

Sun 14 April 2024

Amiens event, west of Stanthorpe



Terrain: The *Amiens* map was predominantly exotic pine plantation with an extensive network of major and minor tracks in generally flat to undulating terrain. Remnant areas of native forest occur adjacent to the former pine plantation and contain thicker areas of vegetation as well as more complex granite boulder areas and heathland around rock slabs. The areas on the western side of the map contain steeper and more complex granite terrain.

Map: All courses will use a 1:10,000 scale map. The original mappers in 1991 were Gareth Prosser and Rob and Scott Simson. Parts of the map were subsequently updated by Felicity Crosato prior to its use for the 2016 Australian Championships.

Map notes

Because the drought in 2019/20 caused significant death of the pine trees, HQ Plantations has progressively salvage logged these areas and most is now gone. We have attempted to amend the map to show these changes to the areas that used to contain pine forest. Some can best be described as “slow run, good visibility” while other areas are better described as “rough open”. Runnability through these areas is variable because of logging debris and grass and sapling regrowth.

The entrance to some of the minor tracks may be indicated by blue paint on adjacent trees. Some of the minor tracks in the former pine plantation have become overgrown and are no longer visible so have been removed from this latest version of the map.



Rough open area where pine trees have been removed

Rock mapping

- Generally, only the larger (ie. higher than 1 m) boulders have been mapped.
- Where there are many boulders close together that are impossible to depict as separate features, then either a boulder cluster or boulder field symbol has been used, depending on their extent.
- Brown dots on the map generally represent a high point of rock, not dirt, and have gentler sides and can be easily climbed. Boulders are difficult to climb onto and are depicted as black dots.

Courses:

Hard 1 – 5.9km; Hard 2 – 4.km; Hard 3 – 4.7km; Moderate 1 – 3.2km; Moderate 2 – 2.3km; Easy – 1.6km; Very Easy – 1.6km

Course setter: Liz Bourne

Sportident will be used for this event so make certain you bring along your SI stick or hire one for \$2.

Entries: Enter online via Eventor by **Wednesday 10 April** to ensure enough maps are available.

Cost:	<u>Members</u>		<u>Non-members</u>	
	Adults	\$12	Adults	\$15
	Juniors	\$ 8	Juniors	\$10
	Families	\$30	Families	\$ 35
		Beginners	\$5	

Payment: Can be made in cash on the day or before the event via EFT into the BBB account: Bullecourt Bounders Orienteering Club BSB 638-010 Act no. 9628118
Make certain you include your name and "entry fee" to identify this payment.

Starts: 9 -11am **Courses close:** 1pm **Facilities:** Bush toilet

Directions:

From Warwick, take the New England Highway south from Warwick approx. 47km to the Thulimbah turn-off. Turn right here at the Big Apple and cross the railway line and then take Amiens Road (signposted to Passchendaele Forest) west for 16km to a cross roads. Take Amiens Road on the right until reaching a T junction with Goldfields Road. Turn right here and travel west for 2.2km before turning left into Harslett Road then immediately left into Boatfields Road. Travel south for 1.3km before reaching a T- junction. Turn right here into Yarnold Road and follow this good gravel road for 1km to the assembly area and park as directed. Allow 65 mins from Warwick.

From Stanthorpe, take the Texas Road (Connor Street) off High Street (the main road through town), about 750 metres north of the Post Office. Follow westwards until you pass under the Stanthorpe by-pass and then take Amiens Road to the right. Follow this road for 13.4km to the Amiens School and 1km beyond here Amiens Road turns right. Proceed straight ahead along Goldfields Road and follow the directions as above. Allow 25 mins from Stanthorpe.

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