



*Qld MTBO State Series Event No 3  
West Beerburrum  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024*

## Final Instructions for Entrants

Thank you all for your entry into the 2024 Queensland State Series Event No 3  
A few key items before getting into the final instructions.

1. Registration will open at 08:00 am so please attend to collect hire gear or to update your SI number.
2. The start times are:-  
3 hour Bonus course - 08:30 am with a mass start. Competitors should be at the start at 08:20 am for a briefing on how the line bonus works in this event and clarification of any queries you may have.  
All other courses have queuing starts from 08:40 am to 09:30 am.  
All courses close at 12:00 noon  
The Start is approximately a 500 m ride away from Registration.
3. We are using larger range (1.8 m) contactless BS11 control stations, which require riders to use an SIAC (contactless) stick. There is no facility to "dip" an older SI stick. You can hire an SI Stick from Rego for \$5.

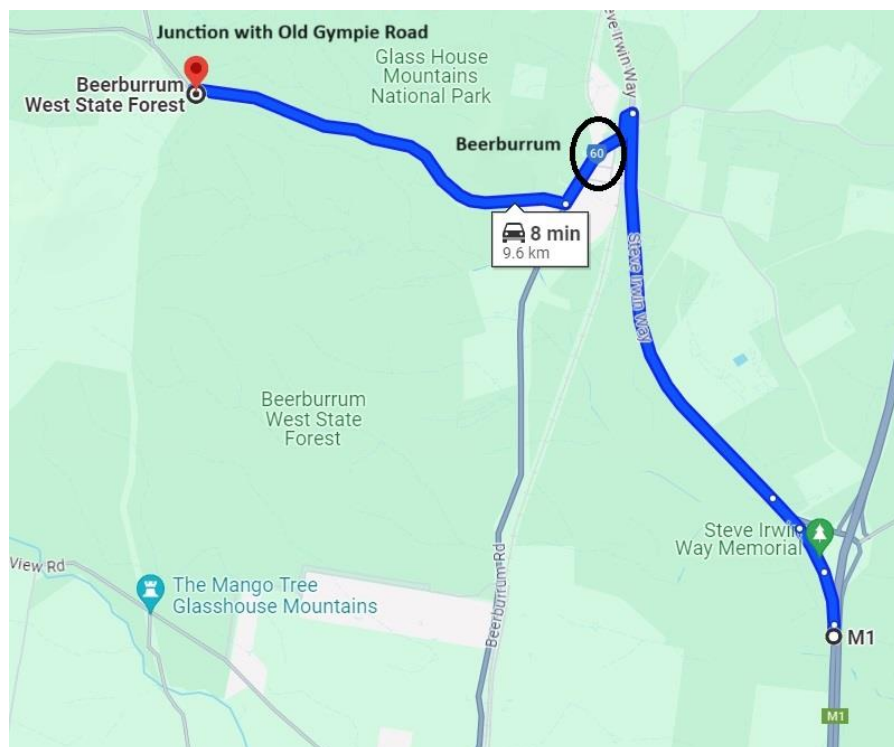


BS11 Control- 1.8 m range

## Road Directions

**From Brisbane:** Allow 75 minutes from Brisbane CBD to registration area. Travel north on the Bruce Highway. Take exit 163 to Steve Irwin Way and turn left into Beerburrum. Drive through Beerburrum and on the southern outskirts turn right into Beerburrum – Woodford Road. Continue west for approximately 3.5 km and look for Orienteering signs on the left. If you reach the intersection with Old Gympie Road you have gone too far!

**From the North:** Follow the Bruce Highway or Steve Irwin Way south Beerburrum. Drive through Beerburrum and on the southern outskirts turn right into Beerburrum – Woodford Road. Continue west for approximately 3.5 km and look for Orienteering signs on the left. If you reach the intersection with Old Gympie Road you have gone too far!.



Course	Distance	Climb	Classes
1	25 km	90m	M21, Long, WOL (Women Open Long), E - bikes
2	21 km	75m	W21, M40, M20
3	17 km	60m	W40, M50, Medium
4	15 km	50m	M16, M60, W16, W20, W50
5	12 km	50m	W60, W70, M14, M70, W14, Short
90 min Score			Open to all with queuing starts between 8:40am and 9:30am for 90 minute Score
3 hr Score			8:30am mass start for 3 hour Score

## Course Setters Notes

The map has been heavily logged in the last year and main dirt roads upgraded so they are fast to ride with good visibility. Some logged areas have small pine seedlings established, but all logged areas are mapped as "rough Open"

On top of the logging, there has been significant amounts of rain in the area in the last couple of months and extensive regrowth of grasses, so many tracks in the pine forest are slower and there are several large puddles to ride around. The tracks have been regraded for riding speed in March and April this year and red obstacle bars added on the larger puddles. The combination of open fast tracks, slower forest tracks and the persistence of wet weather makes choosing course lengths for recommended winning times challenging, so I have chosen to err on the side of caution with course lengths

## Registration

Registration will open at 8:00 am. Please come to Registration to have SI stick numbers confirmed and to collect hired SI sticks and map boards.

## Start & Finish

There is a 300 m ride to the Start area.

