

# Final Bulletin State Leagues #13 and 14 18 and 19 August 2018



## General Information for both State League Events

**Start:** Each day there will be only one start. We will be operating a **queuing Start** – there will be no timed start lists – please come to the start when you ready, clear and check and then queue for the next available space. **Note:** Your course number may be different on Saturday and Sunday, it is your responsibility to know which course you are running each day.

Competitor's start times will be at 2 minute intervals. At the front of the queue your name and SportIdent number will be checked off. 4 minutes before start you can collect your control descriptions. 2 minutes before your start move up to the map boxes and await the start beep. It will be a punching start on both days.

**Safety:** We strongly recommend bringing a thermal top/warm clothes to run in, in case of the unlikely event of cold/wet weather. In the case of extremely bad weather, where we feel that conditions might impact on competitors' safety, we may refuse the start of competitors not dressed for the conditions.

Saturday we recommend taking a whistle with you out on the course. Sunday you **must** take a whistle with you. If injured, blow whistle 6 times, wait for 1 minute then blow another 6 times. If you hear a whistle blown, it is your responsibility to abandon your course and render assistance.

**Registration and First Aid**: Will be located at the Registration tent in the Arena. Registration is only required for those who are entering on the day. We will be manning any First Aid requirements with volunteers from within the orienteering community.

**Maps**: All maps will be printed on Pretex synthetic paper, which is waterproof and tear resistant. The maps have descriptions printed on the front, but there are no legends. There will be no map collection at the finish – please take responsibility for not discussing or showing your map to other competitors until they have finished.

**Control descriptions**: These will be printed on the maps and will also be available at the start. On the maps the control descriptions will be IOF for all Hard and Moderate courses, and English for Easy and Very Easy. Both IOF and English descriptions will be available at the pre-start for Moderate, Easy and Very Easy courses.

Electronic Punching: The SPORTident electronic punching system will be used.

It is the competitor's responsibility to clear and check their SI card before starting each day. The clear and check units will be at the start. If an SI unit fails, record your passage through the control by punching on the map using the back-up punch on the control stand.

**Note: SI air punching will not be supported**. If you have entered an SI air stick into Eventor for this event and have a non-SI air stick that you would prefer to use, contact the organiser with your name, class and preferred SI stick number.

**Finish**: All competitors are to report to the Finish, regardless of whether they complete their course or not **by course closure time**. After punching the Finish control proceed to the download tent and follow instructions.

eResults: Results will be available on Eventor.

**Water**: There will be water controls on the longer courses, marked on control descriptions. There will be water at the Finish on both days.

**Clothing return**: There will not be a clothing return on either day. If the weather is wet, garbage bags will be provided at the Start for you to place items in to keep them dry. Note that these items may not be returned to the arena until the Start has been closed.

**Catering:** Catering by the NSW Juniors will be available on each day.

**Enter on the Day (EOD):** courses on offer – Very Easy, Easy, Moderate and Hard (Course 5 Saturday and Course 6 Sunday) options, while maps last. To Enter on the Day, head to the registration tent in the Arena and they will help you.

#### Enter on the day entry fees

	Adults	Juniors	Sub-Junior	Family Maximum
Hard	\$24	\$15	\$12	\$63
All other	\$15		\$12	\$45
courses				

An additional fee of \$3 per person per event will apply for people who are not members of an orienteering club.

A discounted Hard course entry rate of \$15 for EOD will apply for Goldseekers Orienteering Club members who help out on the day.

SPORTident stick hire is \$4 per stick.

**Camping:** Camping is available at Ophir Reserve, close to Sunday's Event. Details at end of bulletin.



#### Saturday Timetable:

- 12:00 Registration opens at event Arena
- 12:30 Start opens
- 14:30 Start closes
- 16:00 Course closure

### Travel Directions: Kahli's Rocks West

From Bathurst, head west on Mitchell Highway for 17km (about 20 mins). The turn off into Kahli's gate, will be sign posted on your left. The gate will remain open during the event. Take care turning into the gate as the turn off is not easily visible. Any queuing to get through gate may cause traffic issues. If there is traffic congestion, continue further up the road and turn around and try again. **Do not queue into the main traffic lane.** 

From Orange, head east on Mitchell Highway for 37km (about 32 mins). The turn off into Kahli's gate is to the right and will be sign posted. Take care then crossing the highway. If there are fast cars travelling behind you and it is unsafe to cross the road, continue along the highway and turn around at a safe place. There are numerous driveways in which to turn around.

