

**Dear State Presidents and Secretaries,**

The OAGM will be held on the 11th of April 2022 at 8:00pm AEST by Zoom.  
We will send you the Agenda and the Zoom invitation on Monday 14th of March.

For your information, we outlined what we understand to be the state of play as of 8 March.  
We will confirm this with all of the people mentioned.

Orienteering Australia intends to convert to become a Company Limited by Guarantee during 2022. Once it is done we will have a different Constitution.

**Notification of State attendees**

Please let me know who will attend from your state and who will have the right to vote.

**Nomination process**

Nominations for Directors and Standing Committee Chairpersons may be made by any Constituent Association, any two members of the Board, or, for nominations made from the floor of an Annual General Meeting, any two people entitled to vote at that meeting.

Nominations for these positions shall be advised with the agenda of the Annual General Meeting. The closing date for nominations is 12 March. Nominations must be sent by email to the General Manager (Arpad Kocsik, gm@orienteering.asn.au).

If there are no nominations for a position, nominations for that position will be received from the floor at the Annual General Meeting.

If there are nine directors, only seven of the directors can be elected; the other two are appointed by the Board. If more than seven nominations are received by 12 March, the General Manager will discuss options with the nominees.

**Nominations for Directors**

We are seeking at least two more nominations to be directors.

***What is happening with the board?***

There will be a maximum number of nine directors. Five current directors intend to remain on the Board and there will be two more nominations.

The following directors are retiring.

- Jenny Casanova - Director Technical;
- Bill Jones - Director.

The following directors will remain on the board and do not need to seek renomination:

- Andrew Lumsden - Secretary;
- Richard Mountstephens - Director, Finance;
- Craig Steffen - Director Operations and MTBO.

Mike Dowling intends to remain on the Board. He is currently an International Orienteering Federation Councillor and is, therefore, an ex officio director of Orienteering Australia. Mike's IOF Councillor term expires in June and the Board will nominate him for President of OA (ie. Chair). Under the proposed company constitution, a director may not serve for more than nine consecutive years, but this does not apply to service as an ex officio director.

The Board will also nominate:

- Brett Weihart, who is currently Director Coaching and High Performance, to become Director, Marketing and Communications;
- Clare Hawthorne - Director Coaching and High Performance.

Anna Sheldon has been nominated by Orienteering Queensland for the position Director Technical. The Board endorses this nomination.

Term of office for directors: the proposed company constitution has different terms of office from the existing constitution. The Board will determine re-election dates for each director at the first Board meeting after the AGM.

### Nominations for Committee Chairpersons

Nominations are welcome for the position of Chairperson of the following committees. We are seeking to fill the two vacant Chairperson roles.

The Chairpersons listed below are willing to continue in their role and will be renominated by the Board.

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Chairperson</b>
Technical	Vacant
Mapping	Neil Barr
Events	Greg Hawthorne
High Performance Management Group – Foot O	Fredrik Johansson
<b>Selection Panels</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Foot O (Senior)</li> <li>• Foot O (Junior)</li> <li>• MTBO</li> </ul>	Bruce Arthur Susanne Casanova Craig Steffens
MTB Orienteering Commission	Andrew Power
Athletes Commission	Vacant

Blair Trewin has been nominated by Orienteering Victoria for the position of Chair of the Technical Committee.



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### **Motions or general business**

The agenda will include notice of any motions or other business received by the General Manager in writing by 12 March.

### **Questions**

If you have any questions about the positions or process, please contact Andrew Lumsden andrew.l@orienteering.asn.au or 0412 253 302.

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### ***Text of Andrew Lumsden's email of 11 February***

### **OA AGM - Tentatively Monday 11 April**

Hi OA directors, State presidents and secretaries

### **Proposed date**

The OA Board decided that we would hold the OA AGM virtually at 8.00pm AEST on Monday, 11 April. If that causes significant issues for your State please let me know ASAP.

### **Motions, etc**

I formally request notices of motions, special resolutions or general business. Please provide these at least 30 days prior to the AGM. This will give me time to prepare an agenda at least 28 days before the AGM.

Less formally, it would be helpful to have a heads up on motions, etc earlier rather than later.

### **New directors**

We will be looking for new directors. I note that the Board is currently dominated by M50+s; greater diversity would improve the capabilities of the Board.

Cheers

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