There is a mass start time at 8:30 am for 3 hour Score course competitors. Be there 10 minutes early for briefing

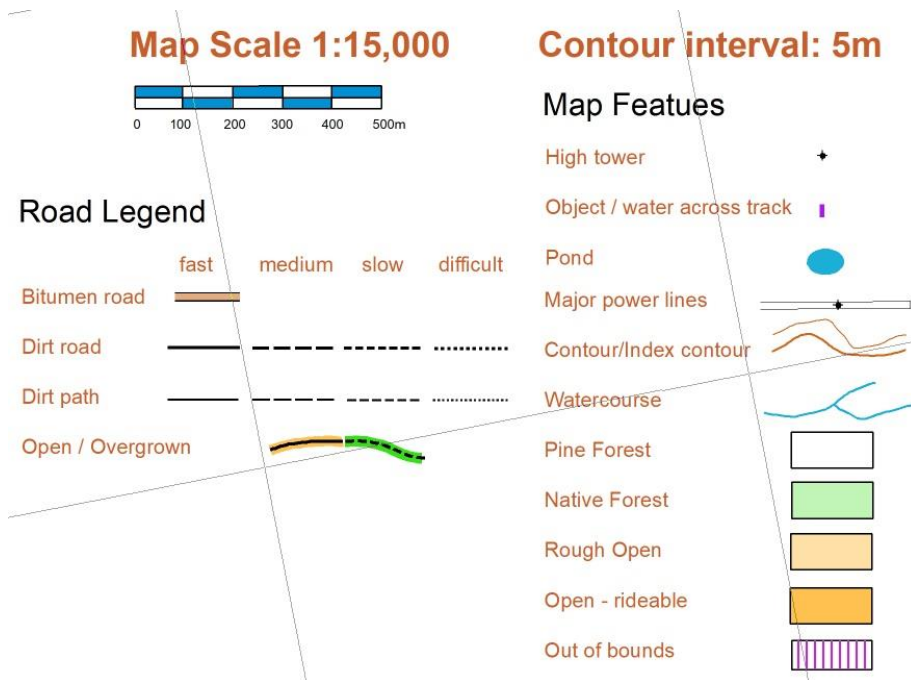
The Start window is from 08:40 am to 09:30 am. for all other courses.

All courses close at 12:00 noon.

## Map

Map size is A3 for all courses. Scale 1:15,000 for all courses, contour interval 5 metres.

## Map Symbols



## Notes for Score Course entrants

### 90 Minute Score Course

This follows the traditional score course format with each control worth different points value as shown in parentheses after the control number. You navigate around the course to gain the maximum number of points and finish in under 90 minutes. A penalty of 10 points per minute applies for each minute, or part thereof that you are late. If you are more than 30minutes late you will be disqualified.

### 3 hour Score Course

The format for this course is as described above for the 90-minute score except

1. You will be given your maps in Preparation for a mass start at 08:30 am
2. You will have two maps stapled together and must complete Map A before continuing on Map B. The Start is only marked on Map A, but the Finish is marked on both maps.
3. Your time limit is 3 hours after which a penalty of 10 points per minute applies for each minute, or part thereof that you are late. If you are more than 30minutes late you will be disqualified.

## Clear & Check:

## Start procedure

Aside from the 3 hour score course, this event has a queuing start.

You will be directed through clear & check units as you approach the Start. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure they have the correct SI stick and that it is cleared before they start.

Two minutes before the start time, you will be asked to move into the start lanes and stand beside your course map box. At minus 1 minute, you can pick up your map and fix it to your map board etc. You can also read the map

while doing this. At the end of the last minute a series of beeps will sound and on the last beep you must move forward immediately. There is a “**START**” control to ride past soon after you collect your map so please confirm your SIAC stick beeps and flashes. You must move away from the start area immediately as there will be riders behind you wanting to start.

**Please note that you cannot ride back through the Start and Pre-start to Navigate to your first control. IF YOU ATTEMPT TO DO SO YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED**

### **Finish**

At the finish, punch the “**FINISH**” control and continue up the road to the Registration tent to download your results. If you have a hired an SI stick, or map board we will retrieve them.

**If you decide not to finish your course, you must report to the down-load tent when you return to the registration area to avoid a search being mounted for you! You also need to punch the Finish control and download your SIAC stick so it switches off.**

### **Safety:**

If you encounter an injured rider, you **MUST** abandon your course and render whatever assistance you can. Send another rider back to registration for assistance, if possible. You will be permitted to either restart from your last control preceding your abandonment or be credited with State Series points at your preference. Mobile phone coverage is available on the courses and registration area and there is an emergency contact number on your map. Bring your own medical items for pre-race treatments.

If you have a mobile phone there is coverage and you can ring the emergency number on your map.

A first-aid kit will be available in the Registration area for emergencies. There will be a trained first aider in the Registration area.

### **Safety Bearing:**

Head North to reach Beerburrum - Woodford Road and turn West to follow signs back to the Assembly area.

If you have crossed the Power Lines that follow the dirt section of Old Gympie Road, return to this dirt road and follow it North to reach Beerburrum - Woodford Road and turn East to follow signs back to the Assembly area

### **Out of Bounds Areas:**

There is a quarry on the map marked out of bounds with purple hatching so do not enter this area.

### **Course Closure:**

Courses closes at 12:00 noon. If you have not finished at this time, you must abandon your course and return to the registration area as quickly as possible and report to the down-load desk.

### **Water:**

Everyone is urged to drink plenty of water before starting their ride. There is no water out on the course, so you must take all water you require for the event with you. Please bring your own water for use before and after the event.

### **Catering:**

A bush toilet will be available near the registration area.

A sausage sizzle and soft drinks will be available for purchase at \$2 each after the event.

### **Control Collection:**

Many hands make light work. The organisers for this event would very much appreciate it if competitors could provide some assistance from Midday collecting controls. If everyone assists by collecting the controls from within one small “region” of the map we will have them all in very quickly. **Please don't be shy in volunteering for this activity!**

### **Anything else you want to know:**

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