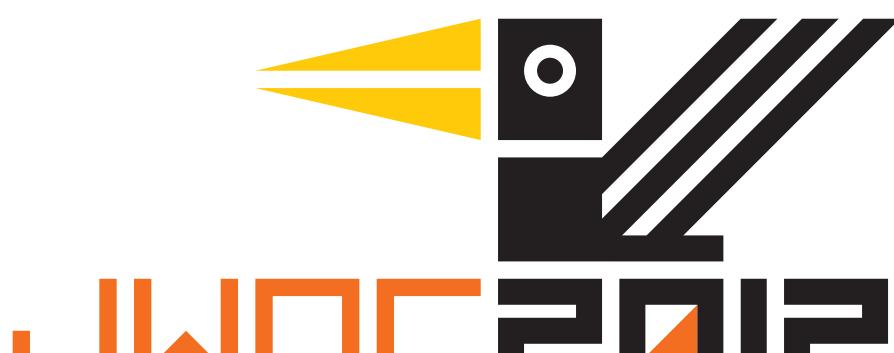


Bulletin 1



Junior World Orienteering Championships, Slovakia, Košice



INTERNATIONAL ORIENTEERING FEDERATION





Welcome to Kosice

Dear Orienteering Friends,

The Slovak Orienteering Federation (SZOS) is honored with the decision of the IOF to award the organization of the 2012 Junior World Orienteering Championships to Slovakia. We would like to invite you to the City of Kosice and its surroundings which are the part of Eastern and South-Eastern Slovakia, where the local organizers from the club ATU Kosice will prepare beautiful terrains and excellent living and social conditions for you.

There are various wonderful orienteering terrains for you. The unique Silicka planina plateau with karstic negative terrain character is well known by many important orienteering events, like World University Championships, World cup and also recent World Orienteering Championships, which was organized on the border between Hungary and Slovakia. Technically very demanding terrains in Eastern Slovakia and the sprint in the heart of the beautiful City of Kosice would also satisfy all the competitors. Different types of terrain calling for different specific skills provide the opportunity for fair and equal competitions.

SZOS is relatively small association with about 500 active runners and some supporters, but we try to be active both nationally and internationally with the aim to develop or popularize this sport. The local club - ATU Kosice, organizing this event, is one of two our most experienced (and best performing) orienteering clubs. As mentioned, it was for example responsible for 2006 World University Championships, which belonged to the really successful events for best students from the world.

The city of Kosice, where the event centre will be prepared to serve to you, is situated on the river Hornad. Kosice is the second largest city in Slovakia with a population of nearly 242 000. The city can be proud of well preserved historical center, which is the largest among Slovak towns. There are many buildings protected in the world cultural heritage.

Kosice is also the place of many national and local media - this fact should help us to create large media attention to this event.

The SZOS and the organizers from ATU Kosice assure you that we will do our best to host you in 2012 - come and visit us!

Juraj Nemeč
president SZOS





Organizers

Junior World Orienteering Championships 2012 will be organized by
Slovak Orienteering Association
Orienteering club ATU Košice
Event Director - Jozef Pollák

Event controllers

Dušan Vystavěl (CZE) IOF event advisor
Radoslav Jonáš (SVK) National Controller

Programme

Saturday, 7th July	Accreditation Model event – long, sprint Opening ceremony
Sunday, 8th July	Model event – sprint Sprint final
Monday, 9th July	Long Distance – final
Tuesday, 10th July	Model event – middle, relay Excursions and sightseeing
Wednesday, 11th July	Middle distance – qualification
Thursday, 12th July	Middle distance – final
Friday, 13th July	Relay
Saturday, 14th July	Closing ceremony, banquet Departure



Classes and participation restrictions

W20, M20

It required to keep the year of birth all competitors which is 1992 or later and shall have the full passport-holding citizenship of the country they are representing.

Event centre and Accommodation

JWOC 2012 event centre will be situated in the student campus of Technical University Kosice.

Participants will be accommodated in students' hostel in 2 and 3-bed rooms.

