





SUNDAY 23 MARCH

KANGAROO CROSSING, ELDORADO

BULLETIN 2 – UPDATED

National Orienteering League event, World Ranking Event, Victorian Long Distance Championships for M/W21E and M/W17-20E

ENTRIES CLOSED ON 8 MARCH. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

In the unlikely event of a Total Fire Ban being declared for the North Eastern Fire District of Victoria for Saturday 22 March, this event and the accompanying public (State Series) event will be cancelled. For further information, see the notice at the end of this Bulletin.

Location

Access to the Kangaroo Crossing orienteering area is via the township of Eldorado, between Wangaratta and Beechworth in NE Victoria.

Options to get to Eldorado

- From Wodonga/Chiltern via the Hume Freeway: A road to Eldorado is signposted on the left 11.6 km south of the Springhurst turnoff/overpass on the Freeway.
- From Wangaratta: Take the road towards Beechworth to the village of Tarrawingee. From there, take the side road north to Eldorado.
- From Melbourne/places south of Wangaratta via the Hume Freeway: Bypass Wangaratta and take the Beechworth turnoff. Follow signs towards Beechworth to the village of Tarrawingee. From there take the side road north to Eldorado.
- From Beechworth, take the road towards Wangaratta. In Tarrawingee, take the side road north to Eldorado.
- Woolshed Road is signposted to Eldorado from the Beechworth-Chiltern Road. Woolshed Road crosses Reedy Creek at a ford and may be impassable if there has been recent heavy rain.

From Eldorado to event parking

From the centre of Eldorado (cnr Mackay St and Main St) go east on Main St (which becomes Woolshed Road) for 4.4km and then turn right into Masons Rd. After a further 2 km, turn sharp right off Masons Road into a bush track (O sign), keeping close to bush on right to avoid bottoming car on hump. Follow track 200m to farmland. Park as directed on slope beyond assembly area.

These narrow unsealed roads are likely to have other traffic so drive carefully.

Accommodation

Accommodation in the Yackandandah–Beechworth-Eldorado area may be difficult to find at this late stage with the Folk Festival taking place, but you can always try <u>www.beechworth.com.au</u> Other obvious possibilities are Wangaratta and Albury/Wodonga.

Map: *Kangaroo Crossing*. Scale 1:15,000; contour interval 5m. This was first mapped by Steve Key in 1983-84. Updated by Alex Tarr 2012. Drawn in OCAD by Alex Tarr.

The map will be digitally printed on plain, white paper. It will be A4 size and will be sealed in a plastic bag for protection. Control description sheets will be available at the pre-start 4 minutes before starting. Control descriptions will also be printed on the map.

Previous versions of the Alex Tarr re-map have been used at 1:10,000 and a copy of that map will be available on display at registration.

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Course	Class	Event	Distance (km)	Climb (m)	No of Controls
M21E	M21E	NOL, WRE, Vic Long	11.2	430	23
		Champs, WOC trial			
W21E	W21E	NOL, WRE, Vic Long	7.0	290	16
		Champs, WOC trial			
M17-20E	M17-20E	NOL, Vic Long Champs	7.1	320	15
W17-20E	W17-20E	NOL, Vic Long Champs	4.5	220	12

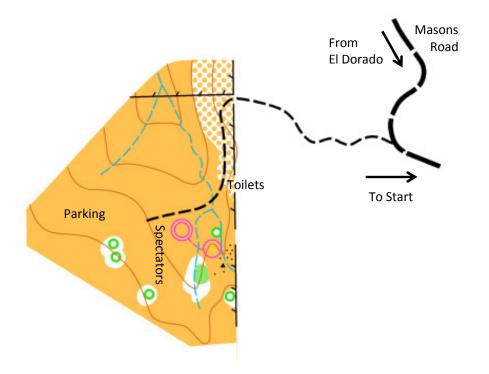
NOL/WRE Course Details (note changes to distances since previous bulletin)

Registration

Please report to Registration before proceeding to the start. Bring your SI stick for its number to be checked. At registration, complete a slip with your car registration and mobile phone number, to be handed in for safety purposes. Control descriptions and maps will be distributed at the start. Competitors are not required to wear chest numbers.

Assembly area and Parking

Please park as directed. Please respect this private property and the State Forest adjacent.



Start Times

NOL/WRE competitors will have set start times. These will be published on Eventor by 11 March, or as soon as possible thereafter. The start order for M/W21E will be in reverse ranking order based on IOF rankings where available (otherwise Australian rankings). M/W17-20E will be random order. First starts will be at 9am.

Start Procedures

The start location is approx 500 m from the Assembly area – return to Masons Rd following a taped route adjacent to the track you drove in on.

- At 4 minutes before your allocated start time, report to the start official. Enter the first box, 'check' your SI stick and collect your control descriptions.
- At 2 minutes before your start, step forward to the start line.
- At your start time, 'punch' the start control unit, *then* pick up your map and follow tapes approx 80m to the start triangle which will be marked by a control flag with no punch. You must pass through the start triangle.

Note that although it is a punching start, you MUST be at the Start by your published start time else you will not be able to start until there is a suitable vacant time, which is unlikely to be until after the last starter in your class. Late starters will be regarded as starting at their published start times.

Finish Procedure

On reaching the finish line, competitors must immediately punch the Finish control to register their finish time. Then proceed to the Finish tent to download your stick and receive your splits printout.

Courses close at 3pm. Controls will be brought in after that time.

Complaints & Protests

Any complaints should be made in writing to the organizer as soon as possible else they will not be considered unless there are exceptional circumstances that must be explained in the complaint. Any protests must be made in writing no later than 15 mins after the complainant has been informed of the decision about the complaint. The composition of the jury will be notified at the event.

Public Event

Victorian State Series Event 3 is being conducted in conjunction with the NOL/WRE event. They will use the 1:10,000 version of the map. For full information about this event, please refer to the separate Bulletin available on Eventor. Online entries for the State Series event have also closed but refer to the separate Bulletin about the possibility of late entries.

Start Times for the State Series courses will run from 10 until 1pm – though some classes will have a delayed start until after the NOL starts are completed.

Safety Issues

There are some high cliffs on the map, and the bare rock surfaces will be slippery if they are wet. Please take care.

The safety bearing is west to Masons Rd.

No naked flames will be allowed at this event. This includes the use of portable gas devices.

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Total Fire Ban is in force, check <u>http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/warnings-restrictions/total-fire-bans-and-ratings/</u>.

Event Officials

Organising Club: Yarra Valley Orienteering Club

Organisers: Christine Sinickas, Ruth Goddard

Course setters: Russell Bulman (NOL/WRE), Ted Van Geldermalsen (Vic State Series)

IT coordinator: Kathy Liley 042 9802 583. kliley@netspace.net.au

IOF Event Adviser: Chris Norwood

Landowner: Thanks to Rena Geroe for allowing us the use of her land for the assembly area and parking.