

##### Sprint Series

Map production is about to get under way with Aaron Dodd to upgrade Darebin Parklands and Westgate Park; Greg Tamblyn to map Newport Lakes; Geoff Hudson to map Yarran Dheran; and Martin Steer to map Ruffey Lake and Westerfolds (subject to confirmation). Tuckonie is liaising with the Royal Melbourne Showgrounds about the possibility of holding the Sprint Championships there in November; if this does not come about, another venue of suitable complexity will need to be found (Scotch College?) All mapping is to be completed by the end of July, with Ted van Geldermalsen to sign off on the finished products and ensure they are of appropriate and consistent quality. The final program of maps will be selected mid year and will include a mix of parkland and more complex urban terrain.

The Spring Sprint 6-event series will be run on Saturday afternoons from mid October to mid November, culminating in the Championship.

#### 2. PAS Summer Series 2012/13

At the half way point, the summer continues to be well attended, with numbers very similar to the previous summer. A drop in Thursday attendances, no doubt caused by some very hot days, has been offset by a similar increase in Mondays, with Tuesdays and Wednesdays much the same as last year. The average number of attendees over the first 11 events is:

Southern Series	80 (65 at same point last year)
Western Series	86 (90 at same point last year)
Eastern Series	136 (133 at same point last year)
Northern Series	52 (62 at same point last year)

Overall 354 (350 at same point last year)

The new Surf Coast series has attracted approx 40 attendees per event.

3. Winter Fixture

The process of compiling the winter fixture for 2013 will commence this week. The fixture will contain the usual Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening events, plus a weekend program of 20 Saturday events, and 12-14 Sunday events (7 MelbushO and 5-6 EndurO format, as well as 1 or 2 RadiO events).

4. Eventor

Will need an update from Craig re likelihood of making season tickets available for winter series. We intend to use Eventor to produce an online calendar.

**ISSUES, CONCERNS AND RISKS**

nil

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