

# Western and Hills Orienteers Incorporated (WHO) 2021 Annual Report (Abridged)



## WHO Office Bearers for 2020-2021

### Executive Officers

<b>President</b>	Robert Bradley
<b>Vice President</b>	James McQuillan
<b>Secretary and Public Officer</b>	Maureen Fitzpatrick
<b>Treasurer</b>	Karen Langan

### Other Roles

<b>Club Captain</b>	Joshua Braidwood
<b>Mapping Officer</b>	Janet Morris
<b>Equipment Officer</b>	Steve Dunlop
<b>Development Officer</b>	James McQuillan
<b>Statistician</b>	Barry Pearce
<b>Delegates To ONSW</b>	James McQuillan, Maureen Fitzpatrick, Robert Bradley
<b>Webmaster</b>	Barry Hanlon
<b>IT Support</b>	Tim Perry
<b>Public Officer</b>	Maureen Fitzpatrick
<b>WHO Life Members</b>	Bruce Cooper, Ted Mulherin, Janet Morris, Barry Hanlon

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### President's Report

I need to thank a lot of people who make WHO happen. Each of you has made a significant contribution in the past year:

- Maureen - Secretary and Public Officer
- James - Vice President
- Karen – Treasurer
- Janet - Mapping and Event Scheduling
- Barry H - Webmaster
- Josh - Club Captain
- Barry P - Club Championships
- Tim & Dmitry - IT
- Steve - Equipment
- Ian - Newsletter Editor and Clothing
- Nerise and James – Social media
- Every course setter, event organiser and event director/controller
- Every WHO member who helped out at an event, did a task in the background to make the club or an event work or attended a club meeting.

The most challenging items of business for the year, as it was last year, were the decisions to cancel or postpone some events because of COVID. I particularly want to thank our members who worked on events that didn't take place.

Lastly I would like to thank the ONSW Board and Staff for their assistance and support through the year.

My time as President has been a pleasure, excluding the impact of COVID. I am stepping down as President, however, as I need to more spend time in the bush at a more leisurely pace with a different type of map. I wish the 2022 Committee all the best.

**Rob Bradley**  
**President**  
**28/11/2021**

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## Draft Minutes of Western and Hills Orienteers Incorporated Annual General Meeting 2020

**Date:** Sunday, 6 December 2020  
**Venue:** The Showground, Castle Hill  
**Present:** Robert Bradley (President), Anthony Saunders, Barry Hanlon, Barry Pearce, Dan Smith, Dmitry Stukov, Dave Noble, Emmanuelle Convert, Ian Miller, James McQuillan (Vice President), Janet Morris, Joshua Braidwood, Karen Langan (Treasurer), Malcolm Gledhill, Martin Mansfield, Maureen Fitzpatrick (Secretary), Paul Sweeney, Saffron Sweeney, Steve Dunlop, Tim Perry, Vivien de Remy de Courcelles.  
**Apologies:** Andy Vesey-Wells, Bel Kinneally, Graeme Hill, Ted Mulherin  
**Start time:** 1.10pm

**1. Welcome** The President, Rob Bradley, opened the meeting and welcomed all present. The traditional owners of the lands, the Darug peoples, were acknowledged by Maureen Fitzpatrick.

**2. Awards** The WHO Cup winners were announced as Bel Kinneally (Female), James McQuillan (Male) and Barry Hanlon (Chris Crane Cup).  
The 2020 Club Champion trophy was awarded to Selwyn Sweeney.  
The 2020 Hank van Oost trophy for 2020 was awarded to Ian Miller for his contribution as Past President and Newsletter Editor, for involvement in various roles at WHO events, for welcoming new members with a WHO shirt and for assistance given to the current President.

