2025 Central Otago Orienteering Championships

This is a COPSSA event and is not sanctioned by Orienteering New Zealand

Date: **Thursday, 11 December 2025**
Postponement Day: Friday, 12 December 2025
Time: 9:30 am – 3:00 pm

Venue: Wānaka - Olive Grove, 280 Wanaka Mount Aspiring Road, Wānaka 9382

Cost: Entry Fee is **$5 per child**

- COPSSA will invoice individual schools based on numbers when entries close.

Entries: Closing date for entries: **Thursday 28th November 2025**

LINK TO ENTRIES

This is an INDIVIDUAL competition, not pairs or teams

Please also list your 10 Marshalls here as well. EACH ZONE MUST provide 10 marshalls.

- Please let the event coordinators know on the day if a child is absent.

Conditions of Entry: * All year group races are separate.

CATEGORY	MAXIMUM ENTRIES PER ZONE 120 students
YEAR 5 / 6 GIRLS	30
YEAR 5 / 6 BOYS	30
YEAR 7 / 8 GIRLS	30
YEAR 7 / 8 BOYS	30

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Central Otago Primary School Sports Association

POSTPONEMENTS

- Orienteering will only be postponed if weather and road conditions are really bad - refer to COPSSA Postponement and Cancellation Policy.
- A notice will be put on the COPSSA Website www.copssa.nz by 7:00 am on the morning of the event advising if the orienteering is on **or** postponed. If possible a call will be made the night before.
- School Sports Coordinators will also be emailed if postponed *(individual schools to inform parents).*
- *Jason will text all contacts to let them know ASAP.*

REGISTRATION

- Start times will be sent out prior to race day
  - ⇒ Please check the start times
  - ⇒ Ensure each child knows their start time; **and**
  - ⇒ Write the start time on their right-hand

RUN SHEET - Timing may change depending on registration numbers for each zone.

Activity	Time (approx.)	Responsibility
Upper Clutha/Dunstan Registration	8:45 - 9:15 am	Lead Schools
Upper Clutha/Dunstan briefing	9:15 am	Emily/ Chris Forne
Race Start	9:30 am	Emily / Chris Forne
Upper Clutha Race Finish and Departure from the venue	12:00 pm	
Wakatipu/Dunstan Registration	10:45 - 11:15 am	Lead Schools
Wakatipu/Dunstan briefing	11:15 am	Emily/Chris Forne
Race Start	11:30 am	Emily/ Chris Forne
Wakatipu Race Finish and Departure from the venue	2:00pm	

OTHER INFORMATION

CERTIFICATES:

- Certificate templates for 1st, 2nd, 3rd *'place-getters'* are available on the COPSSA Sports Coordinators Google Site:
    - ⇒ Admin Tab – Certificate Templates – COPSSA Championship Certificates
    - ⇒ Schools can download certificate templates and award to place-getters

CATERING:

- Participants, school staff/team managers / supervising parents, need to bring all food and drink for the day as there are no shops nearby. Please remember this is private property and all rubbish brought will have to be carried off-site.

DOGS:

- No dogs are permitted as this is private property

FIRST AID:

- A dedicated First Aider will be onsite.

HEALTH & SAFETY:

- A Safety Action Plan (SAP) will be sent to schools prior to the event and it is the responsibility of individual schools to ensure staff/team manager(s) / supervising parent(s) are familiar with the SAP.
- Please ensure staff / team managers / supervising parents/participants have all necessary medication.

MARSHALS AND STAFFING:

- Schools from each zone will need to provide officials/marshals to assist with running the event - A minimum 10 per zone is required. These must be added at the registration of children.
- Emily Forne/Jason Cowan will assign officials/marshals to an area of the course on event day, to ensure competitors stay within the boundaries; **and** can be monitored for safety reasons.
- Individual schools will be responsible for the supervision of competitors onsite – managing behaviour and monitoring when they leave the event.

PARKING:

- There will be designated parking at the venue for cars at Jardine Park by the Croquet Centre.

TOILETS:

- Toilets will be onsite

WHAT TO BRING:

- ***Whistle*** **-** Each competitor will be required to carry a whistle for safety reasons (COPSSA has some if schools do not have enough).
- ***Spectators*** - picnic food and drink, camping chair or something to sit on sunglasses and sunblock.
- ***Competitors / Participants*** – appropriate clothing and footwear for competing, including extra layers of clothing, and/or a change of clothes and footwear.
- ***A ball or hacky sack, etc.*** - something to play with whilst waiting for the races.

Any queries should be directed to:

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