



## Newsletter 22/9

September 2022

### EDITORIAL

The 8-day 2022 Australian Championships Carnival begins on September 24 with the biggest entry list for some years. It is our job to run the Australian Long Championships at Maldon on October 1 – the marquee event at every Australian Championships - with 873 competitors set to take part. Julie Flynn is the organizer of the event, and has been working in the background with carnival organizers for several months to set things in place. It is now our job to step up and ensure the event runs smoothly. The job roster is included with this newsletter. If you have any queries contact Julie, and if you haven't offered to help yet, and can - there are some time slots that still need filling (highlighted in yellow) – again contact Julie.

A reminder that the Virginia Hill event on September 17 has been cancelled, and a call out for someone to set out the controls at the Crusoe event on October 8. Phil Robertson has set the courses but unfortunately will be out of Bendigo and unable to put the controls in place. If you can help out please contact secretary Ross Slater ([secretary@bendigo-orienteers.com.au](mailto:secretary@bendigo-orienteers.com.au))

Also in this newsletter: Mosquito Creek lives up to its reputation, and a report from Ted van Geldermalsen on his experience at the 2022 OO Cup in Sweden.

**Dianne and Peter**

### COMING EVENTS: September/October

For full details and entry details of each competition please go to the Eventor website at:

[www.eventor.orienteering.asn.au/Events](http://www.eventor.orienteering.asn.au/Events)

### Bendigo & Local Events

| Date       | Title           | Map           | Setter               |
|------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Sat 17 Sep | Bendigo Bush 19 | Virginia Hill | Cancelled            |
| Sat 8 Oct  | Bendigo Bush 20 | Crusoe        | Phil Robertson       |
| Sat 15 Oct | Bendigo Bush 21 | Browns Reef   | Ted van Geldermalsen |

### Other Victorian Events

| Date                   | Title                             |                  |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Sat 24 Sep – Sun 2 Oct | Australian Championships Carnival | (Entries closed) |

**NEXT CLUB MEETING:** Monday, 3rd October, 5.30pm, H2OX Office, Old Mill, level 1/35 Wills St, Bendigo

### Bendigo Orienteers Club Meetings

Date & time: First Monday of every month (except January) at 5:30pm

Location: H2OX Office, Old Mill, level 1/35 Wills St, Bendigo

All members & non-members welcome. The meetings are open to everyone, not just committee members, feel free to come along and share your thoughts.

### Club details:

President: Craig Feuerherdt  
Vice-President: Jim Russell  
Secretary: Ross Slater  
Treasurer: Alison Radford

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# Australian Orienteering Championships 2022 – Long Distance event

## Bendigo Orienteers- Job Rosters (Coordinator: Julie Flynn - 0429496422)

| Job/Team  | Numbers | Times            | Who  | Competing?   |
|---|---------|------------------|--|--------------|
| 1. Unpack Truck, Set up Arena                             | 6       | 7:30am – 9am     | Derek Morris                               |              |
|   |         |                  | Julie Flynn                                |              |
|   |         |                  | Jenny Ball                                 |              |
|   |         |                  | Jacqui Knee                                | yes          |
|   |         |                  | John Chellew                               | yes          |
|   |         |                  | Gary Grealy                                |              |
|   |         |                  | Need help!                                 |              |
|   |         |                  | Need help!                                 |              |
| 2. Wake controls  | 5       |                  | Tim Hatley                                 |              |
|   |         |                  | Roch Prendergast                           |              |
|   |         |                  | Neil Barr                                  |              |
|   |         |                  | Jim Russell                                |              |
|   |         |                  | Need help!                                 |              |
| 3. Parking Team   | 3       | 8:00am – 10:30am | John Wilkinson                             |              |
|   |         |                  | Terry Davidson                             |              |
|   |         |                  | Nola Juniper                               |              |
|   |         |                  | Alison Radford                             |              |
| 4. Registration Tent (early)                              | 1       | 8:30am – 12:30pm | Jenny Ball, then Anne Robinson (after run) | (Anne – yes) |
| 5. Orange start set up/run/pack up (close to event arena) | 3       | 9:30am – 10:50am | Lorraine Leversha                          | yes          |
|   |         |                  | Daryl Fleay                                | yes          |
|   |         |                  | Prue Dobbin                                | yes          |
| 6. Early Pink Start Team: set up & operation              | 5       | 8:45am – 11:15am | Derek Morris                               |              |
|   |         |                  | Dianne Searle                              |              |
|   |         |                  | Alicia Martin                              |              |
|   |         |                  | Peter Galvin                               |              |
|   |         |                  | Gary Grealy                                |              |
| 7. Late Pink Start Team: operation & pack up              | 5       | 11:15am – 1:45pm | Heather Jones                              | yes          |
|   |         |                  | David Jones                                |              |
|   |         |                  | Charles Brownridge                         | yes          |
|   |         |                  | Tony Radford                               | yes          |
|   |         |                  | Don Cherry                                 | yes          |
| 8. String Course:   | 1       | 10.30 am         | Nola Juniper (set up)                      |              |
|   |         | 11.00am – 1pm    | Sue Davidson                               |              |
| 9. Check toilets  | 1       |                  | Julie Flynn                                |              |