**3. Minutes of the previous AGM** The Minutes of the AGM held on 01/12/2019 were accepted.

**4. Annual Report 2020** The Annual Report for 2020 was accepted.

**5. Financial Statement 2020** The Financial Statement for 2020 was accepted.

### **6. Election of Officer Bearers and Committee**

All positions were elected unopposed:

<b>President</b> Robert Bradley	<b>Vice President</b> James McQuillan
<b>Treasurer</b> Karen Langan	<b>Secretary</b> Maureen Fitzpatrick

### **7. Other elections**

The following people accepted roles in the club:

<b>Club Captain</b> Joshua Braidwood	<b>Mapping Officer</b> Janet Morris
<b>Equipment Officer</b> Steve Dunlop	<b>Statistician</b> Barry Pearce
<b>Webmaster</b> Barry Hanlon	<b>IT</b> Tim Perry
<b>Development Officer</b> James McQuillan	

**8. Appointment of Public Officer** Maureen Fitzpatrick

**9. Motions on Notice** Nil

**10. General Business** Nil

**11. Meeting closure** 1.30pm

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## Treasurer's Report (Abridged)

This report covers the full year period from 1st October 2020 to 30th September 2021.

### Event Summary

During the year there were 10 events, one more than 2019. Unfortunately once again several events were cancelled due to COVID-19. In the 2 years prior to COVID we were able to run 13 events/year. Financial details for each event are shown in the accompanying Annual Event Report 2020-2021. Highlights include:

- Almost 1,200 entries across the 10 events;
- Total event income was more than the previous year but still less than the years prior to COVID. Eight (8) events were run with a small surplus.
- The WHO cup is free to our members and ran at a loss and the Auburn Summer Series Event just broke even due to high venue hire costs and poor attendance numbers.

### Financial Results

The Income and Expenditure Report and the Balance sheet are attached.

- Financial operations for the year resulted in a small deficit.
- We received a Government grant to purchase new equipment for the club. This was used to purchase a lithium battery and new computer equipment.
- NSW sanctioning fees were the greatest expense item followed by map printing.
- Income reduced by COVID-19 and cancellation of events but government grants have assisted with purchase of new equipment.

**Karen Langan**  
**WHO Treasurer**  
**11/11/2021**

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### Club Captain's Report

Another great year of Metro League, even if it was cut short! Our Metro League season was again disrupted by COVID, but we still managed to get 4 rounds in before we all went into lockdown. This meant not enough rounds for prizes to be up for grabs in any division, but it still meant we had some great orienteering at some diverse and interesting locations.

Round 1 was at Yerambah Lagoon, at Picnic Point in Sydney's south not far from the Georges River. It was good to revisit a map that hadn't been used in Metro League for many years. Not much luck for WHO unfortunately where we didn't pick up any wins, despite a strong turnout.

Round 2 found us back at Lansdowne, a frequent Metro League venue in recent years, and a venue that has a little bit of everything. This time we had a little more success the WHO Rays (Div 3), WHO Rahs (Div 5) and WHO Hahs (Div 6) all picking up wins.

Manly Dam was our venue for Round 3, with plenty of rock and steep hills packing a lot of action into a small area. This time it was only the WHO Rays (Div 3) who came out on top.

Finally, WHO hosted the last Metro League event for the year at Castle Hill, with some fantastic courses set by Selwyn Sweeney. The steep sandstone valley of Excelsior Creek certainly gave everyone a workout. The WHO Rays (Div 3) again came out on top, along with the WHO Doos (Div 4) and WHO Hahs (Div 5).

So where did this leave us after 4 rounds?

Our Div 1 team, the WHO Evers, were unfortunately anchoring the bottom of the ladder with no wins for the season. This was mainly because of low numbers, and despite some outstanding performances from our team, James McQuillan and Selwyn Sweeney in particular. Thanks also to the rest of the team for some great runs, including Tim Perry, Dan Smith, Gary Farebrother, Vivien de Remy de Courcelles, and Niamh Cassar.

Div 3 was a very different story, with the WHO Rays at the top of the ladder with 3 wins out of 4. Given two more rounds, we would have been in with a decent shot of taking out the title. The pleasing thing was that all of our team members made an outstanding contribution during the season, with Lee Coady probably being the most consistent, and Paul Sweeney really hitting his straps. Well done to the rest of the team as well - Will Kay, Emmanuelle Convert, Niamh Cassar, and Warren Bax!

Our Div 4 team the WHO Doos struggled a little more, sitting in 5th place on the ladder just ahead of SHOO-IKO thanks to our one win. Again honours were fairly evenly spread in this division - great effort from Jay Seeho, Saffron Sweeney, Dmitry Stukov, Anthony Saunders, Karen Langan, and Ian Miller.

