

Some 30 years ago, the Parawanga Pent-O was a regular annual event on the ACT orienteering calendar. It featured five very short courses, set by young juniors as an introduction to course planning. After a long break, the event is back on 24 March at Haig Park, Turner, using the new, very detailed map prepared by Tate Needham, which has every tree marked and classified, providing the opportunity for very fine navigation.

Location and Parking

The assembly area is adjacent to Masson Street, Turner, at the north end of Watson Street. There is some parking available at weekends on **some parts only** (check the signs) of the north side of Masson Street (including some small off-street car parks) but parking is prohibited on the south side of Masson Street. There is plenty of right angle parking along Watson Street (recommended), which is free at weekends. If parking in other streets, **check the parking conditions carefully** – these are variable and somewhat confusing in places.

Start Times

From 10 a.m. to 12 noon to enter and start your first course.

Courses

The following courses will be set, ranging in length from about 1 to 1.5 km, with the course planners as follows:

- Cross-country (normal) course – Tommi Haipola
- Score course – Owen Radajewski
- Line course – Makhaya Hogg
- Map memory course – Luca Hogg
- Window course – Ingrid Shelton Agar.

The overall Pent-O results are worked out using a points system, based on comparison with par times (or scores) set by visiting scholars, Saara and Fredo. For those who do not want to run all five courses, there is the alternative of a Tri-O, based on a similar system using three events. Or you can just run any of the courses that you choose.

Courses are of moderate (Orange) navigational difficulty, some being harder than others. An easy (Blue/Green) course will be set for beginners.

Map scale: 1:2500.

Pre-entry requested but optional

If you are planning to attend, it will assist the organisers if you [pre-enter using Eventor](#) but pay on the day (normal entry fees apply). It doesn't matter if you pre-enter then cancel. If you have not pre-entered, you can still enter on the day.

Further instructions will be provided on the day.

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