

# Tintookies Newsletter October 2014

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BONESEED PULL Saturday Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>

AGM SUNDAY Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>

## A summary of the September issue which never got sent...

I'll get the worst bit over first... We not only did not win the Club Relays, we came last by a very wide margin. Those there did their bit (most of them). The trouble was the ones who weren't there/ couldn't be there. Oh well, another club enjoyed their chance this year. TT, better luck next year.

Thank you to the ones who ran...Stephen, Andrew, all 4 Georges (3 out of 4 in 1<sup>st</sup> place), Ken and Clive, John and Bob, Geoff and Barry, David, Helen, George and Charlotte. You realize, don't you, that the calculations are not only on placings in each course but the ratio of runners to total club membership. That's why we need you there.

## Matters pertaining to TT

^^^ We were successful in our application (Thanks, Fi) for an ORS grant for \$2100 for equipment, medical training and equipment(\$410) and Coach/Official training and Development(\$200). Some interesting ideas were put forward eg for the HEIGHT, not width, of some new tables, ...If they are higher than usual, they will make it easier to copy up your own course. Do I sense a relaxing of the current attitude of "Pre-enter or do an Easy course"? Another item to be purchased is a box of pink-topped markers to stick in the ground to replace the pink tape we use when the course setters go out to "tape" the control sites. They show up as well but the main advantage is that the birds won't tear them to shreds as they have done in the past.

PS There is a trend to send a certificate to us when we achieve something eg a grant or "Star Club" status, so picture frames are starting to line up along the shed wall.

^^^ The shed has nearly got its name up.... Allison has that responsibility and will need to stand on the back of a truck to do it!

^^^Have you noticed how much room to grow there is in Max Grivell's new TT top? The family took advantage of the sign at Para Wirra "For members \$30. For non-members \$50" You're a member, so consider if you need a new TT top and ask Allison for one.

^^^Advance notice of the annual **Boneseed Pull**....in Para Wirra on Saturday November 8<sup>th</sup>, followed by a **TT lunch to make up for the one I forgot about a couple of months ago. (There'll be another circular from Fi to give you the details but please write it in your calendar now.)** Phone me on 83893143 if you can come.

^^^ Fancy revisiting The Stockades map off Briens Rd. Pooraka? There will be an OPAL event there on November 16th. "Obesity Prevention and Lifestyle". We provide the maps and courses and they provide the food to make sure people come! "We" is members of the schools team plus some other TT members.

^^^Planning for next year is well under way:

fees set (entry fees to TT events to stay the same. Some wag commented that to get lower fees per km, you should stay out longer on your course.... some people did just that at Para Wirra. Future course-setters there please note. The courses should be made a bit shorter)

When we pay next year's membership fees, we'll be a year older, a holder of a Seniors' card perhaps..But if you don't have a Pension or a Health Card, you still pay the full rate.

and programme set (This includes a 2 day event at Rock Oyster. If the idea of an overnight camp appeals, think about joining the bus to the State Champs on Eyre Peninsula later in the year.) Course-setting and organizing for the Pewsey Vale event the week after Easter is already "booked" by Bob Smith and Fi Pahor respectively. If you want a certain role, get in quickly as soon as Geoff sends out the roster...or even bend his ear earlier. Don't put up your hand to run the String Courses at Easter. The Helen Smith family has got that tied up.

Of course, next year OSA hosts the Easter Carnival. We are told 7 entries have come in already and you will be pleased to hear all those entrants had NO TROUBLE with Eventor in doing so. This should encourage you to get your entry in.

^^^ The TT website is active once again. Not only will it include this newsletter but also snippets of our club history gleaned from the annual President's Reports. Minutes of our committee meetings will also appear once they have been accepted at the following meeting.

## Here and there

A strange find in Mack Creek. It looks just like a skeletal hand.... **It is.....** and it's got a number fixed on it!! A police search and rescue exercise or what? If you help to pick up controls after the next event at Mack Creek, you never know what you might find. It might even be an akubra hat lost by Ken when he fell into the creek.