It is possible to arrange a hotel accommodation which is available in various levels of standard in Kosice if necessary.

Embargoed Areas

With reference to the IOF Competition Rules (article 26.6), the indicated areas are embargoed. It is prohibited to enter these areas for potential team members, leaders and others, who through the knowledge of the terrain could influence results of the JWOC competition.

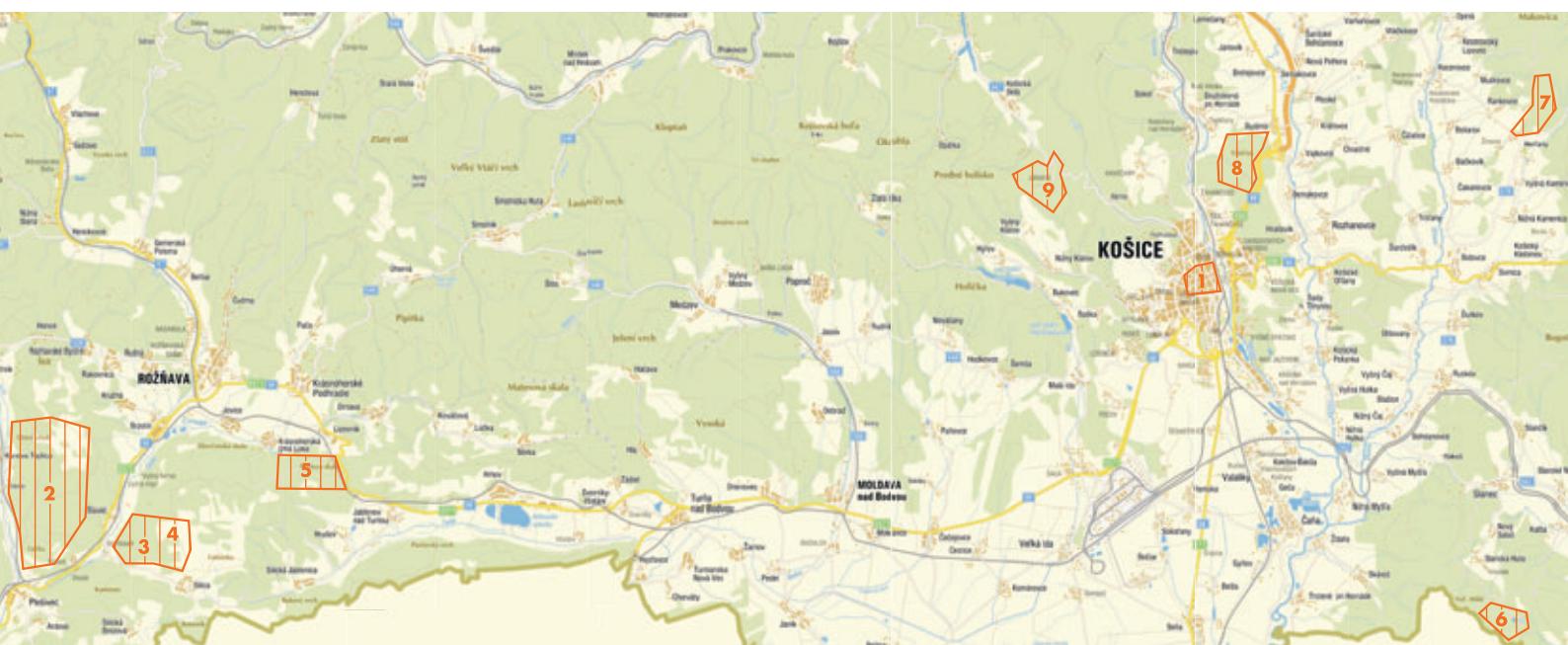
However, paved public roads passing through the area may be used.

There is also following exception for area no.1:

It is allowed to stay in the City centre of Košice, but in this area is prohibited to organize orienteering sessions, testing routes, etc.

