



SUNDAY 23 MARCH

KANGAROO CROSSING, ELDORADO

BULLETIN 2 – UPDATED

VICTORIAN STATE SERIES EVENT #3

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 Kangaroo Crossing orienteering area is via the township of Eldorado, between Wangaratta and Beechworth.

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 www.beechworth.com.au Other obvious possibilities are Wangaratta and Albury/Wodonga.

Map: Kangaroo Crossing.

This was first mapped by Steve Key in 1983-84. Updated by Alex Tarr 2012. Drawn in OCAD by Alex Tarr.

For Course 1: Scale 1:15000, contour interval 5m. A4 size, printed on paper and in a plastic bag

For Courses 2-6: Scale 1:10,000; contour interval 5m. Printed on pretex (waterproof) paper.

For courses 7 & 8: Scale 1:7,500; contour interval 5m. Printed on pretex (waterproof) paper.

Control description sheets will be available at the pre-start 2 minutes before starting. Control descriptions will also be printed on the map.

A copy of the previous 1:10,000 map will be available on display at registration.

Entries

Online entries closed on 8 March but further entries for State Series courses will be taken by email to Kathy Liley until 15 March: kliley@netspace.net.au Provide name, gender, year of birth, club, SI stick number, and Class to be entered. It will be possible to enter on the day on all State Series courses for an additional fee, while there are sufficient maps. Note that no late entries will be accepted for the NOL event.

COURSES/CLASSES

Note that courses 4 and 5 have been lengthened slightly since the first bulletin. These courses are mostly on a relatively open and less steep part of the map. Course 6 has been shortened slightly but will still present a good challenge to intermediate level orienteers.

State Series Classes

Course	Class	Nav Difficulty	Distance (km)	Climb(m)	No of controls	Map Scale
1	OV-M1, W1	Hard	11.2	430	23	1:15,000
2	OV-M2, W2	Hard	6.1	270	15	1:10,000
3	OV-M3, W3	Hard	4.5	220	12	1:10,000
4	OV-M4, W4	Hard	3.4	150	12	1:10,000
5	OV-M5, W5	Hard	2.4	100	11	1:10,000
6	OV-M6, W6	Moderate	3.1	130	13	1:10,000
7	OV-M7, W7	Easy	2.7	80	15	1:7,500
8	OV-M8, W8	Very Easy	2.1	60	10	1:7,500

Registration

Please report to Registration before proceeding to the start. Bring your SI stick for its number to be checked. Those who have pre-entered via Eventor should complete a slip provided at registration with your car registration and mobile phone number, to be handed in for safety purposes.

At Registration, you will get a Start Slip to take to the start which confirms your registration.

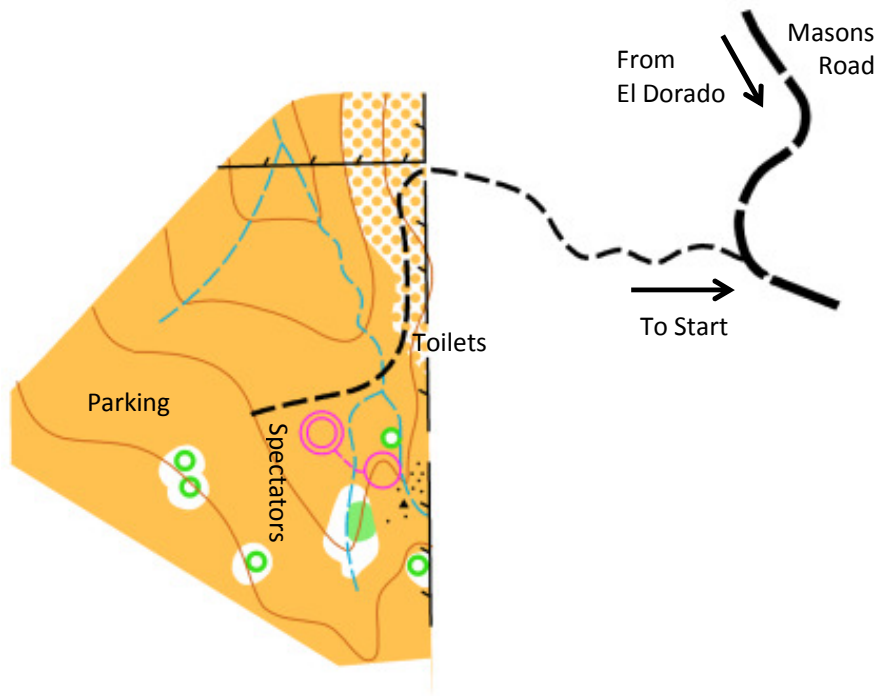
There will be no pre-set start times. Just turn up to the start and wait your turn for the next available start on your course. Control descriptions and maps will be distributed at the start.

If you have claimed a discount for financial membership of Orienteering Victoria, please check that you have indeed paid for your 2014 membership!

Anyone intending to Enter-on-the-Day will need to fill in full details on separate forms provided.

Assembly area and Parking

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



Start Times

Vic State Series classes can start from 10:00 until 1:00 pm EXCEPT that classes M1 and W1 will start from 10:10.

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

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.

- On arrival at the start, hand your Start Slip to the official.
- At 2 minutes before the next available start time for your course, enter the first box. Clear and 'check' your SI stick (so we know who is out in the forest) and collect your control descriptions and then step forward to the start line.
- At the start time 'punch' the start control unit, *then* pick up the correct map for your course 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.

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 SI stick and receive your splits printout.

National Orienteering League Event

Today's State Series event is being conducted in conjunction with a National League event which is also a World Ranking Event and WOC selection trial for the M/W21 competitors. And it is also the Victorian Long Distance Championships for M/W21E and M/W17-20E. These classes will have an ultra-long National League event on the day when the Victorian Long Distance Champs are conducted for other classes.

The NOL classes will start between 9 and 10am. No State Series competitors can start on Course 1, 2 and 3 until 10 minutes after the last NOL competitor starts.

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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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.