



WMMTBOC

World Masters MTB Orienteering
Championship 2023
Slovenia, Slovenj Gradec
17-21 May 2023

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Orientacijski klub
Slovenj Gradec
Muratova 24, 2380 Slovenj Gradec

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Welcome to Slovenj Gradec, Slovenia

Slovenj Gradec is the cultural and economic centre of the Mislinja valley in the northern part of Slovenia. With its number of inhabitants, it is a small town, but when you take its creative tradition and institutions into account, its importance extends over many borders.

Numerous exhibitions in the Carinthian Gallery of Fine Arts and events (some of them under the aegis of the UN) have brought the town closer to its foreign neighbours and that is how Slovenj Gradec got the distinguished title of the **Peace Messenger City** in 1989.

The historical image of Slovenj Gradec and its surrounding area stretches back to pre-historic times. This may be traced in the remains of Illyrian and Celtic settlement called Colatio. The medieval town was (like the other oldest Slovene towns) founded in the 13th century. It has survived centuries of turmoil but the town folk (most often artisans and merchants), together with foreign and native masters and artists, have managed to care for the image of the town. The old town centre has remained the focus of cultural and social life right up to the present day.

Slovenj Gradec has been a major event venue in Slovenia for mountain bike orienteering, which is an attractive and a dynamic sport, since 2005. Attractive terrains, accurate maps and nice climate have brought many different competitions to Slovenj Gradec since then.

We are going to do our best to make the WMMTBOC 2023 a memorable event.

Our Partners





World masters MTBO championship 2023 participants!

We are honored to be hosting the four race, five-day MTBO World Masters Championship in Slovenia for the first time. The competition is hosted by Komenda and Slovenj Gradec.

Slovenj Gradec has developed as one of the nation's key MTBO destinations since 2005. Our historic town, which is situated between Pohorje and Uršlja Gora, is well known in Slovenia for its culture, but it also has a long history in sports. It has gained popularity as a place to go cycling and trekking in recent years.

You have visited our town in order to participate in the MTBO World Masters Championship, which will be held in our town's beautiful Dobrava Forest, Stari trg, Raduše, and in the city centre. However, let us also use this opportunity to remind you of some additional worthwhile cycling routes.

Along the abandoned path of the previous railway line connecting the towns of Velenje and Dravograd, the Štekna bicycle route passes through Slovenj Gradec. The Štekna is one of Slovenia's best-kept cycling routes. It will be even more attractive from the end of summer when it will be connected by the cycle link between Gornji Dolič and Velenje, which also follows the abandoned railway line through the Huda luknja gorge.

The cycling route passes by The Urban Sports Park and Aqualatio swimming pool complex, our newest acquisitions in Slovenj Gradec, and in the neighbouring Dravograd, you can bike from Štekna to the well-known international Drava Cycle Route.

I wish all the participants the best of luck in the races and a pleasant stay in Slovenj Gradec.

May the best win!

Tilen Klugler
Mayor of Slovenj Gradec



Organisers

OZS

Orientacijska zveza Slovenije / Slovenian Orienteering Federation
orientacijska-zveza.si



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Orientacijski klub Slovenj Gradec
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Orientacijski klub Komenda
ok-komenda.si



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The World Masters MTBO Orienteering Championships are organised under the authority of the International Orienteering Federation (IOF)
orienteering.sport



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Event centre

MKC – Youth hostel Slovenj Gradec, Ozare 18, Slovenj Gradec, Slovenia, EU

Distance to Event centre from Ljubljana airport: 103 km

Distance to Event centre from Klagenfurt airport: 80 km

Distance to Event centre from Graz airport: 90 km

Distance to Event centre from Zagreb airport: 183 km



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Tourist information

Welcome to Slovenj Gradec – event centre:

visitslovenjgradec.si/en



SLOVENJ GRADEC

Pohorje – Kope – mountain resort:

kope.si



Koroška

Koroška – Carinthia – event region:

koroska.si/en

Info about Slovenia:

