

## ENTRY INFORMATION

**Location:**

Bluff River, about 15km northwest of Buckland.

**Date:**

Sunday, 20 May 2018.

**Event Category:**

Statewide

**Event Series Information:**

OST (Orienteering Series Tasmania) event 7.

**About This Event:**

This is the seventh event in the statewide "OST" series with the usual 9 courses available. It is also the second selection event for the Tasmanian Schools team. It will be very exciting!

The area comprises private property and is characterised by mostly open-running forests (some parts a little slower than others), with some steep hills and (if you are very lucky or are running courses 8 or 9) some patches of open farming land. In 2014, when this map was last used, Mike Morffew described it succinctly as "open forest with spur gully terrain and areas of rocky ground". The map features many root mounds, none of which have been selected as control features. Sorry to all of you who grew to love these control sites recently at Curryjong Rivulet.

Beginners will be orienteering mostly in farmland. The moderate difficulty course will be largely in forest terrain.

**Classes & courses juniors should run for School Team selection at OST 7 Bluff River on May 20<sup>th</sup> 2018**

<b><i>Year of Birth</i></b>	<b><i>Age Group</i></b>	<b><i>Boys to select</i></b>	<b><i>Girls to select</i></b>
2000/2001	Senior Boys/Girls M/W 17-20	M16 (Course 3)	W16 (Course 4)
2002	Senior Boys/Girls M/W 16	M16 (Course 3)	W16 (Course 4)
2003	Junior Boys/Girls M/W 16	M14 (Course 7)	M14 (Course 7)
2004/2005	Junior Boys/Girls M/W 14	M14 (Course 7)	M14 (Course 7)

**Where is the Start?**

The turn off to the start is just west of the intersection of Cutting Grass Road (C317) and McConnors Road. The drive to the parking area from this turn off is about 1.5km along farm tracks.

From Hobart (about 1 hour, 63 km) drive to Runnymede. Turn left off the Tasman Highway onto Woodsdale Road (C312). After 10.3 km, turn right onto Levendale Back Rd (unsealed). After 5km, this joins Cutting Grass Rd (continue straight ahead in NE direction – do not turn left on Cutting

Grass Rd). Proceed a further 1.8km along Cutting Grass Rd (C317) and then turn right onto farm tracks for the last 1.5km.

From Launceston (about 2 hours 15 minutes, 162km), exit the Midlands Highway at Oatlands, turn off High Street onto the C312 and travel about 40km to Levendale on the C312. Turn left at Levendale onto Cutting Grass Rd (unsealed, C317). Follow Cutting Grass Road for about 6km and then turn right onto farm tracks for the last 1.5km.

GPS co-ordinates for entry gate <<-42.532272 147.623413>>

GPS co-ordinates for assembly area <<-42.5408004 147.635875>>

All courses have an easy (mostly downhill) 500m walk to the start. Allow sufficient time to get to the start (maybe 15 minutes).

### When Can I Start?

School students will be allocated start times from 10am, with 4 minute spacing. Start lists will be available on the website by Friday. Other people can start from 10:30am on the school selection courses (3,4 and 7) and from 10am on other courses. Last start is at noon. Starting as early as possible gives you more time to complete the course. We will do our best to be flexible to allow split start times if you have small people to care for

### When Do I Have To Finish?

You need to finish before the course is closed at 2:00pm. 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?

COURSE	NAVIGATION STANDARD	DISTANCE (approx.)	TARGET WIN TIME (min)	CLIMB (m)	AGE GROUP CLASSES
1	Hard	11.4 km	80 – 90	395	M21
2	Hard	8.6 km	65 – 75	305	W21 M17-20, M35, M40
3	Hard	6.9 km	55 – 65	230	W17-20, W35 M16*, M45, M50, M Open AS
4	Hard	5.4 km	55 – 60	140	W16*, W40, W45, W50, W Open AS M35-50AS, M55, M60
5	Hard	4.4 km	50 – 55	140	W35-50AS, W55, W60, W65 M65, M70

6	Hard (low impact)	3.2 km	45 – 50	85	W70, W75, W80+ M75, M80+ M/W Open A
7	Moderate	3.6 km	30 – 40	120	W14*, W16+B M14*, M16+B M/W Open B
8	Easy	2.3 km	25 – 30	85	W12, W14B M12, M14B M/W Open C
9	Very Easy	1.7 km	20 – 25	60	W10, W12B M10, M12B

**\*Please note:** In Eventor the classes M14, W14, M16 and W16 have been specially modified for this event to enable older competitors wishing to be considered for school team selection to enter these classes.

### Do I need an e-stick or P card?

All Tasmanian Orienteering clubs use the Sportident (SI) electronic punching system so an e-stick or a P card is required at all events. If you do not own an e-stick or P card, you can hire one for \$4 at the event. These are also available for purchase at most events.

### How Do I Enter?

Pre-entry via Eventor – Entries close at 11:59pm on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> of May, 2018. There will be a small selection of courses (at least Courses, 7 and 8) available for “enter on the day”. Newcomers may enter course 7 or 8 on the day of the event.

### How Much Does It Cost To Enter?

Event Fees	Adult	Adult	Youth or Concession	Youth or Concession	Family	Family
	Casual Member	Full Member	Casual Member	Full Member	Casual Member	Full Member
Orienteering Series Tasmania (OST) event	\$16	\$10	\$8	\$5	\$40	\$25

### Contact Information

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### Who are the Course Planners and Course Controllers?

Course planner is Matthew Cohen. Jemery Day is the fat controller. All complaints on the day to be delivered to Jemery, but politely please. All compliments may be directed to Matt. Best to make these polite too.

We hope to have some on the day helpers (to be confirmed) – feel free to be polite to them as well.

### **Which Map Is Being Used?**

Bluff River Vista (Mike Morffew 1998 – based on a 1982 map – some updating by Mike Morffew May 2014). All courses use a 5m contour interval.

Course 1 and 2 will use 1:15,000 scale. Courses 3 to 9 will use 1:10,000 scale.

### **Information for Newcomers**

Newcomers are encouraged to come along and give bush orienteering a try. Wear comfortable clothing and foot wear suitable for walking or running; bring warm clothes and wet weather gear in case the weather is inclement. Long pants are a good idea if you plan on doing a course that takes you off tracks and through the bush. When you arrive at the event come to the registration desk and let the organisers know you are new; an experienced member will help you through the registration, start and event procedure.

For OST events newcomers may enter on the day at the event, to do either course 7 (moderate navigation) or course 8 (easy navigation). If you enter via Eventor enter class M/W Open B for course 7 (moderate navigation) or class M/W Open C for course 8 (easy navigation).

General information for newcomers is available on the website under <https://tasorienteering.asn.au/index.php/get-involved/about-orienteering>

### **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.

### **Any Food, Entertainment, Coaching or Other Special Attractions?**

The juniors (& their parents) will be running a fundraising BBQ, and will also have drinks and slices of yummy cakes for sale. We recommend the veggie burgers ensconced in a cheese toasty. Yummm! There will definitely be other special attractions, but you will have to come along to find out what they are! Go on, you know you want to come...

### **Carpooling Rendezvous Details for OST Events?**

If you have an empty seat in your car, please consider car-pooling. This should be fairly easy to self-organise - you can use the entry list on Eventor to search for other potential car poolers from your home area. If that is too hard, you can place a free advertisement in the weekly bulletin if you are looking to car pool. Email your advertisement to [bulletin@tasorienteering.asn.au](mailto:bulletin@tasorienteering.asn.au) before 5pm on Tuesday before the event. If that is also too hard, ask Jemery to help – occasionally he is actually quite helpful!