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Welcome by the Event Director

Dear orienteering friends,

On behalf of the organising committee and the national organising club OK 77, I am pleased to welcome you to the European Trail Orienteering Championships 2020! The weather in Southern Finland in late May is most often delightful, with sunshine and not too much rain, and as we also offer public competitions, I encourage all of you to book the dates 20-24 May 2020 in your calendar already now.

When we began to consider the possibility of organising a major event, we started with the terrain. Had we not found suitable terrain with good accessibility, we would never have started out on this journey. Next, we needed a suitable Event Centre with enough accessible rooms for everyone to stay in. That we have found in Kisakallio Sports Institute, which can accommodate over 600 people and is more than used to organising sports events, including many in wheelchair sports. Finally, we had to find a team to organise the events. Our club OK 77 is an experienced organiser, but we also needed more people with trail orienteering background. Once these people were found, we decided to go for it. Our club's board unanimously supported the application, and finally this June we were awarded the event.

At this moment, the first four maps have been drawn and the fifth one is under way. We will have the first internal inspection of the courses before the winter, and the courses will be checked by the SEA next May. So far, we are on schedule and everything is looking good!

We are planning to organise challenging and fair competitions. Our search for the best terrain was long-lasting, and we will make sure that our ambitions for the highest standards don't only apply to the terrain, but also to all aspects of organising. And should there be any last-minute hazards such as with the weather, after last year's FinTrailO I am convinced that we can handle anything!

Once again, a warm welcome to Finland in May 2020!



Anna Jacobson
Event Director



Organising Team

Event Director	Anna Jacobson
Course Planners	Martti Inkinen, Åke Jacobson, Roope Näsi
Map-making	Matti Toivonen
Technical Coordination	Åke Jacobson
Quality Consultant	Pentti Koponen
Event Administration	Henrika Backman
Results Management	Jouni Junkkaala
Finance Officer	Henrik Wallén

Event Advisers

Senior Event Adviser	Jana Kostova
National Controller	Jari Turto

Event Programme

Tuesday 19.5.2020	Arrival
Wednesday 20.5.2020	Model
Thursday 21.5.2020	Relay
Friday 22.5.2020	PreO 1
Saturday 23.5.2020	PreO 2
Sunday 24.5.2020	TempO
Monday 25.5.2020	Departure

Classes and Competition rules

In the individual PreO competitions and in the TrailO Relay there is one Open class and one Paralympic class. In the TempO competition there is a single class (Open).

The Competition Rules for IOF Trail Orienteering Events valid in 2020 and the ETOC Rules valid in 2020 shall apply to the European Trail Orienteering Championships 2020. A copy of the rules is available for download from the rules section on the IOF website (www.orienteing.org).



Event Centre and Accommodation

The Event Centre is Kisakallio Sports Institute, located some 7 km north of the nearest town Lohja and 65 km west of Helsinki Airport and Helsinki Harbour. From Turku Harbour it is 115 km to Kisakallio.

Kisakallio Sports Institute is a non-profit foundation which offers a wide variety of sports, activities, and educational opportunities, and has excellent facilities for professional and amateur sports enthusiasts. The Institute was founded in 1949 to be a Gymnastics institute for women of all ages.



Today, Kisakallio Sports Institute is one of the biggest training and education centres in Finland and Europe, with 700 beds and almost 15,000 sq. m of sport facilities. There are rooms of different standards, well suited to accommodate also athletes using wheelchairs. A restaurant and café are available and they are open daily from morning until evening.

Kisakallio is surrounded by 250 hectares of wild wood, an area called “Karnaistenkorpi” which is, nationally and internationally, environmentally unique. Karnaistenkorpi is owned by the City of Lohja and the nature trails going through the entire area are maintained by Kisakallio Sports Institute. Also the biggest lake in Southern Finland, Lake Lohja, is just in front.





Ceremonies

The Opening Ceremony and all medal ceremonies will be held at Kisakallio Sports Institute. Also all Team Official Meetings and other possible meetings will be organised there.

