

# **Tewantin MTBO** State Series Round 5

#### **Ringtail State Forest**

#### Sunday 8.00 am, 22nd July 2018

Thank you all for your entry into the State Series Event No 5. These are your Final instructions.

## **Event Location**



#### From

<u>Brisbane:</u> Allow 2hrs from Brisbane CBD to Assembly Area. Travel north on the Bruce Highway and take Cooroy exit. Go past Cooroy Golf Course and turn right over the railway line. Just past Cooroy station, turn right onto Cooroy Noosa Rd and proceed 13km towards Tewantin. Take the 1st exit at the 2nd roundabout onto Butler St. 250m left at roundabout onto McKinnon Dr. Proceed 11km to Assembly Area

<u>Sunshine Coast:</u> Easiest explanation is to click on Google Map link above as it will depend on where on the coast you come from.

# Park as directed, and as economically as you can!

#### Courses

Line Courses. Visit controls in the order they are marked on your map.

Course 1 – ~ 20.3km – 15 controls. M21, Long. Course 2 – ~18.1 km– 13 controls. W21, M20, M40 Course 3 – ~14 km – 11 controls. W40, M50, Medium Course 4 – ~11 km – 10 controls. W20, W50, M60, Course 5 – ~ 8.9 km – 9 controls. W16, W60, W70, M16, M70, Short

**Score Courses.** You accumulate points for the controls you choose to visit. The point value is calculated by taking first digit of control number and multiply by 10. Eg Control 57 is worth 50 points, control 78 is worth 70 points etc.

3hr Score – 30 controls available over 2 maps.

Recreational Score - 20 controls available

The area is generally quite flat so climbs have not been calculated or published.

### Registration

Registration will open at 8.00am. Please make sure that all outstanding monies have been paid prior to the event. **Correct change would be greatly appreciated. ALL** competitors are required to go to registration. Your entry details will be confirmed. If you **own** an SI stick **bring it to registration** so that the number can be checked. You will be issued with an SI stick and/or mapboard if hired.

# Instruction Videos for Novices

Have a look at these 3 short Youtube videos. Basic instruction will also be available if needed, just ask the officials.

Video 1 Note that the SI (sport Ident) stick he attaches to his bike, can now be on your finger

Video 2

Video 3

#### MAP

Dirt tracks

Overgrown

Map size is A4 for all courses. Map Scale is 1:15000 with a contour interval 5 metres.

For the 3hr Score, riders will be given 2 maps at the start. Start on Map A. Map B is ONLY available at 10:00am (after 90mins) or after you have punched all 15 controls on Map A. Split times will confirm you have followed the rules.

There is at least one path graded difficult riding, which is taped. This is to provide a route choice.

Please be careful to ensure you punch the correct control by checking the number! Always be aware of riders coming in the opposite direction.

# MAP SYMBOLS

The event map may not have all these symbols on it

High tower	
Water body	
Building	
Major power lines	
Uncrossable pipeline	
Contour/Index contour	
Watercourse	$\bigcirc$
Open Land with scattered trees (rideable)	Control Point 31
Out of bounds '////////////////////////////////////	Start
Open Land (rideable)	Finish
High fence	0
Low fence	Water tank O
Obstacle/gate	
Forbidden Route	
Track gradings.	
fast medium	slow difficult
Bitumen road	
Dirt roads	

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There are **Bees** on the course. The location of the hives are shown on the map. See notes under Safety.

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# **Clear and Check**

For SI8-11 (traditional punching SI), you will be directed through a clear & check area before you reach the start. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure they have correct SI stick and that it is cleared before they start.

For SIAC (SI Air), procedure is as above, ie punch Clear and Check. Your SIAC radio should be turned on by the Check control. It needs to be on if you want to be able to register your punch by waving at the control, not punching. If your radio isn't on, you will not hear a confirmation beep/flash from your stick and you will need to physically punch the control. To confirm it's on, "wave" your stick within 30cm of the SIAC Test Control and this should give you the confirmation beep/flash from your stick. This control does not get recorded on your stick nor does it initiate a "Start" of your run; it is just a check that the radio is on and working. Start Officials should direct you here.

