



# **2022**

## **Queensland Orienteering Championships**

### **Long Distance**

### **PROGRAM**

**McEuen State Forest**  
**Wondai**

27 and 28 August 2022

### **WELCOME**

In 2022, the amazing events just keep coming! Welcome to the Queensland Long Distance Championships on a brand-new map at Wondai, with intricate features to guide you or lead you astray. I suspect that like me, many others will be visiting the area for the first time and looking forward to the delights and challenges of an unseen map. But before we head into the forest, let's take a moment to acknowledge those who walked these lands before us, and to pay our respects to the First Nations custodians of the land, the Wakka Wakka people, and to their elders, past and present.

As you follow the contours and rocky outcrops—or later as you review your race—please spare a thought for the mapper. Mappers are the unsung heroes of our sport, rarely seen at the event, yet having spent a vast number of hours of exploration and preparation to make it possible. Without the mapper there is no event. Thank you, Geoff Peck, for your meticulous work to produce yet another championship standard map for us.

Our course setter this year is Dylan Bryant, fresh from winning both the Senior Boys Sprint and the Long Distance at the recent Qld Schools Championships. We are very fortunate that a junior who is excelling in the sport is also contributing to the organizational side of orienteering, and we are looking forward to some inventive courses.

After all his work already at the Easter Carnival, Gold Coast NOLs and Schools Champs in 2022, Tony Bryant is once again busy organizing a major event, this time as Controller for the Qld Long Distance Champs. Orienteering Queensland is most grateful for the huge amount of volunteer time and expertise Tony contributes to our sport.

And to all our competitors in the Championships, I hope you make the most of the weekend that has been prepared for you, enjoying the physical and mental challenges, the forest, and the chance to connect with orienteering friends and make new ones.

**Juliana de Nooy**  
**President, Orienteering Queensland**



Orienteering Queensland gratefully acknowledges the financial support of the Queensland Government, enabling Queenslanders to participate in sport and recreation activities.

## PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

Sat 27 August - DAY 1		Sun 28 August - DAY 2	
11:00am	Early starts - helpers	7:30am	Early starts - helpers
12:00pm	Registration open	8:30am	Registration open
12:30pm	First official starts	9:00am	First official starts
		12:30pm	Presentations
3:30pm	Course closure	1:00pm	Course closure

## ENQUIRIES

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**Telephone:** Tony Bryant – 0410 428 003

## Enquiries during the Championships

Enquiries should be made at the Information tent.

## EVENT INFORMATION

### McEuen State Forest, Wondai

Dry sclerophyll forest with dry rocky creek beds and outcrops.

### Weather

The climate in August is generally mild. Average temperatures are 22 degrees maximum and 4 degrees minimum. August is one of Wondai's driest months, but of course rain is always possible (average 26.9mm for August).

It can get cold at night so take your winter woolies.

### How to get there

Wondai is located on the Bunya Highway approximately 240 kilometres north-west of Brisbane and 30 kilometres north of Kingaroy.

Wondai can be reached via:

the D'Aguilar Highway via **Caboolture** - 3hr 13min (243km from Brisbane)

the Warrego Highway through **Esk** – 3hr 11min (256km from Brisbane)

the State Route 68 Bunya Highway via **Cooyar** – 2hr 28min (181km from Toowoomba)

the Burnett Highway via **Gympie** - 2hr 1min (175km from Nambour)

Wondai is a small town, population of around 2100. Wondai has a 7 day supermarket, 24 hour petrol station, and several motel-style accommodation options.

South of Wondai, Kingaroy is the largest town in the South Burnett and the region's commercial centre. The town has hotels, motels, caravan parks, bed and breakfasts and cabins; supermarkets and convenience stores;

and a range of restaurants, fast food outlets, ATM facilities and petrol stations (including a 24-hour petrol station).

