

11th Memorial of the 7th Guards Brigade „PUMA“

THERMENLAND OPEN 2016

BULLETIN 1

INVITATION





Dear Orienteering Friends,

We are pleased to welcome competitors, clubs and guests to the **11th Memorial of the 7th Brigade „PUMA“ – THERMENLAND OPEN 2016**. The event will take place in Varaždin and Varaždinske Toplice as the host cities, and will be hosted by the Association of veterans of the 7th Guards Brigade "PUMA" and Orienteering Club Međimurje.

We wish to organize a challenging competition with the respect to the idea of orienteering without borders. We are happy to invite competitors from the region to beautiful areas and new maps.

Competition is a part of our "Orienteering Triangle" event.

We wish you good results and are looking forward to seeing you!

Organizers





1. Varaždin County

Varaždin County is famous for its Baroque splendour, its music and art, and its unspoilt wild-life and unique scenery. In the region between the River Drava and the forested slopes of Ravna Gora, Kalnik and Ivanščica, the highest Zagorje mountain, lies a wealth of Croatia's historic and cultural heritage.

The Varaždin area offers so many tourist spots that it is one of the most attractive destinations in Croatia. The region has been inhabited from time immemorial, testified by the world-famous Vindija cave, which contains the first traces of prehistoric man in Europe.

There are countless churches throughout the region, from the small one in Lepoglava's Purga, decorated with Ranger's frescoes, to Varaždin's splendid Baroque cathedral, numerous manors, such as Maruševac, wonderful ornamental parks, like the Opeka Arboretum, and many castles (Batthyany in Ludbreg, and the Old Castle of Varaždin, for instance).

One of the most magnificent places to see, medieval Trakošćan, is the pearl of Hrvatsko (Croatian) Zagorje, situated on a hill and surrounded by a forest-park and a lake, where a nature-trail provides peace and relaxation. An exhibition inside the castle documents the history of the area.

In the past, people have built many settlements on the friendly edges of the Pannonian Plain where picturesque hills begin to rise. The largest and best-preserved of these, Varaždin, was once the Croatian capital, the seat of the Ban and the Croatian Parliament, and is now the economic and cultural centre of the country. Also famous is Varaždinske Toplice, Croatia's oldest thermal spa, which attracted the cream of European society for centuries and is still a famous watering-place and recreation-centre today.

Varaždin itself, 800 years old, has one of the best-preserved medieval town-centres in Europe: a heritage proudly displayed in the city's many museums and galleries. Even the cemetery is famous for its horticulture! Visitors can enjoy a whole array of events, such as the Splendid Ball; the 'Špancirfest' (Street Walkers' Festival); the festival Evenings of Baroque Music; the New Year's Eve race (starting exactly at midnight on December 31st) and many others.

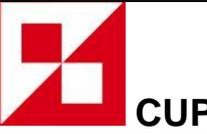




2. Programme:

Stage	Date	Time	Discipline	Type	Place
Prologue	Sunday 12.6.	10 am	FootO	sprint	Varaždin , (City Sports Hall) : 46.3152053,16.3619103
TrailO	Sunday 12.6.	2 pm	TrailO	TempO	Varaždin , (City Sports Hall) : 46.3152053,16.3619103
1.WRE	Saturday 18.6.	10 am	FootO	long	Varaždinske Toplice : 46.2160613,16.3926136,269
Night	Saturday 18.6.	10 pm	FootO	sprint, night	Varaždinske Toplice , (Hotel Minerva, Trg slobode) : 46.211178, 16.418772
2.WRE	Sunday 19.6.	10 am	FootO	middle	Varaždinske Toplice : 46.2160613,16.3926136,269

3. Rankings:

	Stages 1.WRE. , 2.WRE – World Ranking Events
	Results of 1.WRE. , 2.WRE and night stages are added together for the overall individual winner of Thermenland 2016. For classes MW10, MW12, MW14 and BEGINNERS we added together only 1.WRE. and 2.WRE stages for the overall individual winner.
	1.WRE stage – Croatian Long distance Championships
	1.WRE. , 2.WRE and Prologue stages – Croatian National Cup/Sprint Cup
	TrailO stage - Croatian-Slovenian-Italian TrailO Cup (optional)
	All stages are scoring for team cup – „Memorijal 7.gbr PUMA“
	Prologue and TrailO stages are scoring for best all-round competitor – Orienteering triangle (MTBO) stage will be scored in our earlier competition in April)

4. Organising Committee

President: Darko Duhović

Vice presidents: Robert Puja, Vladimir Tkalec

Secretary: Igor Tkalec

Finances: Vladimir Miljević

Course setters:

Darko Duhović (prologue stage, WRE 1 stage)

Lino Legac (night stage)

Vladimir Tkalec (WRE 2 stage)

Jasminka Cindrić Petković (TrailO stage)

National event controllers:

Željko Koščak (prologue stage, WRE 2 stage)

Darko Duhović (night stage)

Lino Legac (WRE 1 stage)

Vladimir Tkalec (TrailO stage)

IOF Event Adviser: Boris Bauman (SLO)

Accommodation: Igor Tkalec, Branko Crljenica

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Austrian Coordinator: Herwig Proske (AUT)

Homepage/Press: Darko Duhović, Krasnodar Kišur



5. Event Centre and Accommodation

During Competition we will provide official accommodation in the sports hall/school (on hard floor) in Varaždinske Toplice, parking place for camper vans and camping place for tents. Information about booking and fees will be published on the competition web page. Competitors should bring their own sleeping bags/mats.

