

Partnership with Orienteering NSW re:

App launch and new Orienteering courses at Bicentennial Park

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FREE Orienteering Courses at Sydney Olympic Park

WHERE: Bicentennial Park at Sydney Olympic Park

From WatervieW Café, Bicentennial Drive

WHEN: Any time!

MORE INFO: sydneyolympicpark.com.au

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LIST OF KNOWN MEDIA ACHIEVED

MEDIA OUTLET	MEDIUM	DATE	HEADLINE / SECTION
Out in Sydney	Online	30-Nov-17	Orienteering at Sydney Olympic Park
Parramatta Advertiser	Press	06-Dec-17	Smartphone Orienteering
What's On Sydney	Online	12-Dec-17	Orienteering at Sydney Olympic Park
Local News Plus	Online	07-Jan-18	Solving problems on the run
Auburn Review Pictorial	Press	23-Jan-18	It's Pokémon Go meets orienteering
Local News Plus	Online	23-Jan-18	It's Pokémon Go meets orienteering
Weekend Notes	Online	25-Jan-18	Orienteering at Sydney Olympic Park
What's On Sydney	Online	30-Jan-18	Orienteering at Sydney Olympic Park
BCL	Online	31-Jan-18	Orienteering at Sydney Olympic Park
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What's On Sydney	Online	01-Feb-18	Orienteering at Sydney Olympic Park
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Find your way to fun at Sydney Olympic Park



by 30 November 2017

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FARMERS MARKET

Do some of your Christmas food shopping while mingling with growers and artisan producers from the Sydney basin and regional NSW at the Parramatta Farmers Market. The produce changes frequently and Indudes native foods, fruit and vegetables, fresh bread, honey, nuts, meat and cakes. Centenary Square, 8.30am-2.30pm.
Details: parracity.nsw.gov.au

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CHRISTMAS IN THE GARDENS

Go with friends and all the family as the beautiful botanic gardens are transformed for an evening of Christmas music, fun and food. There will be bands including the Duck River Band, City of Holroyd Brass Band and Salvation Army Band plus the Auburn community choir (Spm-8.15pm), an open air clinema screening of Saving Santa and in the Elves Playground take a photo with Santa,

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Venue

Sydney Olympic Park @ Homebush Bay, Sydney





Solving problems on the run

DESCRIBED as Pokémon Go meets orienteering, the latest challenge for anyone who loves to read a map or solve a problem on the run is now available free at Sydney Olympic Park.

The culmination of 12 months of collaboration between Orienteering NSW and the Sydney Olympic Park Authority (SOPA), participants can follow one of eight orienteering courses using either a printed map or a free smartphone app. Welcomed by Orienteering NSW President, Greg Barbour, all the courses start from the Waterview Café at Bicentennial Park, and range from 1.8km to 5.1km, suiting everyone from beginners interested in a leisurely walk and experienced orienteers looking for a tougher challenge.

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SOPA chief executive officer, Charles Moore said it was an exciting addition to their many free family activities.

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Download the free smartphone app from sydneyolympicpark.com.au and search for 'Orienteering Permanent Course'.



The finish line of Sydney Olympic Park's new Orienteering Permanent Course.

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Former NSW schools team representative Rebecca George, Australian junior world championship representative Toby Wilson, visiting orienteering scholar from Finland Konsta Vanhanen, and Tuve Moller from Sweden check out one of Sydney Olympic Park's new orienteering courses.

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FREE OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

ORIENTEERING @ SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK



Orienteering NSW and Sydney Olympic Park Authority have joined together to offer a free orienteering program at Bicentennial Park. This permanent activity is available all year round and open to people of all ages and skills.

It's your choice to use a traditional paper map or download the free MapRun App onto your smartphone. Bringing technology into the outdoors, this app allows you to follow the course, as well as track your progress. Keep fit, enjoy the outdoors and even join groups if you wish, this new activity is for everyone's benefit.



Orienteering courses for everyone at Bicentennial Park

Orienteering sports will hone your navigational skills, and there is a choice of ten courses at Bicentennial Park; two are wheelchair-friendly and range from 1km to 5.3km. Beginners are welcome and experienced orienteers will be challenged with the longer courses.

There is more information about this fabulous program on the Sydney Olympic Park website here. Come along and join this FREE, NEW activity, which is part of Sydney Olympic Park's activity program every day. Courses start at the Waterview Cafe and you choose a course, either challenge yourself or take it easy, it's up to you.



Who knows what you will see when Orienteering through Bicentennial Park

If you don't know much about orienteering the Orienteering NSW website has details about this fun, family-friendly group sport. "Orienteers come in all shapes, sizes and ages; and generally have a great respect for and love of the environment and the outdoors. This permanent course at Sydney Olympic Park will help to showcase our sport to a huge urban population," said Orienteering NSW President, Greg Barbour.

Sydney Olympic Park Authority Chief Executive Officer, Charles Moore added, "This is a terrific example of how we can use technology to get people out and about and leading active lifestyles. It's an exciting addition to the many free activities families can take advantage of every day at Olympic Park."

Ten courses for all types of abilities, two wheelchair friendly courses and the choice of using technology whilst keeping fit. Navigating the courses will keep your mind fit too.

Come on, it's time to enjoy the outdoors, learn something new and meet like-minded people. This is definitely an activity you should check out and it's available all year round.

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Price

Venue

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Bookings

FREE

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WEBSITE

WEBSITE: BCL

URL: https://www.bclblogs.com.au/showthread.php?t=11355&highlight=orienteering

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WEBSITE

WEBSITE: Eventfinda

URL: https://www.eventfinda.com.au/2018/orienteering-craze/sydney

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Orienteering Craze

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Thu 1 Feb 2018, 9:00am-9:00pm 🏥 When:

Sydney Olympic Park, 8 Australia Avenue, Sydney Olympic Park, New South Wales Where:

Restrictions: All Ages

Ticket Information: Admission: Free

> Website: Sydney Olympic Park

WEBSITE

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URL: https://www.whatsonsydney.com/events/water-adventure/orienteering-craze-35415

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SYDNEY'S CHILD



SMART MAP

Are your kids into maps? Problem solving? Or just a good old adventure? Sign them up to the new orienteering craze at Sydney Olympic Park - all they need is a smartphone and some energy! The courses range from an easy 1km loop with six control points to a 5.3km course with 26 control points, and can be done retro-style with a printed map and control card, or by smartphone app which buzzes when you're within 10m of a point and turns green when you get there (both downloadable at Orienteering NSW, bit.ly/2D8Nnvs). It's free, for all ages, all the time.

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