ENTRY INFORMATION

- 1. Location: Clarence Marshes 10 km before Derwent Bridge
- 2. Date: 2 April
- 3. Event Category: Statewide
- 4. Event Series Information: 2017 OST 3

5. About This Event

This is the third in this year's Statewide OST events. It is on the Clarence Marshes map, on the northern side of the Lyell Highway, about 10 km this side of Derwent Bridge. The event is being held on the eastern half of the map which is still quite open and little changed on how it was when first mapped in 1998. Some tracks have become a little indistinct since firewood collection was stopped with the handover from Forestry to Parks but this part of the map has not experienced the level of scrub and tea tree growth found on the western half.

This is a wonderful opportunity to do some bush orienteering in an area quite unique in Tasmania and the rest of Australia for that matter.

6. Where Is The Start Area?

From Launceston or Hobart get on to the Lyell Highway and travel towards Derwent Bridge. About 10 km before Derwent Bridge look out for orienteering and parking signs on the road. The assembly area is 100 m up a side track to the north of the road. Park as directed on the side of the Lyell Highway, cross the highway with care and walk up to the start taking folding chairs, lunch and extra warm clothing with you. Drive time from Hobart is about 2 ½ hours.

NB: PLEASE NOTE: The verge on the northern (towards Hobart) side of the highway is narrow – it is not possible to park here. You must park on the southern side of the highway (towards Derwent Bridge) and cross the highway to get to the assembly area. This can be a busy highway at times so please take great care parking and crossing the highway and supervise children at all times. The verge on the southern side is wide enough to allow angle parking – this will allow for extra vehicles to park in a limited space.

7. When Are Start Times?

Start times from 10.00 am till midday.

8. What Are the Courses?

The usual 9 courses for an OST event. Distances and winning times to be advised.

9. What Timing Method Will Be Used?

Sportident timing will be used. For those without a Sportident timing chip card these can be hired for the day for \$4

10. How Much Does It Cost To Enter?

This is an OST event. Entry fees are as follows:

Adult Casual	\$16
Adult Member	\$10
Concession Casual	\$8
Concession Member	\$5
Family Casual	\$40
Family Members	\$25
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Full entry fee information and concession details available on the Event Fees page.

11. How Do I Enter?

Pre-entry is required on the Eventor website. If you need assistance entering via Eventor check out the entry via Eventor tab under EVENTS on the OT website or free to contact Bert Elson at <u>membership@tasorienteering.asn.au</u>. Entries close at midnight on Wednesday 29 March 2017.

12. Which Map Is Being Used?

Clarence Marshes 1:10,000. Courses 7, 8 and 9 may be at a larger scale.

13. Any Food, Entertainment, Coaching Or Other Special Attractions?

There will be a BBQ to raise funds for the juniors squad. There is a nice open area near the Start / Finish and we will bring additional marquees for shelter of weather is unkind. Remember, however that the altitude here is almost 800 m so bring plenty of warm clothing even if it is a nice day.

14. Car Pooling Rendezvous Details? (Statewide Events Only)

If you wish to share transport get in touch with your club car-pooling officer or the organizer, Bert Elson at membership@tasorienteering.asn.au

15. 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.

16. Contact Information

Principal event organisers are Bert Elson and Martin Bicevskis. Queries can be addressed to <u>membership@tasorienteering.asn.au</u>