





# Long Distance Championships 2024 Granite Belt, southern Qld 21 and 22 September

# **Bulletin 1**

This document provides preliminary information for competitors.

The two-day Queensland Long Distance Championships will be held this year on the northern Granite Belt on 21/22 September. This is the weekend before the Australian Championships which are being held on the New England Tablelands outside Armidale.

It will be held on a new map, *Mountain Park*, produced by Geoff Peck this year. It has similar terrain to maps just to the north, *Brooklands* and *Rosenthal Creek*, both of which have been used for national events over the last couple of decades and are still in use for local club events.





#### **Event Dates**

Saturday 21 Sept: Day 1 (starts from 12:30pm) Sunday 22 Sept: Day 2 (starts from 9:00am)

#### Location

3km north of Dalveen, off the Old Stanthorpe Road
This is 20 mins from Stanthorpe, 45 mins from Warwick, 95 mins from Toowoomba and approx.
3hrs from Brisbane. Allow an extra 30 mins if coming from the airport.

# **Key Personnel**

Event organiser: Liz Bourne Controller: Murray Haines

Course setter (Day 1): Cam Schubert Course setter (Day 2): Stuart Watt

Mapping: Geoff Peck

## **Assembly area**

Will be in an open, grassy paddock, a short distance off the road. Parking will be adjacent to this.

The Day 1 start will be a flat 300m walk from the assembly area.

The Day 2 start will be across the road from the parking, approx. 400m

#### Accommodation

The Granite Belt has a wide variety of accommodation on offer, from caravan parks to resorts and bed and breakfasts. Contact the Stanthorpe Tourist Information Centre on (07) 4681 2057 or visit .https://granitebeltwinecountry.com.au/ for further information. This site does not cover all of the available venues so here are the local caravan parks.

The Championships are being held during the Qld school holidays so it would be best to book early.

#### Top of the Town

On the northern approach into Stanthorpe and adjacent to the Showgrounds. http://www.topoftown.com.au/

# **Sommerville Valley Tourist Park**

15 mins east of Stanthorpe, beside Storm King Dam <a href="http://www.sommervillevalley.com.au/">http://www.sommervillevalley.com.au/</a>

**Blue Topaz – Severnlea** – 5 mins south of Stanthorpe, on the New England Highway http://www.bluetopazcaravanpark.com/

### **Foxbar Falls - Amiens**

A campground on a working farm, 20 mins west of Stanthorpe. Offers powered and non-powered sites in a bushland setting. <a href="https://www.foxbarfalls.com.au/">https://www.foxbarfalls.com.au/</a>

# **Happy Apple campground - Thulimbah**

https://www.happyapple.com.au/

There is also a free, basic campsite in the Jim Mitchell Park in the Dalveen village with a toilet and picnic tables. Suitable for self contained campers.

#### **Courses and classes**

The following table provides the course/class combination that will be used for both days. Winning times will be set according to the Orienteering Australia Competition Rules. Day 1 will have winning times of 60-80% of winning times for a single day event, while winning times for Day 2 will

be 80-100% of single day winning times. Placings will be determined by the cumulative time over both days.

Crse	Level	Classes	Dist Day1	Dist Day 2
1	Hard	M21A	7.7 km	13.8 km
2	Hard	M20A, M35A, W21A	6.2 km	11 km
3	Hard	W20A, W35A, M45A	5.1 km	8.4 km
4	Hard	M16A, M21AS, M55A, W45A	4.8 km	6.4 km
5	Hard	W16A, W21AS, W55A, M65A	3.0 km	5.2 km
6	Hard	W65A, M75A, M45+AS, Open Hard	2.5 km	4.1 km
7	Hard	W75A, W85+A, M85+A, W45+AS	2.4 km	2.6 km
8	Moderate	M14A, Open Moderate Long	2.8 km	3.7 km
9	Moderate	W14A, Open Moderate Short	1.9 km	3.2 km
10	Easy	W12A, M12A, Open Easy	1.8 km	2.7 km
11	Very Easy	W10A, M10A, M/W10N, Open Very	1.4 km	2.3 km
		Easy		

## **Entry and Starts**

Pre-entry through Eventor is required with entries closing at midnight on **Friday 13 September**. Pre-allocated start times will be advertised on Eventor early in the week of the event. Entrants needing split start times for child minding reasons should indicate this on Eventor in "Services".

## **Entry fees: Up to midnight, Friday 13 Sept**

 Sub Junior (up to 12yrs)
 Mbr: \$12.50
 Casual: \$17.50

 Junior (13 to 20yrs)
 Mbr: \$15:00
 Casual: \$22.50

 Adult (21 yrs +)
 Mbr: \$25.00
 Casual: \$37.50

**Late Entries** will be taken from Saturday Sept 14 to midnight on Sunday September 15 but will incur a **\$10** surcharge on the above fees.

Refunds will be given for people unable to attend the event up until the closing date for entries. For special circumstances after that, the organiser should be contacted.

**Overseas** Club Entrants are asked to enter and pay as "casuals" initially, then email the event entries co-ordinator at "membership @oq.asn.au" to request a refund, so they're only charged member rates.

# **Timing**

The event will use Sportident for timing. SI-air will be enabled on all units. A limited number of SI Air cards and SI8 cards will be available for hire.

### **Maps and Control Descriptions**

The map scale will be 1:10,000 for all courses, except for Courses 11 and 12 which will be at a scale of 1:5,000 for both days. Maps will be printed on waterproof paper.

Control descriptions will be printed on the front of the map and be available on paper at the pre-start. IOF descriptions will be used for all Hard courses. English descriptions will be used for the Easy and Very Easy courses. For the Moderate courses, English descriptions will be printed on the map and IOF symbols will be available on paper at the pre-start.

### **Results**

Live Results will be available on both days. Hung results will also be organised in the assembly area.

# Catering

Catering will be provided at the event as well as a coffee cart. Please bring your own water.

#### Dinner

A social get together has been planned for the Saturday night at the Stanthorpe RSL from 6pm. Payment can be made on the night but bookings and an indication of what meal you would like should be made on the entry information on Eventor under "Services". (TBA) To enable the RSL to cope with our numbers, we will have to stagger the times people order so will offer three arrival times - 6pm, 6.30pm and 7pm for you to select your preference. If everyone turns up at 6pm, you may have to wait for service.

## **Inquiries:**

All inquiries should be directed to the event coordinator, Liz Bourne at <a href="mailto:qldchamps24@oq.asn.au">qldchamps24@oq.asn.au</a> or on (07) 4683 6374