

Nillumbik Emus Orienteering Club Inc. President's Report 2010

During 2010 the Club put on a great range of events, all of which appear to have been well received and very well run. We conducted the Victorian Long Distance Bush Champs and the Night Orienteering Champs and a Maxi 3 Hour. We also ran the Long Distance Mountain Bike O. Champs.

Lots of street orienteering events were set by club members. A number of our club members are also involved in management of the street orienteering series and Geoff Hudson continues as the VOA secretary. Thanks to Rob Edmonds for setting up a great program and successfully co-opting volunteers to run it.

Finances

Still very healthy. I suggest that the committee next year looks at ideas for spending some of our reserves wisely. New maps are always a priority, but maybe some money could be spent on marketing, promotion, coaching and the like.

Equipment

The major change during the year was the relocation of the storage of our equipment from Erica Johnson's property in Box Hill North to the Nivens at Eltham. Thank you to Erica for the use of her garage for many years and to Laurie and Rex for providing a new home – which takes the form of a shipping container.

Maps

Joyce's Creek bush map was the main addition to our map library. Toorourrong Reservoir will be re-mapped as soon as we have access to the burnt out area. Borhoney Ghurk is to be kept fallow for a major event, probably Easter 2013.

Clothing

Fiona has provided a separate report. We are discounting bulky polar fleece tops. Maybe the committee could look at some smart new après clothing. Our running tops are still admired.

Rock hopper Trophy

We decided to let someone else win this year.

Membership

Although quite good compared with some other clubs, it needs to be increased, particularly with juniors and younger members.

Social

Christmas in July was again most enjoyable and successful. The Club had a number of diners at country pubs in connection with our bush events. Thanks to Lauris, Joyce and Geoff for organising these.

Website

Things may be happening at the OFA level and the committee will need to discuss this matter next year.

Next Year

We will be involved in the Oceania Carnival, with our Club running registration.

Thankyous

Thanks to all the committee members and volunteers who helped successfully run events over the last 12 months – a special thanks from the President to Rob Edmonds for the number of events, which he set and organised.

Ron Frederick
President