



Victorian Long Distance Champs

Sunday 22 September 2019

Chinaman Flat / Linton

Map: Chinaman Flat

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Terrain

The terrain is a mixture of challenging spur-gully and gold-mining. There are also some broader slopes with less detail. Vegetation varies from fast open forest to lower visibility (light green areas), bracken of varying runnability (green stripes) and blackberry and gorse (solid green). Short hard courses are suitable for less agile competitors (no steep erosion gullies) but are not flat. The area has not been used for several years and offers excellent long distance orienteering.

Thanks to Eureka Orienteers for use of the Chinaman Flat map. The map has been updated where necessary for vegetation and track changes. Maps will be SRA4 size printed on Pretex waterproof paper. A copy of the previous map is available for download from the event page on Eventor.

Course Details (lengths are approximate pending finalisation):

| Course | Scale | Championship Classes | Non-Championship Classes | Navigation difficulty | Length (km) | Climb (m) |
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| 1 | 1:15,000 | M21E | | Hard | 13.3 | 485 |
| 2 | 1:15,000 | M17-20A, M35A | M21A | Hard | 9.6 | 335 |
| 3 | 1:15,000 | W21E, M40A | | Hard | 8.4 | 315 |
| 4 | 1:10,000 | M45A, M50A | M21AS | Hard | 7.3 | 275 |
| 5 | 1:10,000 | W17-20A, W35A, W40A, W45A, M16A, M55A | W21A | Hard | 6.0 | 250 |
| 6 | 1:10,000 | W50A, W55A, M60A, M65A | M17-20AS, M35AS | Hard | 4.9 | 160 |
| 7 | 1:7,500 | W16A, W60A, W65A, M70A, M75A, | W17-20AS, W21AS, W35AS, M16AS, M45AS, M55+AS | Hard | 3.8 | 145 |
| 8 | 1:7,500 | W70A, W75A, W80A, M80A, | W16AS, W45AS, W55+AS | Hard | 2.8 | 75 |
| 9 | 1:7,500 | M14A | Long Open B | Moderate | 4.5 | 130 |
| 10 | 1:7,500 | W14A | Short Open B, Junior B | Moderate | 3.5 | 115 |
| 11 | 1:7,500 | W12A, M12A | Open Easy | Easy | 2.9 | 90 |
| 12 | 1:7,500 | W10A, M10A | M/W10N, Open Very Easy | Very Easy | 2.2 | 50 |

Directions:

From Sturt St in the centre of Ballarat take the Midland Hwy (A300) southwards towards Geelong. After approximately 3 km, at the second roundabout in Sebastopol, turn right onto the Glenelg Hwy (B160) and travel a further 29 km to Linton.

Just before the centre of Linton turn right into Grant St. After 500m, Grant St joins Clyde St and becomes Linton-Mortchup Rd. The arena and parking are a further 1 km along Linton-Mortchup Rd.

Park along the south side of the road either side of the arena.

Directions will be signposted from the junction of Glenelg Hwy (B160) and Grant St, in Linton.

Entries, fees and deadlines:

For the Victorian Long Distance Champs all competitors must pre-enter via Eventor. Entrants must be full financial members of Orienteering Victoria or another State or overseas association affiliated with the IOF, or a member of a school or association that is an Associate of Orienteering Victoria.

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| Entries by Fri 13 Sep, 11:59pm | 21 and over - | \$30 | Under 21 - \$18 |
| Late entries by Tue 17 Sep 11:59pm | 21 and over - | \$35 | Under 21 - \$23 |

A family maximum fee equivalent to two seniors and one junior is applied automatically by Eventor.

Members of overseas clubs enter on Eventor and select the service "Overseas Member" to offset the casual entry surcharge.

SI Stick hire - \$3.00 (select as a service when entering on Eventor).

The early closing date is to give organisers time to allocate and publish start times. These will be uploaded on Eventor asap after the late entry date (Tues 17 Sep).

Enter on the day

Enter-on-Day (EOD) with non-championship status will be offered on selected courses.

EOD Registration: 10.30am-11.30am. Choose from courses 4, 6, 8, 10, and 11, subject to map availability.

EOD Fees: adults \$20, juniors (<21) \$10

Sportident timing

Sportident electronic timing will be used with standard punching. SI units will be in normal (non-SI Air) mode. SI sticks may be hired for an additional \$3.00. Add as a Service when entering or hire one on the day for EOD.

Program:

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| 10.30am | First Vic Champs start |
| 11.30am | Last Vic Champs start, EOD starts available |

Start

The start is beside Linton-Mortchup Road approximately 350 metres flat walk northwest from the arena. Be at the start at least 3 minutes before your start time.

3 min – enter start and Check

2 min – collect control descriptions

1 min – stand beside maps

0 min – take map, follow tape to start triangle, and proceed on your course

Finish

All competitors must visit the finish and download their SI stick, even if abandoning their course.

Hazards and Safety

There are many deep mine shafts. Take care near these hazards. They are shown on the map with a black V. Mine shafts in the vicinity of control sites will be marked with red and white tape. Carrying a whistle is strongly recommended.

Drinking water will be provided at selected control sites as indicated in the control descriptions.

The safety bearing is **South** to Linton-Mortchup Road and then make your way to the event arena.

Course closure

All courses close at 2.30pm. Do not try and complete your course if it is after 2.30pm. Return to the arena and download your SI stick at the finish. Controls will be collected from 2.30pm.

Shadowing

Entrants in the M/W10N class may be shadowed. Parents who are competing must complete their own course first before shadowing an M/W10N entrant. Start times will not be pre-assigned for M/W10N entrants. They will use a punching start and can start at any time after all W10A and M10A competitors have started.

Classes W10A and M10A are championship courses and shadowing is not permitted. Competitors in these classes will have pre-assigned start times.

Presentations

The presentations will be conducted as soon as possible and are expected to take place at about 1.00pm. Presentations will be made to placegetters in each class (including non-championship classes).

Arena

The arena is a flat semi-open grass area on the north side of Linton-Mortchup road. Clubs are encouraged to set up tents beside the finish chute.

Basic first aid will be available at the arena.

The nearest medical facility is Ballarat Base Hospital, 1 Drummond St Nth; Phone: 5320 4000.

The Junior Squad will be providing snacks including hot toasties, cake, and drinks for event goers. Please support this junior fund-raising initiative.

Toilets

Trailer mounted Portaloos will be located adjacent to parking. Public toilets are available in Linton.

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