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2022 Australian Schools Orienteering Championships

24th September - 2nd October 2022 - Central Victoria

Invitation

We are excited to invite all States, Territories and New Zealand to contest the 2022 Australian Schools Orienteering Championships organised by Orienteering Victoria in conjunction with Orienteering Australia.

“We have scoured central Victoria – a region that is a big part of Australia’s orienteering history – to find a range of wholly new areas to map, as well as a few of the greatest maps that Victoria has seen, including the map used for the 1985 World Championship relays. And so we invite you to join us in 2022 to explore the new, and rediscover the classics!”

Warwick Williams
Carnival Director

Details of all events can be found in the website for the [2022 Australian Orienteering Carnival](#)

Website: <https://aoc.orienteering.asn.au/>

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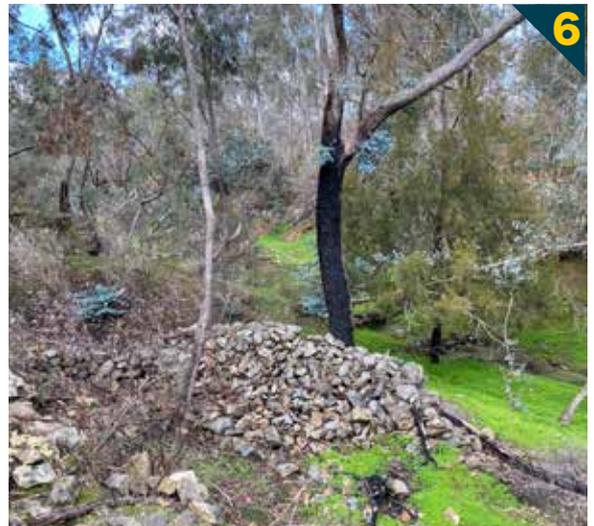
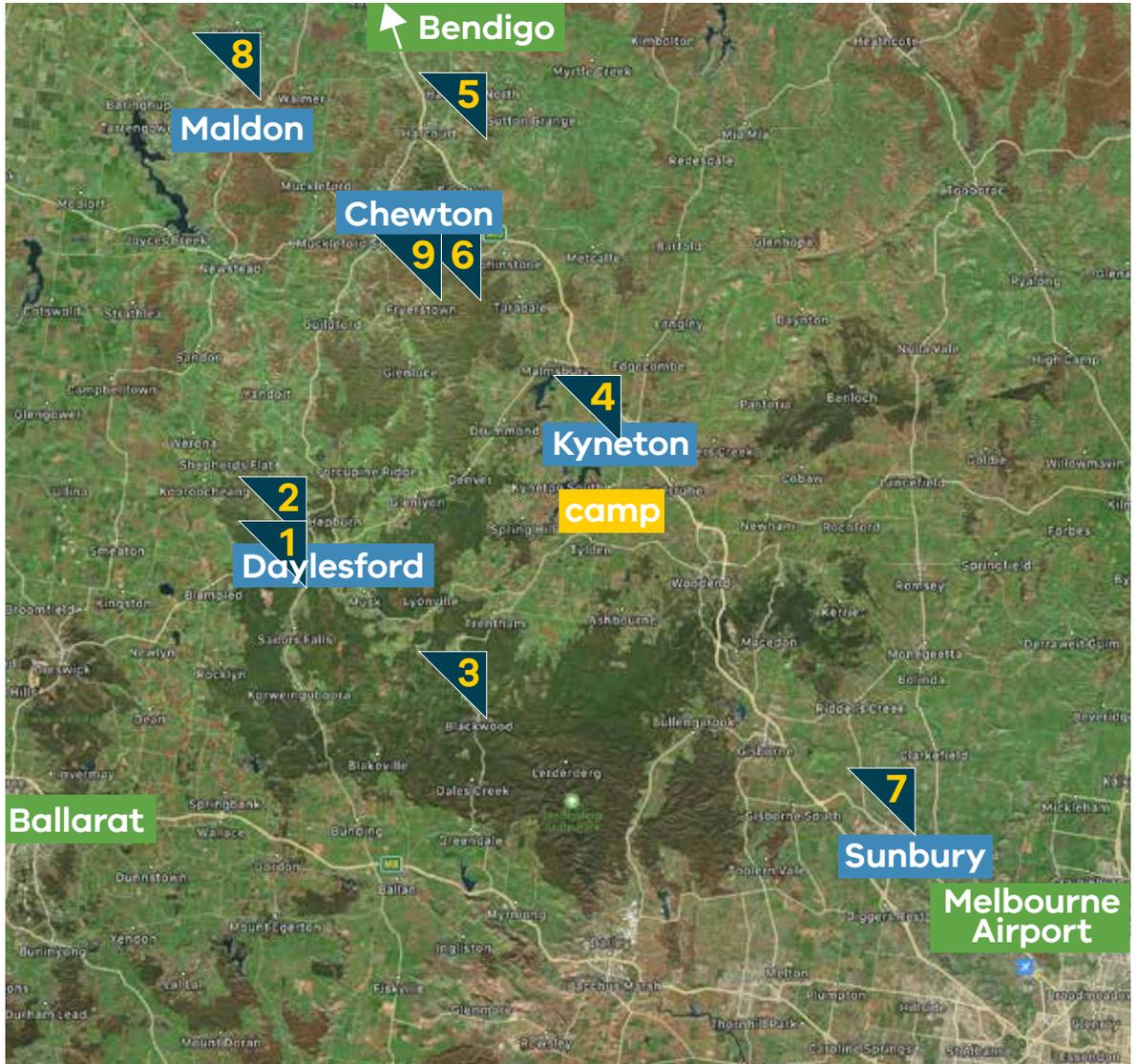
Program of Events