slovenia.info/en

Kope↑

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Schedule

Wednesday, 17 May 2023	12:00 – 18:00	Registration, info point	EC, Slovenj Gradec
	14:00 – 18:00	Model event	Slovenj Gradec
	18:00 – 19:00	Introductory meeting for competitors	EC, Slovenj Gradec
	19:30	Opening ceremony	City centre, Slovenj Gradec
Thursday, 18 May 2023	9:00 – 11:30	Registration, info point	CC Mass start, Slovenj Gradec
	12:00	Mass start	Slovenj Gradec
	16:00	Prize giving ceremony	CC Mass start
	18:00 – 19:00	Registration, info point	EC, Slovenj Gradec
Friday, 19 May 2023	9:00 – 10:30	Registration, info point	CC Middle distance, Komenda
	11:00	Middle distance	Komenda
	16:00	Prize giving ceremony	CC Middle distance
	18:00 – 19:00	Registration, info point	EC, Slovenj Gradec
Saturday, 20 May 2023	9:00 – 9:45	Registration, info point	CC Long distance, Slovenj Gradec
	10:00	Long distance	Slovenj Gradec
	16:00	Prize giving ceremony	CC Long distance
	12:00 – 19:00	World orienteering day Maze Race	EC, Slovenj Gradec
	18:00 – 19:00	Registration, info point	EC, Slovenj Gradec
	19:00	Banquet*	EC, Slovenj Gradec
Sunday, 21 May 2023	9:00 – 9:45	Registration, info point	CC Sprint, Slovenj Gradec
	10:00	Sprint	Slovenj Gradec
	14:00	Prize giving ceremony	CC Sprint

* entries for Banquet is possible via online entry form or via registration at info point EC (price 25 EUR, payment at registration)



Classes

WMMTBOC **W/M 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85**

Two adjacent classes in the same decade will be merged if either or both have fewer than 5 entries. W/M 70 and older keep the 5 year steps independent on registered starters.

Participation in WMMTBOC is open to all competitors according to their age classes.

OPEN RACES

Official open races during WMMTBOC 2023 will be organised, competitors will start after WMMTBOC competitors. Only Sportident SIAC Cards will be used.

Thursday and Friday **Classes: A (long), B (middle), C (short)**

Saturday and Sunday **18th Cup of Slovenj Gradec in MTBO**
(non WMMTBOC competitors only)
Classes: M/W 10, M/W 14, M/W 16, M/W 18, M/W 20, M/W 21, M/W 21 Short, M/W 45, M 60



Preliminary course details

WMMTBOC

	MASS START		MIDDLE		LONG		SPRINT	
Category	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Length (km)	Climb (m)
M35	24,1	340	18,8	300	29,5	885	7,2	95
M40	23,2	300	17,1	265	29,5	885	7,2	95
M45	23,2	300	17,1	265	27,6	800	6,5	90
M50	20,6	240	14,5	230	24,2	710	6,0	70
M55	20,6	240	14,5	230	24,2	710	6,0	70
M60	16,9	200	13,0	200	22,0	625	5,3	70
M65	16,9	200	13,0	200	19,3	500	5,3	70
M70	13,2	100	11,7	185	17,2	360	4,9	55
M75	13,2	100	11,3	165	15,4	300	4,2	50
M80	8,9	80	9,1	90	13,2	235	3,7	45
M85	8,0	60	6,5	70	12,8	150	3,0	40
W35	20,6	240	14,5	230	24,2	710	6,5	90
W40	20,6	240	14,5	230	24,2	710	6,5	90
W45	20,6	240	13,0	200	22,0	625	6,0	70
W50	16,9	200	11,7	185	19,3	500	5,3	70
W55	16,9	200	11,7	185	17,2	360	4,9	55
W60	13,2	100	11,3	165	15,4	300	4,2	50
W65	13,2	100	11,3	165	15,4	300	4,2	50
W70	8,9	80	9,1	90	13,2	235	3,7	45
W75	8,0	60	6,5	70	12,8	150	3,0	40
W80	8,0	60	6,5	70	12,8	150	3,0	40
W85	8,0	60	6,5	70	12,8	150	3,0	40



