



State Series 4 (Long distance): Spring Gully, 25 June 2017

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Acknowledgement of Country

Yarra Valley Orienteering Club acknowledges that this event is being held on Dja Dja Wurrung Country. Elders of the Dja Dja Wurrung community and their forebears are the traditional owners of this land and have been custodians for many centuries and have performed age old ceremonies of celebration, initiation and renewal. We acknowledge their living culture and their unique role in the life of this region.

Directions to the event:

Parking is on private land off the Campbell's Creek/Fryerstown Road just north of the junction with the Fryerstown/Chewton Road. It will be signposted from this junction and also from the Campbell's Creek Road a short distance north of the turnoff. As competitors' cars will arrive from both directions, please take care on entering the arena.

Important - you will be turning into the paddock through a gate which will be closed when it is not manned (due to sheep in the paddock). This could lead to a queue of traffic at times. If the gate is not manned, please close it after entering or leaving.

Entry: Pre-entry and payment is made via Eventor. Entries close at 11.59 pm Thursday 22 June. Enter on the day (EOD) will be available with no surcharge, and while we expect to have additional maps available we cannot guarantee that there will be enough maps for your selected course. If there are no pre-printed maps left for your selected course you may choose a course for which maps remain, and as a last resort you may be able to draw your course onto a blank map or on a map with all controls marked. However, as the maps will have to be printed before entries close, it is recommended that you do not leave it to the last minute to enter.

Registration: From 9.30 am, for pre-entered as well as EOD competitors. Competitors will be asked to complete a registration slip.

The Start is 150 m from the arena. Follow tapes.

Start times: 10.00 am – 12.30 pm.

Start procedure: When you are ready to start, queue behind your map box. When directed, the front person in each queue picks up their map, punches the start control and follows the taped route to the Start Triangle (marked by a control flag with no punch).

The Finish is close to Registration. We hope you will encourage your club members as they approach the Finish!

Course closure: At 2.30 pm (after which controls will be collected). **Timing:** SI timing. You can hire an SI stick on the day

Course details:

This event is a Long Distance event.

Map Scales - 1:10,000 Courses 1 to 3, 1:7,500 for 4 to 9.

Course 1 is an open class – there is no separate class for women who may choose to run course 1.

The age classes in the table below are suggested only, competitors are encouraged to choose a course which suits them best.

Courses 5 and 6 are navigationally classed as Hard but have been set to allow less agile competitors to avoid physically challenging terrain.

Course	Class	Difficulty	Length (km)	Suggested Age Groups
1	Open1	Hard	10.5	M21 , M20, M35, M40
2	M2,W2	Hard	6.3	W21 , W35, W40, M16, M45, M50, M55
3	M3,W3	Hard	5.2	W20, W45, W50, M60
4	M4,W4	Hard	4.0	W16, W55, M65
5	M5,W5	Hard (but see note)	3.0	W60, W65, M70, M75
6	M6,W6	Hard (but easy physically, see note)	2.2	W70, W75, W80, M80, M85
7	M7,W7	Moderate	3.1	Open B, W14, M14
8	M8,W8	Easy	2.4	W12, M12
9	M9,W9	Very Easy	1.7	Novice, W10, M10

The terrain is gully spur generously strewn with historic gold mining features . The Goldfields Track runs through the area, be mindful of recreational users and expect to meet mountain bikers in the forest.