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## NZOF NEWS – DECEMBER 2005

### CONGRATULATIONS MARQUITA

Following upon her outstanding 4<sup>th</sup> in the Middle Distance final at the World MTBO Championships in Slovakia, **Marquita Gelderman** has been awarded a Performance Enhancement Grant by the New Zealand Academy of Sport. The funding will assist Marquita in her quest to do even better in international events in 2006.

### WELL DONE DUNEDIN

And on the subject of mountain bike orienteering, appreciation goes to Dunedin OC for successfully hosting the 2005 NZ Championships on an exciting new map at Naseby.

### APOLOGIES, TANIA

And on the subject of podium finishes at world championships, Marquita Gelderman's 4<sup>th</sup> was NZ's first at a senior championship (see NZOF News, October) but not NZ's first at a championship where individuals are officially selected to represent NZ. Tania Robinson achieved a 5<sup>th</sup> placing at the Junior World Championships in Finland in 1991.

### NZOF APPOINTMENTS

**Clem Larsen** has been appointed High Performance Director for 2006, upon the resignation of Michael Wood. NZOF thanks Michael for his pioneering contribution in what was at the time of his appointment a new position.

**Darren Ashmore** has been appointed Coaching Director for 2006, upon the resignation of graham Teahan. NZOF thanks Graham for his term in this position.

### SPONSORSHIP FOR WOC 2006

Access Immigration NZ Ltd have agreed to provide sponsorship for the New Zealand team for the 2006 World Championships in Denmark. NZOF thanks Access Immigration for its support of orienteering.

### MAPSPORT SHOP SUPPORT

NZOF also acknowledges the continued support for high performance orienteering by The MAPsport Shop. This support is through both the SuperSeries Land Travel fund and direct donations to the National Squad. Thank you to Michael Wood for his generosity.

### NEW SUPPORT FOR SUPERSERIES

NZOF is pleased to announce that air travel for the four remaining rounds of the 2005/06 SuperSeries have been fully funded by Pub Charity. NZOF thanks Pub Charity for its support of orienteering.

### NZOF HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY

The NZOF for some years has had various health and safety schedules such as those for Hazard Identification, Emergency Procedures, and Search and Rescue Procedures. At its meeting on 26 November, the NZOF Council endorsed a Health & Safety Policy which overarches these schedules plus additional ones dealing with the Health and Safety in Employment Act, Criminal Nuisance,

Transfer of Risk, Value of Incorporation, and the Role of Event Controllers. The new policy will appear on the NZOF website in the New Year.

#### **REGIONAL FORUMS**

As part of the implementation of the new Strategic Plan, regional development forums, organised and funded by the NZOF, have been held for the Wellington area, the South Island and the Central Districts area. The last of the four forums, that for the Auckland area is planned for February.

#### **NZOF AGM 2006**

The 2006 Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday 15 April at Nelson, in conjunction with the New Zealand championships. Venue and time to be confirmed. Remits for the meeting must be with the General Manager no later than Thursday 19 January 2006.

#### **VACANCY: NOS COACHING COORDINATOR**

Applications are invited for the position of Coaching Coordinator of the National Squad. This is a two year appointment through to the completion of WOC 2007. Direct expenses will be reimbursed within the budget. A job description is available from the General Manager. Applications close 30 December.

#### **VACANCY: MEDIA OFFICER**

Applications are invited for the position of NZOF Media Officer. This is a one year volunteer appointment. The primary role of the Media Officer is to foster and promote orienteering through the various forms of media in New Zealand.. A fax machine is available and direct expenses will be reimbursed within the budget. A job description is available from the General Manager. Applications close 30 December.

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