In Div 5, the WHO Hahs finished in the middle of the ladder with two victories. Mathematically, a couple more wins may have seen them in finals contention. Many contributors again, with many of our younger club members featuring prominently. Well done, Savanna Sweeney, Lachlan Coady, Matilda Saunders, Maria Stankova, Jacinta Braidwood, Ted Mulherin, and Janice Seeho.

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Finally, our Div 6 team the WHO Hahs came 3rd out of 4 teams with one victory. A breeding ground for future Div 1 contenders, we had some great results from some of our youngest club members, including Shay Sweeney, Justine de Remy de Courcelles, Levi Coady and Stephanie Chan and some almost as young - Janet Morris and Linda Chan.

Thanks to everyone who got involved in Metro League this year. Hopefully next year brings a full season! If you are new to the club, or new to Metro League, why not give it a go in 2022? It doesn't matter if you're a complete novice, there is something for everyone at Metro League and it is a great way to meet your fellow club members.

**Josh Braidwood**  
**WHO Club Captain**  
28/11/2021

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### Mapping Officer's Report

Despite lack of events in 2021 some mapping activity has taken place. ONSW has requested that maps used this summer be updated to ISOM 2017 and this has been done where necessary. WHO has enough maps for future scheduled events but as all maps change we need to find new maps or update old maps regularly.

#### State League Country Maps

It is probable that in Winter 2023 we will be looking for a country State League map. Looking for possible new areas to map, Oberon and sections of Guula Ngurra NP at Canyonleigh were visited without success. Next year we hope to visit other parts of Guula Ngurra NP and the north end of the Giant Wyangala map to see if they are suitable to map. If not we can pursue West Mt Piper or Portland Common.

#### Sydney and District Line Course Maps

Used for the Metroleague, West Sydney Orienteering Series or even for SOS or State League, this covers a wide range of areas. Generally, some line courses that do not cross roads can be set. These are most important maps for our members and it is important that we follow up possible future West Sydney areas such as Wianamatta NP at Jordan Springs, Cecil Hills with changes and Fernhill for Mulgoa access. Possible new areas visited and reserved were Shale Hills and Bungaribee, both part of Western Sydney Parklands. Permission to use has not yet been obtained from WSPT.

A new map of an old area at Crestwood has been mapped as Torry Burn. A parkland area at St Clair is being mapped. Areas of Winston Hills and Darling Mills have been updated for use this summer and Werrington Lake is in the process of being updated.

#### Sydney Summer Series Maps

We have a good selection of Summer Series maps. A new map at Castlewood, Castle Hill, was completed but could not be used this summer. Bushrangers Reserve at East Killara was upgraded as much as possible, without fieldwork, for use by Garingal. Knightsbridge was updated and has an addition to its name as Camelot. Two new areas are being mapped at West Cherrybrook (Pyres Creek) and Baulkham Hills (Stevenson's Creek) for use in 2022/23.

#### Micro Map

Don Moore Reserve proved to have too many trees to be successfully mapped as a micro map

#### Sprint Maps

Bungaribee could be mapped as a sprint map if mapping is permitted.

#### Base Maps

Barry Hanlon continues to produce high quality base maps when required. He also provides technical advice on mapping for the club.

#### Current Map List

A list of current maps is attached at page 10. These are maps that could be currently used. Some would need updating. We have many other old maps not currently considered suitable for use.

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## Current Map List as at October 2021

There is some overlap of uses and areas. Maps have been listed once in their preferred category.

