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## ORIENTEERING AUSTRALIA

# On Track: An Orienteering in Australia Update

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## Junior World Championships Special

Beginning this week, Australia will play host to the 2007 Clear Networks Junior World Orienteering Championships (JWOC) in and around Dubbo, NSW. This is the first time the JWOC has been held outside of Europe, affording Australia and Dubbo a great honour. Highlights of the week will include challenging Australian granite terrain, teams from 28 countries, and even an event held inside the Western Plains Zoo!

Further information about the JWOC can be found [here](#), and the accompanying public event [here](#).

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## Orienteering Survey with prizes!

Orienteering Australia is conducting a major survey to assist channeling its development, promotion and marketing efforts. Completing a survey provides a number of opportunities to win prizes. The prize draw for completing the survey includes:

1. an Australian Team tracksuit top (2006 version);
2. \$50 voucher from new owners of Orienteering Services of Australia - [www.omotivo.com.au](http://www.omotivo.com.au);
3. Free entry to Oceania Championships Long Distance Race - [www.oceania2007.com](http://www.oceania2007.com)

Complete the survey at the JWOC carnival, or online (see the Orienteering Australia homepage).

## New Coaching Positions

Orienteering Australia would like to welcome its newest employees, Robert Preston and Bert Elson. The positions were created after a restructure of the high performance and coaching branches.

Mr Preston will fill the role of Manager - High Performance looking after our national teams and squads and competition as well as high performance infrastructure - ACTAS in Canberra.

Mr Elson fills the newly created position of Manager - Coaching and Officiating, the role being previously covered by Head Coach. The renewed focus of coaching and officiating development will ensure our athletes and events continue to be of the highest standard.

The announcement of the positions can be found [here](#).



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## Skins and High5: New sponsors of Australian Junior Team



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Orienteering Australia welcomes the support of both Skins and High5 for our Junior team to compete at the Junior World Orienteering Championships. Both companies provide the highest quality products to support the athletic demands of our athletes. You can read more about the new sponsors through the following links. [Skins](#) and [High5](#).

## Clear Broadband Technology at JWOC

Orienteering Australia is embracing new technology to meet some of the challenges of isolation, in broadcasting the Junior World Orienteering Championships in Dubbo live to the world. A combination of radio controls and satellite broadband technology offered by Clear Broadband allows it to all happen.

Project manager, Bill Jones commented, "This is exciting use of global technology. The basic electronic control recording equipment was made in Sweden and the event software was developed in Germany. The wireless modems were made in Tasmania and through support provided by Clear (a broadband service provider specializing in wireless technology) the results from the events in Dubbo will be streamed to a server in Sweden for the entire world to see (and hear) instantaneously."

You can read the full report [here](#).

## Australian Team Uniform

In 2007 Australia's Orienteering teams will be competing with new style.



Competition Top



Australian Foot Orienteering and Mountain Bike Orienteering Team tops.

Items of previous Australian uniforms are now available for purchase - see [here](#).

## 2007 Australian Teams

Over the last few months Australia's elite have been competing for the right to represent their country in orienteering. All teams have been announced, and you can find out the details below.



Junior World Orienteering Championships - July - Dubbo, Australia - [Team](#) (note later withdrawal of Ineka Booth).  
World Orienteering Championships - August - Kiev, Ukraine - [Team](#). Team blog [here](#).  
World Mountain Bike Orienteering Championships - August - Czech Republic - [Team](#). Team blog [here](#).

## Development Conference held in Canberra

The Orienteering Australia Development Conference was held in Canberra in late May this year. The conference is an opportunity for development representatives from each state and Orienteering Australia to share ideas and tackle development issues. Every state was represented this year and for the first time the Northern Territory also sent a representative. The conference was extremely useful and everyone went away with ideas to try from many of the very successful programs running all around the country. Contact your state representative for further details of the conference.

## NEW Results section on orienteering.asn.au

The Orienteering Australia website - [orienteering.asn.au](http://orienteering.asn.au) - goes from strength to strength. The site now contains a wealth of information about just about everything to do with orienteering in Australia. One of the latest editions is the new [Results section](#). Results can now be uploaded by all event organisers and become part of the searchable database. The results are then searchable by date, event type, location and category. A more powerful search function within the database is being looked at for the future.

## Easter AGM

The annual AGM was held at Easter in Dubbo this year. A copy of the AGM minutes is available for anyone interested [here](#).

## Reminder: Special GPS Offer to Orienteering Australia Members

Get your FRWD Outdoor Sports Computer today... Don't miss out!

For a limited time Health Management Group are offering all Orienteering Australia members 20% of the RRP of all FRWD models. Be just like some of Australia's top elites and learn from your GPS track! Details available [here](#).

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