



BULLETIN 1

WRE – Orienteering competition

World Ranking Event

Finnish Championships in Middle Distance

Ikaalinen, Finland, May 24th 2015

Welcome to the Finnish Orienteering Championships in Middle Distance in Ikaalinen, Luhalahti: WRE-races in M/W21, other classes from M/W15 to M/W85!

Event organizer: Orienteering club Ikaalisten Nouseva-Voima ry.

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Event information:

Rules: The rules of the Finnish Orienteering Federation, special rules of the Finnish Championships and instructions given by the organizers will be applied to the competition. The rules of the Finnish Orienteering Federation are available on the website www.suunnistusliitto.fi.

Punching system:

Electronic punching system Emit will be in use. Rental Emit –cards available by the event organizer, fee 5€.

Classes: H21 (=M21), H20, H18, H17, H16, H15, H35, H40, H45, H50, H55, H60, H65, H70, H75, H80, H85
D21 (=W21), D20, D18, D17, D16, D15, D35, D40, D45, D50, D55, D60, D65, D70, D75, D80, D85

In the classes H/D15 participants with year of birth 2001 are allowed. Competition includes qualification race in the morning for all classes, except classes D35 to D85 and H75 to H85 that will have a straight final race.

Entries and entry fees:

The last date for entering the competition is May 14th 2015. No late entries allowed. The primary method for entries (and payments) is Finnish Orienteering Federation's IRMA –system. Foreign competitors not representing a Finnish club (thus having no access to IRMA system), please e-mail the entry to heikki.t.laine@microsoft.com on May 14th 2015 at latest. Needed details for the registration are: full name, competition class, Emit -card number/rental card reservation, homecountry and club.

The entry fee for competition classes with qualification race and final is 33€. For classes with no qualification race the entry fee is 23,15€ Payments primarily via IRMA system, for competitors with no access to IRMA the bank details for entry fee payments are the following:

Account owner:	Ikaalisten Nouseva-Voima ry.
Bank name:	Aito Säästöpankki, Ikaalinen
Bank address:	Vanha Tampereentie 18, 39500 Ikaalinen
IBAN:	FI10 4503 1040 0293 00
BIC:	ITELFIHH

IOF ID: WRE athletes have to include their IOF IDs in their entry. The athletes who are not previously ranked should request for an IOF ID before entering a World Ranking Event. IOF athlete IDs can be requested from new_AthleteID@orienteering.org.

Guiding and event centre:

The driving instructions will be posted from the main road between Tampere and Parkano (E12). The distance from E12 to Luhalahti village is about 25 km.

The exact address for the event centre is Väinänlahdentie 280, 39410 Luhalahti / Ikaalinen (depends on the mapping application which one, Luhalahti or Ikaalinen is used).

The traffic will be guided one-way to parking: it's important to follow the instructions.

Parking near the competition centre mainly on fields. Parking fee is 5€. All functions will be close by in outdoor conditions.

The nearest airport is Tampere-Pirkkala (TMP) about 60km from the event center, the second nearest Helsinki-Vantaa (HEL), about 230km.

