Orienteering Tasmania - Event Information Flyer

ENTRY INFORMATION

1. Location:

Royal George, near Avoca.

2. Date:

Sunday, 3rd of April 2016

3. Event Category:

Statewide.

4. Event Series Information:

OST (Orienteering Series Tasmania) event 3.

5. About This Event:

This is a selection event for the 2016 Tasmanian State and Schools Teams, and is the third event in the statewide "OST" series.

Please note this event is being held on the weekend following Easter – so you may wish to enter before you commence your Easter holidays.

The area is characterised by mostly open-running forests with some areas of complex granite and sandstone rock. Hard courses have sections that are middle-distance in nature featuring some shorter legs in rock detail and longer legs out into the forest. There are some areas of bracken fern.

Beginners will be orienteering in farmland. The moderate difficulty course will be in forest terrain.

6. Where Is The Start Area?

From the south: Allow 2.5 hours from Hobart not including breaks. From the south proceed to the Conara junction on the Midlands Hwy which is 11 kms north of Campbell Town. Turn right towards St Helens/Fingal and proceed 25 kms to Avoca. Turn right and proceed 18 kms to Royal George. On the western (near-side) of Royal George turn right on William Road (S41 49.317 E147 53.384). Follow the orienteering signs for 2.6km to the assembly area (S41 50.588 E147 53.013)

From the north: Allow 2 hours from Launceston not including breaks. Proceed to the Conara turn-off to St Helens/Fingal, 12 kms south of Epping Forest, and turn left towards Avoca. Follow directions as given above.

The start for course 8 and 9 (easy and very easy) is adjacent to the assembly area. All other courses have a 600m walk to the start, with a 60m climb.

7. When Are Start Times?

Start anytime between 10am and noon. Courses close at 1:30pm.

8. What Are The Courses?

COURSE	TARGET WINNING TIME (minutes)	NAVIGATION STANDARD	APPROXIMATE DISTANCE(+)	AGE GROUP CLASSES
1	80 – 90	Hard	12 km	M21 ¹
2	65 – 75	Hard	9 km	W21 ¹ M17-20, M35, M40
3	55 – 65	Hard	7 km	W17-20, W35 M16, M45, M50, M Open AS
4	55 – 60	Hard	5.5 km	W16, W40, W45, W50, W Open AS M35-50AS, M55, M60

5	50 – 55	Hard ²	4 km	W35-50AS, W55, W60, W65 M65, M70
6	45 – 50	Hard ³	3.5km	W70, W75, W80+ M75, M80+ M/W Open A ⁴
7	30 – 40	Moderate	3 km	W14, W16+B M14, M16+B M/W Open B
8	25 – 30	Easy	3 km	W12, W14B M12, M14B M/W Open C
9	20 – 25	Very Easy	2 km	W10, W12B M10, M12B

¹ When in conjunction with a national event and large entry numbers, additional courses may be inserted as per OA rules for Australian Championships.

9. Do I need an e-stick or P card?

All Tasmanian Orienteering clubs use the SportIdent (SI) electronic punching system so an e-stick or a P card is required at all events. If you do not own an e-stick or P card, you can hire one for \$4 at the event. These are also available for purchase at most events.

10. How Much Does It Cost To Enter?

Frank Frank	Adult	Adult	Youth or Concession	Youth or Concession	Family	Family
Event Fees	Casual Member	Full Member	Casual Member	Full Member	Casual Member	Full Member
Orienteering Series Tasmania (OST) event	\$16	\$10	\$8	\$5	\$40	\$25

11. How Do I Enter?

Entry is via Eventor (http://eventor.orienteering.asn.au). Entries close at 11:59pm on Wednesday 30th of March. There will be a small selection of courses (Course 5, 7 and 8) available for "enter on the day".

12. Contact Information

Gary Carroll. 040 777 6457 or gary@gary.id.au

13. Information for Newcomers

There is a full range of courses available so you'll find something to suit your fitness and ability. Although pre-entry is encouraged for regular participants, newcomers can turn up on the day enter a course.

² Using control features that are easy to read on the map.

³ Are not too physically demanding, with fence crossings, climb etc. See 2.2 Course Planning Guidelines document

⁴ Intended for experienced orienteers recovering from injury or otherwise physically compromised.

General information for newcomers is available on the website (http://www.tasorienteering.asn.au) under "Get Involved".

14. Who are the Course Planners and Course Controllers?

Course planner is Gary Carroll, Dion McKenzie is out-of-control, and on-the-day helpers are Judy Davis, Charles Dragar and Sally Salier.

15. Which Map Is Being Used?

St Pauls Middle Earth. All courses use a 5m contour interval.

Course 8 and 9 will use 1:7,500 in or along-side open farmland.

Courses 1 to 7 will use 1:10,000 in forested terrain.

16. What Else Do I Need To Know?

All participants in events conducted by Orienteering Tasmania and its affiliated clubs are required to register. There are two categories of registration, either as a full member or as a casual member. Further details are available on our About Membership page.

As Orienteering Tasmania events are often conducted on private property we have blanket policy of not permitting dogs at our events. Please leave your dog at home if going orienteering.

17. Any Food, Entertainment, Coaching or Other Special Attractions?

A fundraising BBQ for the state junior team will be available to refuel and rehydrate you after your fantastic run in the forest.

18. Carpooling Rendezvous Details for OST Events?

If you have an empty seat in your car, please consider car-pooling. This should be self-organised and you can use eventor to search for other potential car poolers from your home area.