

Hello WAMOs

(Waipa Mountainbikers)

ACT NOW TO BE IN ON THE 42ND TRAVERSE WEEKEND – 17th April

Scott Miller has started planning our next big ride, and made contact with the Owhango Hotel, which is at the finish of the 42nd Traverse.

They have accommodation for \$30.00 per head per night and can deliver riders to the start for another \$30.00 using our own vehicle.

Scott has pencilled in a group for the night of April 17th, but some may travel down Friday night.

Please either email Scott or call his mobile 021 77 44 28 if you are interested.

The rooms are shared bunk room so need to know if any couples are riding also.

He needs to confirm by **end of next week** preferably. So don't sit on this one.

28th MARCH - YOUR CHANCE FOR INSTANT FAME

Remember the historic occasion of our first real working bee is coming quickly closer. It's now the weekend after next. I am intending to be there taking photos for a newspaper article so it could be a great opportunity for you all to get your picture in the paper and become world famous in the Waikato. Keep the date clear and make sure you come well provided with food, tools, drinks and thermoses. It is the day after the King Country Challenge. This day could mark the beginning of a big future for our club. See you there all ready to get those trails snaking their way invitingly between the trees for the future fitness and enjoyment of ourselves and our children. Meet 9am at the top of Sainsbury Rd, by the forestry gate. Its 20 min walk to the start of the new trail, or 10 min on the bike. A 4WD and trailer will be provided to carry up our tools, packs etc.

27th MARCH – KING COUNTRY CHALLENGE

Hope you are all in big training for this event – one of the major focal points of our club's calendar. And even if you forgot to train – no worries - anyone can manage the 20k event. I do the 20k every year to give me time to take photos of the 50k riders finishing. I promise you all the courses are fantastic and the whole atmosphere is wonderful; warm and friendly with great farm food always on offer. Weather has always been perfect too.

All details and entry information here:

<http://www.kingcountrychallenge.co.nz/>

KANI STREAM PICNIC NIGHT

A light shower just before start time put a lot of people off and spoilt any picnic plans, but for the few who turned up anyway just for the ride itself, the conditions were perfect and the track in about the best condition ever, having been recently mowed. The camping ground at the top of the track was also mowed down short and great for hooning around on. Kids would have enjoyed it. Even we adults couldn't resist a bit of hooning near the campfire. It was a heavenly cool and calm evening and there was no rain while we were riding. Some of us included it as part of a full circuit of the Limeworks Loop so we even got some good training in. It really showed that if you let a shower or two put you off or you will miss some great rides. **So see you all at the next one.**

HEAD INJURIES

Cyclists can easily become head injury victims. We as mountain-bikers, have been invited to take part in a head injury study and help out future head injury victims.

Details here: <http://www.nrc-sann.aut.ac.nz/index.php/bionic.html>

Visit our Website: <http://www.waipamtb.org.nz/>

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