

## Coming Events

Entries for the metropolitan sprint series events, March 12 and 13, are now open on Eventor. We have had a plea for help from Tuckonie to help with the afternoon Sprint on Sat 12<sup>th</sup> March. Please contact Don Fell if you can assist [don.fell@bigpond.com](mailto:don.fell@bigpond.com) You can still get a run. We are expecting a lot of interstate runners as it is a National O League event.

- The first State Series foot event is on March 20 at Nerrina.
- The Geelong Metrogaine/Cyclogaine is on the same day.
- Easter Carnival will be held in the ACT. Entries are now open on [Eventor](#)
- The VIC MTBO Champs will be on April 16/17 Beechworth after Easter
- The second SS event is April 24 at The Balt Camp.

## Nilumbik Emus Bush Fixtures

Please reserve these dates in your diary. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

1. MTBO St Georges Lake, May 1

Course Planner: Phil Giddings/Andrew Innes; Organiser Rob Edmonds

2. Vic Middle Distance Champs, Borhoney Ghurk, May 15

Course Planner: Rex Niven, Controller Steve Bird, Organiser Mark Baxter with Don Fell assisting

3. Maxi Hepburn Diggings, August 28

Course Planner: Derek Morris, Organiser Rob Edmonds, Catering Team lead by Lauris Stirling.

We also have two MelBushO series events and two Enduro events

- Enduro 1 is in the Gardiners Creek area on April 30
- MelBushO Yarra Bend on June 5; Course Planner: Laurie Niven, Organiser Ron Frederick
- MelBushO Diamond Creek on August 14 course Planner: Rob Edmonds

## Membership

We have 67 signed up members for 2016 with quite a few yet to renew. Please contact Rob Edmonds if you need help.

NE/OV adult membership is \$35 and junior membership (under 21) just \$2.

The AO quarterly magazine, an optional extra, is great value at \$30.

The old club website is still operational and includes information about club membership and renewal process. <http://www.vicorienteeing.asn.au/clubs/nilumbik/>

## Equipment

The club trailer has been rewired with the addition of LED rear lights; The wheel hubs were replaced on both wheels with new with bearing kits. Cost \$441.70

Geoff Hudson has procured the club's new SI gear and is in the process of making up a kit that will make it operationally smooth and convenient. The club has spent about \$11,000 on the gear which will make us more self-sufficient. Geoff is also hoping to buy a couple of splits printers for \$140.

The club has also paid the update of the OEScore software for \$260. We now have the latest software to use in events like the Maxi, The Enduros and Summer Series MTBO events.

The Summer Street Series is coming to an end and the new Winter Series fixtures will soon be out.

**Club Website** <https://nilumbik.wordpress.com/> Please check out the new club website developed by Rob Fell. Let me know what you think about it. The platform is the basic free version of WordPress with limited functionality.

**New Maps** Blackhill and Bald Hill maps are nearing completion and are another area of significant club expenditure. Rex Niven is overseeing production and we are hoping to run bush sprint events on them in 2017.