OPEN RACES

	MASS START		MIDDLE		LONG		SPRINT	
Category	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Length (km)	Climb (m)
Open A	24,0	340	18,8	300				
Open B	16,0	190	13,0	200				
Open C	9,0	80	11,3	165				
Open M10					6,0	50	3,0	40
Open M14					12,8	150	3,7	45
Open M16					13,2	235	4,9	55
Open M18					15,4	300	4,9	55
Open M20					15,4	300	6,0	70
Open M21					29,5	885	7,2	95
Open M21 Short					22,0	625	5,3	70
Open M45					27,6	800	6,5	90
Open M60					22,0	625	5,3	70
Open W10					6,0	50	3,0	40
Open W14					12,8	150	3,7	45
Open W16					12,8	150	4,2	50
Open W18					13,2	235	4,9	55
Open W20					13,2	235	5,3	70
Open W21					24,2	710	6,5	90
Open W21 Short					19,3	500	5,3	70
Open W45					22,0	625	6,0	70
Open KIDS / FAMILY					6,0	50	3,0	40



Winning times

Mass start	Middle distance	Long distance	Sprint
75 – 85 min	50 – 55 min	105 – 115 min	20 – 25 min

Punching and timing

SPORT ident Air+, long range (150-180 cm), also for open races.

Entries

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[IOF Eventor](#) - Entries for WMMTBOC closed.

[Orienteering online](#) - OPEN RACES end on 10 May 2023

Entries per country
(as of 7 May 2023)

Country	Sum	Country	Sum
Australia	4	Japan	3
Austria	32	Latvia	5
Belgium	5	Lithuania	19
Bulgaria	4	New Zealand	2
Czechia	42	Poland	2
Denmark	22	Portugal	4
Estonia	4	Romaia	1
Finland	23	Serbia	2
France	10	Slovakia	1
Germany	19	Slovenia	19
Great Britain	6	Spain	2
Hungary	20	Sweden	30
Ireland	1	Switzerland	17
Israel	3	United States	1
Italy	14	Sum	317



Entry fees

WMMTBOC

Entry date:	By 31 March 2023	By 30 April 2023
Accreditation fee	40 EUR / person	50 EUR / person
MW 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85	30 EUR / day / person	40 EUR / day / person
SIAC rent	2 EUR / day	2 EUR / day

OPEN RACES

Entry date:	By 10 May 2023
M/W 10, M/W 14, M/W 16, M/W 18	5 EUR / day / person
All other classes	10 EUR / day / person
SIAC rent	2 EUR / day

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When a competitor or team has not made required payment before arriving to collect competition material from the event office, an extra handling fee of 40€ will be charged.

If the event has to be cancelled, entry fees will be returned, amount of 10 € per person will be retained for handling charges.

All entries must be paid not later than 3 days prior to entry date via bank transfer.

IBAN: SI56 6000 0000 0440 160
Address: Orientacijski klub Slovenj Gradec, Muratova ulica 24, 2380 Slovenj Gradec, Slovenija
Bank: Hranilnica LON d.d., Bleiweisova cesta 2, 4000 Kranj, Slovenija
SWIFT: HLONSI22



Accommodation

TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE SLOVENJ GRADEC

Please contact local information centre for info about accommodation near competition area.

Mobile phone: +386 2 881 2116
E-mail: tic@slovenjgradec.si
www: visitslovenjgradec.si/en

Transport

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For transport from and to nearby airports, please contact us via e-mail info@ok-sg.si to arrange and book a service.
Extra fee.

Transportation on event

Transport service from Event centre to Middle distance event location (Komenda) is possible.
Announce interest for transport to event venue until 7. 5. 2023 via [web page](#).



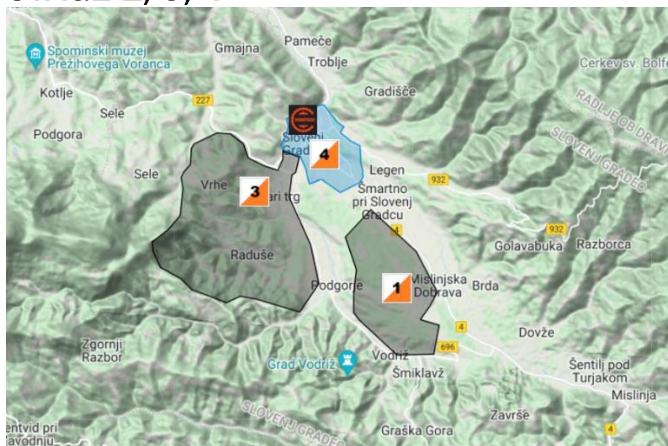
Embargoed areas

The embargoed areas are out of bounds for all potential participants and team members. This means that **no orienteering activity or training sessions may take place** in those areas and that they must not be visited with or without a map.

