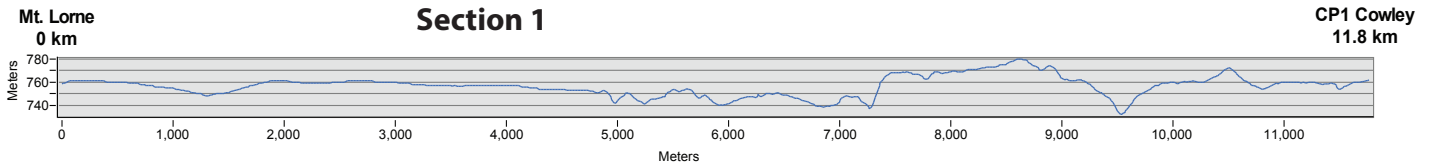
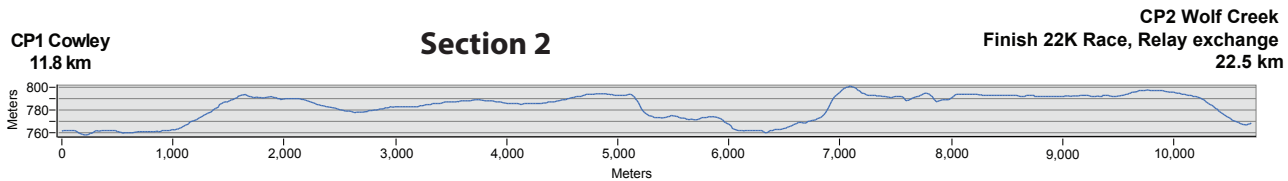


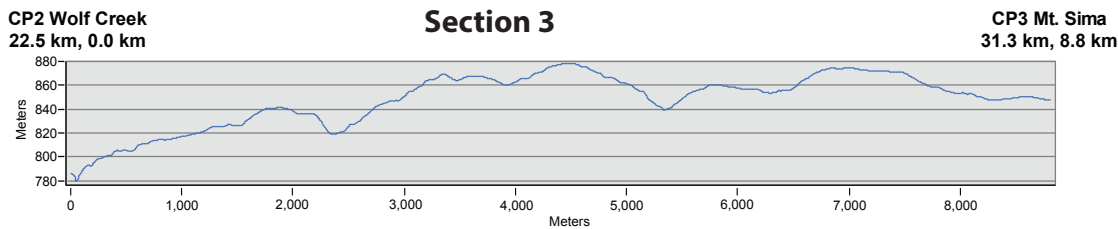
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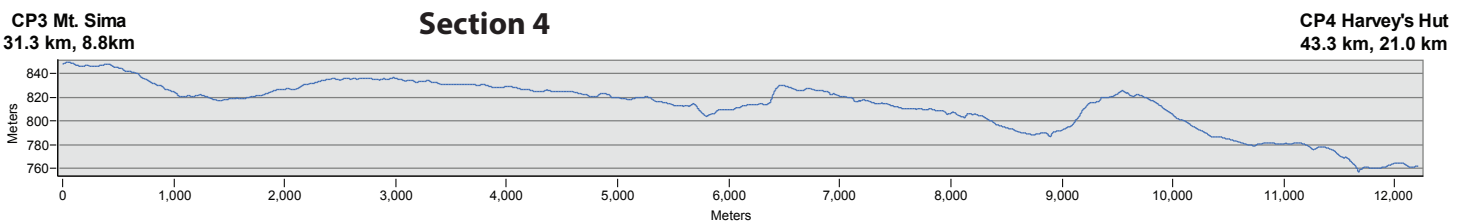
The race starts at the Mt. Lorne Community Centre. The trail begins on the Annie Lake Golf Course before meandering through buckbrush meadows and following the railroad down to the Cowley aid station. This section is mostly flat, with only two small climbs and one large downhill. The trail is narrow for the first 10 km, watch your ski tips! No classic track will be set for this section.



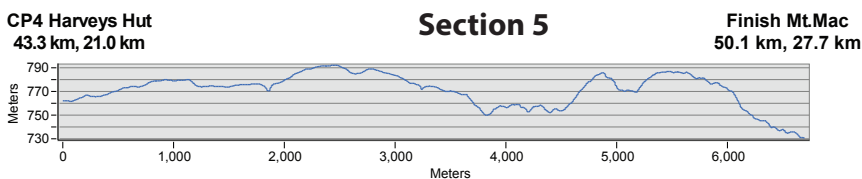
This section rises sharply before it joins "Swanstrom's Trail", where it widens and begins to roll through the hills. At the top of the largest hill, the trail turns sharply left and leaves Swanstrom's to follow old mining roads that pass by abandoned open pits. As you descend to the Wolf Creek aid station, and finish for the 22 km race and the relay exchange, be prepared to slow down for the Aid Station and for a steep narrow drop onto the bridge across Wolf Creek just past the Station.



The trail continues on the Copper Haul Road to Mt. Sima after crossing Wolf Creek. This is the longest section of climbing on the course. Once you reach Mt. Sima, be prepared for a road crossing and a 1km section of rougher trail beside the Mt. Sima Road. The Mount Sima aid station is located at the junction of the Mount Sima Road and Copper Haul Road.



The trail gradually descends on the Copper Haul Road to the south end of the Mount McIntyre ski trails. The trail follows Copper to Best Chance Corner and Upper Valley to the aid station at Crossroads. There are two big climbs here broken up by flat trail and gentle descents.



The final section begins at "Crossroads" on the Mount McIntyre ski trails. From here, the trail makes its way along Selwyn's, Coyote, Raven and the World Cup 7.5K. This section is full of short, punchy climbs and long gradual descents. The course wraps around onto Skukum north of Mount McIntyre Recreation Centre and finishes in front of the waxroom.