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**Preliminary Information Sheet
ACT League # 6 – 2 June 2019**

Important: Pre-entry and pre-payment through Eventor is required for all Red and Orange Classes. All enter-on-the-day competitors on the Blue and Green courses must check in with Registration (and pay the Entry fee) by 10.00 am; see more below.

Background

The Jim Sawkins Classic was created in 2008 to commemorate the life of Jim Sawkins, a stalwart of the Red Roos club. Jim began orienteering around 1980 and was a highly successful competitor winning many major titles including the 2005 and 2006 Australian 3-Days, the ACT Orienteer of the Year in 2005 and the 2000-01 Runners Shop Twilight Series. Jim Sawkins died while orienteering on Sunday 4 June 2006 at Goorooyaroo, after being the organiser and course planner at Farrer Ridge on the previous day.

The Jim Sawkins Classic includes a Handicap competition with two Divisions:

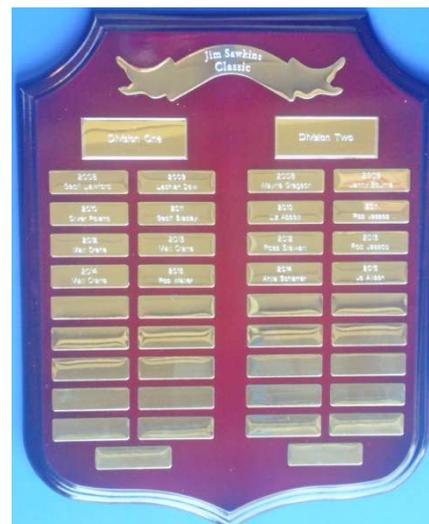
- Division 1, on ACT League course Red 1, an Open competition for all ages and both genders.
- Division 2, on ACT League other Red (Hard) courses, a Restricted competition for competitors of both genders, but only for Men aged under 21 and 35 and over and all Women.

Competitors' times are 'corrected' in accordance with the same Age/Gender factors used for ACT League and Runners Shop Twilight Series competitions to determine the winners. Thus competitors need to be sure that their correct age and gender are recorded in the Eventor.

After a few variable dates, the event has been assigned a relatively fixed date, the first Sunday in June, to coincide with the anniversary of Jim Sawkins' death.

The previous winners have been:

| Year | Division 1 | Division 2 |
|-------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2008 | Geoff Lawford | Wayne Gregson |
| 2009 | Lachlan Dow | Jenny Bourne |
| 2010 | Oliver Poland | Liz Abbott |
| 2011 | Geoff Stacey | Rob Jessop |
| 2012 | Matt Crane | Ross Stewart |
| 2013 | Matt Crane | Rob Jessop |
| 2014 | Matt Crane | Anita Scherrer |
| 2015 | Rob Walter | Jo Allison |
| 2016 | Zoe Melhuish | Jo Allison |
| 2017 | Grant Bluett | Zoe Melhuish |
| 2018 | Matt Crane | Ian Prosser |



The winners used to receive a suitably engraved memento, but from 2015 onwards the names of divisional winners have been engraved on a shield; see above photo.

Venue: The venue for the 2019 Jim Sawkins Classic (ACT League # 6) is Mt Jerrabomberra on the outskirts of Queanbeyan and Jerrabomberra.

Parking: Parking will be at *The Scar* car park on Southbar Road, Karabar about 1km from its junction with Lanyon Drive.

Map: *Mt Jerrabomberra*, prepared by Tate Needham, 2017. Scale 1:7500, 5m contours

Course Details [All maps will be printed on water-proof Monsoon paper.]

| Course | Distance (km) | Climb | Controls | Mass Start times # |
|----------|---------------|-------|----------|--------------------|
| Red 1 | 9.1 | 390 m | 26 | 10.15 |
| Red 2 | 7.8 | 310 m | 19 | 10.20 |
| Red 3 | 6.4 | 270 m | 13 | 10.25 |
| Red 4 | 5.0 | 190 m | 8 | 10.30 |
| Red 5 | 3.4 | 110 m | 8 | 10.30 |
| Orange 1 | 4.5 | 185 m | 14 | 10.35 |
| Orange 2 | 3.0 | 100 m | 9 | 10.40 |
| Green | 2.2 | 126 m | 10 | ## |
| Blue | 1.5 | 60 m | 7 | ## |

Green & Blue Course competitors may start any time between 10.00 am and 11.30 pm.

Split Start Times: Split Start times will be given to couples with young children and for whom one of the parents must be present to look after the children as no other option is available. The first competitor will be permitted to start from 10.00 am using a punching start and the second competitor will start as soon as the first competitor is available for child minding.

Pre-entry for all Red and Orange Courses: As all Red and Orange courses will have Mass Starts, at the times indicated above, all competitors wishing to compete in a class on those courses must enter through Eventor by 11.59 pm on Wednesday 29 May 2019. The event page is <https://eventor.orienteering.asn.au/Events/Show/7439> EOD entries will be available for classes on Green and Blue courses. No entries on the day will be available for Red and Orange course.

Assembly area, Registration (Payment) and Start: The Assembly and Registration will be adjacent to the car parking. Registration and payment procedures on the day will be:

- Enter-on-the-day competitors, complete a registration card to enable entry registration and pay their normal entry fee by 10.00 am.

Safety – Course Closure: Course closure time is 2.00 pm. Please report back to the finish by then even if you do not finish your course.

Enquiries. All enquiries should be directed to Bob Mouatt to email address robert.mouatt@netspeed.com.au or to mobile phone 0429 398 794.

Registering via Eventor: Competitors wishing to pre-register for the 2019 Jim Sawkins Classic should go to <https://eventor.orienteering.asn.au/Events/Show/7439> and click on Entry in the Entry box.