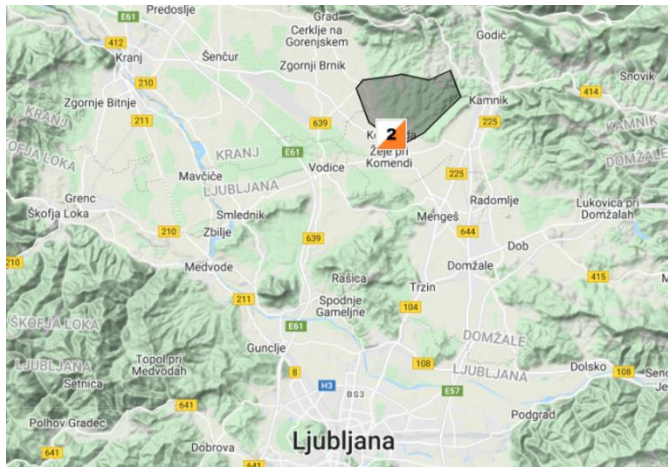
Slovenj Gradec city area (4) is partially embargoed. It is restricted for any orienteering or MTBO activity. You can visit the area on foot, on a bike or by car, but it is strictly prohibited to ride a bike to test route choices.

[Embargoed areas – Google Maps](#)

STAGE 1, 3, 4



STAGE 2





Maps

All maps will be mapped in accordance with the IOF International Specification for MTB Orienteering Maps ISMMTBOM 2022.



MASS START

Scale / Equidistance:

Terrain:

Distance from EC:

Course setter:

Map: **Dobrava jug**

1:10 000 / 5m

Forest area with dense road network.
Relatively flat.

7 km

Blaž Mihelj



MIDDLE DISTANCE

Scale / Equidistance:

Terrain:

Distance from EC:

Course setter:

Map: **Komenda**

1:10 000 / 5m

Forest area with dense road network.
Hilly with open parts.

97 km

Gregor Zupan



LONG DISTANCE

Scale / Equidistance:

Terrain:

Distance from EC:

Course setter:

Map: **Raduše – Stari trg**

1:12 500 / 5m

Forest area with steep slopes
and fast road network.

2 km

Gregor Raj



SPRINT

Scale / Equidistance:

Terrain:

Distance from EC:

Course setter:

Map: **Slovenj Gradec**

1:5 000 / 5 m

Centre of map is urban area with some
forest area.

1 km

Gregor Andrej

Old maps

See appendix 1 for old maps.



Competition rules

IOF MTB Orienteering Competition rules 2022
&
International Specification for MTB Orienteering Maps ISMMTBOM 2022

GENERAL RULES

Event will take place in any weather conditions.

Competitors are responsible for their own safety, everybody starts at their own responsibility.

Use of cycling helmets is compulsory.

It is generally forbidden to leave the tracks. Exceptions will be shown on the map.

Any violation will be punished with disqualification by controllers.

Bicycle must be with the competitor all the time. Competitor found moving without his/her bicycle will be disqualified. All controls are situated on paths.

It is forbidden to use some main roads (marked with red crosses on maps).

Competitors must follow traffic rules.

Participants agree that results and photos taken on the event could be published, including via the internet.

[Travel restrictions for Slovenia](#)



General information

ENTRY SLOVENIA

Slovenia is a member of European union. Rules and exceptions to enter Slovenia – gov.si/en/topics/entry-and-residence

HEALTH SECURITY

In order to avoid COVID-19 infections, we will follow Slovenian Orienteering Federation's instructions and Government regulations valid at the time of event.

The nearest hospital:

[Splošna bolnišnica Slovenj Gradec](#)

Gospodsvetska cesta 1

2380 Slovenj Gradec

WEATHER

Climate is mild at the time, the expected average temperature in May is 15 degrees. Can vary from year to year.

PARKING FOR MOTORHOMES

Participants who will arrive with motorhomes will be able to park at designated spots.