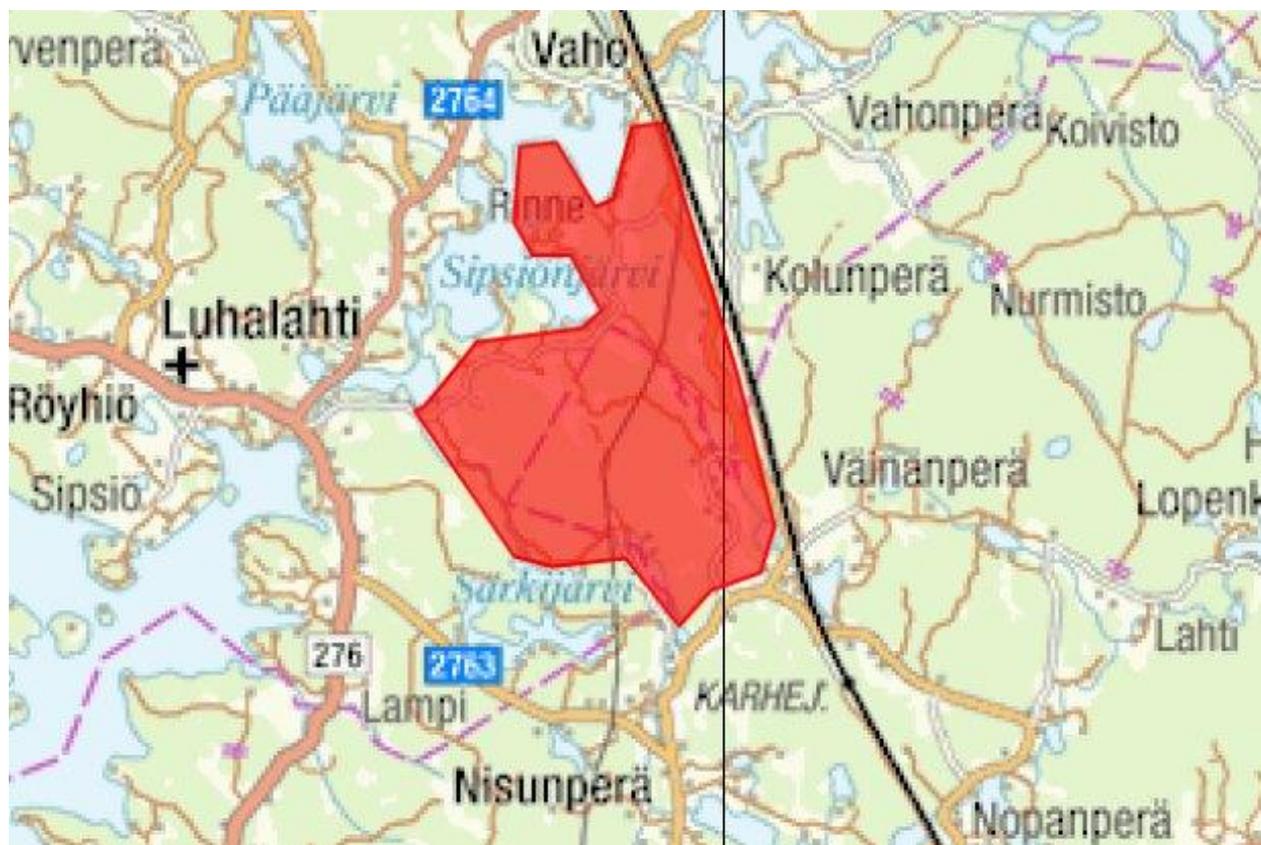
The nearest railway stations are in Parkano and Tampere, but there is no public transport to the event centre.

Map: The scale of the map is 1:10 000 for the WRE-classes M/W21 and for the classes from H/D15 to H/D40.
The scale for the classes H/D45 to H/D85 is 1:7 500.
Contour interval is 5 m.
The map will be printed in early May and it is drawn by Ari Anjala.
All maps will be in plastic cases.

Terrain: The competition terrain is varied with smaller and bigger hills with bare rock on the top of the hills. Some areas are very detailed. There are a few paths and only a couple of fields in the area. Runnability is mainly good.

On the event page www.iknv.fi/SM2015 you can find some old maps of the competition area (Vanhat kartat).

The empargoed area:



Training possibilities:

A model event on Saturday 23rd May will be organized in Luhalahti, on the map Särkijärvi in similar terrain (map 2014).

Guiding to the model event from road 276 between Viljakkala and Luhalahti. Map fee 5€.

More information about the model event and other training possibilities earlier in the spring later on our web page.

Timetable for the competition day:

First start of the qualification race is at 9.30 am.

The straight finals will start at 10.40.

The B-finals will start at 13.00 and the A-finals at 14.00.

Accommodation:

See the organizer's web page <http://www.iknv.fi/sm2015> for more information.

Visa Requirements:

According to the current regulations, citizens of some countries must obtain a visa in order to enter Finland. Please check the following website for more information: www.formin.fi

Visas should be applied at your nearest Finnish Embassy. Please note that conditions of entry to Finland can change and all participants are advised to keep up to date with the current situation by consulting their local Finnish Embassy

Media: There will be information for accreditation for media on the event web page.

Final competition instructions, start times and other information:

There will be more information on the organizer's web page towards the competition day.

Bulletin number two will be published in May, when the final instructions are ready.

We are looking forward to meeting you in Ikaalinen, Luhalahti, on Sunday 24th of May!



Some photos of the competition terrain:

