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## WRE - Orienteering Competition

# World Ranking Event Finnish Championships

Long Distance Race Jyväskylä, Finland, September 6th-7th 2014



## Event Director's Greetings

## Dear friends of Orienteering

Welcome to Finnish orienteering long distance championship competition on September 6-7 th, 2014. Competition will take place in an Island of Muuratsalo, Jyvaskylä, in Central Finland. We'd like to warmly welcome also our foreign WRE -competitors. Please give a good reference especially to our junior orienteers as well as to our local champions.

Terrain will be challenging, as it is always close to Lake Paijanne. Small hills – up to 100 m – and in some parts limited visibility and demanding control points may cause a lot of variations in final results.

Competition centre is a small school in Muuratsalo, close to the city of Jyvaskyla. Jyväskylä is located 270 km north from Helsinki. Competition centre is quite compact area and our target is to create good atmosphere between our competitors, partners, family members, friends and event organizers. More information, blog and news can be found in our webpages http://www.suuntajyvaskyla.fi/kilpailut/smpitka2014.

Good luck for the coming season and welcome to Jyväskylä!

Hannu Korhonen Event Director



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## Event Invitation



## Welcome to Jyväskylä

Orienteering Competition (WRE - World Ranking Event), Finnish Orienteering Championships, Long Distance Race, Muuratsalo, Jyväskylä on September 6th-7th 2014.

## **Event Invitation**

**Rules:** The rules of the Finnish Orienteering Federation (FOF), special rules of Finnish Championships and instructions given by the organizers will be applied to the competition. The rules of FOF are available on the FOF website "www.suunnistusliitto.fi".

**The punching system:** The electronic punching system (Emit) will be in use.

**Classes:** H21, H20, H18, H17, H16, H15 ja D21, D20, D18, D17, D16, D15. The race is a world ranking competition (WRE) in classes H21 and D21. Entry to the competition implies entering a qualification. The age of participants in Finnish Championships must at least turn 15 during this year (2014). It is possible to enter directly to B-final without qualification with the exception of the classes H21 and D21.

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The entry fees: The entry fee for the qualification and the final are 32,50€, and for theB-Final only



## Välkommen till Jyväskylä

Välkommen till orienteringstävlingen World Ranking Events i Jyväskylä, Muuratsalo, i september 2014.

Muuratsalo är känd för sina höga backar och för Finlands längsta sjö, Päijänne. Tävlingsterrängen är varierande. Det finns lättframkomliga klippområden mellan tröggående och frodiga sänkor och täta skogsområden.

Ledningen till Muuratsalo börjar från Tammerfors-Jyväskylä (VT9) riksvägen i vägkorsningen där man ska svänga till Muurame (vägen nummer 6090).

## Willkommen in Jyväskylä

Willkommen zum Orientierungslaufwettwerb im Rahmen der World Ranking Events in Muuratsalo, Jyväskylä, September 2014.

In Muuratsalo, erheben sich die Hügel über 100 Meter nahe dem längsten See in Finnland, der Päijänne heisst. In der Umgebung sind leicht zu passierende steinige Gebiete vorzufinden, aber auch blühende Täler und dichte Wälder.

Wenn Sie sich auf der Highway Jyväskylä – Tampere (VT9) befinden, werden Sie die Beschilderung um nach Muurame zu gelangen an der entsprechenden Kreuzung vorfinden.

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22,80€. The payments must be done via IRMA system. Entries: Entries need to be submitted through the Finnish Orienteering Federations' IRMA system. The entries should be made by 12 a.m. on August 28th 2014. The foreign participants who possess IRMA username, will make their entries via IRMA system. The foreign participants who does not possess an IRMA username, will email their entries to "WRE@suuntajyvaskyla.fi". The Emit number should be entered when making the entry. If the participant have not entered their Emit number, the organizer will reserve an Emit card for the competitor with the charge of 5€. Late entries are not accepted.

**IOF ID:** WRE atheletes have to include the IOF IDs.

The athletes who are not previously ranked should request for an IOF ID before entering for a World Ranking Event. IOF athlete IDs can be requested from "new\_AthleteID@orienteering.org". **Checking entries:** The competitor must check after the entry that all details were correct and entry valid on IRMA system.

**Open courses:** There will be open courses in the Competition Centre on Saturday and Sunday. The fee for the open courses is 8€.

**Guiding:** The driving instructions signs will be posted from Muurame on the crossroad of Jyväskylä -Tampere road (VT9) and Muurame - Säynätsalo road (road number



### Tere tulemast Jyväskylässe

Tere tulemast World Ranking Events (WRE) orienteerumisvõistlusele Jyväskylä Muuratsalosse septembris 2014.

Muuratsalo sümboliks on Soome pikima järve Päijänne kohal üle 100 meetri kõrgusele ulatuvad mäekünkad. Vaheldusrikkal võistlusmaastikul leidub kergesti läbitavaid kaljuseid alasid, raskemini läbitavaid lopsaka taimestikuga nõgusid ja tihedaid metsatukki.

Muuratsalosse juhatab Tampere-Jyväskylä kiirteel (VT9) Muurame lähedal olev teeviit (tee nr 6090).

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Muuratsalo and the Parking and the Competition Center



6090). The signposts will be in place on Saturday, September 9th at 7 am onwards.

**Competition Centre:** The distance from the beginning of the signing till the Competition Centre is approximately 9 kilometers. The exact address for a navigator is Saaritie 2, 40900 Jyväskylä. The competitors' parking place address is Koulutie 12, 40900 Jyväskylä. The parking fee is 5 euros / weekend - paid only in cash, please! It is not allowed to accommodate at parking places.

