2018 Vic MTBO SERiES #1

Paddy's Swamp, Winchelsea South

Saturday 12 May, 2018 – from 10am

Organised by Bayside Kangaroos Orienteers

Organiser: Heather Leslie Course setter: John Gavens.

For more info contact: Heather - 0418 875 200, lesgav@gmail.com or John – 0427 840 816, jjgavens@gmail.com

Location: The assembly area is along Coalmine Road, Winchelsea South.

Directions: Take the Princes Highway (toward Geelong), 115 km from Melbourne CBD, to Winchelsea. There are a few coffee shops in Winchelsea. Turn left onto the Winchelsea/Deans Marsh Road and travel 10 km (8 mins) toward Deans Marsh. Turn left at Colamine Road (unsealed) and travel 2 km (4 mins). Parking will be in the paddock on the right.

Coffee and wine tasting available at Goonans Wines on Winchelsea/Deans Marsh Road after the event!

Map: *Paddys Swamp* – Scale: 1:15,000, 5m contours.

The map was first used for the 2015 Australian MTBO Championships. The map has been updated for this event including new private land access.

NOTE: Fence crossings and indistinct tracks are marked with pink tape. ***Course 1 has the option of a short bike carry crossing off track which will be marked with pink tape***.

Entries: Enter online through Eventor. Online entries close at midnight Monday 7 May 2018.

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: 26.7 km – 17 controls

Course 2: 23.7 km – 15 controls

Course 3: 16.9 km – 10 controls

Course 4: 12.4 km –7 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 Paddy's Swamp picnic area (DELWP) and the Winchelsea South coalmines (private). The trails are a combination of single trail and bush tracks. Bush areas include sandy tracks with 'moguls' that vary depending on the weather. The coalmine includes complex track networks amongst significant erosion gullies. **Beware of steep erosion gullies.**

• Competitors need to be aware of trail bike riders using the forest trails.

• There is sporadic "no entry" signage but riders can enter these areas. There should be no other riders on the private land.

• Coalmine Road is out of bounds for competing riders. Paddy's Swamp Road is a public road that may bear traffic - appropriate care to be taken

• Thank you to the Sorensen's and Schultze's for allowing access to their land for the event. Thank you to Paul Parish for access to land for parking.

On the day

Registration opens at 9.30 am.

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

Start times: from 10.00am to 12 noon. Allowance made for any family groups needing more of an overlap in timing. Earlier starts may be possible.

The Start: is 50m 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. After finishing, please return along Coalmine Road 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 will provide assistance.

Important rules for the event:

Use mapped tracks only. Don't go through the bush (except as above)

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:

1-23

Control number

Control code