

# **Event Information – OST 6 Lovelybanks**

Location	Event Date	Region	Туре		
Lovelybanks	4 July 2021	Statewide	OST		

# **COVID-19 Compliance**

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

- From May 1 everyone (participants, organisers and spectators) <u>must</u> use the **Check in TAS** app. (Please download the app before arriving at the event)
- At the event scan the QR code which will be prominently displayed
- If there is no mobile coverage or you do not have a smart phone you <u>must</u> fill out the paper form
- 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 sixth event in the 2021 OST Series. There are 8 courses available and you are free to choose any one of these.

All competitors must carry a whistle. We will have some available at registration. At the start you will be be required to show your whistle to the starter. If you don't have one you will be given one.

#### Where is the Start?

#### From Hobart:

**Either**: Drive up the Midland Highway. 10 km past Mood Food, turn right into Lovelybanks Rd (C316). Travel 9.6 km and turn right into Beards Rd. Travel 1.8 km and enter the property through a farm gate.

**Or**: 6 km past Colebrook, turn left into Lovelybanks Rd (C316). Travel 2.7 km and turn left into Beards Rd. Travel 1.8 km and enter the property through a farm gate.

#### From Launceston:

Turn left at Mud Walls Rd (B31). Travel about 11 km and turn right into Lovelybanks Rd (C316). Travel 2.7 km and turn left into Beards Rd. Travel 1.8 km and enter the property through a farm gate.

#### When Can I Start?

You can start anytime between 10am and 12pm. Starting as early as possible gives you more time to complete the course. There is a 1.4 km uphill walk to the start – allow 25 minutes.

#### When do I Have to Finish?

You need to finish before the course is closed at 1pm. 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: Lovelybanks Scale: Courses 1 & 2: 1:15000 Courses 3 – 6: 1:10000 Courses 7 & 8: 1:7500 Contour Interval: 5m

# What are the Courses?

At OST events you enter by course

Course	Target Winning Time (minutes)	Navigation	Distance (km)	Age classes for Championship events (indicative only for OST)	
1	80-90	Hard	9.3	M21, M20, M35, M40	
2	65-75	Hard	8.3	W21, W20, W35, M18, M45, M50, M55	
3	55-65	Hard	6.0	W18, W40, W45, W50, M16, M60	
4	55-60	Hard	5.0	W16, W55, M65, M70	
5	55-60	Hard	4.2	W60, W65, W70, W75, W80, M75, M80, M/WOpenA Orienteers transitioning from moderate to hard navigation	
6	45-50	Moderate	4.0	W14, M14, M/WOpenB Equivalent to the Long course at a Local event	
7	30-40	Moderate	3.4	W12, W14B, M12, M14B, M/WOpenC Equivalent to the Medium course at a Local event	
8	25-30	Easy	2.8	W10, W12B, M10, M10B Equivalent to the Short course at a Local event	

# 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 June 30. Late entry for OST events may be available online for an extra charge. Limited entry on the day is available at local and twilight events for an extra charge.

- Enter using <u>Eventor</u> the online orienteering entry system. There is no Enter-on-the Day available.
- 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 footwear 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.

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.

#### Safety

- All competitors should carry a whistle, for use ONLY in an emergency. If injured or seriously lost 6 short whistle blasts, pause, listen, then repeat.
- If you are lost, but not distressed, orient your map to north and follow the safety direction printed on the map or notified at the start to return to the assembly area.
- If you are seriously lost or injured and come across a control, remain at the control until an organiser or another competitor is able to provide assistance.
- If you come across a well-used vehicle track, stay on it.
- If all the above fails, go to the nearest hill top or open area and stay put.
- If a friend or family member is late returning, DO NOT go searching by yourself. Tell the organisers, who will take the necessary action.

# How Much Does it Cost to Enter?

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

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

- 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, email Mike Calder

For Southern Tasmanian orienteering information, email <u>australopers@tasorienteering.asn.au</u>

For Northern Tasmanian orienteering information, email evoc@tasorienteering.asn.au

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For Statewide orienteering information, email info@tasorienteering.asn.au

OT Treasurer: <a href="mailto:treasurer@tasorienteering.asn.au">treasurer@tasorienteering.asn.au</a>

# **Course Planners and Course Controllers**

Course Planner: Mike Calder Course Controller: David Marshall

# Where can I find results?

Results from an event are presented in four different places 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. For OST events the age-and-gender-adjusted times will be published a day or two after each event, as a document in the Eventor page for that 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.