

## Ranui event this Sunday

To get to Ranui Farm Park from Waipukurau follow Porangahau Rd. for 9.6km and turn right onto Nicholls Road, continue for 7.85Km to Ranui Farm Park.

The event centre is at the wool shed on Nicholls Road 700m past the Ranui Café. Off-road parking in first paddock to the right inside the gate if conditions remain the same, or along the road if needed.

Event centre latitude/longitude: -40.121356, 176.453423  
Topo50 grid reference: BL37 9429 5305

Bring a MTB for a ride after your run if you're keen.

BBQ at the event centre or wander down to the Ranui Café.

Courses are

	Length	climb
Red long	5.4 km	225m
Red medium	3.8 km	200m
Red short	3.4 km	170m
Orange	2.9 km	140m
Yellow	2.3 km	130m
White	1.5 km	100m

Small patches of blackberry and ongaonga on red courses.  
Orienteering shoes and leg protection recommended.  
Starts as usual from 10.30am to 1.30pm.

## Hawke's Bay Junior Camp 2020

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**Registration is now Open. It's a fun way to learn new O-Skills.**

All teenage members of the Hawke's Bay Orienteering Club are invited to join this camp. The Camp will be held on 20-22 January 2020 at Ranui Farm Park, 10 mins south of Waipukurau. It is a fun way to learn new O-skills for 2020.

A 3 day camp for High School orienteers currently running yellow, orange or red short distances.

Limited Places Available.

CONTACT - Fiona Goff [fiona.goff@xtra.co.nz](mailto:fiona.goff@xtra.co.nz) 021 025 11529

**IMPORTANT: HBOC is heavily subsidising the camp. All participants MUST be fully paid members of the club.  
Please pay into the Club bank account. Put participant's surname as a reference.  
Acct No 03-0642-0780264-000**

Registration forms on the club website.

### **Please return trophies**

This is a call for those of you who were presented with trophies at last year's AGM/Prizegiving to return them.

This needs to be done in good time so they can be engraved.

Please bring them to your next event or drop them in to a committee member.

Thanks.

### **HBSS Rogaine Champs**

A report on the HBSS Rogaine Champs held in conjunction with the Deborah Turner Memorial Rogaine at Kereru is posted on the website.

### **Some earlier stuff to read if you didn't receive it . . .**

#### **OY Points for 2019**

Final OY Points for this year are available on the website.

Thanks to David Fisher who has used our new OY software to finalise them.

Kim Creagh has kindly offered to take over doing the OY Points next year. Thanks, Kim.

#### **Can't work out what to give them for Christmas?**

*Do we have an idea for you . . .*

How about giving family members a club O-top or singlet, or an SI-card.

On the club website go to The Club/Merchandise for pictures, specs, prices and how to buy.

And why stop just with the family?

I know a lady who, like me, belongs to the bridge club. So she gave her daughter a voucher to pay for bridge lessons and for a year's membership. The daughter was a bit doubtful, but gave it a go, loved it, and has just won her first tournament. You could do something similar for friends who just might like have a go at orienteering.

### **Havvergate Report**

Well done all of you who turned out on fairly short notice to havver go at Sunday's urban rogaine.

Results showed that once again those with a bit of age and cunning can roll the young bucks in a rogaine. (Check the results) We will see whether the same pattern holds good this Sunday at the Deborah Turner Memorial.

My thanks to those who gave their help at Sunday's event.

Two things I have to mention: first the water stop at control #15. Reports came back at the finish that it wasn't just water on offer. There was mention of strawberries. Some runners who got back late must have spent a bit too long there. Anyway, great idea Fiona and many thanks.

And toothly, as this was a low-key-no-extra-fees-charged sort of a deal the prizes for winners of each grade took the form of fruit cake. But this turned into the Little Red Hen story in reverse. "Is it dairy-free?" asked the first. "Does it have gluten in it?" asked the second. And the third wouldn't touch it because it contained . . . (here sensitive readers should look away and not read the disgusting word) . . . carbohydrate.

The Little Red Hen comment may be lost on our younger runners but those of us of a certain age will know it as a staple on the Sunday morning Children's Request Session on steam radio. No doubt you can still Google it.

*Steve Armon*