

OVERALL STATUS	Business as usual
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ACTIVITIES & PLANS

1. PAS Winter Series 2014:

The winter series is midway, with presentations for Autumn held on July 9. Attendances have been consistent with last year on Mondays and Saturdays; Tuesdays suffered a drop, thanks to a run of consistently horrible weather. Wednesdays have seen an increase, and numbers have held up well so far into the colder part of the year.

Monday – 51 (15 weeks)

Tuesday – 56 (10 weeks)

Wednesday – 94 (15 weeks)

Saturday – 62 (11 weeks)

2. Sprint Into Spring series:

Shane Mallia has been reappointed project officer, and the organising and technical team are all in place. A draft fixture has been sent to clubs, for 6 events in October-November. Mapping is progressing well and we look forward to another highly successful series. Venues chosen are Newport Lakes, Latrobe Uni, Ruffey Lake, Parade College, Footscray-Edgewater, and Eltham Lower Park.

Orienteering Victoria purchased a tablet PC with O-Lynx Touch software, and this will be used for online entry at all SIS events.

Clubs have been asked to think about the format for 2015 and beyond, with options being: same as present, interspersing sprints into the Saturday winter program through the year, or a Sprint the Bay style carnival.

3. PAS Summer Series 2014/15:

Fixturing for summer series is under way, with the usual program of Mondays-Thursdays in Melbourne, and a Geelong series. Whether a Macedon series is going ahead has not been advised. The UOC records its thanks to Marta Salek for all her excellent work on the fixture over many years, and welcomes Christine Palmer as the new fixture coordinator.

Catering arrangements introduced last summer were extremely well received, and the committee wishes to continue them for 2014/15, ie weekly refreshments Mon/Tue/Thurs, and an end of season bbq with the awards night for Wednesday.

4. PAS Championships 2015:

The Championships will be held in February 2015, as part of the Northern series, on YV's Springthorpe map. The Champs Committee will finalise details, including a new rule that finalists must compete individually rather than in a group.

5. Other business (as per Committee meeting held June 27 2014):

- Summer series EOD and winter series season ticket funds/levies ready for distribution to clubs and OV.

- Katherine Dent retained for a further two seasons to produce creative design for promotional material.
- Ian Davies to provide quote for QR codes pointing to PAS website for all control plates.
- Sprint Championship rules amended to introduce M/W -12 and M/W75+ age groups, and requirement for Sportident timing to be used.
- Power walking technique – proposal for self regulation and reporting put forward by Ray Howe and supported by power walking representative group; trial to be conducted over summer.

ISSUES, CONCERNS AND RISKS

Nil.

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