

Welcome to the 2017 Victorian MTBO Championships

Warm-up Day Friday, March 17 'Victoria Park' and 'Nerrina'
 Sprint (am) and Middle (pm) Distance Sat, March 18 'Woookarung'
 Long Distance (am) Sunday, March 19 'Barkstead'

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Team Leaders

	Sprint	Middle	Long
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Classes

M-12, M-14, M-16, M-20, M21-, M40-, M50-, M60-, M70-, M80- Open 2,3,4,5
 W-12, W-14, W-16, W-20, W21-, W40-, W50-, W60-, W70-, W80- Open 2,3,4,5

Sprint Course Details - start times from 10.00am - 11.30am

Course	Distance	Controls	Climb	Men	Women	Rec
1	7.8	20	190	M21- M-20		
2	7.4	18	165	M40- M50-	W21-	Open 2
3	6.8	16	140	M60- M-16	W40- W50- W-20	Open 3
4	5.2	12	90	M70- M-14	W60- W-16	Open 4
5	4.4	11	55	M80- M-12	W70- W80- W-12 W-14	Open 5

Middle Distance Details – start times from 2.00pm to 3.30pm

1	25.0	19	300	M21-		
2	21.8	17	260	M40- M50- M-20	W21-	Open 2
3	17.2	14	190	M60- M-16	W40- W50- W-20	Open 3
4	12.1	13	160	M70- M-14	W60- W-16	Open 4
5	7.5	10	120	M80- M-12	W70- W80- W-12 W-14	Open 5

Long Distance Details – start times from 9.30am to 11.00am

1	36.8	14	710	M21-		
2	27.3	14	500	M40- M50- M-20	W21-	Open 2
3	18.2	12	480	M60- M-16	W40- W50- W-20	Open 3
4	14.6	8	290	M70- M-14	W60- W-16	Open 4
5	7.5	8	190	M80- M-12	W70- W80- W-12 W-14	Open 5

Other things that you need to know...

Directions for Sprint and Middle Distance: Assembly area at Pax Hill Activity Centre. Take first exit to Ballarat, route C805; at first traffic light, turn left into Fussell Street; follow Fussell Street for 2.5 km to the STOP sign at corner of Fussell and Spencer Streets. Park as directed by parking officials. Pre-entry for championship participation is required, but limited EOD for recreational riders will be available on shorter courses.

Facilities Water, toilets and refreshments available at the event centre. Both sprint and middle distance events will start from Pax Hill Activity Centre so come prepared to relax, have lunch, and enjoy discussions between the sprint and middle distance events.

Course planner notes from Toby and Mark

Sprint Map: 1:7500, 5 m contours, A4 (not Pretex)

Middle Map: 1:10,000, 5 m contours, A4 for Courses 3,4,5 A3 for Courses 1,2

The warm-up area for both races will be within the Pax Hill centre boundaries.

There are some overlapping areas of the sprint and middle courses on Saturday. Controls for the Sprint and Middle Distance will be in the bush on Saturday morning. There will be a manned control 2/3 way around the Sprint course – please obey any directions from the official. Several Middle distance controls will have bags over them so as not to confuse Sprint riders.

Organizers will remove the bags after the Sprint race. Please check the number before punching to avoid dnf.

Prior Map: a copy of the Canadian Forest map used in 2016 will be on display at the assembly area.

Directions to Long Distance: Area is out-of-bounds except designated approach from Daylesford - Ballan Road only.

From the Calder Highway, get to Daylesford. Take the Ballan Road south for 12.3km passing Gale and Gusto wind turbines. Right into Brickhouse Road for 1.7k, veer right onto McCarthy Road, 2.5km to Barkstead village; follow signs.

From Western Freeway turn off at Daylesford exit and head towards Daylesford on Ballan - Daylesford Rd. At 19.5km, just past Korweinguboora Recreation Reserve, left into Brickhouse Road for 1.7k, veer right onto McCarthy Road. 2.5km to Barkstead village then follow signs.

From Ballarat either follow the Western freeway directions or go via Bolwarrah onto Spargo Ck Rd, left at Ballan - Daylesford Rd and at 5km left into Brickhouse Road then as above.

Car parking - t.b.a.

Course planner notes from Ken

Map: 10m contours. Courses 1 - 3, 1:20,000. Courses 4 & 5, 1:15,000. Pretex map. Symbol 839 Rideable area is orange. (Non-rideable open areas are normal yellow). 405 and 406 Forest symbols apply to **visibility** regardless of type of forest (ie pine forest is not necessarily light green).

Facilities: Toilet (portable) and water only available at the assembly area.

Courses: This area is undulating. There are a number of track entry points

that are indistinct and these are marked on the map with a gap from the crossing track (symbol 511). Any tapes you see out there have **not** been placed by the planner. There may be obstructions not marked on the map - these last 2 years have seen frequent tree and branch falls so it is likely you will encounter a fresh one.

Start: < 5 minute ride from event centre.

Prior map: A copy of the Rocklyn map used in 2015 will be on display. It forms part of this event map.

Warm-up Day Kay Haarsma is organizing warm up rides on Victoria Park (good Sprint practice) and Nerrina (good complex track network practice for the Middle Distance) on Friday 17th March. Contact Kay is interested.

Saturday Night Activities Eureka has booked a table for 20 at the Golden City Pub at the corner of Sturt and Dawson Streets (across from St Pat's Cathedral) from 6pm. No awards presented here.

Presentations Awards for the Sprint, Middle and Long place-getters and spot prizes will be presented at the Pax Hill Activity Center on Saturday pm and at Barkstead on Sunday pm as soon as class results have been finalized.

Fire Ban In the event of a fire ban for the Central region of Victoria, a notification via email (Eventor) will be sent to all competitors. The event(s) will be postponed to a future date. Interstate riders should check the anticipated fire conditions prior to departure.

Start Times Start times for the three events will be posted on the website on Tuesday evening 14th March. Entries for the 3 championships close on Monday night, 13th March at 23.59 – don't be late and be disappointed!