

Bush Series

2016



NEWCASTLE BUSH ORIENTEERING Calendar Of Events

Basic Information

- The courses will be **line** courses (point to point) so competitors must visit the controls in the order specified by the course setter. (However you still have choice on how to approach and navigate between controls). Choose a course that matches your skill level (speak to the organiser if unsure).
- **Scores** for each event will be calculated as a percentage of the winner's time.
- **Electronic Sport Ident** will now be used for all events. (SI Stick hire available at all events.)
- **Start times** are between 9:30am and 11:30am.
- **Course closure** is 1.00pm. Choose a start time that will allow you to finish before course closure. Running times are usually 45-75mins but can vary greatly.
- All **private property** and any other areas so marked on the map are **out of bounds**. Competitors found not observing this rule will be **disqualified**.
- All competitors must report to the **finish** (so that search parties are not sent out!)
- Wear old (you may get them dirty or even ripped) tee shirt and shorts or loose trousers (on courses that venture off the tracks) and a hat or cap.
- Comfortable walking or jogging shoes with good grip are recommended.
- There will not be toilets unless otherwise informed.
- Please bring your own drinking water and sunscreen.
- **Enjoy it!**

Risk Notice

In entering an orienteering event, competitors recognise that the activity has certain inherent risks due to its conduct in the urban and natural environments. Included in these risks are injury due to rough terrain and obstacles and the effects of heat, cold and exhaustion. Competitors are also aware that there is no personal accident insurance on their participation in the sport and that they take part at their own risk.

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Club Website

www.newcastleorienteering.asn.au



Cost

- Members** • \$10 for adults and \$7 for juniors
 - \$27 for family maximum (2 adults + kids)
 - Casuals** • \$15 for adults and \$10 for juniors
 - SI Stick hire** • \$2 (if you don't have your own)
 - First timers** (or if purchasing a second map) • \$7
- Note: Casuals (non-members) will be asked to fill out a short form the first time they enter an event

Guide to Course Length & Difficulty

- VERY EASY:** 1.5-2.5 km.
Very easy navigation for juniors or beginners. All controls are on tracks or along fences and are readily visible.
- EASY:** 2.0-3.0 km.
Easy navigation, controls placed near tracks and fences, or some readily identifiable feature.
- MODERATE:** 2.5-3.0km (Short), 3.5-4.0km (Long).
Moderate navigation requiring better map-reading skills. Some controls located away from tracks requiring cross-country navigation. Route choice options will require some decision-making.
- HARD:** 3.0-3.5km (Short), 3.5-5.5km (Medium), 5.0-8.0 (Long).
Difficult navigation needing good map reading skills. Most controls require cross-country navigation and may not be visible from line of approach. Wider choice of routes means greater decision-making.

Newcastle Orienteering Club Bush Events 2016

☐ Sunday 13th March - Minor Event

LOCATION / MAP: The Range
PLANNER: Geoff Todkill

☐ Sunday 10th April - NOY 1

LOCATION / MAP: Seaham/Morundah
PLANNER: David Kitchener

☐ Sunday 1st May - NOY 2

LOCATION / MAP: Balickera Quarry
PLANNER: Stuart Kurtz

☐ Sunday 8th May - Minor Event

LOCATION / MAP: Heart-Rate Hills
PLANNER: Denis Lyons

☐ Sunday 29th May - NOY 3

LOCATION / MAP: Blue Gum Hills
PLANNER: Carolyn Matthews & Malcolm Roberts

☐ Sunday 26th June - NOY 4

LOCATION / MAP: Poppethead
PLANNER: Lynda Hewson

☐ Sunday 3rd July - NOY 5

LOCATION / MAP: Pelton
PLANNER: Jim Lee

☐ Sunday 17th July - Minor Event (Pairs)

LOCATION / MAP: Jigadee
PLANNER: Geoff Peel

☐ Sunday 24th July - NOY 6

LOCATION / MAP: Pothana
PLANNER: Ian Dempsey

☐ Sunday 7th August - NOY 7

LOCATION / MAP: John Elm Creek
PLANNER: Peter Newton

☐ Sunday 21st August - NOY 8

LOCATION / MAP: Barnsley
PLANNER: Sally-Anne Henderson

☐ Sunday 4th September - Minor Event

LOCATION / MAP: O'Donnelltown
PLANNER: Rob Bennett

☐ Sunday 18th September - Hunter Valley Champs

LOCATION / MAP: Wallaroo National Park
PLANNER: Denis Lyons

☐ Sunday 9th October - Minor Event

LOCATION / MAP: Freeway Underpass
PLANNER: Stephen Craig



5 events
+ MTBO events
in 5 Days
27 - 31 Dec 2016

The Xmas 5 Days Carnival will be held in Newcastle this year from 27th - 31st December.

Check the website closer to the time for full details.

- Please check the website for more detailed directions to event locations (Starting locations may be subject to change due to weather conditions). Some events may also change depending on approval of land use.
- Unless otherwise specified, events are Enter on the day at a time to suit you, between 9:30 - 11:30am.
- All NOY Events will have the standard NOY range of courses (7): Very Easy, Easy, Short Moderate, Long Moderate, Short Hard, Medium Hard and Long Hard. Minor Events may have less courses available or may be in a different format for training purposes. Check the website for full details of each event.