**Map:** The scale of the map is 1:15 000 with a contour interval of 5 m. The map will be printed in August 2014 and it is drawn by Timo Sivill. The size of the map is A4 on the qualification and A3 on the final. All maps will be in plastic map cases.

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**Terrain:** The terrain is forested and mountainlike with many rugged hill areas and rocky hillsides, and visibility and runnability varies in different parts of the area. Between the hills there are a few forest roads and paths. The difference in height is maximum 110 m. There are no field areas. It is forbidden to enter to the competition terrain for orienteering until 6th of September 2014. The area can be found on the map register of the Finnish Orienteering Federation (http://www.karttarekisteri.fi/ karttarekisteri2/www visualisointi/karttarekisteri.php).

**GPS tracking system:** In classes H21 and D21 in the A-final.

Spikes: Not allowed.

**Results:** Results can be found on the organizer's web sites, www.suuntajyvaskyla.fi/kilpailut/smpitka2014/tulospalvelu.

Start: The start of the qualification is on Saturday the 6th of September at 11:00 a.m. There is a guarantine zone on the way to the start, 1.8 km from the Competition Centre. Competitors must be inside the zone before 11.30.

The B-finals will start on Sunday at 9:00 a.m., and the distance between the competition centre and the starting point is 2,5 km. The first start of the A-final is at 11:00 a.m. There is a quarantine zone on the way to the start, 2,5 km from the Competition Centre. Competitors must be inside the zone before 11.30.

Accommodation: See the organizer's web sites, Where www.suuntajyvaskyla.fi/kilpailut/smpitka2014. to http://www.hotellialba.fi/fi/ stay

#### **Training opportunities**

Suunta Jyväskylä offers opportunities for training before the competition in a typical terrain with fixed controls and courses. The information for ordering training maps can be found on the web sites.

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## Important links:

http://visit.jyvaskyla.fi/ http://jyvaskylanseutu.fi/matkailu/kohteet

#### Flights

Most flights to Finland arrive in Helsinki-Vantaa airport.

There are flights from Helsinki to Jyväskylä and Jyväskylä to Helsinki. (http://fi.flybe.com/):

It is also possible to fly with Ryanair to Tampere-Pirkkala airport and then take a train to Jyväskylä. These two are the easiest options when booking your flights.

#### Train

The easiest way to travel to Jyväskylä from Helsinki-Vantaa airport is by train. From the airport you can take a bus either to the central railway station in Helsinki city centre (bus number 615) or to the railway station at Tikkurila (bus number 61). For more information about the airport buses, go here (http://www.finavia.fi/en/helsinki-airport/).

From the railway station you need to take a train to Jyväskylä. The running direction of the train changes in Tampere, too. For more information about the trains, go here (http://www.vr.fi/en/).

#### Bus

You can also travel to Jyväskylä by bus, but takes longer than travelling by train. You are also usually required to change buses 1-3 times. You can find bus schedules in English here (http://www.matkahuolto.fi/en/).



Whether you take a train or a bus, at Jyväskylä you will arrive at the travel centre. There are taxis to take at the travel centre and the local buses leave from the nearby station. Here (http://www.jyvaskylanliikenne.fi/etusivu/24etusivu/923-briefly-in-english) you can find local bus timetables in English. From Jyväskylä city map you can see the distance from the travel centre to your hotel (http://www.kartta.jkl.fi/IMS/en/ Map).









## Attractions in Jyväskylä

http://visit.jyvaskyla.fi/en

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#### Harju

Attractions in Jyväskylä? Harju (ridge) is probably the most typical answer you get when you ask the locals. It is indeed a very popular place to visit – not only for tourists but for the locals, too.

From the top of Jyväskylä, you'll get a great view of the city. And for a wider look, there's also an Observation Tower Vesilinna that includes a restaurant and a Natural History Museum.

Harju is also a great place for either a relaxing stroll or a sweaty sports performance – thanks to the stairs of Nero (named by the city engineer Oskar Nero) and many pathways. Or if you're not feeling very active, with a soft blanket, basket full of treats and a group of friends, you've got a great place for picnic!

### Sport

The sport is important in every day life in Jyväskylä. The Finland's only Faculty of Sport and Healt Sciences is located here. Many different sports halls offer good possibilities for fitness and all kind of physical education. The Sport Court of Harju is for athletics. There are good possibilities for hiking and nature trekking. The Centre of Sport is on the west side of Jyväskylä, only two kilometres from the city center.

## **Alvar Aalto Museum**

Did you know that Jyväskylä includes more buildings designed by Alvar Aalto (including University buildings and the City Theatre for example) than any other city in the world? Well, now you do.

The buildings themselves are naturally worth visiting but you can also find a museum to admire Aalto's architecture and design. More information (http://www.alvaraalto.fi/)

## Toivolan Vanha Piha/Toivola's Old Yard

It is a sympathetic area with the real atmosphere of craftsmen era in Jyväskylä. The yard is re-built with the oldest wooden houses you can find in this town. The area is a great example how houses were built and how people were living here in the 1800s.

This yard also includes little boutiques and a á la carte cafeteria Muisto. From time to time, they also arrange different kinds of exhibitions in Toivola's old yard.

## The Harbour and the Päijänne cruise:

Päijänne is the second biggest lake in Finland. You can either enjoy the picturesque view of Jyväskylä harbour or take a cruise by boat to disco-



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ver Päijänne lake. You can also enjoy the delicious taste of buffet while cruising around the lake. Perfect choice for a sunny day!

And if you don't feel like cruising, there is also a nice and popular cafeteria right in the harbour where you can sit down and enjoy the beautiful view.

More information about the cruises (http://www.paijanne-risteilythil-den.fi/main).

# Enjoy Challenging Orienteering in the Middle of Finland!



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