



Presents

**THE VICTORIAN PRIMARY SCHOOLS
ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018**

EASTERN ZONE

Friday 2nd November
Cardinia Reservoir Park
Emerald

WESTERN ZONE

Friday 16th November
Hawkestone Park
South Morang

Event Information
with Registration *and* Tax Invoice Form

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Event Information

DATES, TIMES AND LOCATIONS

Eastern Zone

Friday 2nd November, Crystal Brook Picnic Area, Cardinia Reservoir Access Road, Cardinia Reservoir Park, Emerald

Entries close: 3pm Wed 10th October 2018

Western Zone

Friday 16th November, Hawkestone Park, off Gordons Road, South Morang

Entries close: 3pm Wed 24th October 2018

START TIMES: Students will start at 1 - 2 minute intervals, starting at 10.30am.

FINISHING TIME: The Award Presentation will be held at approximately 1.30pm

ENTRIES

Entry Categories	YEAR	Girls		Boys	
	6 (3.0km)	Girls solo		Boys solo	
		Girls pairs	Mixed pairs	Boys pairs	
	5 (2.5km)	Girls solo		Boys solo	
		Girls pairs	Mixed pairs	Girls pairs	
	4 (2.0km)	Girls solo		Boys solo	
		Girls pairs	Mixed pairs	Girls pairs	
	3 (1.5km)	Girls solo		Boys solo	
		Girls pairs	Mixed pairs	Girls pairs	

All courses are of 'easy navigation' difficulty: Courses are set along handrails such as tracks and fences. Controls are located either on or adjacent to handrail features. Grade 5 and 6 students are provided with route choice challenges: "will I take the short track that goes over the hill, or the track that goes the long way around the hill?"

"Pairs" age classes are provided to encourage and support less confident students.

Each student may only enter ONE category

Entry Procedure:

1. Complete the VPSOC 2018 **Tax Invoice & School Registration Form**
2. Complete the VPSOC 2018 **Entry Form** excel (.xls) spreadsheet detailing ALL of your entries
3. Forward all files via email to the event coordinator:

Rob Fell rob@vicorienteering.asn.au **0428 358 588**

Example Entries Spreadsheet

First name (or first member of the pair)	Surname (or second member of the pair)	School	Age Class*	Opt-out of Photos and publishing (write 'X' if you do not want OV publishing results photos or film of this student)
Cathy	Freeman	Brae	Girls 6 Solo	
Herb Elliott	John Landy	EPS	Boys 3 Pairs	X

Late entries will not be accepted

PAYMENT POLICY

- ALL payments – for the Championships are to be made to Orienteering Victoria preferably by direct-debit.
- If paying by cheque: Please make your cheques payable to 'Victorian Orienteering Association'
- Payment must reach the office of Orienteering Victoria at least one week prior to the championship. No late payments or on the day payments accepted.
- Payment is charged according to the number of students entered. If not all students entered attend on the day, you are still required to pay the full cost – due to Orienteering Victoria incurring 'on costs'.
- No refunds or reimbursement.
- REMEMBER – NO PAYMENT, NO MAPS, NO START.

MORE INFORMATION

In the week before the Championships, schools will be emailed a detailed program containing travel directions, final event information, a full start-time list and a blank copy of the map (for familiarization).

Pre-Marked maps are given to the students as they start their course. For any further enquiries, please contact your event co-ordinator.

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AWARDS

Presentation of awards will commence at 1:30pm

Placings in each age category
Best school in each year level
Best Overall School Trophy
Best government school
Best small school up to 15 students
Best Medium School 16-30 students
Best Co-educational school
Best Girls School
Best Boys School

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

"My teaching schedule is tight - will I be required to do much preparation for the day?"

All orienteering requirements will be prepared by Orienteering Victoria. This includes allocation of start-times, preparation of competition maps, control descriptions and results. Your responsibility is to enter your students and then get them safely to and from the event! Familiarisation with the map and basic orienteering procedures will assist your students in approaching the day confidently.

"What are the basic map reading skills required?"

Students should know how to orientate their map to north. Know that the triangle shows them the START and the double circle the FINISH. The controls are found in the centre of the circle drawn on their map. Controls must be visited in order.

"What happens on the day?"

Each student is allocated a start-time. At their appointed start-time, students use their pre-marked map to navigate to all the control points in sequential order until they reach the Finish. Based on previous Championships, teachers can expect most students to complete their courses in 45-75 minutes. Results for each student is calculated and then displayed.

"Will there be presentations?"

The Award Presentation will be held at approximately 1.30pm.

1st, 2nd and 3rd place-getters in each age category will be presented with an award.

