



8th IARU Region 3 ARDF Championships Bulletin 2

Event Information:

Schedule: September 23-28th 2011

Location: Bendigo/Maldon Victoria, Australia.

Website: Official Website <http://r3.ardf.org.au>

Event fee: Total Event Fee: \$825.00 AUD (Australian Dollars) Organisers would appreciate early payment of the event fee and to encourage this have offered a discount fee of **\$750AUD**. To take advantage of the early payment organisers must receive payment before July 31 2011

Included in this fee are:

- 1: Accommodation for 5 nights including meals.
- 2: Transport for both the 2m and 80m ARDF Events.
- 3: Transport and activities for the tour day
- 4: Transport to and from the Closing Banquet

If you require transport from and to Melbourne International Airport the organisers can arrange this but at an additional cost to the competitor.

For more information regarding transport and a breakdown of costing for the event please check the event website: <http://r3.ardf.org.au>

If you are intending on organising your own accommodation and transport can you please contact the event organiser Jack Bramham VK3WWW vk3www@wia.org.au

Please Note:

Early registration and payment is preferred. Payments must be in Australian Dollars. AUD

To take advantage of the \$750.00AUD early payment, organisers must receive payment before July 31 2011 Payments after this deadline will be the full fee of \$825.00AUD

Payment:

All payments to be in \$AUD (Australian Dollars)

Details for SWIFT payments are:

Victorian ARDF Group

Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

Account Number: **063582 10106344**

SWIFT Number: **CTBAAU2S**

Other Payment options: VISA/Mastercard

Payment can also be made by using the VISA/Mastercard Payment Scheme. These payments must be done through the Wireless Institute of Australia website www.wia.org.au. If you are planning to use this method of payment please contact Mr. John Longayroux, VK3PZ, WIA Treasurer, E-mail: treasurer@wia.org.au
Wireless Institute of Australia: www.wia.org.au

Registrations must be done via the event website <http://r3.ardf.org.au>

In some cases this may not be possible and a downloadable PDF version of the entry form will be available on the event website <http://r3.ardf.org.au> If you cannot register via the event website and must register via email or post please contact the organisers first to avoid any disappointment.

Accommodation:

Blue Light Camp Maldon Victoria.

<http://bluelightcamp.com/accommodation/index.shtml>

Registrations: All team and Individual registrations should be done via the event website: <http://r3.ardf.org.au> Further enquires can be directed to Mr. Jack Bramham, VK3WW, WIA National ARDF coordinator, E-mail: vk3www@wia.org.au

Waiver: All competitors must sign the disclaimer Included in Bulletin 2 prior to competing.

This disclaimer is also available as a downloadable PDF file from the event website: <http://r3.ardf.org.au>

Program:

Friday 23rd September: Arrival Day

Saturday 24th September: Equipment Check & Opening Ceremony

Sunday 25th September: 2m ARDF Competition

Monday 26th September: Tour Day

Tuesday 27th September: 80m ARDF Competition & Closing Banquet/Prizes

Wednesday 28th September: Departure Day

Model Event:

Competitors will be able to test their receiving equipment on Saturday 24th September. Small competition on both the 2m and 80m bands.

Transmitters:

2m. MOE, MOI, MOS, MOH and MO5 Frequency: 145.300Mhz.

2m. MO (Homing Beacon) Frequency: 145.700Mhz

Power: 2 watts.

2m Antenna:

Horizontally polarised omni directional, turnstile antenna.

80m. MOE, MOI, MOS, MOH and MO5 Frequency: 3.580Mhz. +/- 1khz

80m. MO (Homing Beacon) Frequency: 3.600Mhz. +/- 1khz

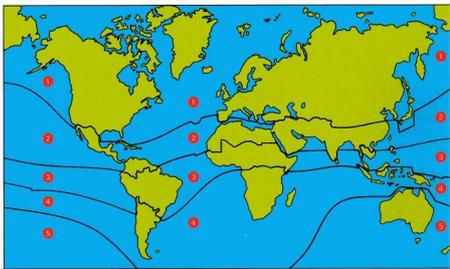
Power: 4watts.