Transport arrangements

Transport for participants, from the Event Centre to the different events, will be organised based on interest expressed in conjunction with submission of entries. Sufficient parking areas are available at all event arenas and at the Event Centre. The closest airport, Helsinki-Vantaa Airport, is marked with number 7 in the map below.

Area map and embargoed areas

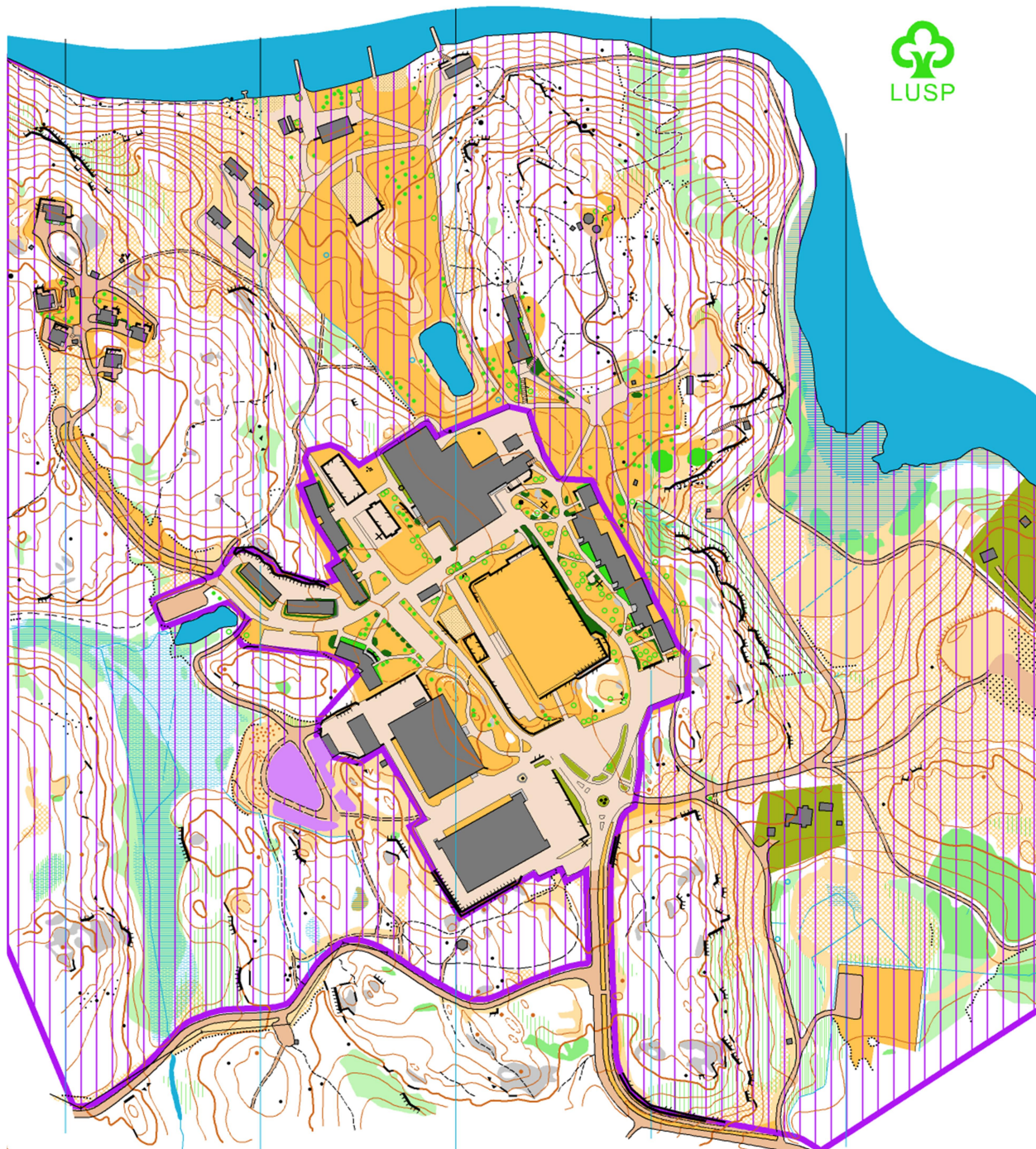
From 12 October 2018, all potential ETOC 2020 participants, coaches, and team officials, as well all those people who could supply ETOC team members with information about the terrain, are prohibited to enter the embargoed areas. Kisakallio embargoed area has been valid since 9 March 2018. The detailed embargoed areas can be seen in [the map register of the Finnish Orienteering Federation](#) ("Harjoituskiellot"=Embargoed areas).





