



Communiqué 1

Welcome to the official communiqué.

Accommodation

We invite teams and riders to book their accommodation in Hastings -Hastings Top 10 Holiday Park is our preferred accommodation, but we appreciate that not all of you will be able to stay there, so try out the many other motels. Visit www.visithastings.co.nz alternatively you can call the Hastings i-site on 0800 427 846 for further information and activities in wonderful Hawke's Bay.

Accommodation http://www.aatravel.co.nz/new-zealand/Hastings_Accommodation.html

Course

This year we are running the champs on a new course known as Crownthorpe, up the Taihape Road and towards the South. We are planning an event for the build up and more details are to come in due course.

Timetable

This has been rearranged slightly to ensure that passing of grades does not happen like last year. We also have catered for the new masters 8 grade and look forward to seeing a good number in this grade.

Criteria for combining of Masters Age category's (per BikeNZ R & T Race Rules).

Subject to a minimum of eight entries, separate races shall be held for all Masters categories. Where there are fewer than 8 entries, that category shall be combined with another category, but shall retain its own classification and medals within that race. SO come on all ladies masters.

Volunteers

This year, as a trial for the BikeNZ Road & Track Council, we will be calling for volunteers to assist mainly with: driving lead vehicles, Commissaires vehicles, wheel wagons & mechanic and sag wagons; this may include providing a vehicle. We will be aiming to spread duties around as well. As a guide, for every 7-8 riders we will be looking for 1 helper.

Para cycling

Para cycling have advised that hand bikes must have a tall orange flag. We will be also insisting that every hand bike will have their own support vehicle which will, for safety reasons, be behind each hand bike on the road, but observing the 25 metre drafting rule! It has been necessary to hold the hand bike race on the Sunday, when the roads are a lot quieter.

Ivan Aplin Event Manager.



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