

Event Information – Royal George OST4 & Schools Team Selection Race 3

Location	Event Date	Region	Туре	
Royal George	Sunday 23 rd May, 2021	Statewide	OST	

COVID-19 Compliance

To comply with government regulations there are changes to the way orienteering in Tasmania takes place:

- It is greatly preferred that you enter using the online entry system <u>Eventor</u> several days prior to the event.
- There will be limited entry or payment on the day.
- Before you come, read the <u>COVIDSAFE Participant checklist.</u>
- Bring your own water no water will be available on the course or at the assembly area.
- Social distancing and a range of hygiene measures will be enforced.

If you have COVID-19 symptoms or have been in recent contact with a COVID-19 case please stay home.

About This Event

This is the fourth OST event for 2021. Competitors are free to choose the course of their choice. Eight courses are available, organised by course and by difficulty.

Note: This event is a Tasmanian School Team selection event. The details about courses and age classes that must be run to qualify for selection are available on the OT website under the 'Get Involved' menu > 'Teams and Selections' > 'Are you interested in Making the Tasmanian Schools Team'. Please check this out before entering.

Course Setters Notes

This pretty area provides generally fast running through open forest as well as some detailed mining terrain. Expect a classic long-distance event with at least one long leg on every course. Please note:

- You might come across some new, unmapped tracks.
- Some tracks mapped as "indistinct" really are quite hard to find in places. An indistinct track that leaves from the start triangle has been marked with pink tape.

Where is the Start?

Travel along the Fingal valley to Avoca and take the turn to Royal George. On arrival at Royal George turn right into Williams Road (gravel) and travel along this road for 4km to the assembly area turnoff. There will be signs. Coordinates of the assembly area turn off: -41.8412, 147.9042

There is a 700m (allow 15 mins) walk to the start.

When Can I Start?

You can start anytime between 10am and 11:30pm. Starting as early as possible gives you more time to complete the course.

When do I Have to Finish?

You need to finish before the course is closed at 1:30pm. If you cannot complete your course in time you will need to abandon it and head back to the assembly area to arrive by course closure time.

Whether or not you have completed your course, you must download at the computer, so that we know you have returned safely, and don't organise a search party for you. Also be aware that as soon as the course is closed, the organisers start bringing in controls.

Which Map is Being Used?

Map: St Pauls Scale: 1:15,000 for Course 1 1:10,000 for Courses 2 - 8 Contour Interval: 5m

What are the Courses?

Course	Target Winning Time (mins)	Navigation	Number of Controls	Distance (Km)	Climb (metres)	Age classes for Championship events (indicative only for OST)	
1	80 - 90	Hard	22	11.6	295	M21, M20, M35, M40	
2	65 - 75	Hard	12	8.7	260	W21, W20, W35, M18, M45, M50, M55	
3	55 - 65	Hard	11	6.6	215	W18, W40, W45, W50, M16, M60 (Senior Boys selection)	
4	55 - 65	Hard	11	5.2	185	W16, W55, M65, M70 (Senior Girls selection)	
5	50 - 60	Hard	8	4.1	140	W60, W65, W70, W75, W80, M75, M80, M/WOpenA Orienteers transitioning from moderate to hard navigation	
6	45 – 50	Moderate	10	4.6	155	W14, M14, M/WOpenB Equivalent to the Long course at a Local event (Junior Boys and Girls selection)	
7	30 – 40	Moderate	8	3.2	95	W12, W14B, M12, M14B, M/WOpenC Equivalent to the Medium course at a Local event	
8	25 – 30	Easy	11	2.6	100	W10, W12B, M10, M10B Equivalent to the Short course at a Local event	

At OST events you enter by course into whichever course you like.

Do I Need an SI Stick or P Card?

All Tasmanian Orienteering clubs use the SportIdent (SI) electronic timing system so an SI-stick or a P card is required at all events. Due to COVID-19 we are no longer offering SI-stick hire.

P-cards are suitable for all local events, but for bush events it is preferable to have an SI-stick – they are faster to use and register more controls.

