Announcement – 2023 Auckland Orienteering Calendar

It is with great excitement that the three Auckland Region clubs and Lactic Turkey announce our Orienteering Calendar for 2023

In bringing the programme together we recognised that members look for different things from events at different times. This changes as the year progresses, depending on whether you're trying to build your fitness, develop your technical skills, and/or bringing it all together in a competition event. Subtle differences between the schools' programme and the club programme, plus having National Champs so early in the season, make this even more challenging!

To reflect this the calendar this year is designed around four seasons, each reflecting a different focus:

Summer – "Build-up" (Jan, Feb, Mar)

Schools are finding their feet and kicking off their programme for the year. Club Members are getting themselves ready for Nationals in early April:

- SummerNav park events
- School Sprint Series events
- 2 Build-up Sprint and 3 Build-up Forest events as training for NZ Champs
- Easter Nationals

Autumn – "Development" (Apr, May)

The focus for schools changes from sprint events to forest events. Club members reflect on what went right and what went wrong at Nationals, and the skills they need to work on to improve next year:

- Rogaine Season (CMOC, NWOC and Lactic Turkey Rogaines)
- Development events training and event opportunities in AOS style
- North Islands Schools comp

Winter – "Competition" (Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep)

Time to test those new skills in competition. For some this could be overseas events or building up to the Australian Champs and Southern Cross Challenge in late September – early October:

- King's birthday competition
- Auckland Region Sprint Series
- Auckland Region Forest Series
- NZ Secondary Schools

Spring – "Wrap-up" (Oct, Nov, Dec)

Time for some after-season fun and events of a more social nature to wrap up the year, but also time to put in place the foundations for next year's season:

- Labour Weekend
- Auckland Region relays
- SummerNav starts
- Junior Camps

To support this programme we're announcing two new competition series!

While the total number of forest events is similar to last year, this year we have split the AOS events so the early part of the season can focus on build-up and development, and turned the 2nd half of the season into a more competitive format. We're also ramping up the winter sprint series:

New Competition Series

- 1. Auckland Region Sprint Series
- 6 Saturday afternoon Sprints in June, July and August
- Points scoring system across the events
- A Sprint Series Final on the 5th August with prize giving afterwards
- 2. Auckland Region Forest Series
- 4 Forest events in August and September
- Points scoring system across the events
- A Forest Series Final on the 17th September with prize giving afterwards

We are excited to see these series develop as a highpoint of the programme, shared between the 3 clubs.

As a collective we want to recognise the work and effort that has gone in from all three clubs and Lactic Turkey in aligning this calendar and introducing these new competition formats.

January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Mon				1			50	- 20			
Tue				2			1				
Wed	1	1 School Sprint Week 3		3	-25		2			1 Summer Nav 2	
Thu	2	2 Solitor Opinik Week o	i i	4	1		3		-	2	
Fri	3	3	S	5	2		4			3	1
Sat	4	4	1	6	3 Tüäraki Northern	1 Akl Sprint Series 3	5 Akl Sprint Final	2		4	2
Sun 1 New Year's Day	5	5 Build up Forest 2	2 Build up Forest 3	7 NVOC Rogaine 1	4 Tüäraki Northern	2	6 LT Rogaine 3	3 Akl Forest Series 3	1 Australian Champs	5 Akl Region Relays	3
Mon 2 Day after NY Day	6 Waitangi Day	6	3	8	5 Tüäraki Northern	3	7	4	2 Australian Champs	6	4
Tue 3 Holiday	7	7 School Sprint Week 4	4	9	6	4	8	5	3 Australian Champs	7	5
Wed 4	8	8		10 Interzone Final	7	5	9	6	4 Australian Champs	8 Summer Nav 3	6 Summer Nav 7
Thu 5	9	9	6	11	8	6	10	7	5 Australian Champs	9	7
Fri 6	10	10		12	9	7	11	8	6 Australian Champs	10	8
Sat 7	11	11	8 NZ Champs	13	10	8 Akl Sprint Series 4	12	9	7 Australian Champs	11	9
Sun 8	12 Eden Park Event	12 Katoa Po	9 NZ Champs	14 Development Forest 2	11 NWOC Rogaine 3	9	13 Aki Forest Series 1	10	8 Australian Champs	12	10
Mon 9	13	13	10 NZ Champs	15	12	10	14	11	9	13	11
Tue 10	14 School Sprint Week	1 4 School Sprint Week 5	11	16	13	(1)	15	12	10	14	12
Wed 11	15 School Spillit week	15 School Spill it week 3	12	17 Schools Rogaine	14 Schools Relay	12	16	13	11	15 Summer Nav 4	13
Thu 12	16	16	13	18	15	13 NZSS (Blenheim)	17	14	12	16	14
Fri 13	17	17	14	19	16	14 NZSS (Blenheim)	18	15	13	17	15
Sat 14	18	18	15	20	17 Akl Sprint Series 1	15 NZSS (Blenheim)	19	16	14	18	16 Junior Developme
Sun 15	19 Build-up Forest 1	19 Build up Sprint 2	16 Development Forest 1	21 NVOC Rogaine 2	18 Development Forest 3	16 LT Rogaine 2	20 Akl Forest Series 2	17 Akl Forest Final	15	19	17 Camp
Mon 16	20	20	17	22	19	17	21	18	16	20	18
Tue 17	21 School Sprint Week 2	2 School Sprint Week 6	18	23	20	18	22	19	17	21	19
Wed 18	22 Scribbl Spilit Week 2	22 Scriool Spillit week o	19	24	21	19	23	20	18	22 Summer Nav 5	20
Thu 19	23	23	20	25	22	20	24	21	19	23	21
Fri 20	24	24	21 NISS (Vanganui)	26	23	21	25	22	20	24	22
Sat 21	25	25	22 NISS (Vanganui)	27	24 Akl Sprint Series 2	22 Akl Sprint Series 5	26	23	21 Labour Veekend	25	23
Sun 22	26 Build-up Sprint 1	26 School Sprint final (LT	23 NISS (Vanganui)	28	25 LT Rogaine 1	23 Development Forest 4	27	24	22 Labour Veekend	26	24
Mon 23	27 28 School Sprint Week	27	24	29	26	24	28	25	23 Labour Veekend	27	25 Christmas Day
Tue 24	28 School Spilit Week		25 Anzac Day	30	27	25	29	26	24	28	26 Boxing Day
Wed 25		29 (South and East only)	26	31 Schools Individual (LT)	28	26	30	27	25 Summer Nav 1	29 Summer Nav 6	27
Thu 26		30	27		29	27	31	28	26	30	28
Fri 27		31	28		30	28		29	27		29
Sat 28			29			29		30 Australian Champs	28		30
Sun 29			30 CMOC Rogaine			30 Development Forest 5		- AV	29		31
Mon 30 AKL Anniversary						31			30		
Tue 31						The Designation	-31		31		
	Public Holiday										
	School Holidays										
BOLD	Major Events in BOLD										
CMOC	[Red] Counties Manukau Orienteering Club										
AOC	[Blue] Auckland Orienteering Club										
NVOC	[Purple] North West Orienteering Club										
(LT)	Run by Lactic Turkey	10 10									4 0