Small parking for motorhomes at EC with limited access to electricity.

[GPS coordinates](#)

Public parking with allowed parking for motorhomes during event (500m walk from EC). No service. [GPS coordinates](#)



Appendix 1: Old maps

Map: SLOVENJ GRADEC



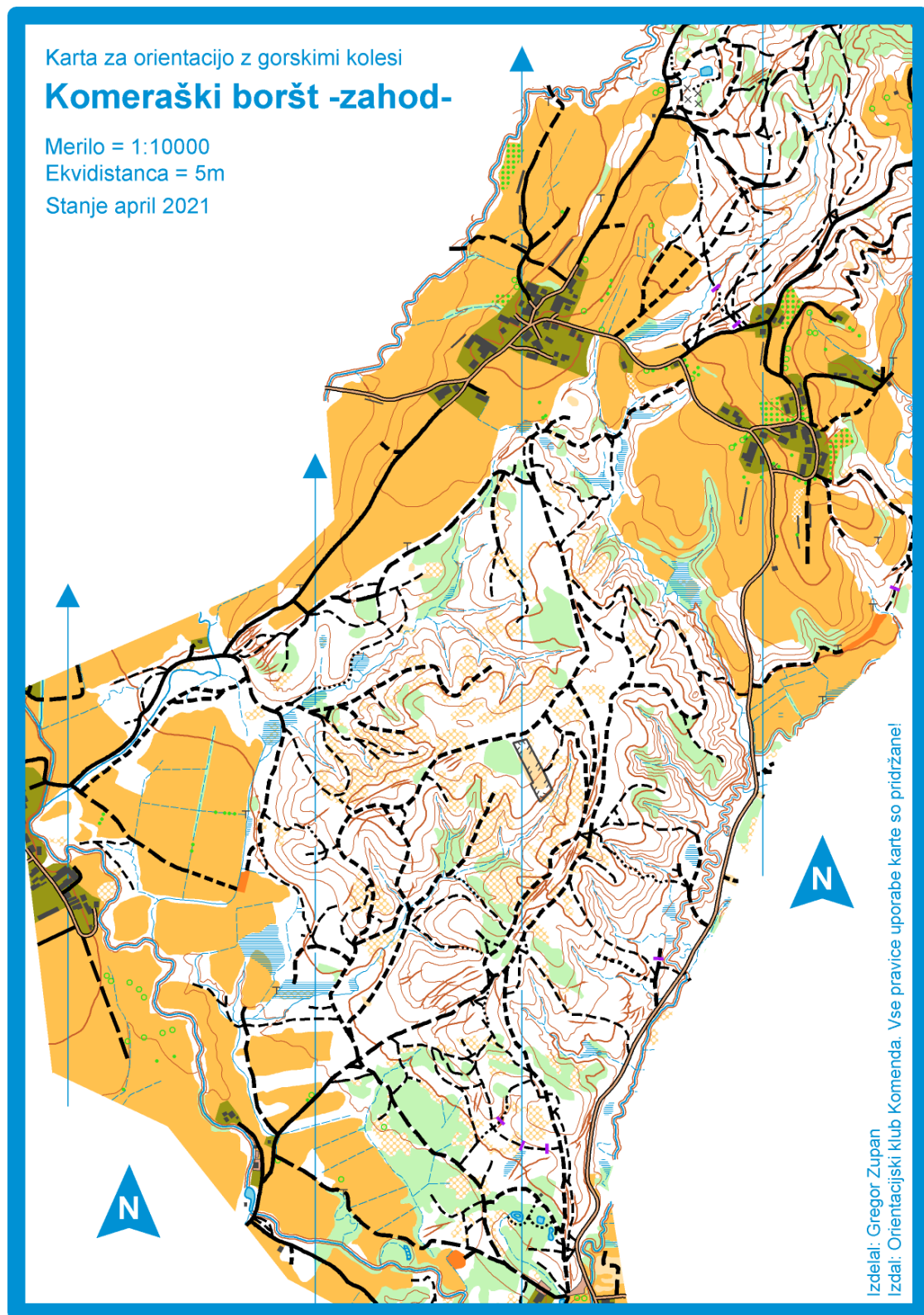


