2017 VIC MTBO SERIES #4 *Fingerpost Corner, Woodend* Sunday 22 October, 2017

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LOCATION: The assembly area is along Finger Post Rd, Woodend. GPS coordinates: -37.410593, 144.495945 **Directions:** Exit the Calder Freeway (M79) south of Woodend along Black Forest Drive (C792) north towards Woodend for 2.5km then turn left on Fingerpost Road and proceed for 4km to the junction of Boundary Rd. The assembly area is another 500m along Fingerpost Rd. Park along the side of the road as directed.

MAP: *Fingerpost Corner* – Scale: 1:15,000, 10m cont The map was first used for the 2009 Victorian MTBO Championships. The map has been updated for this event with a number of new single tracks being added. Previous events on this map have been at 1:20,000 scale.

NOTE: There is a section of complex winding single track mapped with "slow" dashed line symbol. For clarity, the junctions in this area are shown with a solid line symbol.

ENTRIES: Enter online through Eventor. Online entries close at midnight Wednesday 18th October.

ONLINE ENTRY FEES: Orienteering Victoria member – \$20 Adult, \$15 Junior. Non member: \$30 Adult, \$25 Junior

Limited on-the-day entries are possible depending on available maps.

On-The-Day Entry Fees: OV members: \$25 adults, \$15 juniors. Non members: \$35 adults, \$25 juniors.

COURSES: 4 line courses and a score course. Choose whichever length course you like.

- Course 1: 29.5 km 690m climb 14 controls
- **Course 2:** 25.2 km 510m climb 13 controls
- Course 3: 15.7 km 290m climb 11 controls

Course 4: 10.7 km - 150m climb - 8 controls

Score course: 2 hours – visit as many controls as you can in any order.

Special Children's Course: 1.8 km. A special small children's course with 6 animal coded controls to find on a simple circuit. FREE ENTRY. Children to be accompanied by an adult.

COURSE SETTER NOTES

- The map takes in areas in and around the Woodend MTB trails with a good amount of singletrack incorporated into each course. Course conditions as of early October were fast, dry and grippy with the odd large puddle on the lesser used wide tracks.
- Competitors need to be aware of other riders using the MTB trails and the possibility of motorbikes and 4WD vehicles on the other roads and trails.
- There is sporadic single track signage in the area and some tracks are marked with "no entry". Riders can enter these, but beware of any oncoming riders.
- Fingerpost Road is a public road that will bear traffic including possibly forestry trucks appropriate care to be taken
- * Roads through plantations are private roads and access provided subject to a permit. Forestry activity is unlikely but is possible. Riders need to exercise appropriate care.

ON THE DAY

Registration opens at 10.00 am.

SportIdent electronic timing will be used. Loan SI sticks will be available at Registration.

Start times: from 10.30am to 12 noon. Allowance made for any family groups needing more of an overlap in timing. Earlier starts may be possible.

The Start: is 100m from the assembly area – follow the tapes. The start official will give you a start time.

The Finish for Courses 1, 2 & 3 is 500m from the assembly area. The Finish for Course 4 & Score Course is near the admin tent After finishing, please return to the Rego/Admin tent to download.

Courses close at 2.30 pm. All riders must finish by that time as controls will be brought in from then.

Toilets: A portaloo will be available at the assembly area. **Loan mapboards** will be available, free of charge for new riders. See Ralph in the parking area, near Registration **New to MTBO?** Please let us know at registration and we

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IMPORTANT RULES FOR THE EVENT:

- ✓ Use mapped tracks ONLY. Don't go through the bush
- You and your bike must stay together at all times
- ✓ Wear a helmet and carry water with you
- Keep left on tracks and be careful at intersections

NOTE: Report to the finish even if you don't complete your course.

Controls are marked on your map like this:

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