



World Orienteering Championships

Denmark 26-30 June 2022

Media Newsletter #1

26 June 2022

Welcome to WOC 2022 Newsletter #1

This is the first newsletter - which also mark the start of the WOC 2022.

Today's competitions arena is situated at:

Sprint Relay – Arena Koldinghus

GPS coordinates: 55.491334, 9.475611

Address: Koldinghus, DK-6000 Kolding, Denmark

Distance from Event Centre: 2 km

City of Kolding

The central part of Kolding can be dated back to around year 1200. In this part, the castle of Koldinghus rises 20 metres above the surroundings. The old town is characterised by an asymmetrical street plan with town houses, shops, café and dining areas, backyards, and narrow passages.

With a little more than 60.000 inhabitants, Kolding is the 7th largest city in Denmark. The location at the end of Kolding Fjord and centrally located in Denmark, the city is a popular place to live.

A little about the Triangle Area

The Triangle Area, where WOC 2022 is organised is a cooperation between 7 Danish municipalities, where the three host cities of WOC 2022, Kolding, Fredericia and Vejle are the most significant. The population of the area is approximately 430.000.

Geography

The Triangle Region ("Trekantsområdet") forms the Northern part of the Danish Region South. The Triangle Region benefits from the central location in Denmark as well as the beautiful Fjords providing scenic nature and popular living conditions.

The name is partly related to the fact, that the Danish Highway systems forms a characteristic triangle when combining roads towards East, North and South and partly to the triangle that is formed by the locations of the three cities.

Infrastructure

Due to its central position – you can get to almost everywhere in Denmark within two hours. With extensive train- and road networks as well as the proximity to the international airport in Billund, the area contains a lot of logistics business as well as industries that benefits from the central location. Also, one of Denmark's largest oil refineries is found in Fredericia.

Architecture

The two iconic bridges across Lillebælt and the elegant bridge crossing Vejle Fjord forms along with spectacular buildings forming a gigantic wave in the Vejle waterfront example of Danish engineering skills.

High quality lives

The unique combination of the narrow belt between Jutland and Funen, Lillebælt, and the hilly slopes of the fjords of Kolding and Vejle, surrounded by steep slopes, the cities of Kolding, Fredericia and Vejle are considered to be among the most liveable in Denmark. It is even said that it is a problem for other areas in the region to attract qualified work force due to the attractiveness of living conditions in and around the cities of Fredericia, Kolding and Vejle.

Leisure time activities

Of course the proximity to water for many people leads to large participation in water sports and beach activities in the area. With Vejle's reputation of having the most challenging climbs in Denmark for cycling races as well as the proximity to the famous Legoland in Billund, the ancient royal city of Jelling as well as numerous castles and museums, the region markets itself as a place where you can visit the world without travelling anywhere.

Media centre

Please find the media centre here:

City	Adresses to media centre
Kolding	Koldinghus 1, 6000 Kolding Premises are located at the far end of Koldinghus

The media centres will have the following opening hours:

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City	Opening hours (personnel available to assist)
Kolding (26.06)	15:30 - 21:00

Time schedules

A time schedule is listed below.

Date	Place	Time	Activity
26.06	Kolding	14:30	(Online) Race day Newsletter
		16:00	Quarantine check-in deadline
		16:00	Medie Briefing in Media Centre
		16:30	Opening ceremony
		17:15	Live broadcast begins
		17:30	First start
		18:30	First team finish (expected)
		18:40	Flower ceremony
		18:45	Live broadcast ends
		18:55	Medal ceremony
		19:10	Press conference (moderated by Erling Thisted)

Media Briefing

You can participate in the media briefing through Google Meet:

<https://meet.google.com/ihe-tzec-wtq>

Live Services

There will be a TV production conducted by Gearbox Production (Karel Jonák production). We will offer a big screen in all arenas of all finals with live cameras, GPS tracking and live-results - there are two screens in the media centre so you can stay here and work and follow the competition. Speaker legend Per Forsberg together with Ida Bobach and Erling Thisted will provide great action with their live reporting in the arenas.

