

NZ Orienteering Championships



23-26 October 2020 | Manawatū

Greetings orienteers!

<u>Orienteering Wellington</u> would like to invite you to attend the rescheduled NZ Orienteering Championships at Labour Weekend (23-26 October 2020) in the Manawatū.

We're looking forward to a great weekend of events but at this stage have a few things that we ask you keep in mind at this time.

- All four events—Sprint, Middle, Long, Relay—will be run, but the dates for each event are still to be confirmed.
- Event locations are as previously advised: Pit Park, Waitarere, Scotts
 Ferry and Whirokino. See general locations and embargoes in the maps
 below.
- SI Air+ can be used by all classes at all events. Some SI Air units will be available to rent from Orienteering Wellington.
- Entries will open in July, when we have confirmed the event schedule and times. As of the time of this newsletter, we have not confirmed whether more than one event will be held on any given day.
- Entry prices are as previously advised (max. \$155 for senior and \$115 for junior for all four events). The family rate is capped at 2 adults and 3 children.
- A prizegiving and social event of some kind will occur on Sunday evening. Can previous recipients of trophies please return them to the registration tent at the event, or to <u>Orienteering NZ</u> ahead of time if you

aren't attending.

We've also had to make a few changes due to changed circumstances from COVID-19. Our precautions include:

- No shared water facilities and no food trucks. However, we are hoping to have a coffee cart!
- NZ COVID Tracer QR codes will be available at each event centre. We do
 not collect this data but ask that you scan these for your own records.
- The festival will only occur if all of New Zealand is at COVID-19 Alert Level
 1 (or lower) from 29 July until the event weekend.

<u>Himatangi Beach Holiday Park</u> has been in touch with those who advised they would like a room as part of their previous booking at Easter. For details about joining the group booking, contact the Holiday Park and mention that you'll be attending the NZ Orienteering Champs.

So, are you keen?

Given our necessary postponement from Easter, it would be very useful to us to get an idea as to how many people might attend events on given days.

Please quickly fill in the form below to help us plan—we'd like to hear from you even if you don't plan to come. Please do this by **Friday 10 July**.

Let us know your plans

Please keep an eye on the **Nationals website** for updates and subscribe to our newsletter—we'll let you know when entries open and when the dates for each event are confirmed.

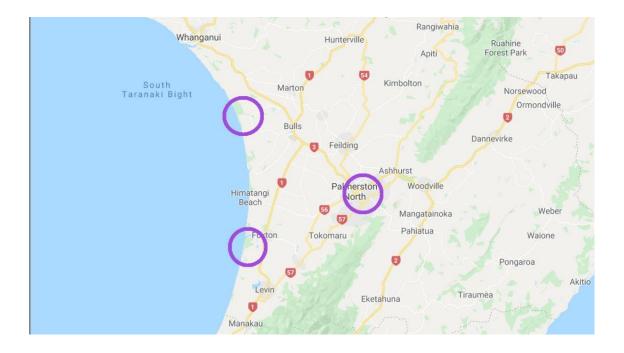
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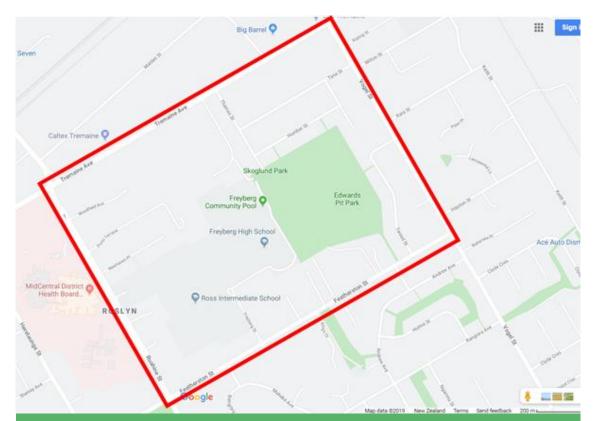
Event sites

The map below shows the location of the proposed event sites.



Embargoed areas

The following areas are embargoed for orienteering until after Labour Weekend.



Sprint: The Palmerston North City area bordered by Tremaine Avenue, Vogel Street, Featherston Street and Ruahine Street, including Skogland Park, Edwards Pit Park, Freyberg High School, Ross Intermediate School and St Mary's Primary School and the Hospital Fish Shop. It is forbidden to train within this area with a map of any sort, to test route choices or take part in any activity that may give a navigational advantage.



Middle Distance and Relay: the area highlighted in the above.



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