

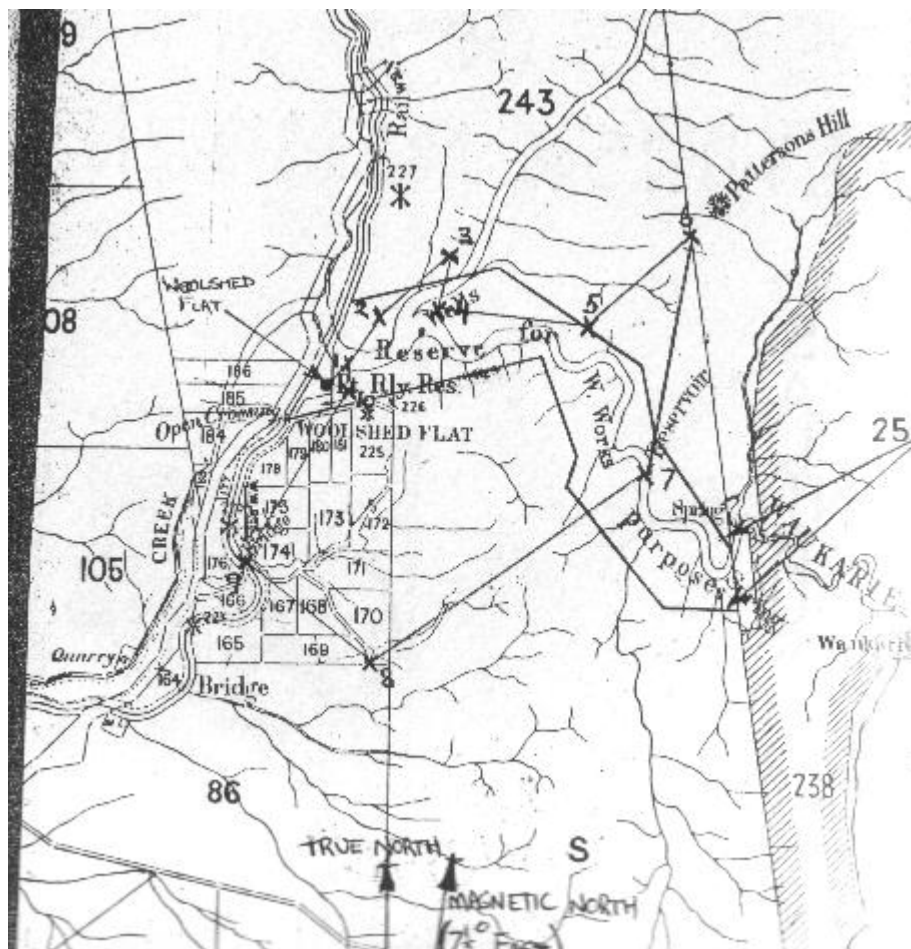
SALTBUSH MEMORIES

Between 1972 and 1973 members of the Whyalla Harriers ran some cross-country races using distance and compass bearings. One I can remember was at Secret Rocks on the Kimba road when Klaus Rolf (Whyalla High School) attached cardboard arrows (that had a distance marked on them) to short tomato stakes, which had been hammered into the ground.

1974 The Start of Saltbush Orienteers

We held our first event in August 1974 at Woolshed Flat on a Property Boundaries Map called Woolundunga with a scale of 1:31680. Organisers were Dave Wiseman and Murray Young. Two courses were set "A" with ten controls and "B" with six controls, with approximately ten entries for each course. We had two finishers, Dave Miller from Kangaroo Island who later ran in the World Champs for Australia and local athlete Iain Dobbie. A few stayed in the Railway Cottages with the mice.

The map showed creeks, fences (some), property boundaries (some misleading imaginary lines), road, railway line, true and magnetic north (given as $71/2^{\circ}$ E). The scale - *wait for it* - 80 chains: 1 inch (100 metres $\sim 1/8$ inch). And no contours --- What!? "No Contours".



About 20 people took part including:- Val & Roy Callaghan, Mr & Mrs Ted Crisp, Ian & Jan Dobbie, Ian & Bev Butler & Family, Roy & Jeanette Ward, Norma, Elissa & Jane Young (no Sophie then!), Bryan & Frances Chapman & Family, Peter Crisp and David Miller.

Map of Woolshed Flat

The first committee consisted of John Page, John Clark, Mel Kendall, Norma Young,



The original Saltbush Orienteers Logo