Further SIAC information is available at the event page in Eventor (HERE)

#### Start

The **3Hr Score event competitors** will be given maps at 8.25. You can then attach the map to your mapboard and plan your course. You have a mass start at 8.30. **NO NEED TO PUNCH YOUR SI.** 

For all other competitors, starts are available from 8.40, and you will follow this Start process. Two minutes before you start, you will be able move into the start lanes. At 1 minute, you can collect the map for your course and fix it to your map board etc. You can look at your map while doing this. At end of the series of beeps, you must punch **(SIAC must also Punch, not wave)** the "START" control at the end of your lane and move forward immediately as there will be riders behind you wanting to start.

After you have started, you cannot ride back through the START and pre-start area.

#### Finish

At the finish for **ALL COMPETITORS**, punch or wave at the "**FINISH**" control and make your way to the finish tent to have your SI stick downloaded. For SIAC users, your SIAC will now be in sleep mode but will still work at the download desk.

# FOR SIAC users, avoid coming within 5m of the Finish control during your race as this will send your SIAC to sleep and it will not work unless woken up again.

For the **SCORE** courses, for every minute or part thereof you are back after scheduled finish of 11.30 you will have 10 points deducted. After 12.00 all points will be deducted and you will be disqualified **SO BE BACK BY 11.30**.

If you have a hired SI stick, we will retrieve this from you. Results will be immediately available via TV monitor. Posted results will be preliminary, until all competitors are in and any protests are resolved. If you decide not to finish your course, you **must report** to the **finish tent** when you return to the assembly area **to avoid a search being mounted for you**!

# Safety

If you encounter an injured rider, you **MUST** abandon your course and render whatever assistance you can. Send another rider back to registration for assistance, if possible. You will be permitted restart from your last control preceding your abandonment.

Mobile phone coverage is available on course and assembly area. Bring your own medical items for pre-race treatments. A first-aid kit will be available in the assembly area for emergencies.

There may be dust and other road users especially 4WD's and motorcycles. You must obey all road rules and are fully responsible for your own safety.

Safety Bearing: Proceed east as McKinnon Drive runs the full length of the eastern side of the map.

**BEES.** There are some bee hives on the map. They are marked as out of bounds. We have had no problem, so ride past the hives on the track, do not disturb the hives, and you also should have no problem. But if you are allergic to bees, please take appropriate precautions.

# Course Closure

#### Courses closes at 12.00pm.

If you have not finished your course at this time, you must abandon your course and return to the assembly area as quickly as possible **AND REPORT TO THE FINISH TENT**.

#### Water

Everyone is urged to drink plenty of fluid before starting their ride. There is no water out on the course, so you must take all fluids you require for the event with you. Please bring your own water/fluid for use before and after the event. No water will be available in the assembly area until after the event at the BBQ (bottles).

#### Hazards

There is some lantana, however, it's not too bad on the tracks shown on the map.

Some of the recently logged sections have numerous small logs and exposed roots on new tracks. There are also possibly; potholes and/or logs in the grass, motorcycles, 4WD's, puddles, rocks, sand and mud. Be aware!

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# **Complaints and Protests**

Complaints must be lodged within 15 minutes of the last finisher in any class. Complaints must be made in the first instance verbally with the Event Organiser via the Registration Desk. The Organiser will assess the complaint and make a ruling. If the complainant is still dissatisfied, they may lodge a formal written protest with the Registration Desk. The Event Organiser will then appoint a three person jury to assess the complaint. The Event Organiser will chair the jury meeting but will not vote on the outcome. The decision of the jury will be final.

MTBO rules for this event can be found using this link <u>RULES</u>. The main MTBO rule is that you can ONLY ride on tracks (no cross country off track), or off track in an open rideable area, marked as such on the map, at the Finish. This is the only such area on the map. Riding off track or where not designated is a breach and can lead to disqualification.

For the 3hr Score, your points can be adjusted at any stage after the event, if it's discovered that you have visited controls on Map B before you are entitled to do so.

#### Catering

Bush toilets will be available near the assembly area. A sausage sizzle and cool drinks will be available for sale at the registration / parking area.

# **Control Collection**

Many hands make light work. The organisers for this event would very much appreciate it if competitors could provide some assistance after the event collecting controls. If everyone assists by collecting the controls from within one small "region" of the map we will have them all in very quickly. **Please don't be shy in volunteering for this activity!** 

# Anything Else?

Then contact Mark Petrie via email <u>sunshineorienteering@gmail.com</u> or 0429-899928