ENTRY INFORMATION

Location: Lovelybanks East

Date: Sunday May 6 2018

Event Category: Statewide

Event Series Information: Tasmanian Schools Championships 2018 and Public Local Event

About This Event:

The event is being held on an area recently used for the Australian 3 Day Orienteering Carnival. The terrain is open eucalypt forest and farm paddocks on mainly flat to undulating sandstone, with steep rocky gorges on the longer courses.

This event is the first of three selection events for the Tasmanian Schools team to attend the Australian Orienteering Championships in September. It is open for anyone to enter whether or not you are interested in Schools' selection. There are championship (A) and non-championship (B) classes for school students, and also courses for adults. If you are interested in learning bush orienteering this will be an excellent event to attend.

Only High School students are eligible for selection in the Tasmanian Schools Team. See here for more information about the Tasmanian Schools Team. Medals will be awarded in each Championship category, and there are three School trophies to be awarded: Primary, Girls High, and Boys High. Points towards these trophies are awarded in both A and B classes. Last year's winners were Summerdale Primary, St. Michael's Collegiate and Hutchins.

Where is the Start?

From Hobart Take the Midlands Hwy 67km north to the Lovely Banks Road (C316) turnoff (approximately 12km past Kempton). Turn right onto Lovely Banks Road and travel about 4km (unsealed). Turn right into the paddock. Travel time about 1 hour.

From Launceston Take the Midlands Hwy 140km south to the Lovely Banks Road (C316) turnoff (approximately 25km south of Oatlands). Turn left onto Lovely Banks Road and travel about 4km (unsealed). Turn right into the paddock. Travel time about 1hr 45min

Gate is at -42.461657 147.266710 (\$42 27.699 E147 16.003) and will be signposted.

When Can I Start?

From 10am for Schools competitors. Pre-entry is required, and start times will be allocated. The start list will be posted on the <u>Eventor page</u> for this event on the Orienteering Tasmania website on Friday 4 May. It is your responsibility to be at the Start at least 4 minutes before your published start time. The Start is 2 minute walk from the assembly area.

For non-Schools competitors, starts will be after the School competitors. Pre-entry is not required and start times will not be allocated. Just turn up at the Start after the last Schools competitor (probably about 11am).

When Do I Have To Finish?

You need to finish before the course is closed at 2pm. If you will not be able to complete your course in time you will need to abandon it and head back to the assembly area to arrive by course closure time. Whether or not you have completed your course, you must download your SI at the computer, so that we know you have returned safely, and don't organise a search party for you. Also be aware that as soon as the course is closed, the organisers start bringing in controls.

What Are The Courses?

There are 6 courses on offer.

| Course | Classes | Difficulty | Approx Distance | Approx Climb |
|--------|----------------------------|------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | Boys OpenA, Boys 16A, | Hard | 5.3 km | 295m |
| | Men/Women Long | | | |
| 2 | Girls OpenA, Girls 16A | Hard | 4.4 km | 235m |
| 3b | Boys 13A/14A/15A, | Moderate | 3.5 km | 145m |
| | Boys Senior B | | | |
| 3g | Girls 13A/14A/15A, | Moderate | 3.3 km | 125m |
| | Girls Senior B, | | | |
| | Men/Women Medium | | | |
| 4 | Girls/Boys 12A, Girls/Boys | Easy | 3 km | 105m |
| | Junior B, Men/Women Short | | | |
| 5 | Girls/Boys 10A, Girls/Boys | Very Easy | 2.1 km | 55m |
| | Primary B, Men/Women | | | |
| | Novice | | | |

Very Easy navigation courses follow 'handrails' - distinct linear features such as tracks, fences or well-defined vegetation boundaries. If there are no handrails between controls the route will be taped. Controls are clearly visible on obvious features on or beside the handrail.

Easy navigation courses assume skills such as basic contour recognition, simple distance estimation and feature recognition, and are built around handrails, including strong contour features such as well-defined gullies and spurs.

Moderate navigation courses go cross-country and assume knowledge of compass navigation. They offer handrail route choices, but these are usually longer than the other route options. Controls have good attack points (an obvious feature within 100 m of the control) and strong catching features (an obvious feature that 'catches' you if you run past the control (e.g. road or fence).

Hard navigation courses test all orienteering skills.

