



BULLETIN 1_{v01}

Welcome to the Australian 3 Days which is a multi-day competition on the Easter 2027 weekend. The results are based on the total time for all three days.

Good Friday, is the Prologue in Goulburn with a NEW Youth Relay being introduced. Days 1, 2 and 3 are all within an hours drive from Goulburn.

The Saturday and Sunday events have been designated by the International Orienteering Federation (IOF) as World Ranking Events for M21E and W21E elite classes.

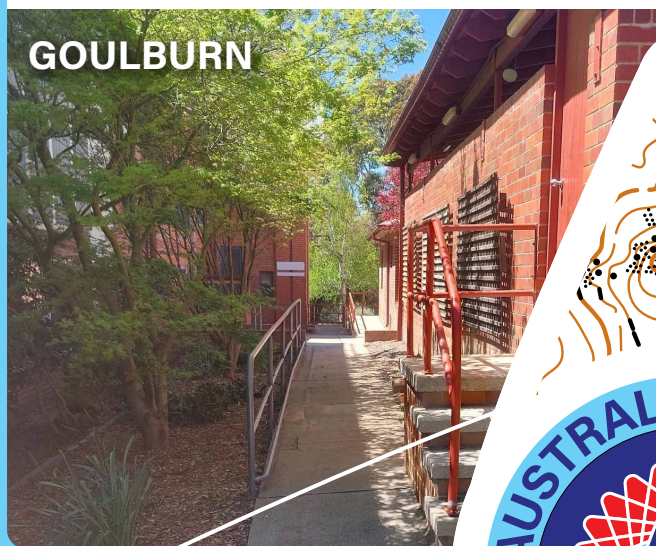


PROLOGUE - Friday 26 March

Three stand-alone individual campus sprint competitions:

Youth Relay - NEW!!!
NOL Sprint Prologue
Public Sprint

GOULBURN



DAY 1 - Saturday 27 March

The Middle Distance has an emphasis on detailed navigation where finding controls constitutes a challenge. The element of route choice is essential but should not be at the expense of technically demanding orienteering.

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The Long Distance aims at testing the competitor's ability to make efficient route choices, to read and interpret the map and plan the race for endurance during a long and physically demanding exercise.

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The Day 3 event is an extended Middle Distance or 'relay distance' day, with courses following the OA Competition Rules guidelines.

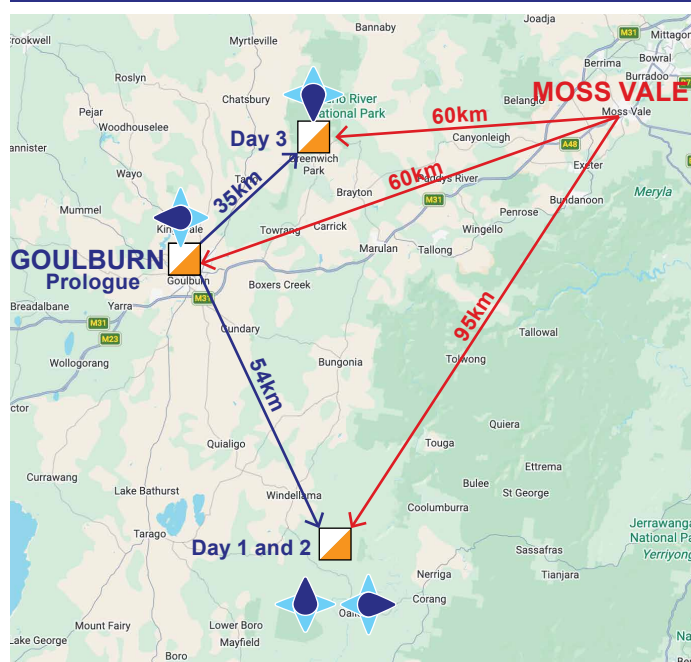


DAY 2 - Saturday 28 March



DAY 3 - Monday 29 March

EVENT LOCATIONS



ORGANISING TEAM

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Alex Davey

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Mark Shindler

Eventor Manager and Finish: Ron Pallas

Website: aus3days2027.orienteering.asn.au/

Planning Team

Event	Day Organiser	Planner	Control- ler	Mapper
Pro- logue	Ruth & Angus Shedden	Duncan Currie Stephen Craig	Sheralee Bailey	Duncan Currie
Day 1 Middle	Emmanuelle Convert	Anna Fitzgerald	Mark Shingler	Alex Davey
Day 2 Long	Emmanuelle Convert	James McQuillan	David Green	Alex Davey
Day 3 Middle	Simon George	Anthony Nolan	Paul Prudhoe	Hamish Mackie



ENTRIES

Entries are to be made via Eventor Australia.