IOF Live-streaming with commentary in English will be available on <http://orienteering.sport/live> during the finals (paid service), whereas live results are free of charge.

Photo Albums

During the three competition days, WOC 2022's own photographers will take pictures that will be available to use.

OBS: Just remember to give photo credit to the photographer. The photographer's name can be found either in the file name or under "Additional Info".

Similarly, photos will also to some extent be taken during the WOC 2022 Tour. All our photos will be available via these google photo albums:

Competition	Link to Photo Album
Sprint Relay	https://photos.app.goo.gl/YWgD8GfBJ2d-QLzkgZ
Knock Out Qualification	https://photos.app.goo.gl/j8nsc1h86Led4oE7Z
Knock Out Quarter Finals	https://photos.app.goo.gl/MkfBC1ngc6J5Z7b47
Knock Out Semi Finals	https://photos.app.goo.gl/zq7Wq1awn4Nc1j-MV7
Knock Out Final	https://photos.app.goo.gl/oReMDQE5T7o-JVSVD6
Sprint Qualification	https://photos.app.goo.gl/kbdwWerBb-QMEKqjt5
Sprint Final	https://photos.app.goo.gl/a9XqrocVzaeree7B8

Competition	Link to Photo Album
WOC 2022 Tour	https://photos.app.goo.gl/W8fjvYU614HLpRez8

Photos from IOF will be available here:

<https://orienteering.sport/iof/communication/media/press-photos/>

Parking and transportation

Due to the fact that we want all cars and other vehicles out of the race areas (see embargoed areas in bulletin 4) please use designated parking areas.

Separate parking permits will be issued, but do please check the parking regulations for the selected lot in regards to payment and/or time limits.

City	Designated parking addresses	GPS
Kolding	Behrensvej, 6000 Kolding	55.491294 - 9.479603
	or Slotsalle, 6000 Kolding (obs: one-way street)	or 55.491866 - 9.480858

Map section are included on the last page of this newsletter. Please respect signs, fences and other directions when crossing from the car park to the media centre.

Transportation: There will be no dedicated transportation for the media. Media are expected to use their own transportation.

Walking around

In relation to the athletes, they are warned that during the competitions, they may encounter camera crews in the city. In the same way they are informed that they may also be followed by a running camera or by camera-drones during the race. Active drones will keep a proper distance according to flight rules and requirements.

Advertising banners: You are as part of the media crews responsible for ensuring that you do not get in the way, that you appear as invisible as possible, including not walking or moving in front of posted advertising banners and signs, or the path of a athletes or running camera operator.

Supplementary information

Media Bulletin: Please read through the latest edition of the media bulletin should you need further information:

<https://www.woc2022.dk/media/>

The team bulletin (#4) is also a valuable resource:

<https://www.woc2022.dk/for-teams/>

Denmark and the World Orienteering Championships

The 2022 edition is the third WOC in Denmark

Started with WOC 1974: The first WOC in Denmark was held in 1974 with Viborg as host city. The Long Distance competition was held in Linå Vester-skov/Silkeborg Nordskov. The World Champions were Bernt Frilén, Sweden and Mona Nørgaard Denmark.

The Relay was organised in Rye Sønderskov and was won by Sweden in both classes.

Jumping to WOC 2006: In 2006, Aarhus was the host city for WOC. The Sprint in Aarhus was won by Emil Wingstedt (SWE) and Hanny Allston (AUS). The Middle distance in Gjern Bakker was won by Holger Hott Johansen (NOR) and Simone Niggli (SUI).

The Long Distance in Addit/Løndal was won by Jani Lakanen (FIN) and Simone Niggli (SUI). The Relay was held around Himmelbjerget and was won by Russia (Men) and Finland (Women).

WOC 2022: Like Denmark was the first to introduce the Middle Distance in World Masters Orienteering Championships 2018, Denmark is now also the first to organise a pure Sprint WOC.

The event was originally planned for 2020 but was postponed to July 2022 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Then the Grand Depart of Tour de France was scheduled to be in Denmark 1st July and then WOC ended at its final dates 26th to 30th June.