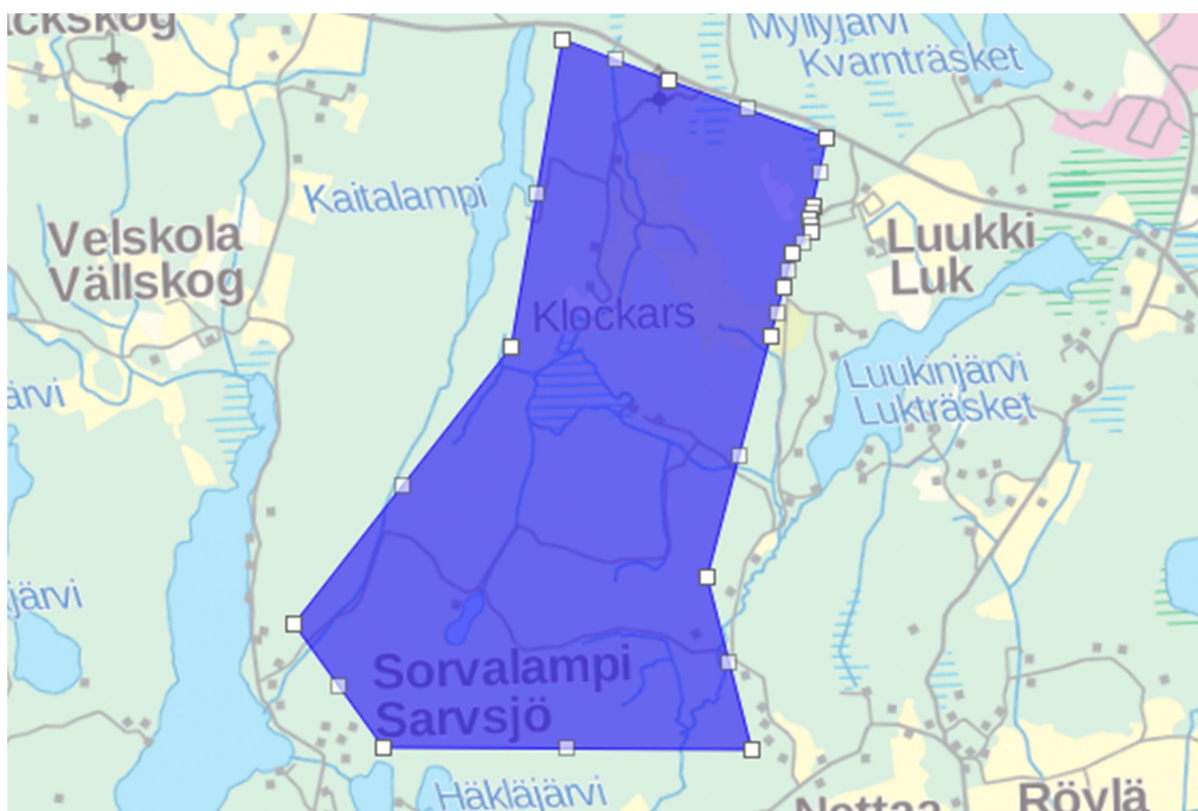
Embargoes

1) Kisakallio Sports Institute, Lohja. Event Centre

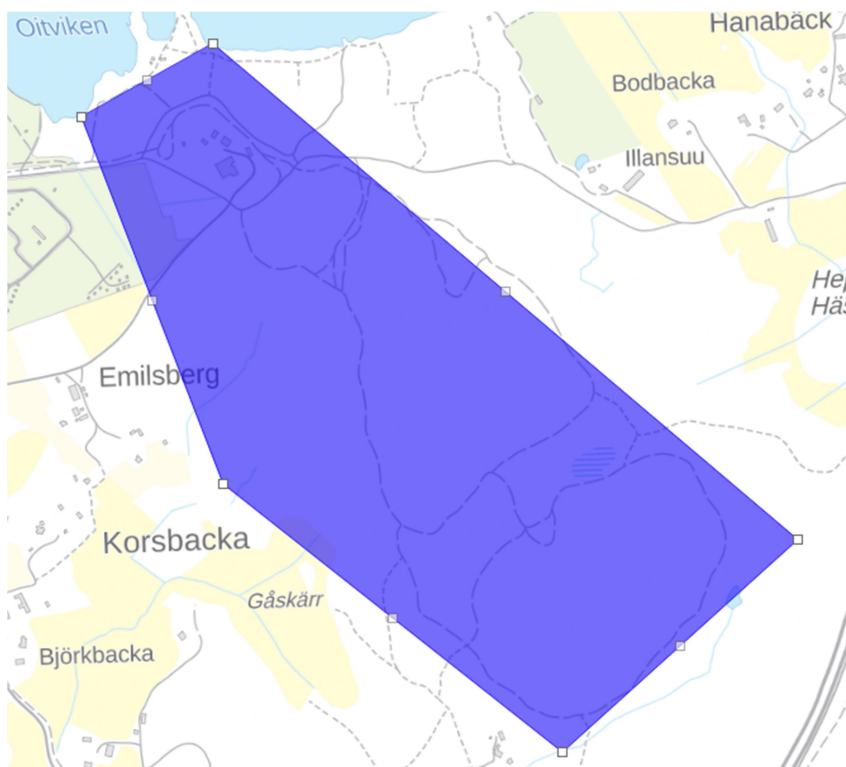




2) Luukki, Espoo

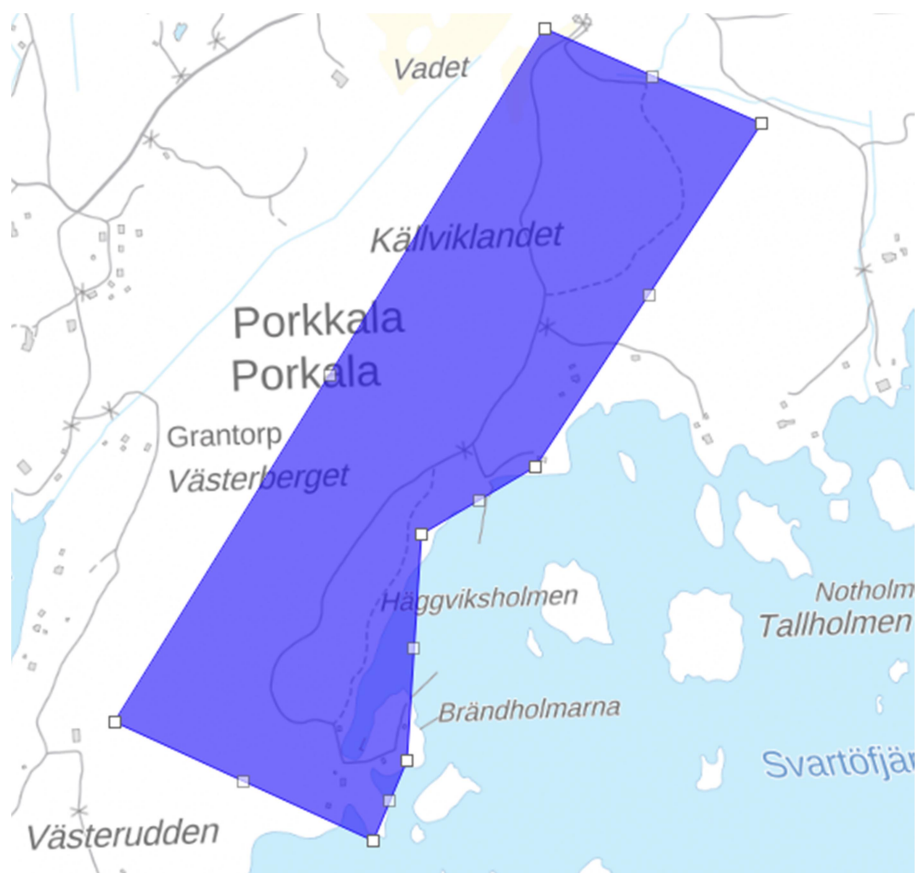


3) Oittaa, Espoo

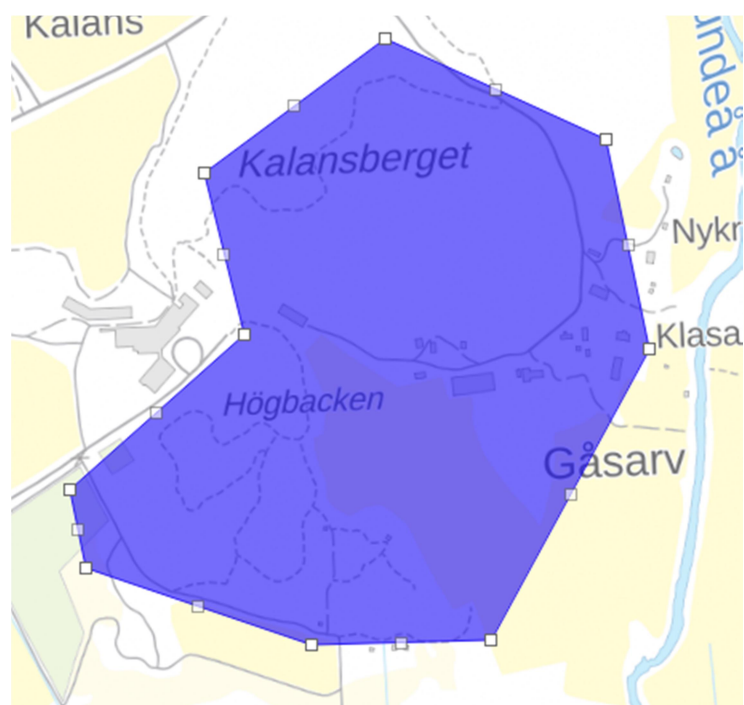




4) Porkkala, Kirkkonummi

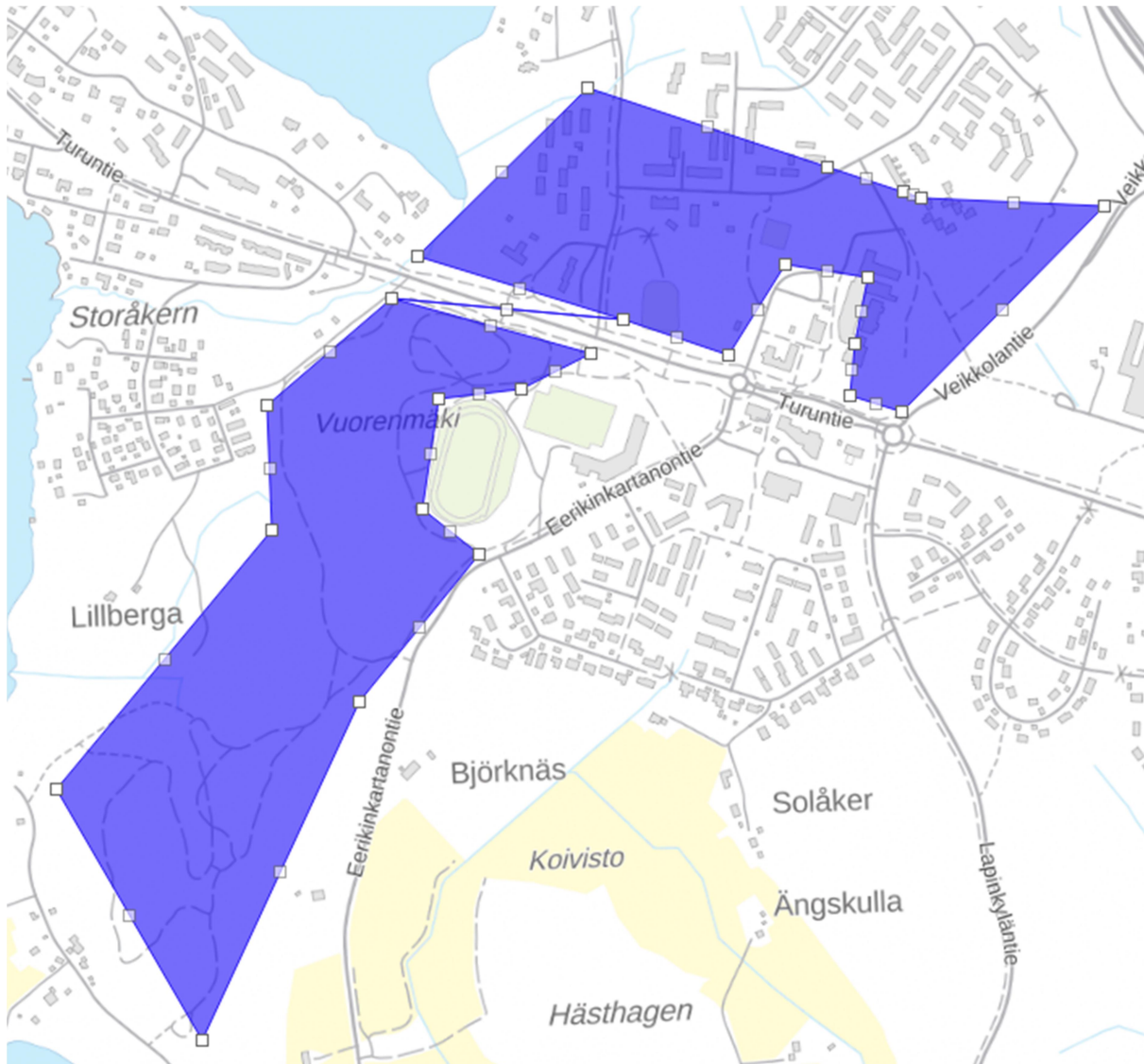


5) Siuntio Spa, Siuntio





6) Veikkola, Kirkkonummi



Training possibilities