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| 10. Finish tent (early)                     | 3  | 10:15am – 12:15pm | Neil Barr         |     |
|   |    |                   | Ross Slater       |     |
|   |    |                   | Need help!        |     |
| 11. Finish tent (late)                      | 3  | 12:15pm – 2:15pm  | David Brownridge  | yes |
|   |    |                   | Jacqui Knee       | yes |
|   |    |                   | Lorraine Leversha | yes |
| 12. Presentations                           | 3  | 2:00pm - end      | Blair Trewin?     |     |
|   |    |                   | Nigel McGuckian   | yes |
|   |    |                   | Jacqui Knee       | yes |
| 13. Pack up area, pack equipment into truck | 6  | 2:15pm - end      | Alison Radford    | yes |
|   |    |                   | Nigel McGuckian   | yes |
|   |    |                   | Daryl Fleay       | yes |
|   |    |                   | Peter Searle      | yes |
|   |    |                   | Dianne Searle     |     |
|   |    |                   | Ross Slater       |     |
| 14. Control Collection (over 100 controls!) | 12 | 3.15 pm onwards   | Julie Flynn       |     |
|   |    |                   | Prue Dobbin       | yes |
|   |    |                   | David Brownridge  | yes |
|   |    |                   | Heather Jones     | yes |
|   |    |                   | Neil Barr         |     |
|   |    |                   | Leisha Spowart    | yes |
|   |    |                   | Roch Prendergast  |     |
|   |    |                   | Tim Hatley        |     |

## Mosquito Creek bites again!

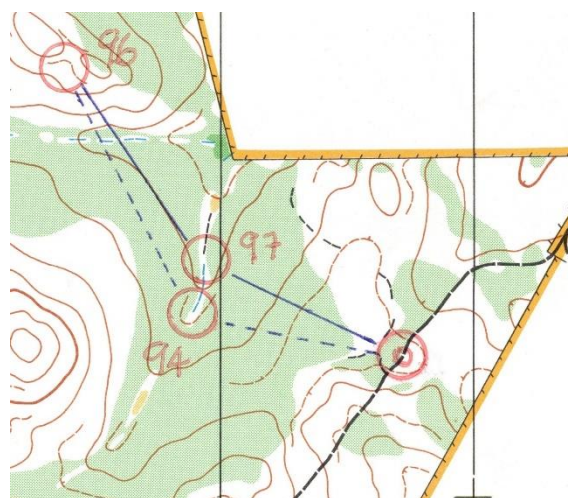
The Mosquito Creek map with flat, subtle contours and little thick vegetation has often been the graveyard of the fast and furious. This time however it was a watercourse end, or to be more precise – two watercourse ends - that brought people undone.

Courses 1 and 2 at the August 13 event set by Terry Davidson both had control #96 as their second last control. Course 1 then had #94 as their last control whereas Course 2 had #97.

Of the seven competitors in Course 1, four punched #97 (north end of watercourse) and were disqualified, and of the 13 competitors in Course 2, one punched #94 (south end of watercourse) and was disqualified. The IOF rules for control placement stipulate that controls on the same feature must be more than 60m apart – they were.

Of course, nobody wishes to name and shame people, but the results are publicly available for perusal on Eventor!