There is an award "Best School" (overall), as determined by points which are allocated to the top ten place-getters in each age category.

"Can I take photos of my students?"

You are welcome to take photos of your own students on the day (assuming you have received permission from parents and guardians). Orienteering Victoria may take photos or video of competitors to be published on the OV web page and in the media to celebrate their achievements.

OV will publish the names of individual place-getters with their school names on the OV web site.

If you wish to have a student's name and/or images withheld you can inform OV via the column provided on the entry form (excel spreadsheet). This is an opt-out process as is consistent with School Sport Victoria policy.

EXCITING CHANGES COMING IN 2019

In 2019 Orienteering Victoria will be expanding its school's championships fixture into a more traditional school-sport model. Students will compete in a zone championship where the top competitors will be invited to compete at the state championships. Competitors who continue to excel will then be selected to compete for Victoria at the Australian Schools Orienteering Championships. In addition, age categories will be reduced to reflect our traditional competition classes (and be consistent with other school-sports). Ideally this model will see students initially competing against local and familiar schools within their area, with staff and parents being able to engage directly with local clubs and coaches for support.

Pairs categories will only be available at the zone level and will not proceed to state championships.

2019 Schools Orienteering Championships Dates

TERM 1 2019

Feb – March Inter-school park and street orienteering challenge – more information will be available closer to the date

TERM 2 2019

Week 3 – **Friday 10 May** - Mandurang Forest – Mandurang

Loddon Mallee Secondary Schools Orienteering Championships hosted by [Bendigo Orienteering Club](#)

Week 4 – **Wednesday 15 May** – Yellowgum Park - Plenty

Northern Metro Secondary Schools Orienteering Championships hosted by Melbourne Forest Racers and [Nillumbik Emus Orienteering Club](#)

Week 4 - **Friday 17 May** - TBA

Southern Metro Secondary Schools Orienteering Championships hosted by [Victorian Amateur Radio Direction Finding Group](#) and [Bayside Kangaroos Orienteering Club](#)

Week 5 - **Wednesday 22 May** - The Tye Estate – Romsey

Western Metro Secondary Schools Orienteering Championships hosted by Central Highlands Orienteering Club and [Tuckonie Orienteering Club](#)

Week 5 - **Friday 24 May** - Westerfolds Park - Templestowe

Eastern Metro Secondary Schools Orienteering Championships hosted by [Dandenong Ranges Orienteering Club](#) and [Yarra Valley Orienteering Club](#)

Week 8 – **Friday 14 June** - Kurrajong Plantation – You Yangs Regional Park

Victorian Secondary Schools Orienteering Championships

TERM 3 2019

Week 4 – **Friday 09 August** - Lysterfield Lake Park - Lysterfield

Victorian Schools Mountain Bike Orienteering Championships

TERM 4 2019

Week 3 – **Friday 26 October** - Castlemaine Botanic Gardens - Castlemaine

Loddon Mallee Primary Schools Orienteering Championships hosted by [Bendigo Orienteering Club](#)

Week 4 – **Wednesday 31 October** - Darebin Parklands - Northcote

Northern Metro Primary Schools Orienteering Championships hosted by Melbourne Forest Racers and [Nillumbik Emus Orienteering Club](#)

Week 4 - **Friday 2 November** - Dandenong Police Paddocks Reserve – Endeavour Hills

Southern Metro Primary Schools Orienteering Championships hosted by [Victorian Amateur Radio Direction Finding Group](#) and [Bayside Kangaroos Orienteering Club](#)

Week 5 – **Friday 9 November** - Hanging Rock Reserve - Woodend

Western Metro Primary Schools Orienteering Championships hosted by Central Highlands Orienteering Club and [Tuckonie Orienteering Club](#)

Week 6 – **Wednesday 14 November** - Maroondah Reservoir Park - Healesville

Eastern Metro Primary Schools Orienteering Championships hosted by [Dandenong Ranges Orienteering Club](#) and [Yarra Valley Orienteering Club](#)

Week 8 – **Friday 30 November** - Brimbank Park – Keilor East

Victorian Primary Schools Orienteering Championships

2019 Inter-scholastic sprint orienteering challenge. More information will be available closer to the date.

Primary Championships age classes:

Year 3 / 4 Girls, Year 3 / 4 Boys, Year 5 / 6 Girls, Year 5 / 6 Boys.

District only: Year 3 / 4 Pairs, Year 5 / 6 Pairs

Secondary Championships age classes:

Junior Girls (15 and under), Junior Boys, Senior Girls (16 and over), Senior Boys

District only: Junior Pairs, Senior Pairs.