# VICTORIAN AUTUMN BUSH SERIES 5 – KOOKABURRA RISES Saturday 9 June 2018 MIDDLE DISTANCE

## Pre-entry via Eventor <u>http://eventor.orienteering.asn.au/Events</u> Entries close on Wednesday 6 June, 11:30pm

**Terrain**: Generally open runnable eucalypt forest typical of the Upper Loddon State Forest, with isolated rock features and good spur/gully navigation. Mostly smooth underfoot with minimal erosion or rocky ground. Competitors on XL and Courses 1-3 will cross Vaughan Springs Road; please take care and watch for oncoming traffic.

**Map**: "Kookaburra Rises" (formerly Wewak). A4, printed on Pretex (waterproof) paper. **Scale**: 1:15000 (XL courses); 1:10000 (all other courses)

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#### Arena: Hopkins Road, Glenluce

Parking, Toilets and Start/Finish are all close at hand. This Arena will also be used for the Victorian Relays the following day. Club tents and flags are strongly encouraged. Catering will be available (tbc).

## Driving directions:

**From Melbourne** take the Calder Freeway north. Turn off onto the C794 to Malmsbury. Turn left onto the C316 (Daylesford-Malmsbury Road). After approx. 4 km, turn right onto the signposted Vaughan Springs Road. Follow this for approx. 12 km (including a short stretch of gravel). Approx 1 km past DOXA camp, Vaughan Springs Road turns hard left and becomes Drummond Road; at this junction turn RIGHT onto the much smaller Hopkins Road (Orienteering sign). Follow this east for approx. 1 km, and park as directed on the left side of the road.

**From Ballarat** travel to Daylesford, then take the C316 (Daylesford Malmsbury Road) to Vaughan Springs Road for approx. 27 km. Turn left, and proceed as above.

**From Bendigo** travel to Castlemaine, and continue to Campbells Creek. Turn left onto Campbells Creek-Fryers Road and travel for approx. 7 km. Turn right onto the Vaughan-Chewton Road, then after 1 km, turn left onto the Drummond-Vaughan Road. Follow this for approx. 5 km. Please slow down after crossing the second bridge on the gravel section. Just after crossing Middleton Creek, turn hard left onto Hopkins Road, which comes off a sharp uphill bend. Follow this east for approx. 1 km, and park as directed on the left side of the road.

**Overnight**: there is a wide range of accommodation in nearby towns, including camping at Vaughan.

**Sportident** electronic timing will be used for all courses. Live results will be presented on screens, courtesy of Jim Russell. Sportident timing devices may be loaned from Registration.

**Entry fees:** OV members - adult \$20, junior \$10. Nonmembers – adult \$30, junior \$15. Enter on the day is available on Courses 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, and the XL courses. A \$2 administration fee applies.

| <b>Registration:</b> | between 10.30am – 1.00pm   |
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| Start times:         | between 11.00am – 1.30pm   |
| Courses close:       | 3.30pm SHARP, so please ensure you start early enough to complete your course. |





**Courses**: refer to table below for course lengths. You can enter any course, regardless of age. Please read the brief guide below, and select a course that matches your experience and ability.

- Courses 1-4 Hard navigation and physically hard; best suited to experienced participants
- Courses 5-6 Hard navigation but physically easier; best suited to experienced participants who may be less agile but still looking for a high level of mental challenge
- Course 7 Moderate navigation; best suited to less experienced participants who are confident enough to leave tracks and use contour features
- Courses 8 and 9 Easy and Very Easy navigation, ie following tracks or taped routes; best suited to beginners and young children

Special "**Extra Long**" courses are offered at this event, for those looking to go the extra distance! Note course closure time of 3.30pm – please allow sufficient time to complete your course.

- XL Men 15 kms
- XL Women 10 kms
- XL Power Walkers 6 kms

| Courses    | Classes             | Navigational<br>Difficulty | Physical<br>Difficulty | Course<br>Lengths |
|------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Extra Long | XL Men              | Hard                       | Hard                   | 14.9              |
| Extra Long | XL Women            | Hard                       | Hard                   | 9.7               |
| 1          | Open, Power Walkers | Hard                       | Hard                   | 6.0               |
| 2          | 2 Men, 2 Women      | Hard                       | Hard                   | 4.9               |
| 3          | 3 Men, 3 Women      | Hard                       | Hard                   | 4.5               |
| 4          | 4 Men, 4 Women      | Hard                       | Hard                   | 3.4               |
| 5          | 5 Men, 5 Women      | Hard                       | Easier                 | 3.0               |
| 6          | 6 Men, 6 Women      | Hard                       | Easier                 | 2.4               |
| 7          | 7 Men, 7 Women      | Moderate                   | Moderate               | 3.5               |
| 8          | 8 Men, 8 Women      | Easy                       | Easy                   | 2.3               |
| 9          | 9 Men, 9 Women      | Very Easy                  | Very Easy              | 1.7               |

## **COURSE INFORMATION**

Our thanks to Parks Victoria and DEWLP for land access; and to Central Highlands Orienteering Club for use of the map. This special weekend is proudly brought to you by Dandenong Ranges Orienteering Club and Melbourne Forest Racers, and we also thank Mark Hennessy (course planner and instigator), and Rob Edmonds (event advisor) for their time, care and effort.