Danish World Champions in orienteering

Mona Nørgaard

The gold medal for Mona Nørgaard on home soil in 1974 was the first ever medal in World Orienteering Championships for Denmark since the start of WOC in Fiskars, Finland 1966. Mona is still an orienteer and was medal winner in the Danish sprint championships 2022 – now in W 70.

Allan Mogensen

The second Danish WOC gold medal was won in 1993 by Allan Mogensen in the Long Distance under tough conditions near the legendary Military Academy West Point in New York State, USA. Today Allan lives with his family in Sweden. Allans son, Hannes, ran 5th leg in the OK Ravinen team that came second in the Jukola Relay 2022.

In the same WOC in 1993, Flemming Jørgensen won the 9th place on the long distance.

In 2022, Flemming is the competition director of WOC.

The Danish Mens Relay team

In 1997 Allan Mogensen ran the last leg in the gold winning Danish relay team in Grimstad, Norway. Of the other team members Torben Skovlyst lives in Norway, Carsten Jørgensen in New Zealand and Chris Terkelsen in Spain. Chris is the co-founder of TracTrac that delivers tracking services at WOC 2022.

The golden generation 2014-2018

In 2014, another golden generation of Danish orienteers entered the international scene with an all time high of 6 medals in WOC 2014 in Italy. In the Sprint, Søren Bobach won the first of his total of 3 WOC gold medals.

In this period, Denmark was the only nation to win medals at every WOC Sprint Relay.

In 2015 Maja Alm took three WOC gold medals and Ida Bobach two. Ida is the Danish expert commentator in the arena speaker team at WOC 2022. Emma Klingenberg was in both the gold winning Danish relay teams this year. Emma is part of the course setting team of WOC 2022.

The fourth member of the gold winning Danish Sprint Relay team in 2015 and 2016 is Tue Lassen. With 6 WOC medals, Tue is the man who has won most WOC medals for Denmark. Tue is the head coach of the Danish National Team at WOC 2022.

Maja Alm

With astonishing 7 WOC gold medals and 24 medals in international orienteering championships from 2007 to 2021, Maja Alm is among the most successful athletes in the orienteering history and by far the biggest name in Denmark. WOC 2022 will be the first WOC since 2008 without Maja starting in the sprint distances and the first WOC since 2013 without Maja among the Sprint Medal winners. On Saturday 4th June 2022, Maja gave birth to her first child, a healthy son, and thus started another era.

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Participants statistics

Federation	Men	Women	Team Officials	Total
Australia	5	5	2	12
Austria	3	3	3	9
Belgium	3	3	3	9
Bulgaria	4	2	1	7
Canada	3	2	1	6
Colombia	3	3	1	7
Croatia	1	1		2
Cyprus		1		1
Czech Republic	4	4	3	11
Denmark	3	6	6	15
Egypt	1	1		2
Estonia	3	2	1	6
Finland	4	4	5	13
France	4	4	4	12
Germany	3	3	3	9
Great Britain	4	4	5	13
Hong Kong China	3	3	2	8
Hungary	3	3	2	8
Ireland	3	3	1	7
Israel	2			2
Italy	4	3	3	10

Federation	Men	Women	Team Officials	Total
Japan	5	4	2	11
Latvia	3	3	1	7
Lithuania	3	3	1	7
Moldova, Republic of	2	2		4
Nepal	4		2	6
Netherlands		1	1	2
New Zealand	4	4	2	10
Norway	6	5	6	17
Poland	4	3	2	9
Portugal	3	2		5
Romania	2	2	1	5
Serbia	1	1		2
Slovakia	3	3	1	7
Spain	3	3	1	7
Sweden	7	6	5	18
Switzerland	6	4	7	17
Turkey	2	2		4
Ukraine	3	3	2	8
United States	3	3	2	8
	127	114	82	323

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Covid-19

The Covid-19 situation in Denmark is almost normalised and there are no restrictions to daily life.

We have gathered relevant information on Covid-19 in Denmark on the [WOC 2022 website](#). We kindly ask you to visit this page for updated information and links to relevant authorities.

Contact information

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