### Directions from Kingaroy

#### Day 1

**Please approach the parking area from the north (Wondai village) as the road is narrow and parking on the eastern (forest) side only.**

**The road is narrow and not suitable for u-turns.**

Head south along Wondai-Charlestown Road and follow parking attendants' directions.

#### Day 2

Parking is adjacent to the assembly area on Old Wondai Road.

Please be mindful of residents' driveways when parking.

### Assembly area

Day 1 - 70m walk up forest trail from road.

Day 2 - In a local park in Wondai

There is ample shade at both locations.

### Registration

The Registration and Information Tent will be open from:

- 12:00pm on Day 1 – Saturday 27 August; and
- 8:30am on Day 2 – Sunday 28 August.

Competitors are not required to visit the registration tent prior to starting. However, information will be available there regarding the orienteering events, posted start times and SI hire sticks.

## Catering

There is easy access to Wondai businesses from the assembly area. (A short drive). There will be no catering at the assembly areas. Please support the local businesses.

Peries IGA Supermarket (70 Mackenzie St), 7am-7pm everyday.  
Wondai Bakery (23 Scott St), 6am-1pm  
Dan's Diner (81 Haly St), 6am-6pm  
Sakinas Fish & Chips (25 Scott St), 9am-6pm

## Facilities

A portaloos will be provided at the Assembly Area. We request that you use the public toilets prior to arriving at the assembly area to reduce queueing for the portaloos.

Public toilets are available in Wondai:

- next to Visitor Information Centre (Gordon McKell Park), 80 Haly St
- Coronation Park, Mackenzie St

Limited water will be available near the Finish. To assist the organisers, please bring along your own supplies as well. Water points have been placed at designated control sites as shown on the maps and control descriptions.

## First Aid

A first aid attendant will be located at the assembly area on both days.

## Accommodation

There are a small number of motel-style accommodation options in Wondai. However the Wondai Show is being held on 26/27th August so local accommodation may be in short supply. Camping will not be available at the Wondai Showgrounds.

Kingaroy and the surrounding district has a variety of accommodation on offer, from caravan parks to motels and bed and breakfasts. Further details are on the website [www.discoversouthburnett.com.au](http://www.discoversouthburnett.com.au)

## Social Dinner, Saturday 27th August

A social dinner will be held on Saturday 27 August starting at 6:30pm at the Kingaroy RSL on the corner of Markwell and Short Streets, Ph 4162 1755. You can view the menu and price list at [www.kingaroyrsl.com.au](http://www.kingaroyrsl.com.au) with payment made on the night. There is no need to contact the RSL as we have a room already booked. Come along and enjoy some good old-fashioned country cooking in a relaxing atmosphere with your friends. RSVP was required in Eventor.

## For youngsters

Supervised childcare at the event is **not** provided. Parents must make their own arrangements for supervision.

## Enter on the Day

Enter on the Day is not available.

## General Enquiries

All comments, queries about results or complaints will be dealt with at the Registration and Information tent. **Please do not disturb the officials in the Finish tent.**

## Safety

Whistles should be carried by all competitors but should only be used in cases of severe injury where assistance is required. The distress signal is six short blasts repeated at short intervals. If you hear such a signal, you are requested to abandon your course and give assistance. Where vehicle or medical assistance is required, this should be reported to the Information tent as soon as possible.

On Day 2 there is a public road (generally quiet) that will be crossed by all courses. Please take care crossing and give way to any traffic.

Please report overdue competitors to the Registration and Information tent – DO NOT organise your own search. In the event of an emergency, the event organisers should be contacted, via the registration tent.

If first aid is required, report to the First Aid tent for assistance.

Mobile phone is generally available but may be restricted on some networks. In an emergency call the organizer on mobile numbers 0410 428 003 or 0435 156 849.

## Restrictions

There is overlap of the map on Day 1 and Day 2 for some of the courses. Therefore the entire forest is out of bounds until the end of Day 2 (except where permission to collect controls on Day 1 has been arranged)

In keeping with Orienteering Queensland policies, competitors are requested to abide by our rules of **no smoking, fires, dogs or littering** at the event (this includes in the Assembly Area).

## PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Awards will be presented to all place-getters in the Queensland Long Distance Championships.

Combined times will be calculated for the overall winners on Sunday.

These awards will be presented to the place-getters in each class at approximately 12:30pm. All classes will receive certificates.

## James Sheldon Memorial Trophy

The trophy for the M21A class at the Queensland Long Distance Championships has been dedicated to the memory of James Sheldon, who was the 2016 winner and whose life was tragically cut short in a hiking accident on Mt Barney in 2020. Clive Pope, the creator of the original trophy, has added a base to it that bears James's name.

The award is an opportunity to remember and celebrate James's adventurous spirit, his successes and contributions as an orienteer, and his friendship. <https://outdoorsqueensland.com.au/james-sheldon/>



## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### Competition Rules

The competition rules of Orienteering Australia shall apply to all of the Carnival events. In particular, competitors are reminded that controls must be visited in the order shown on the course and that talking to, collaborating with, or distracting other competitors during the competition is not permitted.

### GPS Devices

Competitors are reminded that you may not use telecommunication equipment between entering the pre-start area and reaching the finish in a race. GPS devices with no visible map display or audible signal may be carried.

### Control Descriptions

Individual international control descriptions for each course will be provided to competitors at the pre-start at each event with those for the Moderate, Easy and Very Easy standard courses being in English. Control descriptions will also be printed on the front of the maps. For all Hard and Moderate navigation courses, international control descriptions only, will be used on the maps. English descriptions will be provided on the maps for all Easy and Very Easy courses.

### Control Stands

Standard blank control flags will be suspended with an SI unit and punch. The control identification numbers will be on the top of these units. Please note that some controls will be in close proximity to others. It is the competitor's responsibility to **CHECK** the control number before punching.

## **Sportident Electronic Timing System**

The Sportident electronic timing system will be used for the Championships. SI Air+ will be activated on all controls.

All competitors should remember to bring their SI stick with them and ensure that they use the same one at each event. Family groups should take particular care not to mix their sticks as this will create major administrative problems for the Finish team at the event. Please check the details on the Start List to ensure we have your correct SI number recorded. If there is an error, please email [enqoritb@gmail.com](mailto:enqoritb@gmail.com) as soon as possible, prior to the Championships, or visit registration desk prior to Starts.

For those competitors who are hiring an SI stick, you can collect this at the Registration tent. Please remember to return your hired stick to the Finish tent after Day 2. In the event of a loss, replacement sticks may be borrowed from the Registration tent. If a hired stick is lost, the competitor will be charged its full replacement cost of \$72, so please make certain it is attached with a piece of string or elastic.

### **Clear and Check**

It is important to remember to “clear” and “check” your SI stick prior to each event, to delete previous event information stored on it. Special “Clear” and “Check” units will be positioned at the pre-start area on each day.

### **SI use on the Course**

If an SI unit at a control malfunctions and does not “beep” or “flash” when the stick is inserted, the competitor must use the punch on the stand to mark one of the reserve boxes printed on their map. Failure to do this will result in miss-punch (MP) being recorded. If you need to use a punch at any control, please advise the Finish officials as they will need to take your map at the completion of your course.

## **Map Presentation and Scale**

This is a new map made by Geoff Peck.

Day 1 - All courses will use a 1:10,000 scale map printed on waterproof and tearproof paper.

Day 2 - Courses 1-3 will use a 1:15:000 scale map. Courses 4 - 12 will use a 1:10,000 scale map. Maps will be printed on waterproof and tearproof paper.

There will be no legend on the map..

### **Map Notes**

Mostly fast open runnable forest with detailed watercourses. Some of the watercourses have steep banks.

There is an intricate network of mountain bike tracks with some tracks now indistinct.

