



QUEENS BIRTHDAY 3 DAYS

7 - 9 JUNE 2003

State League Events 5 & 6

Welcome to the 2003 QBIII. We hope you enjoy the 3 days of running on great maps. A new 1:10000 map has been prepared by Ken Mills for Day 1 for all but the Red 1 - 4 courses. The recent wet weather could cause problems gaining access to parking close to the assembly areas, so extra time should be allowed to get to events.

On Saturday, there is an Arts & Craft Fair at Bungonia conducted by the Bungonia Progress Association. - Historical tours (walk/bus/car) of the Village, churches and cemetery, historical photograph display in the Hall, craft demonstrations and sales, Devonshire teas and hot soup. These fairs have been popular before, so why not leave time to drop in and get to meet some locals. Entry is by gold coin donation.

Sunday and Monday catering is organised by the Big Hill Volunteer Fire Service.

Our thanks and appreciation to the landowners for the use of their properties

Day 1 - Joe Leatherbarrow - "Hillyford"

Day 2 - Fina and Tony Grasso - "Eden Ranch"

John and Gretchen Poiner - "Rosehill"

Helmut and Hurta - "Matakanui"

Day 3 - Ray and Jan Soper - "Gibraltar"

- Steve Burgun (Sydney University) - "Mt Pleasant"

Sport-Ident will be used on all courses for the three days. Help in the use of e-cards may be found at the enter on day registration tent. Each e-card (private and hired) has a unique identification number linked to each competitor. You must have your registered e-card at the start, otherwise you will not be started. E-cards may be hired for \$6 for the 3 days, but loss of a card will incur a \$35 replacement charge.

If the SI unit on the stand malfunctions (i.e. does not beep or flash a red light), use the punch on the stand to make a mark on your map. Notify the officials at the finish.

It is recommended you carry a whistle in case of emergency.

Organisers for the 3 days are Kevin Curby and Barry Pearce.

Controller for the 3 days is Paul Davis

Presentation will be as soon as possible after 12.30 pm on Monday.

Control descriptions for Day 1 are included with this notice, but before competitors are allowed to run on Day 2, they must sign a property owner's waiver for Days 2 & 3 when they collect Day 2 control descriptions at the registration tent. Please note **juniors** (under 18) must have an adult responsible for them to sign or bring a signed copy of the waiver with them. A copy of the waiver is available on this QBIII web site.

Relays control descriptions will be on the map.

It is the responsibility of each competitor to:

- use the correct e card
- clear and check on the way to the start each day
- register your start time at the start unit after picking up your map
- register your finish time in the finish chute
- at the finish, report any use of control pin punches

Water will be at the start and the finish and at mapped locations on the long courses.
Toilets will be at or near the assembly (depending on access), but not at the start.

DAY 1

Travel directions

From the Hume Highway, turn off approximately 1 km south of Marulan and then do an immediate turn right. Follow this road for approx 16 km, turn left at the T-junction and proceed through Bungonia. Turn left at the Inverary signpost and follow O signs to the property entrance. Turn right and follow the property tracks 3km to the parking area. Allow 30 minutes Marulan to Bungonia and then 45 minutes from Bungonia.

Please leave gates as you find them.

Parking is adjacent to the Assembly area, but low clearance vehicles are advised to use an area about 300m short of this to avoid crossing a watercourse. Allow 5 mins walk.

In case of **wet weather**, car parking will also use this area as the watercourse crossing would be suitable only for 4WD.

Assembly Area

Adjacent to car park, portable toilets and Finish. Please supervise small children, as there is a shallow dam nearby.

Map

West Inverary, 1:15000, 5m contours, 2002 : Red 1 - 4

West Inverary, 1:10000, 5m contours, 2003 : Red 5 - 8; Orange 1,2; Green; Blue.

Planner: Ken Mills

Controller: Keith Jay

Starts and start procedure

There are 2 starts.

A clear and check for SI e-cards will be positioned along this track 200m from the assembly area. Blue, Green - 300 metres, north of the assembly area. Allow 10 minutes

Red, Orange - 900 metres, to the south along a track from the parking area, allow 20 minutes. There will be water on the way to the start.

Clear and check e card prior to being called.

You will be called to the pre-start 4 minutes before your start time and to the start box 2 minutes before you start.

Write your name clearly on back of the map (it becomes an emergency control card).

On the final beep of the start clock, take your map, move forward and punch a start control unit **before** turning your map over.

Late starters must report to the official at the start and wait for instructions. The published time will remain as your start time. Do not register at the start SI unit.

Enter on day from 2.00 to 2.30pm. Cost \$7 plus e card.

Courses available are Red 5km, Orange 3.5km, Green 2.2km, Blue 1.6km

Course closure is 4 pm, at which time competitors are to abandon all courses and return to the finish.

