

WA Middle Distance State Championships 2017

Saturday 16th September 2017

Organising Club: Bibbulmun Orienteers
Course Planners: Craig Dufty (0422532082), Rachel West
Controller: Russell Candy
Map: Jumbuck Hill, 1:10,000, 5m, A4 portrait.
Maps will be printed on waterproof paper.

Directions: From Perth, take Great Northern Highway north towards Bullsbrook, turn East into Walyunga Road and enter Walyunga NP. Take first right into Walyunga Pool carpark. The assembly area will be in the gravel carpark to the West of the main bitumen carpark.

Do not stop to pay at the booth on Walyunga Rd. Fees of \$13 per car or \$6 per person (concession \$7 per car or \$2 per person), whichever is less, are to be made at the caravan. This is a very recent increase over the fees that were advertised earlier. National park pass holders do not need to pay.

Start: The start for all courses is a 1.5km walk from the assembly area with 90m of climb. The track is narrow and overgrown in places but very scenic so allow plenty of time (30 minutes) and enjoy the views along the way.

Facilities: Cake stall, toilets, water at the start and finish. There will not be any water on the courses, if you feel you will need it then please carry your own.

Courses: Middle Distance style, short but with legs of varying length and frequent changes of direction. Terrain is moderately steep granite with some sections of high long range visibility but poor short range and others vice-versa. Runnability is quite variable, even when mapped the same so don't rely too heavily on the vegetation mapping for navigation. The rock has been heavily simplified in places so there are some quite large rocks that are not shown on the map. In other places some quite small rocks are mapped. There are some steep slopes but the steepest hills are on the walk to the start so the courses are mostly downhill.

This is a championship event and pre-entry via eventor is required for championship classes, but if you don't want to compete against others in your age class, or a more challenging one, you can enter on the day.

Course	Difficulty	Men	Women	Length	Climb	Controls
1	Hard	M20, M21, M35		4.4km	160m	15
2	Hard	M16, M45, M55	W20, W21, W35	3.5km	135m	14
3	Hard	M65, M70	W16, W45, W55	2.7km	75m	11
4	Hard	M75, M80, M85	W65, W70, W75, W80	2.0km	30m	9
5	Moderate	M14, MOpen B	W14, WOpen B	3.0km	70m	10
6	Easy	M12, M14B	W12, W14B	2.3km	55m	9
7	Very Easy	M10	W10	1.7km	25m	8

Enter on the Day: Courses 3, 5, 6, and 7 will be offered as EOD for individuals and Groups that do not wish to pre-enter the championship. Registration will be open from 1:00pm – 2:00pm and EOD competitors will start after the last pre-entered starter has started with last starts at 2:30pm.

Course Closure: 4:00pm, please return to the finish before this time. Note that the park gate is locked at 5:00pm so if you are late back then you might have trouble getting home.

Bring: SPORTident tag, compass, whistle, tick repellent, leg protection, water, sunscreen.

Start Procedure: Competitors will be called up six minutes before their start time. Please clear and check SI sticks before entering the start area.

Box 1 – name and SI stick number checked

Box 2 – control descriptions collected

Box 3 – competitors move to correct map box and write name on back of map

Start time – punch the Start SI unit before looking at your map, then start your course by following the cones/streamers to the start triangle (about 60m).

Late Starters: Late starters should report to the Start officials. They will be started as soon as possible but timed from their original start time unless delayed by a fault of the organisers or by events considered by the Controller to have been unavoidable by the competitor.

Control Descriptions: Control descriptions will be printed on the front of maps. IOF symbols will be used for courses 1-5 and English for courses 5-7. Loose control description slips will be provided at the pre-start.

Complaints and Protests Complaints should first be made orally at the event to the Controller who will direct the complainant to the appropriate official. Protests about the outcome of a complaint must be made in writing and given to the OA Controller (Russell Candy). If this occurs, a jury consisting of three Level 2/3 Controllers will be convened to consider the protest. Protests should be submitted by 4pm.

Presentations: Awards will be presented at approximately 4pm or as early as is practicable.

Results: Results will be posted on eventor as soon as possible after the event. Maps, courses and routes will be available on Livelox (follow link from eventor) from 3pm.