

Savona Orienteering Festival

with the
Western Canadian Orienteering Championships 2007

The Greater Vancouver Orienteering Club welcomes you back to classic orienteering terrain in the Kamloops area. The Gardens Creek map, outside the small town of Savona, was used in 2003 for the Canadian Championships. This time the weather will be a lot cooler and running should be pleasant. We are excited to offer two brand new maps at the university campus and for the middle distance race. The three races will offer a wide variety of challenges and we hope everyone will have a good time!



SportIdent Notes

- A few runners didn't give their SI number during registration. If your name does not have an SI number in the start list, please report it to the finish crew **before** you start your race.
- All races will have a punch start procedure, but **please** be at the start on time!
- In case of unit failure, no beep and no flash, you have to use the needle punch and punch the map, otherwise you will be **disqualified!**
- Control descriptions are printed on the map, and will also be available separately at the start.



Sprint @ TRU Campus, Kamloops, Saturday October 6

Map Thompson Rivers University
 Scale: 1:4,000, Contours: 2.5m
 2007 Bryan Chubb

First Start at 1 pm (race package pickup from 12 noon)

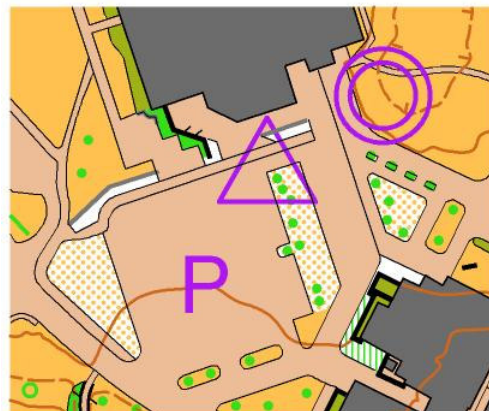
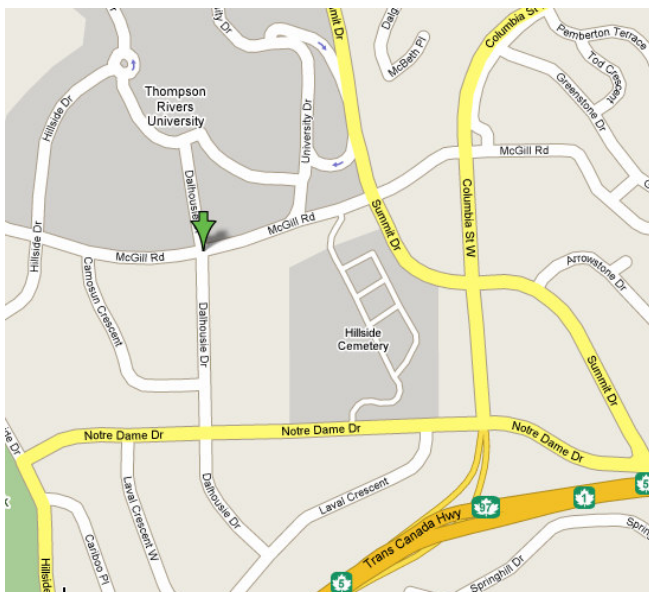
Parking -> Assembly Area: 0m
 Assembly Area -> Start: 0m

	M12, F12, M14, F14, Open Beginner	F55, F65, F75, M75	M21A, F21A, M55, M65, F45, Open Intermediate	F16, F20, F35, M16	M21E, F21E, M20, M35, M45, Open Advanced
Length (climb)	1340 m (10 m)	1630 m (25 m)	2220 m (45 m)	2090 m (50 m)	2550 m (65 m)

- **NOTE!** The entire campus is competition area and considered out-of-bounds! Please respect this and stay at the parking lot and finish area until after your run!
- Wash rooms are in the building directly at the finish tent.
- The campus has a mixture of terrain that creates interesting challenges. There is the typical campus environment, with intricate buildings, roads and paths, but in addition also some rougher terrain, with ravines, sage brush and small patches of forest. There is also some elevation change and small hills, which can make it difficult to find the fastest route.
- **NOTE!** M21E, F21E, M20, M35 and M45 all have one (1) control on the course that has to be punched twice! This control has to be punched as control 6, then there is a loop, and the same control has to be punched again as control 11.

