

Hello WAMOs

(Waipa Mountainbikers)

SAINSBURY RD UPDATE

The club now has a resource consent from the Waipa DC which allows it to build MTB tracks and run events in the Sainsbury Rd Forest. This covers the next 5 years. We are currently finalising the lease arrangement and liability insurance. Then we are all go, with access to 350 hectares of pine forest above Pirongia village. We have purchased tools with a Waipa DC community grant and marked out the first part of the first trail, so prepare yourselves for the first club call-out to a trail-building working-bee which will not be far away now.

SEVERAL IMPORTANT RIDES COMING UP

We are particularly encouraging our members to attend the **Black Stump Ride** (mid Feb) and the **King Country Challenge** (late March). We had plenty of our members competing at both of these great local Waikato events last year. There are distances for all abilities at both. We are also having a **reconnaissance ride at Karamu**, near Te Pahu, on Thursday 11th February.

For full details of all these rides visit our newly updated "Coming Up" page on the web site here:

<http://www.waipamtb.org.nz/pagefiles/comingup.html>

SUNDAY 31ST JANUARY - NGUTUNUI SUMMER TIME TRIAL – THIS WEEKEND!! TIMING VOLUNTEER SOUGHT! NO ENTRY FEES!

Twice per year, once in mid-summer and once in mid-winter, our regular monthly Ngutunui club ride is held as a time-trial. The winning male and female get to carry off the coveted "Ngutunui Worm". The Hammers are always trying to beat us on our own course. They failed last time thanks to Kieran Chandler AKA "**K-Bomb**" who waltzed off with The Worm. But now they want revenge. The time trial begins at **Ngutunui School at 9.30 am**, and finishes at the crossroads at the top of the Pekanui, before the final descent. Tradition states that Ginger crunch and hot chocolate are provided at the finish line on the high mountainside and this year will be no different. Tradition also states that we have a deadly-serious-no-peddling-allowed race down the Pekanui after the main race finishes.

Full details here: <http://www.waipamtb.org.nz/pagefiles/comingup.html>

The "Ginger Crunch Car" will await finishers at the crossroads and it can also carry your warm garments.

We are hoping to find one volunteer to wait at the finish line, **eating unlimited ginger crunch**, and manning the stop watch. Otherwise we might all just have to time ourselves.

Bring cash for coffee etc in Persimmon Tree cafe in Pirongia afterwards (in case the timing official ate all the ginger crunch before you got there).

Tui provides the GC and some hot chocolate but there is never enough HC so feel free to bring another thermos. The recipe is: put ½ can sweetened condensed milk, and 1 tablespoon of drinking chocolate powder into a large thermos. Top up with boiling water. Bring plastic cups. Or cold drinks might be better if it's a hot day!

See pix and stories about previous Ngutunui Time Trials here:

<http://www.waipamtb.org.nz/pagefiles/ngutunui.html>

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

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