**Parking**: *Gold coin donation for landowner please*. Parking is on a flat open area 500m from property entrance. Park as directed.



**Arena**: Follow tapes from car park, it is 200 – 300m from the Parking downhill. The Arena is located in an open paddock area with some areas of shade.

Toilets: Toilets will be located close to the Parking, on the route to the Start.

**Start**: Start times are per timetable above. Follow taped routes from Arena and Parking, distances as above.

**Out of Bounds**: Note that the area downhill of the tapped route from the Arena to the Start, to the west of the fence and to the west of the car parking is out of bounds.

Out of bounds areas on the map are marked with pink stripe. Please respect adjacent landowners' wishes and do not pass into these areas.

Course closure: 4:00 pm (Make sure you start early if needed).

Mobile Phone coverage: There is some Telstra and Optus coverage around the arena area.



**Map:** Kahli's Rocks West, scale 1:10,000, 5m contour intervals. Originally mapped by Eric Andrews 1996.

This area is renowned for its granite rocky detail. The western area has rock clusters and is gently undulating ranging from open fast paddock to eucalypt forest with patches of slower running with low visibility.

The extent of the western area is marked on the previous map, available in Eventor.

**Taped routes**: The Easy and Very Easy courses have taped routes marked on their maps as a pink dashed line. The taped routes are recommended for the Very Easy course, but for Easy course

competitors they can be used as a track option. The taped routes will be marked in the forest with bright pink tape and will be a mostly a continuous length lying on the ground (like a track). The taped routes are not marked on Moderate and Hard course maps, though competitors may cross these tapes out in the forest on their courses.

**Map Flip**: There will be a map flip that will affect Hard courses 1 and 2 only. At the Start your map will be covered, with the first part of the course face down. Part 1, on one side of your map will show the Start triangle and the first part of the course. When the last control is reached on the map (there are no lines to more controls) turn the map over and continue the course. The last control point on side one, will be the first control on side two. The numbering is sequential. The map flip is also shown as a <0m> passage on the control descriptions.

### Course setter notes:

- While the rocky detail on the map is excellent, the vegetation though updated, is not clear everywhere on the map and it is best to use this as a general guide only.
- The courses are set so that competitors should only cross fences through open gates.
  There is a control at the fence crossing for all courses don't forget to punch as you pass through.
- There will be many controls out in the forest, some reasonably close. Check your control descriptions.
- In several places in the forest there is some old wire on the ground. Take care.
- There are a number of dams on the property, including one at the Arena. We ask parents to keep an eye on their children.

**Safety Bearing:** The safety bearing for all courses is north. In the bush paddock, head north then downhill to the gate with the control. Through the gate, follow the creek north till you see the taped route to the arena (if you miss the arena keep following the fence around and you will find the parking).

**Note:** Competitors will only cross fences at open gates, with controls. Any other fence crossings will take you off the map.

Course	Age class	Distance (km)	Climb (m)	No. Controls
Hard 1	M21A, M35A	5.1	140	24
Hard 2	M20A, M40A, M45A, M50A, M55A, W21A	4.5	115	24
Hard 3a	M16A, M60A, M65A, M70A, W16A, W20A, W35A, W40A	3.6	105	18
Hard 3b	W45A, W50A, W55A, W60A, M21AS, M35AS	3.6	80	19
Hard 4	M75A, W65A, W70A, M45AS, M55AS, W21AS, W35AS, W45AS, W55AS	3.0	60	16
Hard 5	M80A, M85A, W75A, W80A, W85A, M65AS, W65AS, EOD H	2.4	50	14
Moderate	M14A, W14A, M Open B, W Open B, M Junior B, W Junior B, EOD M	3.4	85	16
Easy	M12A, W12A, Open Easy, EOD Easy	2.4	65	12
Very Easy	M10A, W10A, M/W10N, Open Very Easy, EOD Very Easy	2.1	40	14

### **Courses/Classes:**

**Acknowledgements** We say a big thank you to our landholders John and Lesley Press - If you see them make sure you say hello and thanks.

NSW Stingers wish to thank everyone who helped make this event possible, either before or during the event, thank you. In particular a big thank you to Finish guru Ron Pallas and the Big Foot team, especially Andy Simpson, Jock Davis & the Freeman family for helping us with gear and logistics.