Schools Championship Classes (A classes)

For club members and for school orienteers with at least 2 years' experience.

The following table shows which class you will be in if you wish to be official for the Schools Championship. You need to enter your correct class to be considered for Schools Team selection. Only High School students are eligible for selection in the Tasmanian Schools Team.

| Year of birth | Class | Difficulty | Approx distance | Course |
|-----------------|----------------|------------|-----------------|--------|
| 2001 or earlier | Boys Open A | Hard | 5.3 km | 1 |
| 2001 or earlier | Girls Open A | Hard | 4.4 km | 2 |
| 2002 | Boys 16A | Hard | 5.3 km | 1 |
| 2002 | Girls 16A | Hard | 4.4 km | 2 |
| 2003 | Girls/Boys 15A | Moderate | 3.5 km | 3g/b |
| 2004 | Girls/Boys 14A | Moderate | 3.5 km | 3g/b |
| 2005 | Girls/Boys 13A | Moderate | 3.5 km | 3g/b |
| 2006, 2007 | Girls/Boys 12A | Easy | 3 km | 4 |
| 2008 or later | Girls/Boys 10A | Very Easy | 2.1 km | 5 |

Schools Non-Championship Classes (B classes)

For those with less experience or who wish to run in pairs.

The following table shows which class you will be in if you don't want to officially enter the Schools Championship. You will not be eligible for Schools Team selection if you run these classes, but you will contribute points to the Schools Trophy calculation.

| Grade | Class | Difficulty | Approx distance | Course |
|------------|----------------------|------------|-----------------|--------|
| 9/10/11/12 | Girls/Boys Senior B | Moderate | 3.5 km | 3g/b |
| 7/8 | Girls/Boys Junior B | Easy | 3 km | 4 |
| Primary | Girls/Boys Primary B | Very Easy | 2.1 km | 5 |

Public Courses

For adults. Pre-entry not required.

| Class | Difficulty | Approx distance | Course |
|------------------|------------|-----------------|--------|
| Men/Women Long | Hard | 5.3 km | 1 |
| Men/Women Medium | Moderate | 3.3 km | 3g |
| Men/Women Short | Easy | 3 km | 4 |
| Men/Women Novice | Very Easy | 2.1 km | 5 |

Do I need an SI stick or P card?

An SI stick or a P card is required. If you do not own an SI stick or P card, you can hire one for \$4 at the event. These are also available for purchase at most events. P-cards will be suitable for all courses as none will have more than 16 controls.

How Do I Enter?

Pre-entry by 12 midnight Wednesday 2 May is required for school students. Adults can just turn up on the day.

To enter please fill in the entry form provided on the <u>Eventor page</u> for this event, and return it to <u>australopers@tasorienteering.asn.au</u>. This form has sections for students entering individually and for schools entering a number of students.

How Much Does It Cost To Enter?

| Front Food | Adult | Adult | Youth or Concession | Youth or Concession | Family | Family |
|-------------|------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Event Fees | Casual Member | Full Member | Casual Member | Full Member | Casual Member | Full Member |
| Local event | \$12 | \$8 | \$6 | \$4 | \$30 | \$20 |

Please pay at the event in cash. Invoices can be arranged for schools - contact the event organiser.

Contact Information

Sally Wayte. Mobile: 0407 093 694 email: australopers@tasorienteering.asn.au

Who are the Course Planners and Course Controllers?

Planner: Jeff Dunn Controller: Sally Wayte

Helpers on the Day: Cathy, Jon, Zali and Jett McComb, Judy Davis

Which Map Is Being Used?

Lovelybanks East. Contour interval 5m, Courses 1-3 Scale 1:10,000, Courses 4-5 Scale 1:7500

Information for Newcomers

Adults may enter on the day after the schools' competitors. There are courses suitable for all levels of fitness and experience.

General information for newcomers is available on the website under **Get Involved**

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.

As Orienteering Tasmania events are often conducted on private property we have blanket policy of not permitting dogs at our events. Please leave your dog at home if going orienteering.

All competitors must carry a whistle. Non-school competitors should bring a map bag.

Any Food, Entertainment, Coaching or Other Special Attractions?

Tassie Juniors will be running a BBQ, with meat and vegetarian options, as well as selling delicious cakes for very reasonable prices. Please support them.