

Bush Series

2018



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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also on facebook

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** • \$10 (including SI Stick hire)
- 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 2018

▣ **Sunday 25th March - Minor Event**
LOCATION / MAP: Blue Gum Hills, Minmi
PLANNER: Geoff & Margaret Peel

▣ **Saturday 7th April - Urban Event**
LOCATION / MAP: Singleton
PLANNER: Peter Newton

▣ **Sunday 8th April - NOY 1**
LOCATION / MAP: Belford
PLANNER: Peter Newton

▣ **Sunday 29th April - Minor Event**
LOCATION / MAP: O'Donnelltown
PLANNER: Kim Van Netten

▣ **Sunday 6th May - NOY 2**
LOCATION / MAP: Butherford
PLANNER: David Kitchener

▣ **Sunday 20th May - Minor Event (Pairs)**
LOCATION / MAP: Tank Paddock, Minmi
PLANNER: Geoff Peel

▣ **Wednesday 23rd May - World Orienteering Day**
LOCATION / MAP: King Edward Park (Twilight Event)
PLANNER: Tracy Phillips

▣ **Sunday 3rd June - NOY 3**
LOCATION / MAP: Poppethed, Kitchener
PLANNER: TBA

▣ **Sunday 24th June - Minor Event**
LOCATION / MAP: Whiteheads Lagoon, Eraring
PLANNER: Jim Lee

▣ **Sunday 1st July - NOY 4**
LOCATION / MAP: Balikera Quarry, Wallaroo
PLANNER: Oscar & Tommy Mella

▣ **Tuesday 3rd July - Hunter Schools Champs**
LOCATION / MAP: Blue Gum Hills, Minmi
PLANNER: TBA

▣ **Saturday 14th July - NOC Short Weekend**
LOCATION / MAP: 2 events (locations TBA)
PLANNER: Catolyn & Russell Rigby

▣ **Sunday 15th July - NOC Short Weekend**
LOCATION / MAP: 2 events (locations TBA)
PLANNER: Catolyn & Russell Rigby

▣ **Sunday 22nd July - Minor Event**
LOCATION / MAP: The Range
PLANNER: TBA

▣ **Sunday 5th August - NOY 5**
LOCATION / MAP: Fassifern Ridge
PLANNER: Steven Roberts

▣ **Sunday 12th August - NOY 6**
LOCATION / MAP: Palmers Creek, Ryhope
PLANNER: Samantha Howe

▣ **Sunday 25th August - Urban Event**
LOCATION / MAP: Singleton
PLANNER: TBA

▣ **Sunday 26th August - NOY 7**
LOCATION / MAP: Pothana
PLANNER: Glenn Burgess

▣ **Sunday 9th September - Hunter Valley Champs**
LOCATION / MAP: Wallaroo National Park
PLANNER: Denis Lyons

State League Events 15 & 16

Saturday 22nd September - SL15 Middle Distance
LOCATION / MAP: Mount Sugarloaf
PLANNER: Stephen Craig

Sunday 23rd September - SL16 Long Distance
LOCATION / MAP: Barraba Lane, Quorrobolong
PLANNER: Ian Dempsey

COURSES: Please see website for full range of courses
ENTRIES: Online pre-entry preferred. Enter on day available

- Please check the website for more detailed directions to event locations. Some events may be subject to change depending on weather or approval of land use.

- 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.