

Orienteering in Sporting Schools Program

2017 summary from Jim Mackay

- **ASC Sporting Schools**
 - booking system and packages impact and changes
 - increase in number of registered schools and impact
 - state admin costs and impact
 - KPIs and ASC data
 - high schools
 - participation forum
- **OA Sporting Schools** – Stats compared to 2016
 - program numbers up 3%
 - participant numbers down 30% (on 6-month comparison)
 - Level 0 coaches numbers up more than 50%

ASC Sporting Schools (1)

- **Booking system** introduced in Term 4 has gradually become established in 2017 with incremental improvements for schools, sports, coaches.
- **More registered schools** competing for same budget is causing schools to apply earlier for funding, and make bookings earlier once funding approved.
- **Orienteering packages** –5 packages introduced in Term 1 to replace the initial 2016 Term 4 packages. Further improvements were made to increase the number of packages to 8 in Term 3.
- 2017 saw the introduction of states gathering **admin costs** from Sporting Schools programs rather than ASC grants. Cost is passed on to schools.

ASC Sporting Schools (2)

- **KPIs and data** – ASC plan to base OA's KPI targets on data from 2016 when programs outwith OA's control were included in data collected, and from 2017 when many programs were not added through booking system or added without all the relevant data. Recent change this week to booking system will allow old bookings to be added retrospectively.
- **High Schools** - programs introduced for some sports in schools of low socio-economic status, focussing on improving girl's participation in particular.
- Orienteering not one of the sports delivering **High School** programs. OA need to develop a national product and package structure before pursuing secondary schools.

Sporting Schools Participation Forum

Evaluation key success factors:

- Well designed products which contain flexibility, branding, game based learning, can be teacher delivered, curriculum aligned, PE program aligned
- Quality coaches/deliverers
- Engaged schools and educators
- Clear participation pathways – this is an area that we have not developed nationally

OA Sporting Schools Stats

- 2017 program numbers up 3% on 2016 – 153 to 148
- Mid-2017 participant numbers down 30% on mid-2016

OA stats	Program requests	# Total Programs	# Programs by endorsed coach	# Programs by Teacher	Total Participants
2017 TOTAL	220 (3 terms)	153	124	29	4089 (1st 2 terms)
2016 TOTAL	255	148	94	35	5871 (1st 2 terms)
2015 TOTAL	68	69	45	14	2275

School coaches – orienteers and teachers

- Same situation as a year ago where there are not enough orienteers in the right areas who are willing to coach
- Scholars from overseas are being used in Sporting Schools programs as coaches
- The number of teachers being trained to run programs is continuing to rise but more support needed for teacher-led programs
- The number of teacher-led programs is steady compared to 2016
- Secondary school teachers becoming accredited, but no Sporting Schools funding, no product or official material

Level 0 Coach Accreditation

	Level 0 Coaches	Calculated Date
2018 TOTAL (so far)	444	Nov-17
2017 TOTAL	243	Mar-17
2016 TOTAL	155	Mar-16
2015 TOTAL	37	Feb-15
2014 TOTAL	32	Feb-14
2013 TOTAL	18	Feb-13

Summary

- Booking system changes caused significant disruption which has not yet settled, but should have for the start of 2018 and KPI signoff
- The number of programs nationally has increased slightly with a reduction in participants and participations

Recommendations

- National product development for secondary schools is key to meet current need from high schools, and to meet ASC criteria for consideration in high schools
- More discussion needed on how best to create pathways from schools to inter-school competitions, and club involvement and club competitions