No	Date	Event	Nearest Town
	Friday 23 Sep	Arrival of teams in Melbourne Travel to Campaspe Downs accommodation	Kyneton
1	Saturday AM 24 Sep	Victorian Middle Distance Championships	Daylesford
2	Saturday PM 24 Sep	Orienteering Grand Prix	Daylesford
3	Sunday 25 Sep	Australian Middle Distance Championships	Blackwood
4	Monday 26 Sep	Australian Schools Sprint Championships Goldfields 3-Day - Day 1	Kyneton
5	Tuesday 27 Sep	Australian Schools Long Distance Championships Goldfields 3-Day - Day 2	Harcourt
6	Wednesday 28 Sep	Australian Schools Relay Championships Goldfields 3-Day - Day 3	Chewton
	Thursday 29 Sep	Rest Day	
7	Friday 30 Sep	Australian Sprint Championships	Sunbury
8	Saturday 1 October	Australian Long Distance Chamionships	Maldon
9	Sunday 2 Oct	Australian Relay Championships	Campbells Creek





Event locations



Australian Schools Orienteering Championships 2022

The Australian Schools Orienteering Championship (ASOC) will be conducted for students turning 12 years of age by 31 December 2022 and over as selected by their states/territories per the Australian Schools Orienteering Rules and guidelines.

Independent school students (ISANZ) compete alongside the state schools team members.

Three competitions in one Championship!

There are essentially three competitions run over the three days of ASOC.

1. Australian Schools Orienteering Championships (ASOC)
2. South Cross Junior Challenge (SCJC)
3. Overall winners of the championship events

Australian School Teams (AST) – referred to in the manual as State teams – State team members are eligible for:

- OA Medallions for the overall winners
- Team points,
- ASOC medals
- Honour team
- Rob Simson Memorial shield for Best Newcomer
- The ASSOA shield will be presented to the best performing Team.

NZ School Teams (NZST) – school team members are eligible:

- to compete against the AST for the South Cross Junior Challenge (SCJC)
- OA Medallions for the overall winners
- ASOC medals

Independent Students (ISANZ) – non-selected school aged athletes who can be Australian or New Zealand school students

- OA medallions for the overall winners





Uniform

During the ASOC competition AST and NZST athletes should only compete in their approved representative top. Each AST and NZST teams should have a unique schools representative top. ISANZ athletes don't run in a state/NZ schools top.

Event Timing

Sportident Air (SIAC) contactless punching will be enabled at all six races. SI units will be in "beacon mode" for contactless punching but will also record normal SI sticks that are "punched" in the normal way.

Competitors will be able to use their own SIAC or conventional Sportident stick. Competitors who wish to use contactless punching but who do not have their own SIAC can hire one through Eventor.

Code of Behaviour

Team managers are responsible for ensuring all competitors are familiar with the appropriate state/territory and Orienteering Australia 'Codes of Behaviour.'

Family and Friends

Everyone is most welcome to spectate at the Schools Carnival events on Monday-Wednesday and special consideration has been given to exciting arenas to cheer on the athletes and teams. There are public races on these days as well – "The Goldfields 3-days". Families and friends of team members planning to support and/or participate in the 2022 Carnival are encouraged to make early arrangements for their accommodation.

Arrival

Teams should arrive in Melbourne on Friday 23rd September and travel to the accommodation at Campaspe Downs by early evening. The accommodation is a 50min drive from the Melbourne Airport. Early arrival will allow time to settle into rooms and have a group dinner.

Departure

Departure will be on Sunday afternoon, October 2nd. Checkout from Campaspe Downs accommodation will be in the morning, prior to leaving for the final day's event. Allow 2 hours from the event (near Campbells Creek) to Melbourne Airport. Late evening flights are suggested.

Accommodation



All Australian and New Zealand teams are staying together at PGL Adventure Camp: Campaspe Downs located 1302 Trentham Rd, Kyneton VIC 3444 10 minutes south of the Kyneton township <https://www.pgladventurecamps.com.au/campaspe/>

Teams will be at the one location for the entire week, Friday 23rd to Sunday 2nd October.

