

## EVENT INFORMATION

**EVENT:** AVON VALLEY NP STATE ORIENTEERING LEAGUE  
(Long Distance)

**DATE:** SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> JULY 2024

**ENTRY DETAILS:** **PRE-ENTRY PREFERRED**  
By SATURDAY 27<sup>th</sup> July at 4:59pm

ENTER ON THE DAY FROM 9:00 – 11:00 AM

**ENTRY FEES:** Include National Park entry fee – see note below.

**START TIMES:** 9.30 – 11.30 AM

**COURSES CLOSE:** 1:00 PM  
You need to be back at the assembly area by this time, whether you have completed the course or not.

### COURSES AVAILABLE:

COURSE	LENGTH	CLIMB	CONTROLS	Navigation
<b>H1</b>	9.5 km	275 m	22	Hard
<b>H2</b>	7.2 km	210 m	14	Hard
<b>H3</b>	5.1 km	120 m	9	Hard
<b>H4</b>	3.8 km	80 m	7	Hard
<b>H5</b>	2.6 km	50 m	8	Hard
<b>M</b>	3.5 km	100 m	10	Moderate
<b>E</b>	2.6 km	45 m	11	Easy
<b>VE</b>	1.9 km	25 m	11	Very Easy

### COURSE NOTES:

**REGISTRATION:** Will be in a shelter on the West side of the airstrip. Car parking is limited to the East side but hopefully the weather will be fine enough for you to set up your spectating area near Registration. If it is wet, we will provide more shelters but with no room for seating.

**START:** The Start for all courses is 250m back along the access road – look out for vehicles.

**MAP:** The scale for all courses is 1:10,000, contour interval 5m. For **H1 and H2** the map will be printed on A3 paper; for **all other courses** A4 paper will be used. Standard 100gsm paper will be used, ziplock map bags will be available at the Start.

**COURSE INFORMATION:**

The **Hard** courses all have long legs, and while there are wide route choice options, the terrain mostly favours routes close to the straight line and, except for just a few of the early legs on H1 and H2, is mostly in pleasant, open gully/spur with good running. While the map has some areas of thicker vegetation, the courses have been set to mostly avoid these.

There is one control on all **Hard** courses for which the description is ‘Trench’, a rocky, artificial trench of at least 1 metre deep.

Map symbol



Control description symbol



An **Out of Bounds** area on the map affects a possible route choice on H1, H2 and H4. There is an emu nest in this area where the eggs have started to hatch, and the area should be avoided as the emu father may become aggressive and/or abandon the nest if disturbed.

**Water** will be provided on the Moderate and Hard courses, as required by Orienteering Australia Competition Rules, but except for one control on H1 and H2 all water drops will be at road crossings, as close to the direct route as possible.

The **VE and E** courses have some short taped or partly taped legs and one longer taped leg.

The **E** course has a pivot control; after visiting and punching the control for the first time, do the next controls in numerical order before returning to the pivot control and then **punch it for a second time**. Then complete the rest of the course.

**Sportident** stations will be programmed for direct punching, i.e. NO SI Air.

**FINISH:** Is at the Assembly area – VE, E and M competitors will be running in from the North, past the Registration Tent. The run-in will be marked with a line of cones. **Look out for runners when crossing the Finish run-in from the car park.** Hard course competitors will run into the Finish from the South on an unflagged route.

**SAFETY INFORMATION:** The A3 map for H1 and H2 courses will show South Break Rd as the Northern and Western boundary of the map, while 41 Mile Rd will be the Southern boundary\*. The East side of the map does not extend to the National Park’s boundary with open farmland, but the map will show that this is on average around 500m from the mapped terrain. If you should become lost and reach this boundary, head due West until either you regain contact with the map or you reach Quarry Rd.

The A4 map for the other courses will also show South Break Rd as the Northern and Western boundary of the map and 41 Mile Rd as the Southern boundary\*. The Eastern boundary of the A4 map is a major watercourse running North-South. None of these shorter courses crosses this watercourse, and only H3 comes close to it.

\*There is a short section of the H courses South of 41 Mile Rd near the Finish, but is close to the old airstrip and the assembly area.

The first half of the H and M courses starts on the East side of Quarry Rd and then cross it. The Safety Bearing for M and H courses will therefore be 'West to Quarry Rd or South to 41 Mile Rd' depending which half of the course you are on.

The E and VE courses are set around three major gravel roads – Quarry Rd, 41 Mile Rd and Governors Drive. The first leg is along Quarry Rd, but the rest of the courses are all to the West. The Safety Bearing will be 'East to Quarry Rd' but competitors should easily be able find one of the other roads and then head East back to the old airstrip.

**National Park Entry Fee:**

\$4.00 per adult and \$2.00 per junior has been added to the standard OWA event entry fee to cover the National Park entry fee. (Thanks to the Parks & Wildlife Service of DBCA, and the Park Rangers for their help in organising the event.)

If you have a Parks and Wildlife Service Park Pass, this additional fee can be waived by clicking on the down arrow under 'Available services' when entering in Eventor and selecting 'Park Pass'. Next click on the '+Add' button which will reduce your entry fee back to the usual amount. **You will need to show your pass at the event Registration.**

**Toilet:** There is a single, unisex 'long drop' toilet near the Registration tent on the west side of the old airstrip.

**Leaving the Event:** When exiting the old airstrip look out for vehicles in both directions on the main gravel road!