

2018 Albury-Wodonga Club MTBO Championships and 2018 Vic MTBO Series # 4

Eldorado

Sunday 9th September 2018 – 10:00am



- Organiser:** Rick Armstrong. Ph. 0417 562 321 or Rickarm@hotmail.com
- Location:** Eldorado township. Eldorado has a tavern and store where you can purchase coffee and food. Toilets in park opposite store.
- Directions:** **From Beechworth** take the Beechworth- Wangaratta for about 20km, turn right into Eldorado-Tarrawingee Road for about 10km. At the store/park in Eldorado turn right into Woolshed Rd, follow 600 metres to Colin Angus Drive for 200 metres to the assembly area.
From Albury take the Carraragamunggee/Eldorado exit and follow for 8.3km, turn left into Wangaratta-Eldorado road and follow about 5km into Eldorado, This Road becomes Woolshed Road at the store/park, follow as above.
Easier still enter 19 Colin Angus Drive Eldorado into Google maps and follow directions!
- Map:** *Eldorado* – 1 : 10 000 with a 1:5000 enlargement of a very complex area. A3, 10m contours. Map recently updated.
- Entries:** Enter online through Eventor – entries close midnight 5th September.
Fees: OV members \$20 adult, \$10 junior. Non members \$30/\$15.
Enter on the day for locals only. If planning to enter on the day, please advise organiser prior so that we print the correct number of maps.
- Courses:** Course 1: 24km, 20 controls, 260m climb
Course 2: (Albury Wodonga Male Club Championship) 19km, 18C, 210m
Course 3: (Albury Wodonga Female & Junior Club Championship) 15km, 15C, 170m
Course 4: 10km, 12C, 120m,
Score Course – 2 hours – any controls, any order (**must start by 11.30am**)
- Mapnotes:** The area features urban streets and paths and grassed laneways. There is one small complex area with many four wheel drive roads, open yellow areas and numerous trail bike tracks. The tracks are soft and gravelly, with many small pools of water.
C1 and C2 have route options that involve crossing fords on Woolshed creek. These fords are currently around 15 cm deep, but an update will be given prior to the event. Riders on these courses should be prepared to get wet feet.
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- Timing:** SportIdent timing will be used. Many of the controls will be locked onto trees for security reasons. Loan SI sticks available.
- Start times:** Between 10.00am and 11.30am (*some allowance for family groups*).
Course closure – 1.30pm.
- New to MTBO?** Assistance provided – please ask at registration. Loan mapboards available.

COURSE SETTER'S NOTES

Welcome to these events, I hope you enjoy the challenge. The map is A3 @ 1:10000, with an enlargement of a complex area @1:5000. The control locations on the enlargement have been hand drawn on the map. I have set the courses so each course except C4 passes through the complex area twice. You will therefore need to fold your map several times during the event. The map is on waterproof paper.

To achieve maximum complexity for the event we have mapped some minor tracks and grassy rides shown dark yellow. In locations where I think you might have problems following a minor track I have flagged the route. However I have not flagged the start and end of these tracks, but have raked and/or placed sticks to identify the junctions. Some rideable routes shown dark yellow are not obvious on the ground. Where they follow a "handrail" such as a fence line they have not been flagged, otherwise they are flagged.

Obstacles you may encounter are a few gates and 2 fords across Woolshed Creek. Please leave the gates as you find them, either pass through and shut the gate behind you, or climb over if locked. (Unlikely). The fords provide route options on C1 & C2. The western most ford is breaking up and has some deep drop offs. The creek is likely to be low and clear so these should be plainly visible. I expect the water at the fords to be about 10-15cm deep.

This area is heavily used by trail bike riders and also horse riders to a lesser degree. Visibility on the single tracks is fairly good so you should be able to avoid them. As a consequence of the trail bike use many of the single tracks are loose gravel so I recommend using a lower tyre pressure to assist with traction.

There is a tavern/store in the centre of Eldorado, about 600 metres from the assembly area where you can purchase food, coffee etc. Toilets are located in the park opposite the store. Warm up is along Woolshed Road between the assembly area and the park ONLY.

Rick Armstrong