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Race Reports**Adventure Team Finland favourites in ONAC****By Anders Burman**

New name, same game. The Open Nordic Adventure Championship (ONAC) starts in a few hours. We begin in Karlstad where the myth says it never rains ...

The race is one of Sweden's oldest and throughout the years it has been called many names, mostly Tieto Enator Adventure race.

Several of today's elite-racers started their careers in ONAC and this year's team list looks promising: 8 Swedish teams, 2 from Norway and one each from Finland and Estonia. And this is what the teams have to fulfil before passing under the finish arch on Saturday:

SS0 - trekking 5k
SS1 - inlines 14k
SS2 - kayaks and island navigation 35k
SS3 - trekking and MTB 104k
SS4 - trekking 1 k
SS5 - MTB 44k
SS6 - inlines, kayak and trekking 43k
SS7 - MTB and trekking 60k
SS8 - Inlines and kayak 20k
SS9 - MTB and trekking 31k
SS10 - unknown?

The race is just not a long course. There is also a shorter class for teams of two. The 'Light' race starts at SS4.

ONAC is also a part of new AREuro series so this year the prestige of winning is even higher and the favourites are Adventure Team Finland with captain Seppo Makinen who said, "This is my third time here and we won both previous times. We will see this year."

I asked him why he keeps coming back? "I love this race," he said. "Good organization, good course and good memories. I also respect Mathias Carling and the people around him a lot."

ONAC is the first step on the journey to this season's goal, [ARWC in Portugal](#), and Seppo is optimistic; "This is the best team we have had."

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