Embargoed areas of JWOC 2012 and previous O-maps

Area no	Previous map	Last edition
1	Dolná brána	2006
2	Zvonivá jama, Zbojnícka priečasť	2007
3	Brázda	2009
4	Jašteričie Jazero 2 - part of the map	2005
5	Soroška	2006
6	Izra - no previous O-map	
7	Kovačerky	2006
8	Zelený dvor - part of the map	2003
9	Jahodná	2010



Training Opportunities and Training Maps

The training camps will be organized in relevant JWOC terrains.

Following training periods are offered:

October 2011

30. 6. – 7. 7. 2012 (the week prior to JWOC)

There will be also possibilities for training at other dates on special request.

Recommended O-event

Slovak Karst cup 2011

www.tuke.sk/obeh/karst

The accommodation during last training camp will be at the same place as during JWOC week.

Other types of accommodation can be arranged on request.

A complete package including accommodation, meals and training maps with control posts will be offered.

The cost will be published on the web-site early in 2011.

Training maps

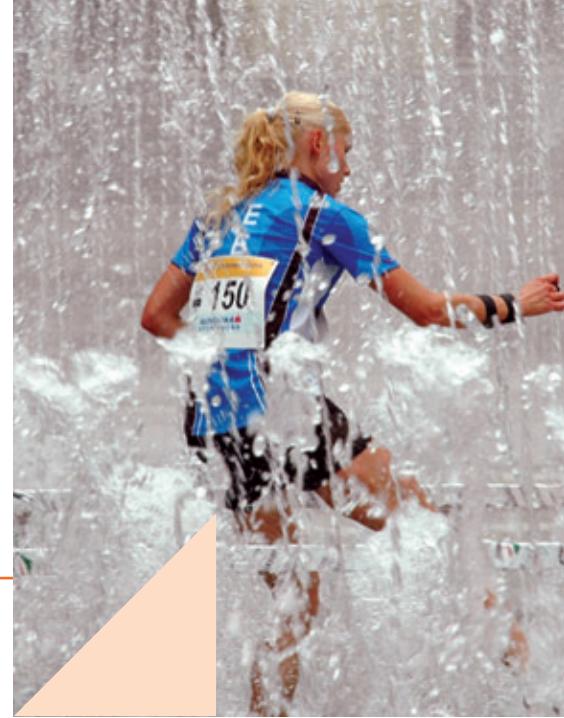
Map	Year	Scale	Event Relevance	Distance from EC
Technika	2010	1:4 000	Sprint	5 km
Betliar	2008	1:5 000	Sprint	75 km
Torzo	2009	1:10 000	Long	70 km
Jašteričie Jazero	2010	1:10 000	Long	65 km
Ľadnica	2005	1:10 000	Long	65 km
Dievčenská skala	2008	1:10 000	Long	65 km
Bažiny	2006	1:10 000	Middle Q+F	20 km
Zelený dvor (part of the map)	2003	1:10 000	Middle Q+F, Relay	15 km
Hradová	2006	1:7 500	Middle Q+F, Relay	8 km
Borda (new map)	2011	1:10 000	Middle Q+F	25 km
Bankov	2011	1:10 000	Relay	10 km

Terrains

Sprint

The Centre of the old town with shops and restaurants and the city park,a flat area between 205 to 210 m above sea level.

All roads and pavements in the city are made of asphalt or paving-stones, the paths in the park are sandy or earthy.



Long

A Karst terrain with depressions, between 510 to 610 m above sea level. At the slopes of depressions there are rocky fields and also some cliffs. A deciduous forest mostly, mixed in some parts.

The part of terrain is semiopen or open area with changing runnability and visibility.



Middle Q+F

The area rich of terrain details originating from slides and erosion of terrain. The appearance of marshes is typical for this area. The deciduous forest mostly, runnability and visibility mostly good.



Relay

The Continental terrain with some parts rich of terrain details. The Deciduous forest mostly, runnability and visibility mostly good.