Training opportunities will be available, please refer to the national event calendar for 2019 and 2020. In addition, both PreO and TempO maps with courses set by the ETOC course planners can be made available, at a cost of 5-8 euros per map, during both 2019 and 2020 on request.



Terrains and previous maps



Kisakallio, Lohja

Never used for trail orienteering competition. Trail orienteering demonstration in 2018 (at that time the area was already embargoed for possible participants of ETOC 2020).

http://vaajakoskentera.com/kartat/show_map.php?user=ToniS&map=202&lang=nb

http://www.kartta-arkisto.net/show_map.php?user=SamiH&map=168

Luukki, Espoo

Never used for trail orienteering.

<http://helsinginsuunnistajat.fi/harveli/cgi-bin/reitti.cgi?act=map&id=153>

Oittaa, Espoo

Never used for trail orienteering.

<http://www.ok77.fi/routegadget/rq2/#11>

Porkkala, Kirkkonummi

Never used for trail orienteering.

http://www.kartta-arkisto.net/show_map.php?user=Sakke&map=637



Siuntio Spa, Siuntio

Last trail orienteering competition in 2004.

http://www.kartta-arkisto.net/show_map.php?user=Kipru&map=885

Veikkola, Kirkkonummi

Never used for trail orienteering competition.

http://kartat.meronen.net/maps/show_map.php?user=juha&map=484

http://veikkola-weather.com/doma/show_map.php?user=Timo&map=220

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