Dinner, a buffet breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided at the camp. All dietary requirements will be catered for.

Rooms sleep 4-8 with en-suite bathrooms or 2-12 students with separate purpose-built toilet and shower blocks.

All linen except towels is provided.

Unfortunately washing machines are not provided at the camp but there is a laundromat in Kyneton only 8 minutes' drive away.

The grounds are extensive. There is a range of sporting facilities.

Independent students can be accommodated at Campaspe Downs if they are traveling under the supervision of an adult. It is not expected that the State Team Managers take on additional responsibility for Independent students. So States which expect to be sending Independent athletes should get in touch with the Schools Coordinator who is happy to assist with booking their accommodation, costs etc.



Transport Arrangements

We suggest getting minibuses for your team from a company such as Hertz, Avis, Budget or Thrifty, all of which are located conveniently at Melbourne Airport. All events will be accessible to 2-wheel drive small-medium sized vehicles.

Travel time to get to most of the events will be around 30-40 minutes.

Opening Ceremony and Start Draw

The Opening Ceremony will take place on Saturday 24th September in the town of Daylesford as part of the Orienteering Grand Prix event.

The Start Draw for the ASOC Sprint and Individual events will take place on Sunday 25th September at the team accommodation, Campaspe Downs. This will be a public event so athletes are welcome to invite their families and friends.

Presentation Evening

The Presentation Evening, including announcement of the Australian Honour Team and formal dinner, will be held on Wednesday 28th September at the Campaspe Downs accommodation site. Guests will be welcome to attend the presentations prior to dinner. The disco will follow dinner, also at Campaspe Downs.

Social Program

Trivia Night – more information to come
Movie Night
Scavenger Hunt

Rest day

Thursday will be the designated rest day of the week. Understandably many athletes will be wanting to rest and recover, or some may like to explore what the region has to offer. Some suggestions for rest day activities include:

- Finalise your teams Scavenger Hunt
- Visit local waterfalls such as Trentham Falls (in Trentham) or Loddon Falls (near Glenlyon)
- Visit Hanging Rock (east of Woodend)
- Ballarat & Bendigo are about an hour drive away.
- Chill out, rest and recover after 6 hard days of racing!
- Various activities around Campaspe Downs camp
- Kyneton tourism: <https://www.visitmacedonranges.com/village/kyneton/>



Weather

Daytime temperatures in Kyneton can vary from 10°C - 25°C and night-time temperatures can be less than 4°C. Possible rain and possible high UV index. Be prepared for anything!

Costs

At this stage we are able to provide preliminary costing, however based on final numbers this may change.

Approximately \$900 per athlete which includes:

- Accommodation and food (9 nights)
- ASOC/OA Levy: (to be confirmed)
- ASOC 3 days entry fees: \$75

Plus Official's Accommodation and Food – approx. \$700 pp

Team management should also take into account bus costs, fuel and various tourist opportunities.

At this stage we have assumed most states will be sending a full team of 20 athletes and 3 officials – please let us know if that isn't likely to be the case.

Entries

All ASOC entries MUST be completed by 7 Aug 2022

Team officials need to enter participants into the ASOC events including the relay via the official Schools Championship Entry in Eventor. Please note that the relay entry is only a preliminary list and can be changed later. Eventor will be open for ASOC entries from mid/late June and close 7 August. Further details will be provided on how to enter the teams for the ASOC events.

New Zealand teams and ISANZ athletes will not directly use Eventor. Please get in touch with Schools Coordinator in mid June for further instructions.

Please ensure that team members are aware that they (and their families) are responsible for their individual entries for all other events, in appropriate age categories, by the due date. Entry for the Australian Championship events is now open and closes on August 28 2022. No late entries will be accepted.



Team Documents

A link to a google form will be provided in due course to team managers to register your team members.

Further documents and forms to be completed will be made available in the [ASOC 2022 dropbox](#).

More information about ASOC

More information about ASOC including the Competition Rules and event history is available on the Orienteering Australia website <https://orienteering.asn.au/index.php/australian-schools-championships/>

COVID considerations

ASOC 2022 will have COVID plans in place including policy for refunds and alternative arrangements in the event of teams being impacted by COVID19 and associated travel and legal limitations. We hope this won't be necessary in 5 month's time, but we assure all teams that appropriate measures will be taken to ensure as little inconvenience as possible if issues do arise. The safety of our athletes, coaches, managers, and community is our utmost priority at this time.

Acknowledgements

Orienteering Victoria acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land and waters on which the 2022 Australian Orienteering Championships and 2022 ASOC will be held, the Wurundjeri, Dja Dja Wurrung and Taungurung people of the Kulin Nations, and pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

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