## 2025 NSW MOUNTAIN BIKE ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS NSW ROUND OF AUSTRALIAN MTBO SERIES

11th & 12th October 2025

## **BULLETIN 1**

Saturday 11th October 2025 - 1pm-5pm - Pioneer Road

Sunday 12th October 2025 – 9am-1pm – Maison Dieu

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**Venue: Singleton NSW** 

The events are being held at the Maison Dieu and Pioneer Road MTB Parks at Singleton in the NSW Hunter Valley.

Singleton is approximately 2 hr 30 min from Sydney Airport and approximately 1 hr 10 min from Newcastle. Both mountain bike parks are approximately 10 minutes from central Singleton.

#### **Event Format:**

Due to the small size and complex nature of the MTB parks only two events will be held, one at each MTB park. Both races will be "middle distance" in terms of number of controls and legs but will have extended winning times.

Saturday's race is expected to have winning times in excess of 60 minutes. Sunday's race is expected to have winning times in excess of 90 minutes.

**Event Area:** Pioneer Road MTB Park, Singleton, NSW

**Terrain:** Mountain bike park with an extensive and well maintained cross country type single track

network and an area of flow/jump tracks. There are also several older and less used tracks in the area. Where these are visible/useable they have been mapped. One main vehicle track runs through the area. The park is mostly treed with vegetation varying from light to thick. There is one area of open and rough open. The area is crossed by

several water courses.

Map: A4, double sided, 1:5000, 5m contours for courses 1 and 2. A4, double sided, 1:4000, 5m

contours for courses 3, 4 and 5.





**Event Area:** Maison Dieu MTB Park, Singleton, NSW

**Terrain:** Mountain bike park with well maintained cross country type single track network and

several vehicle tracks. The park is on an area of "Travelling Stock Route" and is lightly treed with large areas of open and rough open. Several fences divide the area. The area

has one small hill/ridge and several shallow gulleys and creeks.

Outside of the tracks the area is mostly rough open and rough open with scattered trees. The rough open with scattered trees has not been mapped and is shown as white. Only

larger areas of rough open have been mapped.

Either side of the fences has recently been slashed. This is generally not shown on the

map and is not to be used

The area is at times used for the grazing of a small number of cattle. Cattle may be

present in some areas during the event.

**Map:** A4, double sided, 1:5000, 5m contours.

# **GPS Tracking:**

Due to the number of tracks in the small areas and the possibility to gain significant advantage by crossing between tracks all competitors in championship classes may need to provide GPS tracks for review.

#### **Results:**

Results will be displayed at the assembly area and posted online as soon as possible after each race.

#### **Presentations:**

The presentations will proceed immediately following each race.

#### **Entries:**

Entries are via Orienteering Australia's entry system Eventor.

Entry classes include women's and men's championship age classes, two recreational classes and two ebike classes.

If you do not own a SIAC stick you will need to rent one.

If you do not own a mapboard you can borrow one from Newcastle Orienteering.

Both of these can be hired via the entry system.

Entries close on **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October.** 

#### **Late Entries**

Acceptance of entries after the close of entries is at the discretion of the event organizer.





### **Cancelling your entry**

Advice of cancellation can be made at any time prior to the event. Refunds may incur a small admin fee.

#### **Accommodation:**

Singleton has a range of accommodation.

Singleton is close to the Hunter Valley vineyards and there is a large number and variety of accommodation options within 30 minutes of Singleton

### **Training Opportunities:**

There will be no specific MTBO training organised prior or post the NSW MTBO Champs.

Newcastle Orienteering Club has a range of MTBO MapRun events available and can provide maps and links to MapRun if requested.

### Pre and Post Event riding:

A number of MTB parks can be found on the around Newcastle and the lower Hunter Valley coast.

The event areas have not been specifically embargoed. Riders from outside of the Singleton area are requested to not use the event areas for pre event riding.

#### **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

#### **Event Rules:**

The Australian MTBO Competition Rules will apply to all events. https://orienteering.asn.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/OA-MTBO-Rules-2023.pdf

# **Punching System:**

We will be using the SPORTident Air system with contactless control punching and the latest control boxes (BS11) that have a range of 1.5 metres.

All riders need to use an SI Air stick as these control units will only work with one.

If you don't have your own SI Air stick (numbered in the range 8000000-8999999), you can hire one for \$5 for the carnival via the Eventor 'services' dropdown menu when you enter your first event online. Older SI sticks will not work. For more details on how the SI Air punching system operates go here: https://www.sportident.com/news/385-fast-faster-siac.html







If you own an SI Air stick and you've had it a while, you can check it's battery date using the SportIdent site - <a href="https://www.sportident.com/siacservice/">https://www.sportident.com/siacservice/</a> and if it's aged, i.e. 3.5yrs + then you might want to hire one as a secondary backup, to avoid it dying mid-course.

Punches will be provided at each control site for use should the SI unit fail. If the SI unit or you SI Air stick fails to operate at a control site you need to use the punch to prove your visit to the control site.

## **Complaints:**

Any complaints or protests must be submitted within 15 minutes of the last competitor finishing, in the related class.

### **Classes Offered:**

<u>Australian Championships</u> M/W14, M/W16, M/W20, M/W21, M/W40, M/W50, M/W60, M/W70, M/W80

Non-Championship (for Solo Riders, Family groups or Teams) Recreational 1, Recreational 2, E-Bike 1, E-Bike 2

## **Smoking:**

Orienteering is a Smoke and Drug Free sport, so our assembly and event areas are smoke and drug free zones.

All of the event areas are in smoke free areas.

# **Drugs in Sport:**

Please refer to the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority <u>website</u> for information on in-competition testing, what will happen if you are required for a testing session and your rights and responsibilities in relation to testing.

#### **Course Details:**

The table below shows the expected winning times for the age bands as per the National MTBO Rules. Due to the areas being used for these events we plan to set middle style events in terms of controls but with extended winning time to allow you to enjoy the areas.





	Long	Middle	Sprint	Ma s Start
M/W16 and under	70-75	32-37	15-20	-L 60-68
M/W20	84-92	40-44	16-20	60-68
M/W21- Open	105-115	50-55	20-25	75-85
M/W35 and over	105-115	50-55	20-25	75-85

### **National MTBO Series:**

Both races will score points for the 2025 National MTBO Series.

For information on classes eligible for the Australian National MTBO League, Juniors and Masters Division, see this website - <u>MTBO National League</u>

### **SPORTident**



This event will be using the SPORTIDENT Electronic timing system. If you want to buy your own stick contact Craig Steffens prior to the events 0418871193.



Need a mapboard? MIRY mapboards with 30x30cm decks and 31.8 or 35mm clamps are able to be purchased. Contact Craig Steffens prior to the events 0418871193.

#### **Contact Details:**

For questions about the carnival contact...





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