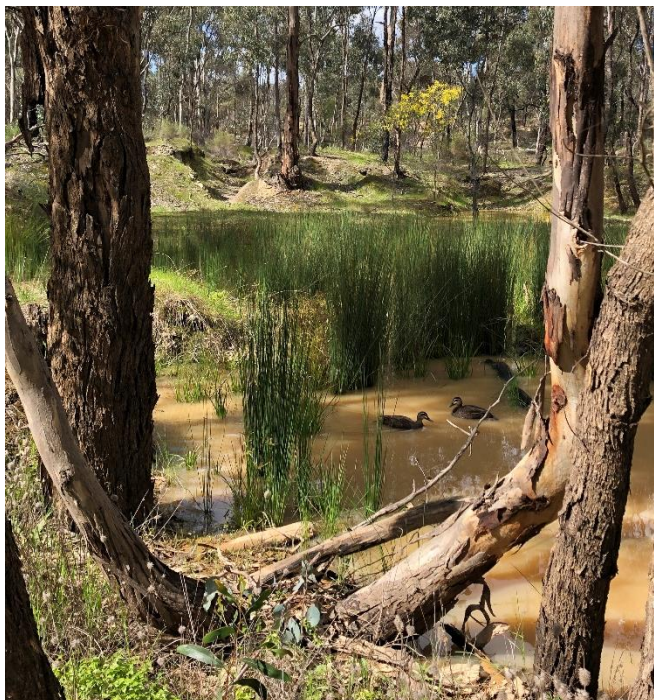
The lesson from all this of course is - CHECK YOUR CONTROL CODES!



----- Course 1  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Course 2

### Fiddlers Green, September 3

Nigel McGuckian set challenging courses for the 52 competitors at Fiddlers Green, particularly in the heavily eroded, flat part of the map. Spring rain and new growth made for glorious running through the terrain.



Ducks on the water, Fiddlers Green

### Mt Tarrengower, September 10 & 11

Bendigo club ran the first day of a two-day event at Mt Tarrengower, with Yarra Valley organizing the second day. The same arena was utilised for both days and Jim Russell set courses to challenge all runners on the Saturday. Spectator controls were a feature of both days with runners able to show off their up-hill sprinting technique.



Neil Barr sprinting to the spectator control



New spring growth, Fiddlers Green



Don Cherry deburring himself at Mt Tarrengower



Organizers Jim Russell & Cormac McCarthy (YV) at the presentations

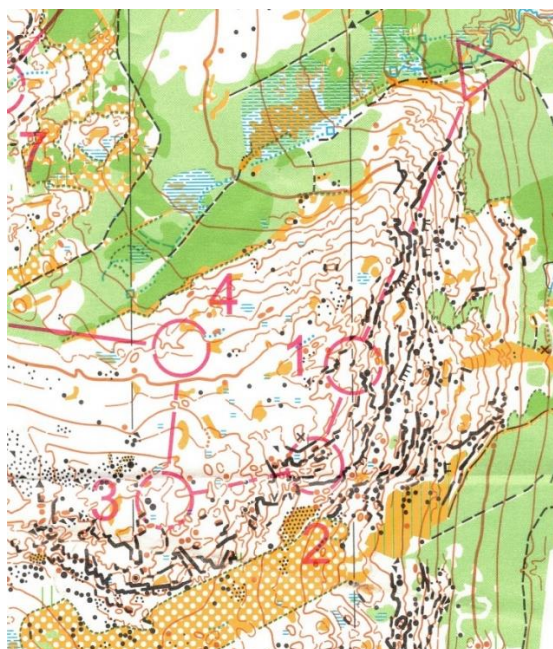


Margi Freemantle & Ted van Geldermalsen



Don Cherry spotted an area of Morel fungi close to the arena

In the morning before the first race we walked around a training map to see an example of local forest. This didn't really help when we got to Race 1 in the afternoon. The first leg for M65 was a really tough one of about 500 metres distance and 60 metres of climb through cliffs and rocks and unfamiliar forest (see partial course below). I lost contact with the map and had to retrace part of the way. By this time the competitor who had started 6 minutes after me was coming up the slope. Seeing where he went helped me realise what I had been misinterpreting and I was able to get to control 1. I kept him in sight for the next two legs but then he ran away. Later on I saw that I had repassed him when he lost time on a control towards the end of the course and my time was only 3 minutes longer than his.