Those competitors entering the Elite classes (M/W21E and M/W20E) please see the note below regarding World Ranking Events.

Category	Youth Relay / NOL / Public Sprint	3 Days per day
Adults	\$35	\$50
Junior (12-19)	\$20	\$30
Sub-Junior (12 & under)	\$15	\$20

SI card hire (non-SIAC) - no charge.

Order as a service when entering the Australian 3 Days.

To be eligible for prizes in the 3 Day competition, competitors must enter the same class every day.

Family maximum fee: Family entry is capped at two adults and one junior, i.e. subsequent juniors are not charged. The family maximum is applied automatically as part of the payment process, as long as all family members are entered at the same time and all family members reside at the same address.

Prologue entries

Competitors should enter one of the 3 options below:

NOL - competitors should enter as members of their state team. If you enter as a club member you will not be included in the NOL point score.

Youth Relay - competitors should only enter if they are 12 – 18 years old and haven't already chosen to run the Elite prologue

Public Sprint – this is for the competitors who do not wish to enter the other categories

Entry deadlines

Normal Entry: Sunday 7th March 2027, 11:59 pm AEDT

Late Entry: Friday 12th March 2027, 11:59 pm AEDT

Late Entry Fee: Additional \$10 per competition day

No enter-on-the-day (EOD) courses will be offered. Changes to entries will be available up until to Sunday 7th March 2027.

Refund policy

In the event of participant cancellation:

- until 12th March 2027 – 90% refund
- from 12th March 2027 – in exceptional circumstances at the organiser's discretion

Eventor contact details

All participants must provide accurate and up-to-date contact details in their Eventor profile in case the organisers need to contact you. Make sure a name and mobile number has also been included in the Emergency Contact fields on the Contact details tab in your Eventor Profile. Check that your SI number in Eventor matches the stick number you intend to use.



PROLOGUE

The Prologue has three standalone individual campus sprint competitions. There will be no family relay this year.

NOL / Elite courses (1 and 2)

These are planned for 12–15 minute winning times for M/W21E. All competitors in NOL / Elite classes will have allocated start times.

Public Sprint

Competitors may enter any of the three courses. All courses will have queueing starts.

Youth Relay - NEW!!!

The new Youth Relay is inspired by the Bagheera Youth Relay that kicks off O-Ringen in Sweden each year.

Competitors who are interested in JWOC selection must enter the Elite Sprint rather than the Youth Relay even if they meet the age requirements. They can't run in both events.

Format:

- 4-leg sprint relay
- Each leg ~2km, moderate standard navigation
- One class, mixed ages, mixed boys and girls
- Team winning time 40-50 minutes

Teams:

- State-based or international
- 4 runners
- At most 2 boys per team
- Sum of runner ages (calculated at end of year) at most 66 years
- No restriction on running order
- Combination teams are allowed.

Age requirements:

The same as for ASOC (19 years or younger and 12 years or older as of 31 December in the year of the event).

Start:

- Mass start at the arena at 12 noon

Prizes:

- Easter egg to all finishers.
- Team prizes to the top 3 teams.



WORLD RANKING EVENTS

IOF Athlete ID for World Ranking Events

Saturday's Middle Distance and Sunday's Long-Distance events have been designated by the International Orienteering Federation (IOF) as World Ranking Events for M21E and W21E elite classes.

Competitors score IOF Ranking points at these events and are required to be registered as an Athlete in IOF Eventor, have included their IOF Athlete ID in their Eventor Australia profile and their entry name matches that associated with the IOF Athlete ID. Any athletes entered in the elite classes without an IOF ID should register in IOF Eventor before the Carnival and add their ID number to their Eventor Australia profile.

