

Bush Series

2017



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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 www.newcastleorienteering.asn.au

 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 (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 2017

Sunday 19th March - Minor Event

LOCATION / MAP: Sugarloaf
PLANNER: Geoff Peel

Sunday 4th June - NOY 4

LOCATION / MAP: Hamburgers Trail
PLANNER: TBA

Sunday 13th August - Minor Event

LOCATION / MAP: Pothana
PLANNER: Lynda Hewson

Sunday 9th April - NOY 1

LOCATION / MAP: Belford
PLANNER: Peter Newton

Sunday 18th June - NOY 5

LOCATION / MAP: Tank Paddock
PLANNER: Andrew Morris

Sunday 3rd September - NOY 7

LOCATION / MAP: Fassifern Ridge
PLANNER: Ian Dempsey

Sunday 23rd April - Minor Event

LOCATION / MAP: Brokenback Slopes
PLANNER: Alvin Craig

Sunday 2nd July - NOY 6

LOCATION / MAP: Ballickera New Bits
PLANNER: Denis Lyons

Sunday 17th September - Hunter Valley Champs

LOCATION / MAP: The Powerlines - Cessnock
PLANNER: Denis Lyons

Sunday 7th May - NOY 2

LOCATION / MAP: Blue Gum Hills
PLANNER: Malcolm Roberts

Sunday 21st May - Minor Event (Pairs)

LOCATION / MAP: Barnsley
PLANNER: Geoff Peel

Sunday 28th May - NOY 3

LOCATION / MAP: The Chimney
PLANNER: Jim Lee

State League Events 8 & 9

Saturday 15th July - SL8 Middle Distance

LOCATION / MAP: Barraba Lane, Quorrobolong
PLANNER: Ian Dempsey

Sunday 16th July - SL9 Long Distance

LOCATION / MAP: Rocky Ridges, Wallaroo
PLANNER: TBA

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 (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.