OO Cup M65 Course Day 1

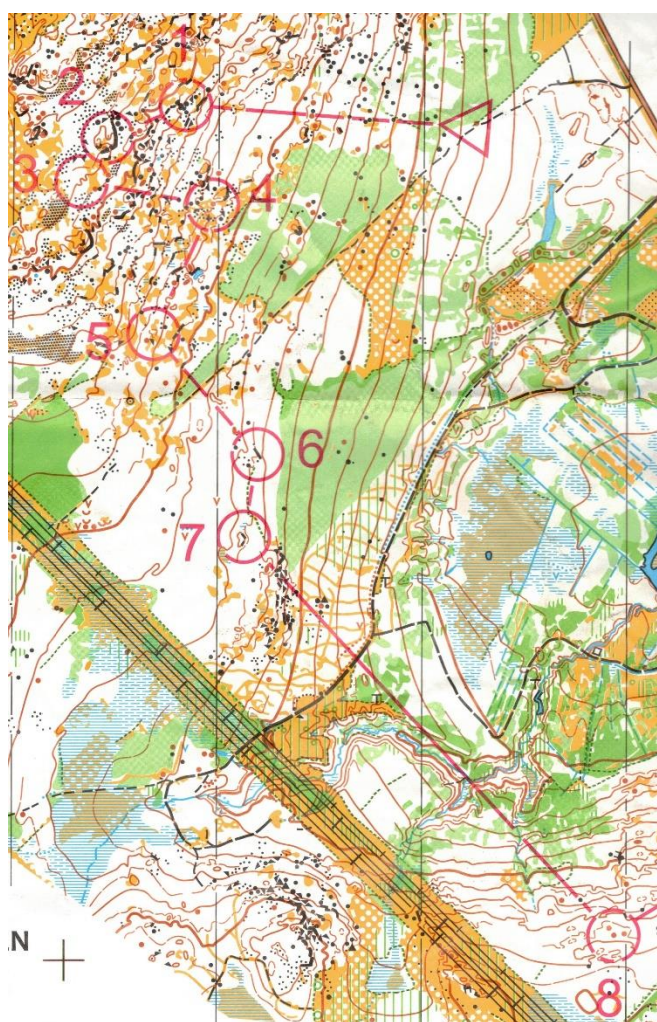
## OO Cup 2022, Sweden –Ted van Geldermalsen

Normally the OO Cup 5-day orienteering event is held in Slovenia but for this year the Slovenian organisers decided to run it around Umea in northern Sweden (perhaps to show the Swedes how to organise a 5-day orienteering event).

The areas, maps, and courses were right up to the organisers' usual high standard. The areas were almost all wilderness forest with lots of contour and rock detail and next to no tracks. All maps were 1:7,500 scale to help readability. Some days had remote finishes to avoid uninteresting legs back to the arena at the end of courses.

Over the following days no one had clean runs and the first three places changed from day to day while I stayed stuck in fourth overall by an increasing margin. Every day was a new and intense challenge from start to finish. A local Umea runner who was coming second after three days had a lot of trouble on day 4 and dropped to 3<sup>rd</sup> overall, about 6 minutes ahead of me.

On Day 5 (see partial course below), I had a good run, only losing a couple of minutes on two of the controls but didn't imagine it would change my overall place. We hopped in the car and drove 7 hours back to Stockholm. That evening we looked at the final results and I'd come third. The Umea runner had another bad day. Not only was his time thirteen minutes longer than mine but he had punched the wrong second last control and was disqualified. What a disappointing way to end 5 days good orienteering.



OO Cup M65 Day 5

The first rule of OO Cup is "don't mispunch" because all 5 races count towards the overall result. Sometimes half of the class have mispunched by Day 5 so there is always hope, and so it proved for me this time. Placegetters prizes looked quite good so it was a little

unfortunate that we hadn't stayed for the presentations.

Margi found the terrain very rough and after completing the Day 1 course she decided to spectate at the rest.

The event attracted about 1,000 competitors. The number of Swedish entries must have been disappointing – only 241. Almost as many people from France entered (237). There were six entries from Australia.

Next year the event returns to Slovenia and will be based around Lokve where we ran in our first OO Cup in 2011.

## Bendigo Spring Book Fair is back

After a two-year gap owing to the COVID 19 outbreak, the Spring Book Fair has returned to the Bendigo YMCA Stadium over the AFL Grand Final long weekend. Funds raised go to the Y Service Club of Bendigo, who then distribute them to worthy community organizations.

To grab a bargain from a great selection of both fiction and non-fiction secondhand books, all-day Friday will be your best bet.

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➤ SAT 24 Sep 2022 9AM - 1PM  
➤ SUN 25 Sep 2022 9AM - 1PM

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