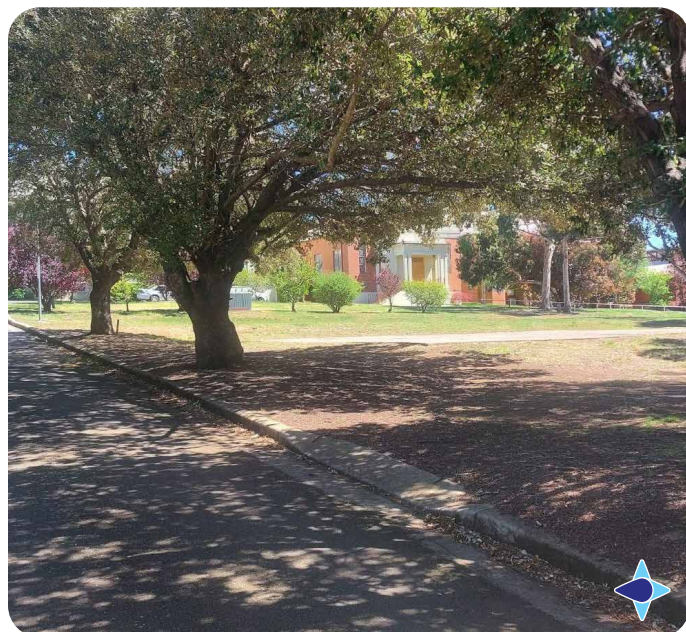
IOF Event Advisors:

Paul Prudhoe

Mark Shingler



Date	27 March 2027	28 March 2027
Format	Middle distance	Long distance
Scale	1:10,000	1:10,000
Contours	5m	5m



TECHNICAL

Competition rules

The Australian 3 Days competition is being run in accordance with the Orienteering Australia [Competition Rules](#) for foot orienteering. All participants must comply with the rules. The relevant IOF Foot Orienteering Competition Rules will also apply for WREs and will take precedence over the OA rules for elite competitors.

The Terrain

Sprint Prologue: typical campus sprint terrain, with buildings, passageways and stairs. Limited or no multi-level running.

Day 1 Middle Distance: spur-gully terrain with some steeper areas. Vegetation is generally open, allowing fast running but there are significant areas of slower running (and walk) along watercourses. Lots of termite mounds but very few tracks.

Day 2 Long Distance: classic spur-gully with many intersecting gullies and some seriously steep areas. Slower run in areas of green, particularly along watercourses. Many termite mounds but few tracks.

Day 3 Middle Distance: open spur gully terrain combined with unusual sandstone/conglomerate pagoda-style rock formations featuring many high cliffs. Some steeper areas and slower run in heavier vegetation.

Previous Maps

Previous maps will be available on Eventor and the website closer to the events.

Embargoes

The competition areas are currently under embargo and may not be entered by anyone intending to compete in or attend any of the 2027 Australian 3-Days events.

This includes the area in and around Goulburn TAFE campus and the private property of Timberlight (Oallen), and the private properties on the orienteering map known as Yuruga (Greenwich Park) shown broadly by red outlines on the map below.

Entry onto these areas by Orienteers is not permitted, nor is the carrying and use of maps, photography or attempts to survey the terrain.



Starts & winning times

Youth relay starts from 12:00

NOL starts from 13:30

Public Sprint starts from 15:15

All days will have allocated start times except the Public Sprint will have queueing starts.

NOL / Elite classes will have different winning times each day as specified in OA Rule 16.10.

For the non-elite classes winning times will be as specified in OA Rules 16.9, 16.10 and 16.15.