There is an abundance of root mounds, which are marked on your map as a green cross.

### **Out-of-Bounds Areas**

Competitors and spectators must obey all out-of-bounds signs and keep within designated areas on both days, both near the Assembly Area and on the way to the Starts. Any competitor seen in an out-of-bounds area without the permission of officials, whether before or after their run, will be disqualified.

## START INFORMATION

### Direction to Start

The Day 1 start for all courses is 300m south of the assembly area along the road. Please take care walking along this road..

The Day 2 start for all courses is 750m south west from the assembly area past the finish along multiple tracks. Please follow the signs and orange streamers.

### Start Times

Start times have been randomly distributed. To maximise the participation of volunteers, they have been allocated special start times to allow them to fulfil their official duties before or after they compete. Request for changes to start times cannot be considered unless there are exceptional circumstances. Starting times for those children who require shadowing on Course 12 will be later in the day to enable parents to accompany them to the start and shadow them.

### M/W10 N Courses

Shadowing is permitted only on this course. Entrants may start at any vacant time during the start window but “shadows” must have completed their course first. Report to the “Late Start” official at the start. Shadowed runners will use a punch start so will not need to start at published start time.

### Start Procedure

Both days will use a 1 minute start sequence. The starter will **not** repeat information provided in published event information.

Clear and Check your SI card before entering the Pre-start.

Competitors enter the pre-start area when the Prestart clock shows your race time (Call-up time). This is three (3) minutes before your official start time.

Your name, the last two numbers on your SI stick and whether your SI stick has been cleared will be checked by officials, so please ensure your stick is clearly visible and that it has been cleared. Only competitors missing from the pre-start area will be called by name.

At the two (2) minute mark, starters will move forward to a table to collect the control description for their course. Please bring the control description holder of your choice.

At the one (1) minute mark, competitors may move to their map box which will be marked with the course number and age classes. The starter will give any special instructions.

Check that the map is the correct one for your course by looking at the number on the top right hand corner on the back of the map. If you do not appear to have the correct map, please immediately draw this to the attention of the Start Official. **Please ensure that you only pick up one map.**

On the final “beep” of the start clock competitors must **punch the start SI unit**, then follow the streamers to the Start Triangle as marked on their map and on the ground. A stand with a blank control flag but **no** SI unit will be placed at this location.



## **Late Starts**

Competitors who miss their allotted start time on any day should report to the pre-start officials who will direct them to the Late Start Official. They will be started at the end of their course block.

## **FINISH INFORMATION**

### **Finish Procedure**

After punching the last control, each competitor must navigate to the Finish banner where there will be multiple units on stands, one of which must be punched. Your SI stick will be read to record your course details and elapsed time and a print out of your split times will be made available. If you have had to use the traditional punch boxes on your map because of a unit failure, please notify the Finish Officials so they can take your map and verify the punch marks.

Maps will not be collected. In the interest of fair play, maps should not be viewed by competitors who have not started their courses.

If you are using a rental SI-stick and this is your last event, please return the SI-stick to the Finish Tent after completing the downloading process.

You must report to the Finish even if you have not completed your course.

If you have not finished at the course closure time, you must return to the Finish as soon as possible or a search will be mounted for you. Go to the Finish control and proceed up the Finish chute. If injury prevents you from doing this, please ensure that your return to the Assembly Area is reported to the Registration and Information Tent. The officials will pass the information on to the Finish team.

Note: Day 2 finish is 300m from the assembly area. Please take care crossing the roads.

Any complaints or comments about the course should be made to officials at the Information tent. **Please do not disturb the officials at the Finish.**

## **Results Display**

Provisional results will be displayed on the result computer screen as soon as possible after each competitor has finished. Queries about results are to be made at the Registration Table, NOT at the Download table.!