Directions

TRU Campus is in the southwest part of town. From the Trans Canada Hwy, take the Columbia Street exit, turn left at Summit Drive and then left again at McGill Road. Drive up the hill and enter the campus from the intersection of Dalhousie Drive and McGill. Drive down the hill, over the speed bumps, and turn right into the visitor parking.



Middle @ Gardens Creek Ranch, Savona, Sunday October 7

Map Gardens Creek Ranch SW
 Scale: 1:10,000, Contours: 5m
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First Start at 10 am

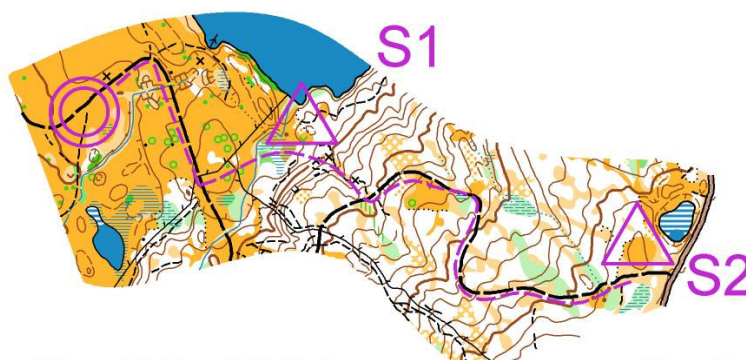
Parking -> Assembly Area: 400 m to 800 m

Assembly Area -> Start1: 500 m, **M/F12 and M/F14 only!**

Assembly Area -> Start2: 1200 m with 100 m climb

	M12, F12	M14, F14, Open Beg	M16, F16	F65, F75	M75, F55, Open Int	M65, F21A, F45	M21A, M45, M55, Open Adv	F20, F35	M20, M35, F21E	M21E
Length (climb)	2270 m (35 m)	2810 m (50 m)	3310 m (65 m)	2260 m (40 m)	2680 m (70 m)	2920 m (75 m)	3890 m (120 m)	3250 m (75 m)	4200 m (140 m)	5240 m (205 m)

- From parking along road it is required to follow flagging to the finish area. **All terrain is competition area and out-of-bounds!**
- Please, bring your gear from your cars and hang out at the finish area.
- The area for the middle is newly mapped, south west of the map used for the COCs 2003.
- The area is dominated by steep forested hill sides with intricate contour detail. Around the finish at the centre of the map is a more flat area with more open grass land.
- **NOTE!** There is a separate start location for M/W 12 and M/W 14.
- To avoid too much climb on the courses, all other courses start at a location 100 m above the finish. Make sure to take enough time to get to the start on time. At least 20 minutes is recommended!
- No water on the course!
- **Limited** number of toilets at the assembly area (2 or 3).



To S2: 1200 m, 100 m climb

Directions

The small town of Savona is on the old Hwy 1, about 45 km west of downtown Kamloops. Driving from Kamloops, turn left onto the Tunkwa Lake Road just before you come to Savona. The event will be signposted from this point. Drive about 4 km and turn right at the sign to Gardens Creek Ranch. Drive about 5 km to the intersection with Guichon Creek Forest Service Road. Continue straight and take the first left after about 800 m. Drive about 1 km and park along the road. Park on one side of the road as directed.