Split start time requests

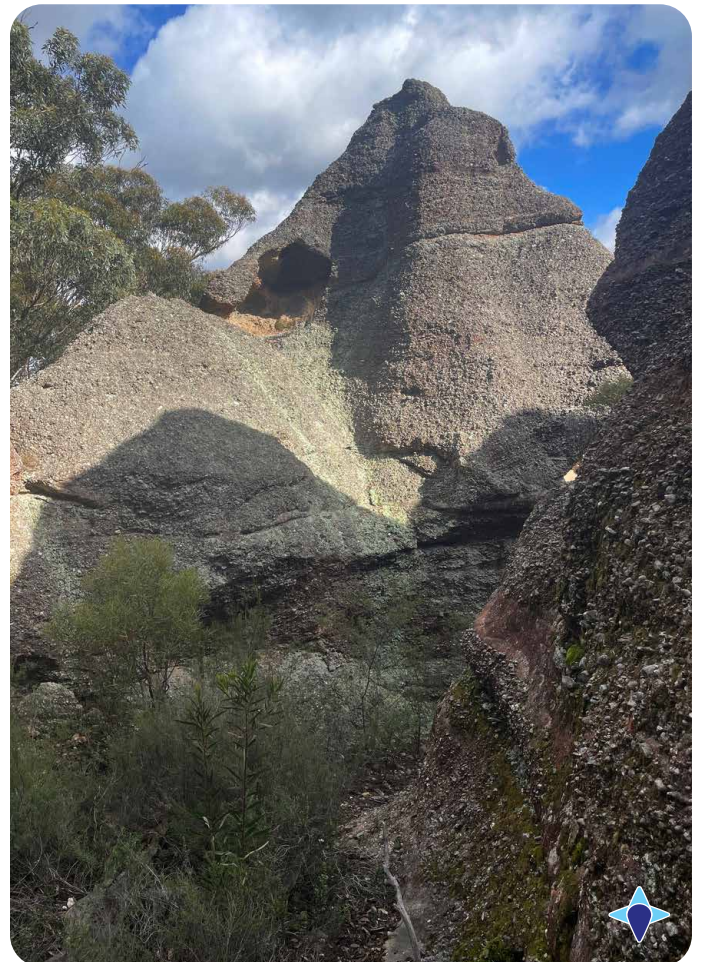
Email Ron Pallas at ronpallas@hotmail.com. Provide the names and entry classes of competitors requiring split start times for child minding.

Split start time requests close Sunday 7th March 2027, 11:59 pm AEDT.

Shadowing

Shadowing is only allowed for children entered in the M/W10 Novice course. Start times are not pre-assigned for this class. Entrants use a punching start and can start at any time after all W10A and M10A competitors have started.

Note: W10A and M10A are championship classes. Competitors in these classes have pre-assigned start times like other A classes and shadowing is not permitted. To maintain competitive eligibility, a parent must complete their own competitive course first before going back out into the terrain to shadow a child.



COURSE / CLASS DETAILS

Youth Relay, NOL Prologue & Public Sprint

Course	Class Youth Relay	Class NOL	Class Public Sprint	Navigation	Indicative course length (km)
	Starts from 12:00	Starts from 13:30	Starts from 15:15		
1	n/a	M21E, M20E	Long	Hard	2.9
2	n/a	W21E, W20E	Medium	Hard	2.5
3	Youth	n/a	n/a	Moderate	2.1
4	n/a	n/a	Short	Easy	1.5

Australian 3 Days

Course	Class	Navigation	Map Scale	Approx Lengths (km)		
				Middle Day 1	Long Day 2	Middle Day 3
1	M21E	Hard	1:10,000	5.8	17.0	6.9
2	W21E	Hard	1:10,000	5.7	13.9	5.7
3	M20E	Hard	1:10,000	5.8	13.6	6.4
4	W20E	Hard	1:10,000	4.8	10.4	4.9
5	M21SPORT, M35A, M40A	Hard	1:10,000	4.5	11.4	6.0
6	W21SPORT, W35A	Hard	1:10,000	4.0	10.0	4.5
7	M18A, M20SPORT, M45A, W40A	Hard	1:10,000	4.4	9.7	5.3
8	M21AS - Sledge	Hard	1:10,000	3.5	7.7	3.1
9	M16A	Hard	1:10,000	4.2	7.8	5.2
10	W18A, W20SPORT	Hard	1:10,000	3.8	7.5	4.5
11	M50A	Hard	1:7,500	4.2	7.8	5.2
12	M55A, W45A	Hard	1:7,500	3.8	7.5	4.6
13	M60A, M65A, W50A, M35AS, W21AS	Hard	1:7,500	3.7	6.1	4.2
14	M70A, W16A, W55A, M20AS, W35AS	Hard	1:7,500	3.5	5.4	3.9
15	M75A, W60A, W65A, W20AS	Hard	1:7,500	3.1	4.6	3.3
16	W70A, M45AS, M55AS	Hard	1:7,500	2.8	3.1	2.8
17	M80A, W75A, M65AS, W45AS, W55AS	Hard	1:7,500	2.2	3.1	2.5
18	M85A, W80A, W65AS	Hard	1:7,500	1.8	2.4	1.8
19	M90A, W85A, W90A	Hard	1:7,500	1.5	1.4	1.0
20	M14A, MOpenB, M Junior B	Moderate	1:7,500	3.2	4.4	3.2
21	W14A, WOpenB, W Junior B	Moderate	1:7,500	2.7	3.9	2.7
22	M12A, W12A, Open Easy	Easy	1:7,500	2.8	2.5	2.5
23	M10A, W10A M/W10 Novice Open Very Easy	Very Easy	1:7,500	2.5	1.6	2.0