You can buy a P-card for \$20 when you enter online. When entering an event by Eventor choose 'Purchase of P card' from the drop-down menu in 'Available Services' and click the green Add button to make the purchase. For your first event we will lend you an SI-stick for free.

If you would like to buy an SI-stick (from \$60), some clubs may have them for sale (ask at an event) or see <u>aussieogear.com</u>

How do I Enter?

Enter online by midnight on Wednesday 19th May before the event. Late entry for OST events may be available online for an extra charge. There will be no enter on the day

Enter using Eventor – the online orienteering entry system.

- If you need help to enter, follow the <u>How to Enter guide</u>.
- To enter online you need to be <u>registered as a casual or full member of Orienteering Tasmania</u>. Casual membership is free.

Information for Newcomers

Newcomers are welcome at all events. Wear comfortable clothing and foot wear suitable for walking or running; bring warm clothes and wet weather gear in case the weather is inclement. Long pants are a good idea if you plan on doing a course that takes you off tracks and through the bush.

For this event enter course 6 or 7 for a moderate navigation course or course 8 for an easy navigation course.

Your first orienteering event will be free of charge (including loan of SI-stick) and you do not need to pre-enter. When you arrive at the event come to the registration desk and let the organisers know you are new; an experienced member will help you through the registration, start and event procedure.

How Much Does it Cost to Enter?

Late entry is via Eventor only and will incur an extra charge of \$5 per adult. EOD is not available.

FEES	Members			Non-members		
	Adult	Youth or Concession	Family	Adult	Youth or Concession	Family
Orienteering Series Tasmania or Championship	\$16	\$8	\$40	\$24	\$12	\$60

- Adult is 21 years and over at 31 December of the current year
 Youth is under 21 years at 31 December of the current year
 Concession is Pensioner Concession Card Holders or a full-time student
 Family is 2 adults and any number of juniors who are part of a family (enter all in one session to get the discount)
- Children 10 years and under completing a course as a member of a group in the company of adults or older children, participate free of charge only one adult in the group needs to register, unless you want more than one map for the group .
- A child completing a course as an individual with a parent shadowing (following) them only pays the relevant child entry fee. That is, the parent shadowing does so free of any charge. Only the child needs to register.
- Refund policy for withdrawals: 100% refund for COVID-related absence; 100% refund if you withdraw before entry closing date (email the event organiser and the OT treasurer); 75% refund any other reason (email the OT treasurer within 24 hrs of the start of the event)

Contact Information

To contact the organiser for this event please email Clare Hawthorne – performance@tasorienteering.asn.au

Course Planners and Course Controllers

Course Planner: Bernard Walker

Course Controller: Clare Hawthorne

Where can I find results?

Results from an event are presented in four different places on our website in slightly different ways.

- Live Results are available as competitors download during some events. Go to Results/Live Results and choose the club that organised the event.
- **Eventor** shows the official results for each course or class and will be available the evening after the event. Go to Results/Recent Results and click on results for that event.
- WinSplits shows the time people have taken for each leg and will be available as soon as the results are available in Eventor. Go to Results/Recent Results and click on "Split Times" at the top of each class/course.
- **Livelox** shows the routes people have taken on the course (if they have used a GPS and uploaded the data). Go to the Eventor results and then click on Livelox either in the top bar or for each class/course.

What Else do I Need to Know?

As Orienteering Tasmania events are often conducted on private property we have a blanket policy of not permitting dogs at our events. Please leave your dog at home if going orienteering. As well, please leave gates closed or open as you find them.

Any Food, Entertainment, Coaching or Other Special Attractions?

Good news!! Pre-ordered BBQ food can be ordered when you enter via Eventor. The BBQ will be assisted by some of the juniors and seniors trying out for selection. Available will be vegie, vegan and standard meat burgers with salad for \$5. Sausages and cheese toasties will be available for \$2.50. Please aim to be back before 12:30 to collect your order if you wish to maximize your time socializing whilst you eat. The usual slices and drinks will also be available.