Public event

4-days event „Slovak Karst Cup“ will be organized in karst terrain as the accompanying event to JWOC 2012. You can find more information at the web-site www.tuke.sk/obeh/karst

Kosice

The Attractive city



The metropolis of eastern Slovakia and the second largest city in Slovakia (population roughly 250,000) offers a wider kinds of services than anywhere outside of Bratislava. The city with mostly industrial tradition boasts with its attractive and extensive old town, gathered around a pedestrian high street and the town square. Most of the city's restaurants as well as hotels are situated around the main square or in surrounded places.

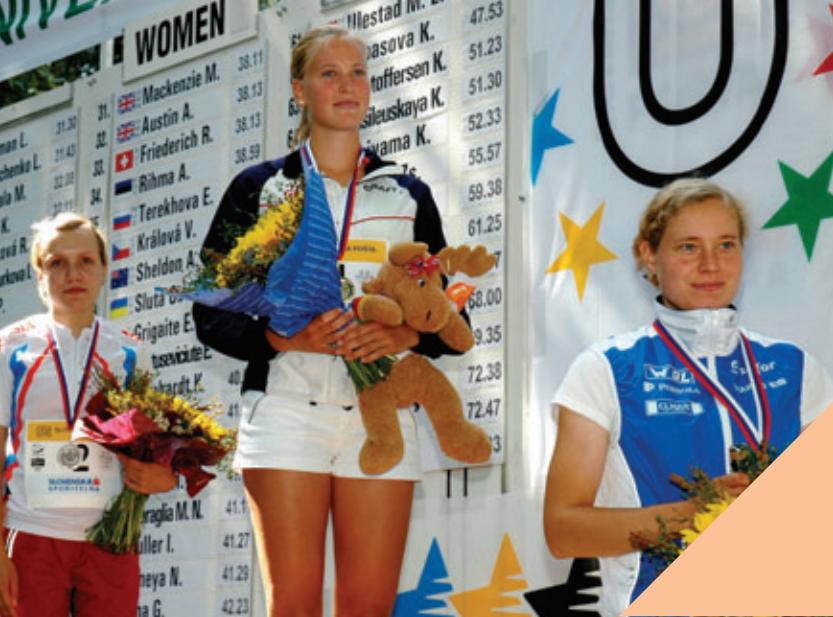
The significant history of Kosice dates back to the late middle ages, the period from which dates its well known cathedral too. In those times, Kosice was arguably the entire region's most important centre outside of Budapest. It served as a key crossroad for traders from Italy, Germany and Netherlands as well as those of more eastern European cultures. Since that period the city declined more than once only to gain the importance again, above all in recent few decades as a major industrial centre.

The attractions of Kosice are focused around the pedestrians-only main square, one of Slovakia's liveliest. The epicentre of the city is the Gothic Cathedral of St Elizabeth, and its neighbour The Empire State Theatre, the home of opera and ballet. Theatrical performances in Slovak, Hungarian and Roma languages, or by puppets, are all in the vicinity. The city's museums concentrate their interest on historical aspects of art, culture and technology, and most of them are not a long way from the main square. Beneath the square itself lies more to see: extensive excavations have unveiled unique remnants of medieval fortifications and other traces of the city's past.

In a field of business is Kosice a leader in heavy industry. One of Slovakia's largest plants of any kind is the steel mill currently runned by U. S. Steel. Around this complex a number of international suppliers and processors have clustered. Kosice is also a major transit hub. Its universities offer degrees in most specializations, including medicine, law, engineering and veterinary science (the latter being Slovakia's only such university), several of which are offered in English especially for non-native students.

Regarding traffic Kosice offers daily connections to Prague, Bratislava and Wien by plane; and its main train station has direct daily connections to Prague, Bratislava, Budapest, Krakow and Kiev. A highway (E50) runs to Presov and part-way to the High Tatras and the Spis regions, and other roads connect it to all other directions.

Nearby attractions, all within about an hour's drive, include the beautifully-restored The Krasna Horka castle, and the huge 19th-century hunting chateau of Betliar. Natural attractions include several caves registered as UNESCO Cultural Heritage sites, a mineral geyser, and extensive hiking trails – as well as the aptly-named The Slovak Paradise.



Futher information

You can find further information at JWOC 2012 web-site:

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