Safety bearing is north east to open ground.

** Control descriptions for Day 2 are available at Registration after your run.

DAY 2

Travel Directions

From the south: Follow the Hume Highway north and take the Marulan exit. Turn left at the roundabout and travel for 2 km through the township (George St). Turn left into Brayton Road and proceed 1 km to where Brayton Road turns right (O sign) and then 11 km to Big Hill. Take care at the Wollondilly River causeway and then turn right (O sign) into Gibraltar Road. Follow O signs to parking. Allow 35 minutes from Marulan.

From the north: Follow the Hume highway south and take the Marulan exit at the RTA checking station. Then, at the intersection with George St, cross over into Brayton Road and follow the directions above.

Assembly Area

Is approx. 500m easy walk to the east of the parking area. Allow 10 minutes. **Wet weather** parking may be a further 1km back from the assembly area with a steep walk. Allow an extra 40 minutes.

Map

Gibraltar Rocks, 1:10,000 (2002)

Control descriptions will not be included with the map.

Planner: Doug Jay

Controller: Paul Davis

Planner's Notes

The terrain is generally fast and open, ranging from gentle undulating to steep in some areas. In most areas of the map there is complex rock detail. The area is dominated by 30-40 metre cliff lines, with boulders ranging up to 30 metres in height. Runability is good across the map, although care should be taken in complex rock detail and near cliff lines.

The cliff line that is visible from the parking area, is unbroken for approx 1km to the east and west and has been avoided where possible. Under no circumstances should competitors attempt to scale these cliffs.

Safety bearing Head south, then follow Gibraltar Road east until reaching assembly area.

Start and start procedure

There are two starts.

Red/Orange: approx. 2km streamered from the parking area. The climb is steep at times. Allow about 45 minutes from the parking area.

Blue/Green: takes the same route as the red/orange start but is only 1km from parking area. Allow about 20 minutes.

Start procedure is the same as for Day 1.

Courses

Please note: Red 1 and Red 2 courses have a map exchange in the course.

Enter on day from 11.00 to 11.30am. Cost \$7 plus e card

Courses available are Red 6.3 km, Orange 5.0 km, Green 2.1 km, Blue 1.8 km

Course closure is at 1.00pm.

Relay chest numbers will be available from 12 noon. See information on Day 3.

Day 2 and Relays course information

Day 2				Relays		
Course	Length	Climb	No. Controls	Group	Length (km)	Climb (m)
Red 1	13.9km	585m	23	I	7.0	180
Red 2	10.1km	470m	21	II	4.7	165
Red 3	8.5km	350m	16	III	4.0	105
Red 4	7.3km	255m	14	IV	3.5	100
Red 5	6.3km	210m	12	V	2.7	80
Red 6	5.2km	165m	10	VI	1.8	65
Red 7	4.2km	135m	12	VII	as for IV, V, VI	
Red 8	3.7km	160m	10	VIII	3.5	100
Orange 1	5.0km	185m	11			
Orange 2	3.5km	105m	9			
Green	2.1km	40m	6			
Blue	1.8km	40m	6			

DAY 3, RELAYS

Travel directions Same as Day 2.

Assembly Area Same as Day 2

Maps

Gibraltar Rocks, 1:15,000 (2002) for Groups I and II

Gibraltar Rocks, 1:10,000 (2002) for Groups III, IV, V, VI, VII and VIII

Planners: John and Val Hodsdon (SH) Controller: Peter Meyer (SH)

Planner's notes

The terrain is generally open and fast spur/gully. The area is dominated by 30 to 40m cliff lines with scattered boulders at the base of these cliffs. The relay courses have been set so that competitors will not have to access the areas above these cliff lines.

Registration

One member from each club is to collect the chest numbers for all the teams from that club. This can be done from noon on Sunday at the Registration tent. Changes to teams will be accepted up to, but not after noon on Sunday. Note that first leg runners wear blue chest numbers, second leg runners wear red and third leg runners wear yellow.

Start

There will be a briefing for all runners at the assembly area at 9.15 a.m.

The mass start for the first leg runners will be at 9.30 a.m.

Mass starts for 2nd leg runners will take place at 10.30 a.m. and for 3rd leg runners at 11.30 a.m. if previous runners have not completed their course.

Course closure

All courses will close at 1.00 p.m.

If you are still out at this time you must abandon your course and proceed directly to the finish.

Safety bearing

Head south to the Wollondilly River, turn west and proceed to the assembly area.

Enter on day

Start times available from 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. A 4.0 km Orange course and a 1.8 km Blue course will be available. Entry \$7 plus e card.

Presentation

The presentation of cloth badges to placegetters on Days 1 & 2 and to relay teams will take place as soon as possible after 12.30 pm. All M10 and W10 competitors will receive a certificate.