80m Antenna:

Vertically polarised, omni directional. Ground Element: Counterpoise.

Control Recording:

For the 8th IARU Region 3 Championships we will be using electronic Sport Ident. Controls if you own your own SI Stick it can be used. SI sticks are available for hire but they must be ordered at the time of Registration. Refer to information on the competitor registration form.

Compass Requirements:

If you intend to use a compass for the competition you may require one that is suitable for "Zone 5" Zone 5 compasses can be purchased but



must be pre ordered. Refer to information on the Competitor registration form.

VISA Information:

To assist with obtaining an entry Visa we have informed our Government of the event and they have produced a document that will assist competitors in obtaining a travel permit to enter Australia. Here is an extract from that document .For a more comprehensive description about obtaining an **Entry VISA** please read the PDF document attached to Bulletin 2 This document is titled "ARDF Championships 2011.pdf" This document will also be available as a downloadable PDF file from the event website.

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Visa information

The information relating to visa options contained in this fact sheet is current as at 05 April 2011. Australian law may change after this time resulting in a change in visa options.

The appropriate visa will depend, amongst other things, on the person's purpose for visiting.

All visitors to Australia must have a valid visa to travel to and enter Australia (other than New Zealand passport holders, who will normally be issued a Special Category visa on arrival, provided they meet health and character requirements; and permanent residents of Norfolk Island who may be granted a Permanent Resident of Norfolk Island visa on arrival).

Visa options

The passport which you hold determines whether you can apply online, or if you need to lodge a paper-based application. The following information will help you identify the right visa and application process applicable to you.

Your role at the event will also help determine which visa type is the most suitable between Tourist and Business visas.

1. **Tourist visas** - are the most appropriate option for amateur competitors, volunteer support staff such as coaches, sports co-ordinators, score bench officials, team officials, referees and time keepers. Attendees/spectators/family members should also apply for this visa type.

2. **Business visas** - are the most appropriate option for professional competitors, support staff and persons attending in the course of their profession.

Tourist visa

Depending on the country of passport, the following Tourist visa options are available .

eVisitor

Passport holders from eVisitor eligible countries are able to apply individually online for authorisation to travel to and enter Australia. You will need to select between the business and tourist stream, based on your role at the event.

For a more comprehensive description about obtaining an entry visa please read the attached PDF document named "ARDF Championships 2011.pdf"

Local Area Info:

<http://www.bendigotourism.com/>

Competition Information:

Terrain: For both Competitions the areas used will be lightly to medium wooded. This part of Victoria has a Gold Mining past. We recommend that competitors take precautions to protect themselves from personal injury. Some recommendations are:

Strong (sturdy) Shoes.

Long Pants (O Pants or similar)

Long sleeve shirt.

Wide brim hat.

Sunscreen (30+)

Average Local Weather for the Month of Sept.	Temperature Deg. Celsius				Average Rainfall mm.	
	Average		Absolute		Daily	Monthly
	max	min	max	min		
September	16	6.5	29	-0.3	1.4	41.1

Current weather information for Maldon: <http://www.weatherzone.com.au/vic/north-central/maldon>

More Info:



The 8th IARU Region 3 Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championship is to be based in Maldon near the large provincial city of Bendigo in Victoria, Australia. It is to be hosted by the Wireless Institute of Australia (WIA) and events will be contested in the Bendigo/Maldon area from Friday 23rd September to Wednesday 28th September 2011. The Victorian ARDF Group which is organising the event is expecting in excess of 100 participants from member societies in Region 3 including Japan, Korea, China, Taiwan, New Zealand, and

Australia, Also expected are other competitors from countries such as USA, Canada, Mongolia and Kazakhstan. WIA is sponsoring this important event and assisting the organising committee with financial backing. The Bendigo District in Victoria is an historic gold mining area just over a 2 hour drive from Melbourne and about a 2 hour drive from Melbourne Airport. Optional transport can be provided from Melbourne Airport to the accommodation at a cost to the competitor.



Competitor Categories.

Categories for the event are based on the Region 1 proposed changes that were tabled at the 15th World ARDF Championships held in Croatia 2010.