Date	26 th March 2027	27 th March 2027	28 th March 2027	29 th March 2027
Format	Campus Sprint	Middle distance	Long distance	Extended Middle Distance
Scale	1:4,000 / 1:3,000	1:10,000 / 1:7,500	1:10,000 / 1:7,500	1:10,000 / 1:7,500
Contour Interval	2.5m	5m	5m	5m



TRAVELLER INFORMATION

Accommodation

Goulburn and surrounds offer a range of accommodation options. Choose from comfortable hotels, self-contained apartments, and budget-friendly lodges located an hour away from the major competition areas. Whether you're part of a group, travelling with family, or travelling solo, you'll find a welcoming base in Goulburn to prepare, compete, and enjoy everything. Visit [Goulburn Information Centre website](#) for accommodation options and more information.

International and Interstate Travel

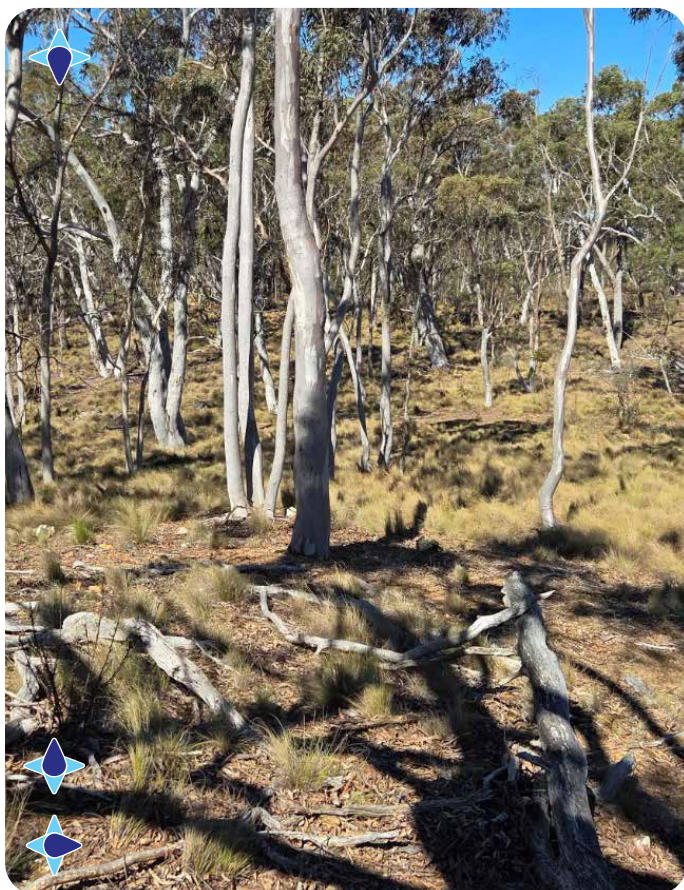
Sydney Airport is approximately 2 hours' drive from Goulburn and Canberra Airport is 1.5 hours. Hire car services are available at both airports.

New Zealand passport holders can travel to Australia without a visa and obtain a visa on arrival at the airport. More information is on the [Department of Home Affairs website](#) ('New Zealand citizens').

All other passport holders need the right visa to come to Australia. You also need to get your visa before you travel to Australia. More information is on the [Department of Home Affairs website](#) ('Entering Australia').

Climate in the Southern Highlands

March in [Goulburn](#) sees daytime temperatures around 24°C and lows of 12°C at night. Overall, the month follows a fairly predictable daily temperature pattern. On average, there are about 13 days with rain during this month, averaging 53 mm. Rain this month is fairly typical, a standard mix of wet and dry days with no particularly heavy or persistent showers.



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