### State League Country Maps

Roseberg SF  
Mt Piper Hills

Wyangala Waters

### Sydney and District Line Course Maps

Rouse Hill Regional Park

Caddies Ck

Darling Mills

Ermington (George Kendall Park)

Excelsior

Graveyard (Cattai Creek)

Mulgoa

Ropes Creek

Ted Horwood Reserve

Upjohn Park (The Creeks)

Plumpton Parks

Werrington Lake

Western Sydney Regional Park  
(Nowhere)

Wianamatta Regional Park (Roads to

Crestwood Torry Burn

Crestwood Park

Winston Hills

### Sydney Summer Series Maps

Auburn Park

Castlewood

Brush Farm West and Rolly Polly

Coups Creek

Cowells Lane

James Ruse Drive

Knightsbridge (Camelot)

Meadowbank

North Rocks Rocks

Rogans Hill

Vineyard Creek

Watsons Bay (Vaucluse)

West Pennant Hills (Bellbird Creek)

### Sprints

Balcombe Heights

Eric Mobbs Reserve

Showground Road

Fred Caterson Sprint

Nirimba

UWS Hawkesbury

Heritage Park

Janet Morris  
WHO Mapping Officer  
27/10/2021



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## Equipment Officer's Report 2021

It would be nice to report the need to replace lots of our equipment that had worn out running events – but exactly the opposite, almost no action after the summer events. So there have been just a few minor replacements and repairs.

Again my thanks to organisers and especially the computer team for their management of the gear.

For event Organisers / Event Directors we have a system of logging gear out and back in for events which is working well. Please check with me in advance of events to ensure all the gear needed for your event is available and how it will be delivered to the event and returned.

If there is any gear people consider would be useful just let me know and we'll have a look at it.

**Steve Dunlop**  
**WHO Equipment Officer**  
**24/11/2021**

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### WHO Statistics

#### a) WHO Cup Winners 1994 - 2020

<b>WHO Cup</b>	<b>Handicap Event</b>	<b>WHO Cup</b>	<b>Handicap Event</b>
1994 Paul Baker	Pat Baker	2006 Robert Chapman	Robert Chapman
1995 Paul Baker	Andrew Hill	2007 Jon Bailey	Steve Holloway
1996 Graeme Hill	Alexandra Christopher	2008 Paul Baker	Paul Baker
1997 Matt Hely	Maryanne Brooking	2009 Adrian White	Adrian White
1998 Graeme Hill	Tim Bartsch	2010 Andrew Hill	Jon Bailey
1999 Andrew Hill	Barry Gill	2011 Andrew Hill	Ian Christopher
2000 Andrew Hill	Pat Baker	2012 Andrew Hill	Lee Coady
2001 Andrew Hill	Pat Baker	2013 Andrew Hill	Lee Coady
2002 Paul Baker	Janet Morris	2014 James McQuillan	Nerise McQuillan
2003 Andrew Hill	Janet Morris	2015 Lee Coady	Lee Coady
2004 Graeme Hill	Steve Holloway	2016 Andrew Hill	James Langan
2005 Chris Sanderson	Paul Baker		
<b>WHO Cup Female</b>	<b>WHO Cup Male</b>	<b>Handicap Event</b>	
2017 Karen Langan	James Dunlop	Selwyn Sweeney	
2018 Niamh Cassar	James McQuillan	Tim Perry	
2019 Niamh Cassar	James McQuillan	Lee Coady	
2020 Belinda Kinneally	James McQuillan	Barry Hanlon	
2021 ??	??	??	

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## b) WHO Club Championships 2021

The club's Championship Point Score year runs from the start of the summer series in October to the end of the Australian Championships.

As per 2020 this was another atypical year, with limited events and no Australian Championships held.

Despite all this, WHO members participated in a total of 986 events across urban and bush settings and Barry Pearce, Club Statistician, entered all those results to make the 2021 WHO Club Championships tally.

The actual WHO Club Championship winner will be announced at the WHO AGM on 05/12/2021 but in the meantime, here are the 'Top 20' attenders, in alphabetical order, who attended between 23-41 events between the start of Sydney Summer Series in October 2020 and the end of September 2021:

Convert, Emmanuelle  
Cullen, Vanessa  
de Remy de Courcelles, Justine  
de Remy de Courcelles, Vivien  
Dunlop, Stephen  
Gledhill, Malcolm  
Hanlon, Barry  
Hill, Graeme  
Kay, Will  
Langan, Karen  
Mansfield, Martin  
McQuillan, James  
Miller, Ian  
Morris, Janet  
Noble, David  
Smith, Dan  
Sweeney, Paul  
Sweeney, Saffron  
Sweeney, Savanna  
Sweeney, Selwyn