For other accommodation (private accomodaton/apartments or other) near competition area, you may check:

Varaždin County Tourist Bord : <http://turizam-vzz.hr/hr>

Varaždin Tourist Bord: <http://www.tourism-varazdin.hr/>

Varaždinske Toplice Tourist Bord: <http://toplice-vz.hr/>

The Event Centre will be open in finish areas 2 hours before the first start. On other times, the Event Centre will be located in Varaždinske Toplice. The exact location will be published on the web page.



6. Classes

Prologue: MW21, MW12, MW16, MW20, MW35, MW40, MW45, MW50, OPEN
TrailO: E OPEN, E PARA, E JUNIOR, A, N
Main Event: MW21E, MW10, MW12, MW14, MW16, MW18, MW20, MW21A, MW21B, MW35, MW40, MW45, MW50, MW55, MW60, MW65, MW70, OPEN LONG, OPEN SHORT, BEGINNERS

In case of too few entries, organizer reserves the right to join classes!

7. Terrain

Prologue & TrailO stage: City forest park, riverside, flat and fast, path network
WRE stages: Varied relief with rich contour details, holes and depressions. Forest has good runability. The terrain has a dense road and path network. Moderately hilly and hilly areas in some parts.
Night stage: City streets and parks, spa. Moderately hilly, partly in forest.

8. Entries and entry fees

USE THE FOLLOWING LINKS FOR ONLINE ENTRIES:

[PROLOGUE STAGE.\(SPRINT\)](#)

[TRAILOSTAGE \(TEMPO\)](#)

[MAINEVENT STAGES. \(WRE LONG, NIGHT SPRINT, WRE MIDDLE\)](#)

If you have any problems with entry system, send an e-mail: darkoduh@gmail.com.

ENTRY FEES:

CLASSES	1st deadline	2nd deadline	3rd deadline
MW 10-18, E JUNIOR, N, OPEN LS, BEGGINERS	4 euros/race	6 euros/race	8 euros/race
MW 20+, E OPEN, E PARA, A	6 euros/race	8 euros/race	10 euros/race

ENTRY DEADLINES:

1st : 15.05.2016. 50% discounted entry price
2nd: 29.05.2016. 25% discounted entry price
3rd: 06.06.2016. for Prologue and TrailO stages
12.06.2016. for the rest of stages

Late entry – 3 euros additionally on the category fee if there are vacants

Si Rent – 2 euros per race

Changes – 1 euro after closing date,
3 euros at registration.

All fees are payable at registration untill 1 hour before the 1st start

Please use WRE ID for WRE stage/classes entry.

Use both of ENTRY SYSTEMS for WRE classes, Orienteering Online (Upper link) and [IOF Evendor](#)



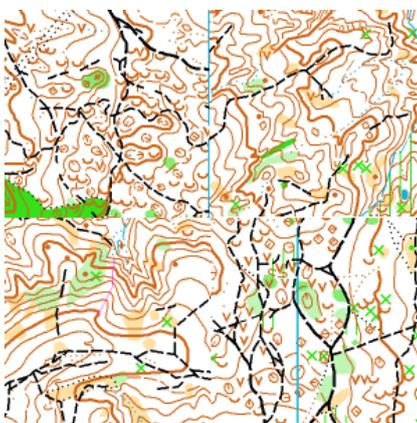
9. Maps



**Prologue stage
& TrailO Stage:**

ŠUMA JELAČIČKA/DRAVSKI PARK,
1:5000, 2,5m, 2013-16. Renewed map,

Mapmakers: Vladimir Tkalec, Darko Duhović,
Željko Koščak



WRE 1 stage: DUGA GREDA, 1:15000, 1:10000, 5m,
2016. NEW MAP,

Mapmakers: Jan Drbal, Milan Bílý, Roman Horký
Tóth Gábor (old parts), Vladimir Tkalec



Night stage: VARAŽDINSKE TOPLICE - MINERVA,
1:5000, 5m, 2013-16.
Renewed map,

Mapmakers: Vladimir Tkalec



WRE 2 stage: VRTLINOVEC, 1:10000, 5m, 2016.
NEW MAP

Mapmakers: Vladimir Tkalec

10. Control punching system

The control posts are equipped with SportIdent electronic punching system and old types of punchers. Location of controls will also be marked with small pieces of paper.

On TrailO stage punchers will be available on decision points.
You should put your SI number into the online entry form.

11. Prizes

Competitors will receive medals and special prizes for :

- Prologue stage
- TrailO stage
- Individual Thermenland ranking (Combined results of main event stages)
- WRE ranking events (only Elite)
- Croatian Long Distance Championship (only Croatian runners)

The Best all-round competitor will receive Orienteering Triangle Cup and special prize.

The best Club will receive Memorijal 7.gbr „PUMA“ Cup and special prize.

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