Map: DOBRAVA JUG



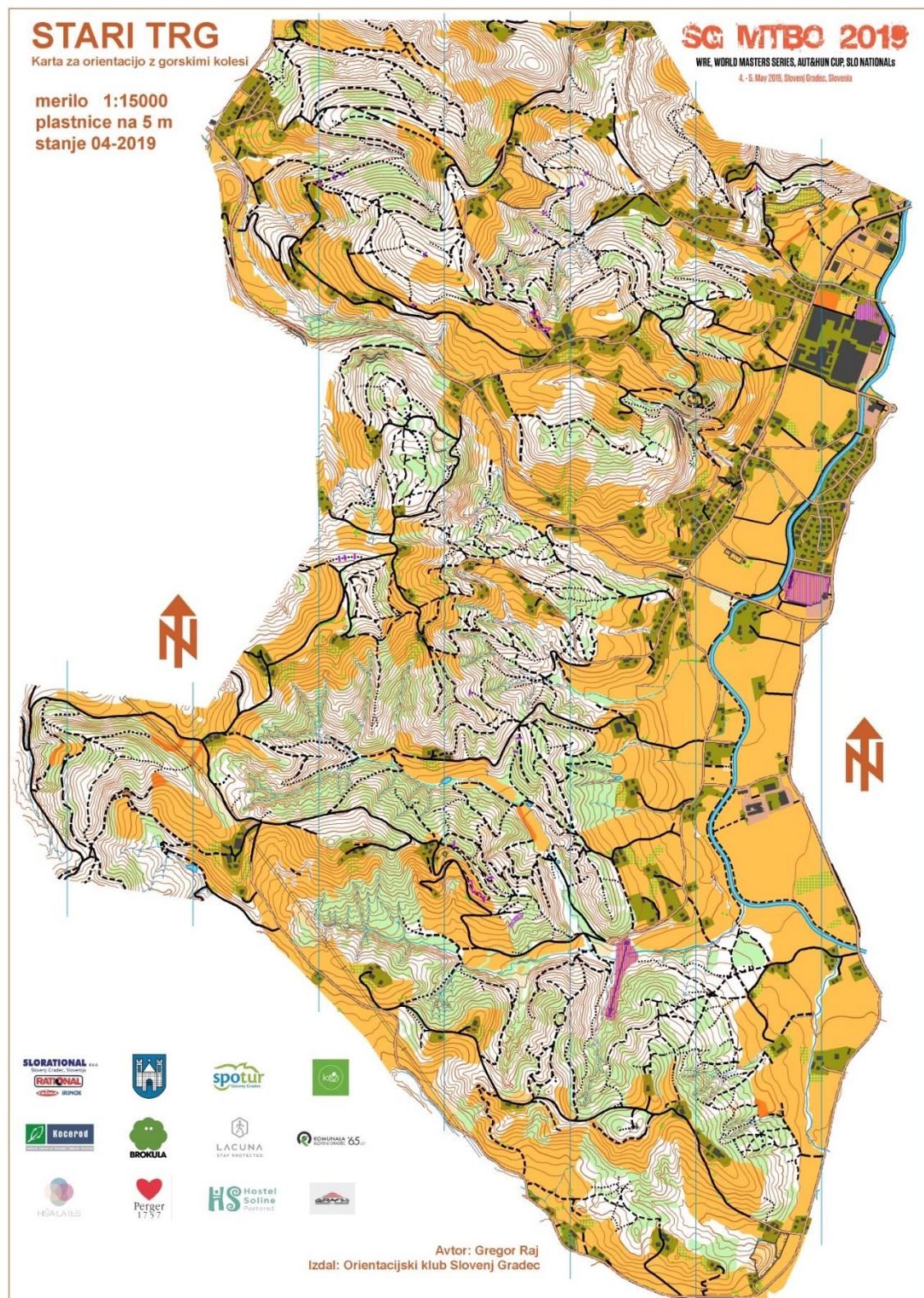


Map: KOMENDA





Map: SLOVENJ GRADEC





Version history

7. 4. 2023 – Version 1.1 – First published version

7. 5. 2023 – Version 1.2 – Second published version

- added detailed schedule
- updated preliminary course details
- changed scale of Sprint course