

Gunnar Nilsson & Mickey Lammers Research Forest
 Wednesday, August 24, 2016
 Organizer and Course Planner: Craig Brooks

The warm weather and overcast skies made ideal orienteering conditions for the 57 participants.

Parking and finish were at the southern parking lot, opening up the scenic southern part of the map for lower courses. The start was at a cutline/trail intersection about 100 metres south. The map had previously been used for the Western Canadians in 2015 and a Wednesday night meet. The area and all courses provided sweeping views of the Takhini River Valley and a variety of terrain (lots of green for advanced and expert courses).

Course 1 was mostly on well trailed cut lines, with some controls just off the trails. Course 2 required compass use on some legs, while providing route choices. Courses 3 and 4 introduced a “map exchange” about 75% of the way through the course. Participants then had 5 (course 3) or 7 (course 4) controls that they had not seen until picking up the second map that could be done in any order. The order visited varied widely.

It was great to see a number of new members who were out for their first time, with some doing course 2. A black bear near a control used on courses 2, 3 and 4 was seen by a few participants and went on his way. Reminder to be “bear aware” (see web site for info).

Big thanks to Ross Burnett for helping put out controls, and to Ross and Lorna Hutchinson (also responsible for post event snacks!) for working on registration. Thanks also to Sabine Schweiger and Leif Blake for their help in picking up controls, and the Forest Management Branch of Energy, Mines and Resources for permission to use the area for our event.

Novice, 1.8km, 20 participants	
Morrison, Kalina & Privett, Janine & McCarnon, Chris	19:17
Fecteau, Benjamin & Orviss, Laura & Fecteau, Nico	23:28
Moser, Rachel & Wise, Nigel & Wise Declan	25:08
Pearson, Phineas	29:06
Ho, Kim & Boorse, Loretta	33:28
Knaack, Elvira & Glenn, Maura	41:52
Young, Katie & Young, Cody & Young, Jack	53:07
Bornhuse, Amanda & Kuch, Teena & Kuch, Galen	53:52
Intermediate, 3.0km, 20 participants	
Pearson, Georgi	40:30
Koh, Glenda	43:11
Beckett, Rowena	48:42
Slama, Martin & Hogue, Emil	49:16
Halpenny, Melissa	55:39
Lawrence, Tess	57:26
van Hees, Violet	65:21
Kiemele, Deb	68:02
Willer, Annette & Kenyon, Jamie	68:03
Leduc, Nesta	78:48
Bray, Darryl	88:07
Slama, Helen & Hogue, Pascal	97:47

Trapnell, Jenny	DNF
Carr, Sue	DNF
Burnett, Wyatt & Heather & Lorne; & Holmes, Taiya	DNF
Advanced, 3.8km, 6 participants	
Schweiger, Sabine	59:42
McKenna, Karen	69:03
McLean, Bruce	75:09
Bradley, Joe	76:05
Melnik, Lara	103:59
Olesen, Darcy	DNF
Expert, 4.5km, 11 participants	
Abbott, Colin	32:50
Pearson, Forest	36:44
Bray, Trevor	44:05
Jones, Afan	45:58
Blake, Leif	52:09
Holcombe, Darren	52:35
Willomitzer, Gerry	54:02
Blake, Erik	57:42
MacKeigan, Jennifer	66:52
Blake, Pia	72:11
Burnett, Kerstin	DNF