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### Sunday 19 August: NSW State League #14

**Organising Club:** Goldseekers Orienteering **Event Controller:** Terry Bluett **Organiser:** Anna Fitzgerald **Course Planner:** Charles Keir

Sunday Timetable:

9:00	Registration opens at event Arena
9:30	Start opens
11:30	Start closes
13:00	Course closure

### Travel directions: Ophir South

From Bathurst, drive towards Orange on Mitchell Highway, taking the Northern Distributor road to the right, soon after leaving Lucknow, prior to entering Orange itself. Turn right at the roundabout onto Ophir Road and then after 3.2 kms take the right hand turn into Banjo Paterson Way. Follow Banjo Paterson Way for 19.5 kms (this will turn into Lewis Ponds Road). The last 6km will be on gravel. The parking area will be sign posted on the left. Travel time about 1 hour.

Note: There are several other roads to Ophir from Bathurst. These generally include more gravel and winding sections and haven't been included here.

From Orange, make your way to Ophir Road, take the right hand turn onto Banjo Paterson Way and follow instructions as above. Travel time about 30 mins.

**Parking:** *Gold coin donation for Ophir Trust please*. The main parking will be sign posted on the left hand side of the road. Park as directed. If the main parking area should fill up, a supplementary parking area will be sign posted 500m back along the road towards Orange. **Do not park along the side of the main access road.** Take care and look out for cars when walking from the overflow parking back to the event.



**Arena**: Follow tapes from the Parking downhill to the Arena. The Arena is located in an open paddock with some small areas of shade. You will pass the turn off to the Start on the way to the Arena.

**Toilets:** Toilets will be located close to the Parking, on the route to the Arena.

**Start**: Signs and streamers show the way from the Parking and also from the Arena. Start times per Sunday timetable.

**Out of Bounds**: If approaching the event from the camping area to the north, either side of Lewis Ponds Road is out of bounds until you reach the Parking area. The forest either side of the track from Parking to the Arena and the Start are out of bounds.

Course closure: 13:00 (1pm) (Make sure you start early if needed).

**Mobile Phone coverage:** There is very limited Telstra reception at the Parking area, there is no phone reception at the Start or Arena.



**Map:** Ophir South, 1:10,000 5m contour intervals, originally mapped by Eric Andrews, 1996. Updated by Tuve Moeller and Basil Baldwin 2018. Easy and Very Easy course maps are at 1:7,500.

The terrain is predominantly open eucalypt forest with rolling spur gully, and areas of detailed gold mining, steep rocky gullies, and rock detail.

The previous map is available in Eventor.

### Course setter notes:

- There are new areas of prospecting and digging in the area, in the form of new depressions, that have appeared since the area was remapped.
- The most dangerous pits and cliffs in the mining areas have permanent fences around them. However, there are many more pits, which are marked on your map. Take care.
- Whistles must be taken with you on your course. There are a limited number of whistles that can be borrowed from the registration tent.

Course	Classes	Approximate Distance (km)	Climb (m)	No. Controls
Hard 1	M21A	10.2	505	23
Hard 2	M20A M35A M40A	8.1	375	17
Hard 3	M45A W21A	6.9	350	16
Hard 4	M50A W20A W35A W40A W45A M21AS	6.5	340	15
Hard 5	M16A M55A M60A M65A W50A M35AS	5.0	270	15
Hard 6	M70A W16A W55A W60A M45AS W21AS EOD Hard	4.3	195	12
Hard 7	M75A W65A W70A M55AS W35AS W45AS W55AS	3.8	180	10
Hard 8	W75A W80A M80A W85A M85A M65AS W65AS	2.4	110	7
Moderate	W14A M14A W Junior B W Open B M Junior B M Open B EOD Moderate	3.6	200	14

### **Courses/Classes:**

Lasv	M12A W12A M/W Junior Easy M/W Open Easy, EOD Easy	2.1	70	10
Very Easy	M10 W10 M/W10N, EOD Very Easy	1.7	50	12

### Acknowledgements

We say a big thank you to our landholder, Ophir Trust

I would like to thank all the great club members who have given their time and hard work to make this event happen – Go Team ©.

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### Ophir Camping:



Camping is available at the Ophir Reserve, on the scenic banks of Summer Hill Creek. Steel picnic tables, barbecue facilities and a toilet block are available.

Camping costs \$10 per car or camp site. Camping fees help with the maintenance and upkeep of the Ophir Reserve, which is administered by volunteers. Camping fees can be paid at the honesty box on site, to one of the Ophir Trust

Members if they visit, or purchased at Orange Visitor Information Centre, Byng Street, Orange (ph: 1800 069 466).

Camping is accessed from Banjo Paterson Way (which turns into Lower Lewis Ponds Road), off Ophir Road, 25km from Orange.

Note: the area outside the campground, either side of the access road to the south, is out of bounds prior to your start.