



NEWCASTLE PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS

BARNSLEY
Sunday 21st May 2017

Last years "Newcastle Pairs" attracted 27 teams (18 short/9 long) and was enjoyed by all. This year we'd like to eclipse that mark, so grab a friend and enter now or let us team you with somebody if you cannot find your own partner.

Concept

2 people – 1 SI stick - Middle distance style courses (moderate navigation) with butterfly loops allowing teams the flexibility to split up and choose which partner visits which controls. "Newcastle Pairs Champs" might be a competitive event, but at its heart is a spirit of camaraderie and fun.

Pairs Pre-entry

No later than Thursday 18th May - please pre-enter your Pairs team so we can ensure map availability. If you wait until the morning of the event we cannot guarantee you will get a start/map. Entries to Geoff Peel via 0422471353 leepback1@gmail.com with name(s), Long/Short & SI number
All other courses are Enter on Day.

Cant Find a Partner?

Advise us which Pairs course you prefer and your SI number and we'll try and find you a partner.

Entry Fee

\$18 per pre-entered pairs team (members or non-members)
Regular club fee structure for other courses.

Courses

Long Pairs: 6.7 km	Very Easy: 2.0 km	Moderate Short: 2.2 km
Short Pairs: 4.3 km	Easy 2.2 km	Moderate Long: 4.0 km
String: 0.2-0.4 km (weather permitting)		

Pairs Mass Start 10:00 am (briefing 9:45 am)

Other Starts 10:10 – 11:30 am

Map

"Barnsley" 1:7500 5m contours (cut down excerpt for this event)

Control Descriptions

For the Pairs event they will be printed on your map in IOF symbols. A separate list of some of those used for the pairs can be found in [here](#).

Terrain

Heavily tracked, undulating spur gully. Run and visibility mostly good with a few slower thicker areas spread across the map. Leg coverings are advised but generally its not too bad.

Rules

- Teams will consist of any two people.
- Other groupings, including singles will be considered as unofficial.
- Teams shall be given 2 minutes planning time prior to starting.
 - The race will commence with a mass start.
 - Navigation will be of moderate standard or easier.
 - The event will utilise SportIdent punching.
 - Each team shall carry one SI stick between them.
 - The SI stick must visit every control in the correct order.
 - SI sticks of one team cannot be carried by another team.
- The course utilises (at least one) pivot controls. You need to register at every visit.
- Team members can split at any time or place & as often as they want, but must finish together.
 - Sprint finish results will be based on the second member's finish placing.

Directions & Parking

Note: the unsealed road has recently been graded and is currently quite good.

From Newcastle

Head north-west along the Newcastle Link Road, straight ahead through 2 roundabouts. At the major intersection with Cameron Park Drive / Woodford Street (traffic lights), turn left. Continue 1.8 km along Cameron Park Drive, straight ahead at the next roundabout (becomes Carrington Street). Proceed straight ahead through the centre of town (becomes Railway Street) and continue straight at the O'Donnelltown Road intersection. The event site is approx. 2 km past this intersection, mostly unsealed.

Parking on the left (east) side of the road ONLY please.

From Sydney / M1 (northbound only)

Take the Wallsend exit from the M1 (that's the exit before the Newcastle exit). Turn right onto George Booth Drive, then right into Carrington Street (first roundabout, for West Wallsend). Proceed straight ahead through the centre of town (becomes Railway Street) and continue straight at the O'Donnelltown Road intersection.

The event site is approx. 2 km past this intersection, mostly unsealed.

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From the M1 (southbound only) or M15

Take the Newcastle exit from the M1, or proceed straight ahead for Newcastle from the M15. In both cases, you need to be in the RIGHT-most lane, so that you can turn right at the major intersection with Cameron Park Drive / Woodford Street (traffic lights). Continue 1.8 km along Cameron Park Drive, straight ahead at the next roundabout (becomes Carrington Street). Proceed straight ahead through the centre of town (becomes Railway Street) and continue straight at the O'Donnelltown Road intersection. The event site is approx. 2 km past this intersection, mostly unsealed.

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From Lake Macquarie / Alternative access (via Killingworth)

Drive through Killingworth on The Broadway and turn right at the intersection with The Boulevard.

The event site is approx. 1.8 km from this intersection, mostly unsealed.

Parking on right (east) side of the road ONLY please, may mean driving past & doing a U-turn where safe.

Safety/Drinks

Mountain bikes and motorcycles may be present on the numerous tracks.

There will be limited drinks controls & depending upon how you split the course, you may not even visit one. If it is particularly warm you may wish to carry your own supply.

Course Closure

12:30 pm. Please be back at the finish no later than this time.

Presentation & BBQ

Presentations will be held as soon as the majority of Pairs teams have finished.

To celebrate the social nature of the day we will be having a sausage sizzle - Gold coin donation.

Event Timing Systems

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Planner/Organiser/Entries/Enquiries

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