



# WAIKATO BAY OF PLENTY SCHOOLS XC MTB CHAMPS

12th March

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# EVENT MANUAL

Te Miro MTB Park, Waterworks Road,  
Te Miro

## **CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME**

Welcome to Te Miro MTB Clubs Waikato Bay of Plenty Schools XC Mountain Bike Champs. It is with great pleasure that our club brings this race to Te Miro for the 3rd year in a row. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our very generous sponsors **Sign Logic and Alitech Windows and Doors** who have both jumped at the opportunity to get behind a MTB event aimed to encourage our youth to get outdoors and onto their bikes. A huge thanks to those that have been working tirelessly behind the scenes to pull this event together, and to all of the volunteers that will be helping on the day. I hope you all have a competitive and enjoyable day and come back again to ride at our beautiful park.

Regards  
Shane Mellow  
On behalf of the Te Miro MTB Club Committee

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **ENTERING**

This is to be done through the school sports co-ordinator or teacher in charge of MTBing who will have been sent the link for entering. Any sports co-ordinators who haven't received the link or any home schooled children wishing to enter please email [temiroevents@gmail.com](mailto:temiroevents@gmail.com) for more information.

Entries open on the 4th of February and close on the 7th of March. There will be no on the day entries sorry.

### **RAIN OFF DAY**

In the case of really bad weather the race will be postponed until the following day, the event will likely still go ahead in rain as MTBing is an all weather sport, if there are extremely high winds the event will be postponed for rider safety in the trees.

### **AGE GROUPS**

#### **INDIVIDUALS**

Year 5, 6, 7, 8, U15, U17, U20, male and female. The cut off for age groups is 31.12.25. If a child is 14 now but turns 15 towards the end of the year they need to be entered in the U17 category. Please make sure each child is aware of which age group they are entered in.

**RELAY TEAMS** - 3 riders per team, all members must have ridden in an individual race prior to the relay race and go to the same school.

Junior - year 5-8, male, female and mixed riders

Senior - year 9 - 13, male, female and mixed riders

**ENTRY FEE**

Year 5 and 6 \$25.00 per person

Year 7 to 13 \$35.00 per person

Relay teams \$30.00 per team (3 riders per team)

**RACE REGISTRATION AND RACE PLATE COLLECTION**

This will be held at the BBQ area below the main car park.

Registration will open at 8 am and close at 9 am. There will be another registration for any schools that are arriving later for races 3 and 4, this will be open at 10:15 and close at 10:50.

One person from each school is to register for the whole team, they will be given the riders individual race plates, relay race plates and timing chips along with a list of corresponding names, numbers.

**PROGRAMME** (times and waves are approximate and are subject to change depending on numbers)

Please note the organisers reserve the right to pull any racers from the race that are deemed 'not to finish in an appropriate time frame'.

8.00 am Registration Opens

9.00 am Registration closes. All riders to be off the track at 9.00 am please

9.05 Welcome

9.10 Race briefing for race 1 and 2 (all year 5, 6, 7 and 8 riders)

9.20 Year 5 and 6 boys start

9.22 Year 5 and 6 girls start

10.00 Year 7 and 8 boys start

10.02 Year 7 and 8 girls start

10:15 Registration opens for those in race 3 and 4 that didn't make the earlier rego

10:50 Registration closes

11.00 Race briefing for race 3 (all U15 boys and girls, U17 and U20 girls)

11.10 U17 and U20 girls start

11.12 U15 boys start

11.14 U15 girls start

11.20 Approx Year 5-8 Prizegiving

11.50 Race briefing race 4 (all U17 and U20 boys)

12.00 U20 boys

12.02 U17 boys

1:30 Approx U15 - U20 prizegiving

1:45 Relay teams briefing

1:50 Relay starts

2:35 Relay finishes

2:45 Relay prizegiving

## **RACE BRIEFINGS**

These will be done at the start line 10 minutes before each race and are compulsory for all riders.

## **PRE RIDING THE RACE COURSE**

The track can be pre-ridden on the day prior to 9am. All riders must be off the track by 9 am to allow the marshals to get into position safely. The track can be ridden anytime in the weeks prior to race day. A map of the course can be found at the back of this event manual.

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The XC course is approx 3km long. It is predominantly a Grade 2 track with approx 60 meters of vertical climbing. It is suitable for most inexperienced riders.

There are 2 relay courses, one for years 5 - 8 and one for years 9 - 13. This has been done to prevent junior racers from being on the same race course as big scary college kids! The junior relay course is short, fast and relatively flat. The senior course is short with one steepish climb.

## **LAPS**

Competitors are responsible for keeping track of their own laps.

Year 5 and 6 boys and girls will complete 2 laps.

Year 7, 8 and U15 girls and boys will complete 3 laps

U17 and U20 girls will complete 4 laps

U17 and U20 boys will complete 5 laps

Laps are subject to change in adverse weather conditions or time restraints.

## **PARKING**

Most parking will be in the farmers paddock opposite the main car park. There will be parking marshals and signs in place, please follow their directions. There will be a drop off zone in the main car park, please use this to drop children, bikes and gear off before parking in the paddock. THERE ARE TO BE NO CHILDREN CROSSING THE ROAD. Please use the drop off zone to drop and pick children up.

THERE IS TO BE ABSOLUTELY NO PARKING ON THE SIDE OF THE ROAD.

## **RACE MARSHALS**

Each school that enters 3 or more racers is required to provide 1 marshal with a hi vis vest and small 1st aid kit. Marshals with a current 1st aid certificate would be preferred but it is not essential. Marshals can choose from 1 or all of the following time slots:

Slot 1 - 9 am to approx 11 am. This covers the year 5 to 8 races

Slot 2 11 am to approx 1:30 pm. This covers the U15, U17 and U20 races

Slot 3 1:30 to approx 2:45 pm. This covers the relay race

## **MEDICAL EVENTS**

NEMS medical services will be onsite in case of an emergency. They will be positioned at the registration area.

Please make sure that all participants have any relevant medication with them and that the teachers or parents in charge have a hard copy of emergency names, contact numbers and any medical conditions with them.

**RIDER APPAREL**

As this is a school event please wear your school riding kit or school colours. PE tops are fine.

**SCHOOL TENTS**

We advise you to bring a school tent as there is limited shade available. Tents can be placed on the grass but please check with an official before you put your tent up.

**COMPULSORY EQUIPMENT**

Correctly fitted helmets and covered in shoes area must. NO helmet or shoes = no racing. Please make sure all bikes are in good working condition, we recommend checking brakes and tyre pressure before you race.

**RESULTS**

A link to the official results will be posted on the Te Miro MTB Club FB page as soon as possible after the race.

**FOOD AND DRINKS**

There is no running water on site so please bring enough to last you the day. There will be a sausage sizzle and cold cans of drink for sale, please bring cash.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Please bring your own sunblock, hats etc  
THERE IS TO BE ABSOLUTELY NO SWIMMING IN THE LAKE.

**INQUIRIES**

Please direct any inquiries to [temiromtbevents@gmail.com](mailto:temiromtbevents@gmail.com)