

JIM SAWKINS HANDICAP AT TIN HUT DAM (GOOGONG FORESHORES)

31 MAY 2025

The 2025 Jim Sawkins handicap event is being held on the Tin Hut Dam map on Googong Foreshores. The area was previously used in September 2024 and the map has been extended East to the shores of the lake.

Courses

The courses on offer are:

Course	Distance (km)	Number of controls	
Hard 1	11.4	32	Map flip
Hard 2	9.3	22	Map flip
Hard 3	6.8	18	
Hard 4	5.1	17	
Hard 5	3.5	12	
Moderate 1	4.2	13	
Moderate 2	3.1	8	
Easy	1.8	8	
Very Easy	1.9	9	

Please select your course on Eventor no later than Wednesday 28 May so that sufficient maps can be printed for each course.

The Jim Sawkins handicap courses are Hard 1 (all ages) and Hard 2 (under age 21 and age 35 plus).

Some of the Hard courses have butterfly loops. In some areas, controls are relatively close together and care may need to be taken to ensure that you are the correct control for your course.

Maps will be at the start and not displayed at Registration except for the Easy and Very Easy courses.

The map scale is 1:5,000 for Very Easy and Easy, all other courses are 1:10,000.

Start times and course closure

As there is only access to the area from 8 am on Saturday morning, the first start time is scheduled to be 11.30 am with the last start time being 12.30 pm. Course closure is 2.30 pm. Note that some of the earlier controls on the longer courses may be collected earlier than the course closure time of 2.30 pm.

Start and finish

The start and finish are close to the parking at the Tin Hut Dam parking area.

Terrain and map

Much of the area is open or lightly treed and offers fast running. There are, however, areas of "green" which are slower. Vegetation boundaries are often vague and the areas of "green" have expanded since mapping. The mapping of the vegetation should be regarded as being indicative for navigational purposes.

The Western section of the map has a creek that roughly runs from North West to South East. The creek is deeply incised in some places. Care should be taken in selecting crossing places and crossing the creek.

Some of the paths on the Easy and Very Easy courses are quite indistinct. In places, pink tape has been used to aid competitors.

Water

Water will not be available at the finish. Please bring your own. Water may be available on the longer courses if time and access permits but competitors should work on the basis that there will not be water on the courses.

Gate

Please note that the gate to the London Bridge and Tin Hut Dam area closes at 5 pm.