Women "W"	Men "M"	Age
W19	M19	19 and Younger
W21	M21	regardless of age
W35	M35	35 or older
W45	M45	45 or older
W55	M55	55 or older
W65	M65	65 or older

Competitors belong to the M19 or W19 category up to the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 19.

For example: If you become 19 years old during 2011 you are still eligible to contest the W19 or M19 category.

Men and Women competitors aged 35 or older belong to each category from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the given age.

For Example: If you become 35 years old in 2011 you are eligible to to contest the W35 or M35 category even if you are 34 years at the time of the event.

Each region 3 society can enter as many competitors per age group as they wish, but only a nominated 3 can compete for the region 3 team results. All competitors compete individually as Region 3. Competitors names to form the official team of 3 can be lodged at the team meeting on the evening before the first event. To be fair to the smaller teams, this team must remain the same for both events, unless the jury allows a substitution in specific circumstances.

Societies outside of Region 3 can only participate in the Friendship Category individually. All region 3 Place getters will receive a medal. If a Friendship competitor has a better score than a Region 3 Competitor then they will also be awarded a Friendship medal.

Clothing and event DVD.

Event clothing and an event DVD will be available for purchase. Due to international postage costs clothing must be ordered in advance and collected on arrival. The DVD can be ordered in advance but will be posted after the event. Ordering information for these items will be on the event website. <http://r3.ardf.org.au>

Orienteering Afterwards

Shortly after the Championship event the 2011 Oceania and Australian Championships Orienteering carnival will commence in Victoria, not far from the ARDF event. The Middle Distance championships will be on 1 Oct 2011 and the Oceania Long Distance Championships on 2 Oct 2011. The carnival will then move to New South Wales midweek, then the ACT will host the Sprint Championships, and Australian Long and Relay Championships on the following weekend. Competitors are expected from around the world, with many from Australia and New Zealand. Let us know in your applications if any competitors are interested in staying on to compete in any of the orienteering events.

<http://www.oceania2011.asn.au/home/>



Please Note: Victorian ARDF Group are strong supporters of the Victorian Orienteering Association No Smoking Policy. We ask you to please respect this decision. For more information on Smoking Regulations in Victoria:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/tobaccoreforms/smokers.htm>

Waiver:

All competitors must fill out and sign a copy of this document prior to competing.

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Participants Release

I understand that participation in the 2011 IARU Region 3 Amateur Radio Direction Finding (ARDF) championships presents risks and hazards associated with strenuous outdoor activity in partially improved or unimproved mountainous and forested terrain. These risks and hazards include, but are not limited to, those presented by wildlife, extremes of temperature, ultraviolet radiation, precipitation, and conditions of the terrain including mineshafts or other hazards that may or may not be open and obvious. I understand that these risks and hazards create a possibility that I may suffer injury, including serious or debilitating injury or death, or property damage as a consequence of my participation in this event. I recognise that these risks and hazards are inherent in the nature of the event and I knowingly accept them.

In consideration of acceptance of my application to participate in this event, I hereby irrevocably release and forever discharge the 2011 IARU Region 3 Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championships, IARU Region 3, The Wireless Institute of Australia, the Victorian ARDF Group Inc, their officers, directors, employees, members and agents, and any other sponsors or volunteers contributing to or supporting the event, from any and all claims or liability for any and all injuries to me or my property arising out of or in connection with my participation in this event. This release extends to all claims of any nature, whether known or unknown, including claims of negligence on the part of the persons released, and whether brought by myself or by anyone acting on my behalf or on behalf of my estate, including my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns. This release shall be governed by the law of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia and the courts of that State (including the Federal Court of Australia) shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all matters arising out of or relating to this Release.

I give my permission to the sponsors of the 2011 IARU Region 3 Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championships and The Wireless Institute of Australia or anyone authorised by either of them, to use my name and any photographs, film, videotapes, or other record of my participation in this event for any purpose relating to or arising from this event including publicity relating to this event or future events of this nature.

Print Name _____ Call sign _____

Signature _____ Date signed _____

If Participant under 18

Parent/Guardian Print Name _____

Signature _____ Date signed _____