

Event Information - Siamese Strut OST 7, 27 Sep 2020

Location	Event Date	Event Category	Event Series
St Helens	Sunday 27 Sep 2020	OST	The Carnival That Never Was

COVID-19 Compliance

To comply with government regulations there are changes to the way orienteering in Tasmania takes place:

- You must enter using the online entry system [Eventor](#) by Friday 18 Sep.
- There will be no entry or payment on the day. If you turn up without pre-entering you will not be allowed to participate.
- Before you come, read the [COVIDSAFE Participant checklist](#).
- Bring your own water – no water will be available on the course or at the assembly area.
- Social distancing and a range of hygiene measures will be enforced.

If you have COVID-19 symptoms, have been in recent contact with a COVID-19 case, or have travelled overseas recently please stay home.

About This Event

Come and strut your stuff below the Siamese Race.

Strut v. – “To walk with **a vain, pompous bearing**, as with head erect and chest thrown out, as if **expecting to impress observers**.”

Does this sound like you?

The second event in The Carnival That Never Was is OST 7. This will be a great event to attend. You will be among the first to experience the **Siamese North** map, bordering the western edge of Golden Fleece. The map derives its name from the Siamese Tin Syndicate which built the mighty Siamese water race, high up on the southern edge of the current map. At up to 2m deep, the race was dug in 1932 by 100 workers and brought water from the Intake Bridge below St Columba Falls a surveyed distance of 45 km around the spurs to the map. It included a 1400 m long siphon pipe to span Terryvale Rd. and provided most of the water for the alluvial tin mining detail we see today on the Argonaut.

The terrain on Siamese North includes spur gully which is generally fast, open Eucalypt forest but with some steep slopes and some thick vegetation in gullies and marshes. Eroded tin mining areas are a feature. Part of the area of Golden Fleece and all of Siamese North has been cleared of thicker vegetation by a recent controlled burn while other parts (mainly on Courses 1 – 3) are thicker, with fallen timber making fast running more difficult.

Where is the Start?

From the centre of St Helens take the Tasman Highway 9.5 kms (10 mins) northwest towards Goshen. Look for the O signs on the left and slow down. The entrance starts as a minor track through the narrow roadside scrub onto the track along the power lines. Follow this track about 300m to a junction and turn left onto a major track heading south (uphill). The track is firm gravel although a little rough at the start. Drive carefully. The arena is approximately 500m from this junction.

The start is 350m from the assembly area.

For road safety reasons, when leaving the area, drive back to the junction and turn left. Follow the track along the power lines to an access point back onto the highway.

Note that there are other ways to exit the area, however these are not to be used as they enter the highway at blind corners.

When Can I Start?

You can start anytime between 9am and 11:30am. Starting as early as possible gives you more time to complete the course.

When do I Have to Finish?

You need to finish before the course is closed at 1pm. If you cannot complete your course in time you will need to abandon it and head back to the assembly area to arrive by course closure time.

Whether or not you have completed your course, you must download your SI at the computer, so that we know you have returned safely, and don't organise a search party for you. Also be aware that as soon as the course is closed, the organisers start bringing in controls.

Which Map is Being Used?

Map: Siamese North and Golden Fleece

Scale: 1:10 000

Contour Interval: 2.5 metres

What are the Courses?

Course	Navigation	Distance (Approx)	Number of Controls	Age Group Classes
1	Hard	10.6 km	22	M21
2	Hard	7.4 km	14	W21, M17-20, M35, M40
3	Hard	5.3 km	12	W17-20, W35, M16, M45, M50, M Open AS

Course	Navigation	Distance (Approx)	Number of Controls	Age Group Classes
4	Hard	4.6 km	10	W16, W40, W45, W50, W Open AS, M35-50AS, M55, M60
5	Hard	4.3 km	11	W35-50AS, W55, W60, W65, W70, W75, M65, M70, M75
6	Hard	3.0 km	12	W80+, M80+, M/W Open A, MW55+AS
7	Moderate	3.6 km	12	W14, W16+B, M14, M16+B, M/W Open B
8	Easy	3.0 km	13	W12, M14B, M12, M14B, M/W Open C
9	Very Easy	2.7 km	11	W10, W12B, M10, M12B

Do I Need an SI Stick or P Card?

All Tasmanian Orienteering clubs use the SportIdent (SI) electronic punching system so an SI-stick or a P card is required at all events. Due to COVID-19 we strongly encourage everyone to buy their own timing device.

P-cards are suitable for all local events, but for bush events it is preferable to have an SI-stick – they are faster to use and register more controls.

If you do not own an SI-stick or P card, you can hire one for \$4, or buy a P-card for \$20 when you enter online. Hire sticks will be disinfected between events.

If you would like to buy an SI-stick for \$60, see aussieogear.com.

How do I Enter?

To comply with COVID-19 regulations you must enter online by midnight on Friday 18 September.

- If you are a newcomer, see *Information for Newcomers* below
- Enter using [Eventor](#) – the online orienteering entry system.
- If you need help to enter, follow the [How to Enter guide](#).
- There will be no entry or payment on the day.
- To enter online you need to be [registered as a casual or full member of Orienteering Tasmania](#). Casual membership is free!

Information for Newcomers

Newcomers are encouraged to come along and give bush orienteering a try. Wear comfortable clothing and foot wear suitable for walking or running; bring warm clothes and wet weather gear in case the weather is inclement. Long pants are a good idea if you plan on doing a course that takes you off tracks and through the bush.

For OST events enter class M/W Open B for a moderate navigation course or class M/W Open C for an easy navigation course.

When you arrive at the event come to the registration desk and let the organisers know you are new; an experienced member will help you through the registration, start and event procedure.

Your first orienteering event will be free of charge. Our online entry system is not set up to allow free entry, so if you are a newcomer please [register as a casual or full member of Orienteering Tasmania](#) and then email sportident@tasorienteeing.asn.au. Let them know who will be attending and the course each person would like to do.

How Much Does it Cost to Enter?

Event Fees	Adult	Adult	Youth or Concession	Youth or Concession	Family	Family
	Casual Member	Full Member	Casual Member	Full Member	Casual Member	Full Member
Orienteering Series Tasmania (OST event)	\$24	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$60	\$40

Contact Information

To contact the organiser for this event, email warwick.moore@aoc2020.tasorienteeing.asn.au

For Southern Tasmanian orienteering information, email australopers@tasorienteeing.asn.au

For Northern Tasmanian orienteering information, email evoc@tasorienteeing.asn.au

For North-Western Tasmanian orienteering information, email pathfinders@tasorienteeing.asn.au

For Statewide orienteering information, email info@tasorienteeing.asn.au

Course Planners and Course Controllers

Course Planner: Warwick Moore

Course Controller: Roger Harlow

What Else do I Need to Know?

As Orienteering Tasmania events are often conducted on private property we have a blanket policy of not permitting dogs at our events. Please leave your dog at home if going orienteering. As well, please leave gates closed or open as you find them.

Any Food, Entertainment, Coaching or Other Special Attractions?

It is likely that the OT Juniors will be running a BBQ. Place your orders on Eventor.
