

Entries are now open for our second event in our winter series - **Plaisir de Merle Wine Estate** on **Sunday 31 July**.

This beautiful wine estate is situated at the foot of the Simonsberg Mountain between Paarl and Franschhoek. This area was only recently mapped and therefore this will be our first visit to this picturesque farm. Be sure to make a day of it and stay for a wine tasting or a meal from the **Plaisir market** (www.plaisir.co.za/market/) vendors on the lawns of the estate.

All the event details are below and make sure to get your entries in. Entries close strictly on **Friday 29 July**.

PLAISIR DE MERLE ORIENTEERING EVENT

DATE:

Sun 31 July 2022

TIMES:

- Registration from 9:00-10:00
- Starts from 9:30 – 10:30
- Courses closes 12:00



[Register for Event](#)

[See on location on map](#)

EVENT DETAILS - PLAISIR DE MERLE

REGISTRATION:

Plaisir de Merle Wine Estate, R45, Simondium.

COURSES:

90 or 60 minute scoring event

In contrast to regular orienteering where you navigate your way along a set course, following a specific route, a scoring event requires you to visit as many controls as you can within a set time limit. You plan your own route to get to whichever checkpoints you want. Each control is worth points, with the most difficult to reach, worth the most points. If a control is close to the start and is easily accessible then it will be worth fewer points. If it's a considerable distance away, at the top of a mountain, it will be worth a lot more. It is important to get back before your time limit expires as there are hefty point penalties for being late. Navigation, route planning and strategy are all part of the fun in this format.

The great thing is that you make it as easy or as hard as you like. Stick to an easy route on the paths, or cut across the bush and challenge your navigational skills!

TERRAIN:

Rolling foothills of the Simonsberg Mountains, areas of vineyards are interspersed with areas of steep forest as well as thick fynbos. A network of farm roads, tracks and paths cover the area. Leg cover is recommended if you decide not to stick to the paths.

MAP:

1:10000 (Drawn by Richard Lange, February 2022 and updated by Alexis Coussa-Cariou, July 2022)

COST:

- Individual : Club Member R120
- Individual : Non-Member R160
- Group* : Club Member R160
- Group* : Non-Member R200

** Group entries include 2 maps. Children under 12 are free. Team sizes range from 2 - 3 participants per team. The amount shown covers the entry for the entire team.*

Fees already include Banhoek Conservancy entry.

PLANNER & CONTROLLER:

Alexis Coussa-Cariou & Eben Uys



FURTHER DETAILS - PLAISIR DE MERLE EVENT

- Compasses are optional - we've designed the courses to not require them.
- There are club members on-hand to help newcomers before the start. If you've never read a map before, we'll help you get going.
- Run solo or in teams of up to 3 (although children are welcome to accompany adults on the course).
- Teams should stay together at all times (max 20 meters apart at all times)
- Children under 12 are to be accompanied by an adult on the course. Maximum 2 children per adult.

Penoc Membership 2022

2022 Club Membership is now open!!! Our membership fees for 2022 are **R200 (individual) / R300 (family - max 2 adults)**

Why join Penoc as a club member?

- You qualify for cheaper entry fees at events (membership will pretty much have paid for itself if you compete in all 4 summer series events).
- Social events (we hope that this year is going to be different...)
- Eligibility to enter championship events.
- You get to be part of the coolest group of people, practicing the coolest sport.

Now that we've convinced you, be sure to click the link below to take out a membership.

[Penoc Membership form](#)

Whatsapp Group

We have launched a Whatsapp group for those who want to make sure that they don't miss any event notifications. The group will only be used for posts regarding upcoming events.

To join the group, please follow the below link or scan the QR code.

[Join WhatsApp Group](#)



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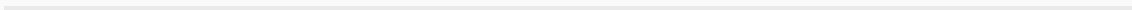
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