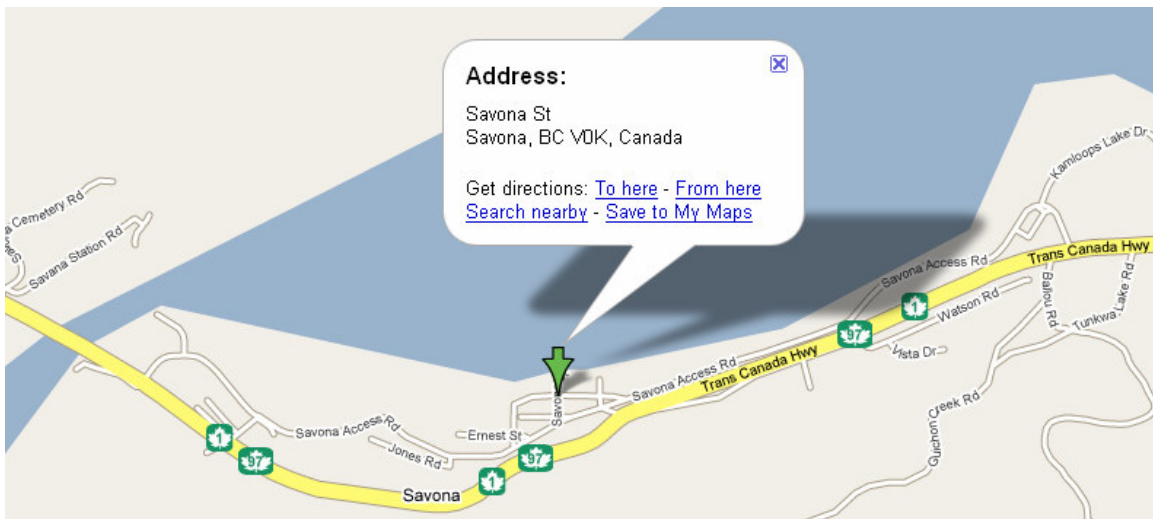
Banquet @ Savona Community Hall, Sunday October 7

First start at 6 pm

- Menu will include large portions of pasta, chicken, salad, dinner rolls, juices/pop/water, squares/cake.
- Route Gadget presentation on big screen of 3 fastest runners in M/F21 Elite at the Sprint and Middle.
- The winners are asked to give a presentation of their race experience.
- Awards for Sprint and Middle.

Directions

From Highway 1 and the Savona Access Road (at the Super Save Gas Station), turn right if coming from Kamloops, left if coming from Cache Creek. Follow it round to the left as far as the General Store, turn right immediately before it, which is Savona Street, and the hall is on the left after about 100m.



Long @ Gardens Creek Ranch, Savona, Monday October 8

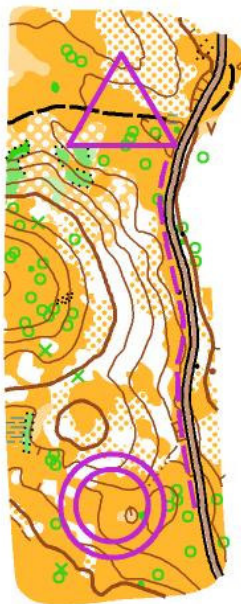
Map Gardens Creek Ranch
 Scale: 1:10,000, Contours: 5m
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First Start at 10 am

Parking -> Assembly Area: 0 m to 500 m
 Assembly Area -> Start: 400 m

	M12, F12	M14, F14, Open Beg	M16, F16	F65, F75	M75, F55, Open Int	M65, F21A, F45	M21A, M45, M55, Open Adv	F20, F35	M20, M35, F21E	M21E
Length (climb)	2400 m (60 m)	3160 m (100 m)	4070 m (130 m)	4120 m (180 m)	5090 m (180 m)	6070 m (280 m)	8040 m (350 m)	6530 m (300 m)	8940 m (400 m)	12160 m (540 m)

- The long distance area is generally more open land than the middle distance area, though some sections have nice forest.
- The ground is mostly short grass and sometimes a bit rocky underfoot.
- Nothing, except the hills, is slowing down the running. The hills, however, are big!
- All courses have between 4% and 5% climb. Courses are long and demanding, so **have your mind set for a tough race.**
- There will be several water controls on the courses.
- Two controls with water are very close to each other. **Make sure to check control descriptions and remember to punch the control before you leave.** Easy to forget when drinking...
- Beware of small cacti on the ground, which tend to be kicked up by the feet and get attached in the clothes by the calves. They can dig into the skin and be very uncomfortable. Try to use a stick (or even the map bag) to get it out before it gets too entangled.
- **NOTE!** Most ponds and marshes are completely dried out.



To Start
400 m

Directions

The first part of the directions is the same as for the middle. Take Tunkwa Lake road from Hwy 1. Turn right at the sign for Gardens Creek Ranch. Drive about 5 km on the dirt road to the intersection with Guichon Creek Forest Service Road. Turn **right** onto Guichon. After a short drive, park on one side of the road between the finish and the start. Guichon is the road in the map sample to the left. After the event, you do **not** have to turn around. Drive Guichon back down to Hwy 1.