## **Complaints and Protests**

Any complaint shall be made in writing and lodged at the Registration tent within 15 minutes of the result being posted. A complaint is adjudicated by the organiser. The complainant shall be informed about the decision immediately. If the complainant is still dissatisfied, they may lodge a formal protest, in writing, to a jury appointed by the organiser and approved by the controller. The controller will chair the jury meeting but will not vote on the outcome. The decision of the jury will be final. There is no fee for lodging a complaint or protest.

## **Jury**

In the event of a protest, a jury will be formed from suitable candidates available on the day.

**DAY 1 COURSE DETAILS**

Course	Navigation	Classes	Distance (km)	Climb (m)	Controls
1	Hard	M21A	11.2	190	21
2	Hard	M20A, M35A	8.6	130	15
3	Hard	W21A, M45A	6.5	105	15
4	Hard	W35A, M16A, M21AS, W20A	5.0	80	9
5	Hard	W45A, M55A, M35AS, W21AS, M20AS	4.3	75	10
6	Hard	W55A, M65A, M45AS, W35AS, W20AS	4.0	70	9
7	Hard	W65A, M75A, M55AS+, W45AS, W16A	2.9	65	6
8	Hard	W75A, M85A+, W55AS, W85A+	1.9	40	6
9	Moderate	M14A, MOB	3.2	75	8
10	Moderate	W14A, WOB	2.7	65	7
11	Easy	W12A, M12A, OE	2.7	70	11
12	Very Easy	M/W10N, W10A, M10A, OVE	1.8	65	10

**DAY 2 COURSE DETAILS**

Course	Navigation	Classes	Distance (km)	Climb (m)	Controls
1	Hard	M21A	13.6	265	23
2	Hard	M20A, M35A	11.4	220	18
3	Hard	W21A, M45A	9.8	180	17
4	Hard	W35A, M16A, M21AS, W20A	7.2	115	13
5	Hard	W45A, M55A, M35AS, W21AS, M20AS	5.4	100	12
6	Hard	W55A, M65A, M45AS, W35AS, W20AS	4.6	80	11
7	Hard	W65A, M75A, M55AS+, W45AS, W16A	3.4	70	8
8	Hard	W75A, M85A+, W55AS, W85A+	2.2	40	6
9	Moderate	M14A, MOB	4.7	90	13
10	Moderate	W14A, WOB	3.2	60	10
11	Easy	W12A, M12A, OE	2.6	60	10
12	Very Easy	M/W10N, W10A, M10A, OVE	2.5	45	10

	Day 1 - Saturday 27 August	Day 2 - Sunday 28 August
Registration tent open	12:00pm	8:30am
Map	McEuen State Forest	McEuen State Forest
Mapper	Geoff Peck	Geoff Peck
Map Scale	1:10000	Courses 1-3 1:15000, Courses 4-12 1:10000
Course Setter	Dylan Bryant	Dylan Bryant
Starts	Official starts will be from 12:30pm. Early starts for helpers will be from 11:00am..	Official starts will be from 9:00am. Early starts for helpers will be from 7:30am
Directions to start	Day 1 start for all courses is 300m south of the assembly area along the road. Please take care walking along this road.	Day 2 start for all courses is 750m south west from the assembly area past the finish along multiple tracks. Please follow the orange streamers.
Close	Courses close at 3:30pm	Courses close at 1:00pm
Warm up area	Only on road to the start	Only on marked track to the start
Safety Bearing	West to road	North to residential area
Terrain	The area is predominantly open and very runnable undulating eucalypt forest with complex track and watercourse network..	The area is predominantly open and very runnable undulating eucalypt forest with complex track and watercourse network.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

### **KEY PERSONNEL**

Co-ordinator	Lucy Peljo
Controller	Tony Bryant
Course Setter	Dylan Bryant
Mapper	Geoff Peck
Set up	Enoggeroos
Registration	Fiona Caristo
Start team co-ordinator	Malin Taunton-Burnet
Finish Team co-ordinator	Fiona Caristo
Parking	Enoggeroos