

ENTRY INFORMATION

1. Location:

Royal George

2. Date:

Sunday 21st May 2017

3. Event Category:

Statewide

4. Event Series Information:

OST 5 and **selection event for school and state teams**

5. About This Event:

This is the fifth event in 'Orienteering Series Tasmania' and it is a standard long course event. Although this event is listed as a WROC event, EVOC and Australopers are also actively supporting this event.

The courses traverse undulating terrain through mostly runnable bush with some areas of plantation forest. Rock detail and some minor mining features throw in extra challenge; the area is crisscrossed by tracks which may or may not be useful to orienteers depending on their selected course. It is a beautiful area of Tasmania and we are grateful to local property owners Parks & Wildlife Service, Alistair and Bettina Crisp, Robbie Walker & Damian Gee.

"The terrain is amazing - they burned half of the map some time ago and therefore the forest runs amazingly well and there is not a slight sign of green/dark green areas. I really enjoyed orienteering there so I'm sure the competitors will like the terrain too!"

... Jeremy Genar, Course Setter

"Jeremy has set fantastic courses which will challenge everyone. The hazard reduction last year will mean that a lot of legs will have a variety of route choices. Although there are some areas in the south and west where car bodies and other hazardous materials have been dumped, the courses have been designed so that orienteers should never need to go through these hazards."

... Ian Rathbone, Course Controller

6. Where Is The Start Area?

Travel to Avoca on the A4 Esk Highway. Turn SW onto Arthur Street, follow this road (after 260m it changes to Royal George Road) for ~17km towards Royal George. On reaching the township of Royal George, turn south onto Williams Road (GPS S41.821731, E147.889615) and travel for 300m and park on the left side (eastern side) of Williams Road.



7. When Are Start Times?

Start times are between 10:00 and 12:00. There will be a tapped walk of a few hundred metres to the start from the arena.

Start times will be allocated to senior boys and senior girls who are trying for school and/or state team selection. As this is a selection event we request that parents wait at least 30 minutes before starting if they are running on the same course as their child.

8. What Are The Courses?

Nine courses are on offer with approximate distances shown in the table below. The OST events are age based and to be official competitors are required to compete in the course appropriate for their age class.

COURSE	NAVIGATION STANDARD	DISTANCE (approx.)	No. of Controls	TARGET WIN TIME (min)	AGE GROUP CLASSES **Trying for Schools Team
1	Hard	10.4	21	80 – 90	M21
2	Hard	9.1	17	65 – 75	W21, M17-20, M35, M40
3	Hard	6.7	13	55 – 65	W17-20, W35 M16, M21AS, M45, M50, M Open AS Senior Boys (Born 1999,2000,2001)
4	Hard	5.5	12	55 – 60	W16, W21AS, W40, W45, W50, W Open AS M35-50AS, M55, M60 Senior Girls (Born 1999,2000,2001)
5	Hard	4.1	13	50 – 55	W35-50AS, W55, W60, W65, M65, M70
6	Hard	3.2	10	45 – 50	W70, W75, W80+, M75, M80+
7	Moderate	3.0	10	30 – 40	W14, W16+B, W Open B M14, M16+B, M Open B Junior Boys & Girls (Born 2002,2003,2004)
8	Easy	2.8	12	25 – 30	W12, W14B, M12, M14B, M/W Open C
9	Very Easy	2.3	9	20 – 25	W10, W12B, M10, M12B

9. Do I need a Sportident or P card?

Sportident or P cards will be required. If you do not own a Sportident or P card, you can hire one for \$4 at the event. These will also be available for purchase.

10. How Much Does It Cost To Enter?

Event Fees	Adult	Adult	Youth or Concession	Youth or Concession	Family	Family
	Casual Member	Full Member	Casual Member	Full Member	Casual Member	Full Member

Orienteering Series Tasmania (OST) event	\$16	\$10	\$8	\$5	\$40	\$25
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11. How Do I Enter?

Pre-entry via Eventor is preferred to ensure map availability and to assist organisers – closing date via Eventor is Wed 17th May. We will have some spare maps printed to cope with ‘enter on the day’ for the moderate, easy and very easy courses.

12. Contact Information

Ian Rathbone 0418 515 003 (or Sally Wayte 0407093694 and Jeff Dunn 0362348440 from Wed 10th May onwards)

13. Information for Newcomers

Newcomers are encouraged to come along and give bush orienteering a try.

Wear comfortable clothing and foot wear suitable for walking or running; bring warm clothes and wet weather gear in case the weather is inclement. Long pants are a good idea if you plan on doing a course that takes you off tracks and through the bush. When you arrive at the event come to the registration tent and let the organisers know you are ‘new’; an experienced member will help you through the registration, start and event procedure. General information for newcomers is available on the website under [Get Involved](#)

14. Who are the Course Planners and Course Controllers?

We are grateful to Jeremy Genar who planned the courses in the final days before he returned to Europe. Ian Rathbone is the course controller and is the contact in the lead up to the event. Jeff Dunn and Sally Wayte will be running the event on the day.

15. Which Map Is Being Used?

St Pauls Far East; Course 1 & 2 will use 1:15,000 map scale, all other courses will use 1:10,000 map scale. All maps use a 5m contour interval.

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; or the helpful organisers in the registration tent will assist you.

As Orienteering Tasmania events are often conducted on private property we have a 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?

The Juniors (& their parents) will be running a fundraising BBQ, and will also have drinks and slices of yummy cakes for sale.

18. Car Pooling Rendezvous Details for OST Events?

Sally Wayte has offered to co-ordinate Car Pooling for anyone who is interested. Sally can be contacted on 6234 8440 or 0407093694 from Wed 10th May onwards.

- Travel time to Royal George from Hobart GPO ~2.25hrs (does not include rest/stopping time)
- Travel time to Royal George from Launceston GPO ~1.25hrs (does not include rest/stopping time)
- The rendezvous location in Hobart will be the corner of Lower Domain Road and Carriage Road near the old Beaumaris Zoo gates. Suggest carpool leave at 8:15

- The rendezvous location in Launceston will be the Blockbuster car park in Wellington St. Suggest carpool leaves at 9:00. Those sharing should offer to contribute petrol expenses.