

Course Setters Notes Mt Majura Wed 3rd Nov David Poland

Mt Majura is beautiful at present with lush green short grass with no seeds, soft and moist underfoot with a carpet of spring flowers. Two controls on Mod 1 course provide panoramic views.

The map is very accurate however....

- Vegetation Boundaries may be inaccurate (as always in Australia due to our climate)
- Termite Mounds may disappear in heavy rain or appear if ants have built new ones.
- Some brown dots (small earth knolls) may have disappeared in the rain
- Some rocky ground is hard to see in the lush grass
- Some ditches (line of brown dots) are hard to see in the grass
- Historic horse jumps (cavaletti) are in black on map and are a black circle on the clue sheet.

Safety and other Info

- Safety Bearing is west (or downhill) to Antill St. No drinking water on the course.
- Emergency phone number is available from the rego desk. Good mobile phone reception.
- The ACT Govt Out of Bounds Area (Pink hatched lines) protects some rare plants. It is not marked in the field. Do not stray North East of the power line.
- A defibrillator is at the rego desk.
- It is a 500 m walk to the start. Follow tape.

Very easy course (Blue) 1.3 km

Follows a track with several junction choices

Easy Course (Green) 1.7km

Harder but shorter than the usual easy (green) course with some off-track routes. A couple of slightly tricky navigation sections to discuss with your coach first. For example

- 3 to 4 to 5 . The brown dots are a vague tiny ditch or aqueduct.
- 5 to 6 Know when and how to leave the creek
- 7 to 8 Choice- either backtrack (longer) or cut across and aim off (risky) ?

Moderate 2 (Orange) 3.1 km 50 m climb

No significant climb. Avoids the side of Mt Majura completely. No difficult fence crossings. Highest point is 45 m above assembly Area.

Moderate 1 (Orange / Red) 5.3 km 140 m climb great views.

Harder than a usual long moderate both physically and navigation wise.

It has some steep climbing, a long section traversing the steep side of Mt Majura in scrub and some difficult fence crossings. The navigation is also more challenging with some controls at a "Red" level of difficulty. However you do gain spectacular views from the highest controls which are 125 m higher above sea level than the assembly area. It is possible to skip controls numbered 7 and 10 if you are finding it too long. (However this will be recorded as a missed punch and perhaps you should have chosen Mod 2 instead)