Ken had another adventure at Mack Creek and has lived to advise us that if approached by an aggressive male emu with his family of 12 behind him, you just raise an arm, bend the wrist and the emu will think you are a taller emu and will run off.

Derek Bilney now works in WA. where he goes orienteering when his shift work allows it. It must be 25 years since we last saw him in Para Wirra.

Others reported from overseas.

Congratulations to Kirsten Muller on the new job, even if it does give less time for coaching.

*Anyway, I am well and very busy. I still find time for orienteering though; we went to Slovenia this summer for two weeks of stunning orienteering in challenging terrains. Needless to say, I usually came last; but it was fun nonetheless.*

*I am still at Rigshospitalet and by 1 August was appointed as a Professor of neuroanaesthesiology and neurointensive care for the next five years. This should, in theory, leave more time for research, although I think I shall have to fight to keep up with all the various tasks. Anyway, I am very happy with the new job, and only a little concerned. Kirsten*

And lucky Richard Tucker being in Scottish O terrain.



*We were a year too soon! This O marker found trackside near Loch Morlich in Speyside Scotland advertised next year's WOC to be held in Scotland in August (2015) with the event centre in Inverness. The marker was also part of some temporary courses put out for the summer holiday makers and included a request for visitors not to move it.*

*Loch Morlich is in Glenmore Forest at the foot of the Cairngorms and has lots of walking and bike tracks in the area. Bikes for hire in Aviemore. Richard*

Bob Smith only went as far as Kooyoora for 2 events recently. He was pleased that on one of the days he noticed the difference between a line of cliffs and an indistinct track beside it. (the other day he didn't recognise the track in that area and scrambled among the rocks.) Either way, he came 3<sup>rd</sup> each day.

**The Nationals in WA..** Try as I may I cannot get the results up. I know our Life members, Jean and Basil Baldwin just about swept the board and Tony Radford placed several times. Other people who were there on the rocky, grass-covered terrain were George Reeves, Clive Arthur, John Lyon and the George family and our 2 TT members of the schools team, Charlotte Brader and Emily Sorensen.

I think the only person who stayed on to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sprint Event was Clive. The rest of us missed a treat. The map included a MAZE!! That map (though unfortunately not Clive himself..who's in Tasmania watching

grand-daughter Lauren represent SA in discus and javelin in the Primary Schools National Athletics Carnival) will be projected along with some of Olivia's maps and Bob's of Kooyoora at our AGM on Nov.30<sup>th</sup>.

Tintookie place-getters at National Long-Distance Championships were:

Joanna George 1st W 12A  
Alison Radford 3rd W60A  
Susan George 1st W OpenB

Tintookies place-getters at National Middle Distance Championships were:

Joanna George 2<sup>nd</sup> W12A  
Abigail George 3<sup>rd</sup> W12A  
Tony Radford 1<sup>st</sup> M65A  
George Reeves 3<sup>rd</sup> M75A



### W70 MTBO Lament

Four old ladies set off on bikes  
One got lost and then there were three

The next old lady got a flat  
Now two old ladies left at that

The third old lady dropped her stick  
No recording for her today

One old lady hangin' on ... what's her fate?  
Well, that silly old lady went too fast  
and sailed right past  
the last control MP!!!

Helen Smith's account (in verse) of her mountain bike orienteering at the Alice Springs events earlier this year.

**Tintogies** to be presented at the TT AGM on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>. These are *not for coming first* while orienteering. They might be awarded for *what you did while orienteering*. Or... You never know who has been dobbed in to receive a Tintogie. You had better be there to see if it's you. More details when Fi reminds you to say you are coming.

OSA Presentation Night is on Friday Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> at Athelstone Hall next to our shed. Perhaps you only go to TT end-of-year-functions as a rule. This time I happen to know a TT will be in the limelight. Who? Come and find out.

**Boneseed Pull Saturday Nov.8<sup>th</sup> 10am**

**TT AGM Sunday Nov 30<sup>th</sup> 6pm**

