



Howdy Riders!

Not long to go! We have got just under two hundred riders locked and loaded who are heading to the Kellevie Mtb Park 6 hour, if you are reading this you are one of them!

(Teams and pairs please, make sure your team members have seen this email! We can only send the info to the emails supplied to us in your entry. So if you weren't able to grab an email when you entered your team it won't be on our list).

So how are we looking? Well, event orders are in, course is groomed and test rides done. We love this course it's different from what we have offered before, it's a bit like Danny Devito after 50 espressos – shorter and faster than normal. Once again the team has smashed out the trail work, the course is prime with a fresh configuration and new trails, and we are looking forward to some exciting racing and race village stories. We have a solid solo field and heaps of new and old faces coming to K-town.

The social and fun nature of our endurance events has meant that people have felt comfortable to participate in events at all different levels. Bearing this in mind we have lots of juniors and new riders riding, so we ask more experienced riders to remember to embrace the fun and laidback nature of event and ensure that they have a good time, so they continue to participate and grow the sport.

Mates4Mates every day hero fundraiser.

Our community partner for the event is the team at Mates4Mates who do an incredible job of supporting veterans deal with the physical and psychological impact of their service. Their programmes are fantastic and their care for returned service people is so important to those who need support. We really encourage you to help out. You can support them by hitting up the [Everyday Hero page and become a fundraiser or provide a donation.](#)

NEWS FLASH! WE WILL BE GIVING AWAY A LUMBERJACK ENTRY FOR THE HIGHEST MATES4MATES FUNDRAISING EFFORT!

Shredding Betties Ride Day Sat the 7th

Also a heads up, the shredding Betties are doing a ride day on the Saturday before the race so women who are at a beginner or intermediate level this one is for you. If you are attending the race and know of friends who might be up for this invite them along and encourage them to camp. [Head here for details](#) The ride day event is not run by Storm Bay Promotions please direct all enquires to Shredding betties. You will need to register through their page.

The important responsible stuff

Yes I know the rules and info can be really boring, but we ask that you please read them as the information is there to make your life easier.

There are often changes from previous events and the original event information around the start, transition, registration and other mysterious things are in this document.

Juniors need to have a parent or guardian sign a copy of their waiver and it must be presented at registration. A copy of the waiver is attached to this email.

If you are not a junior (under 18) you do not need to sign a waiver as your online waiver is accepted.

Start loop - there will be a short start loop for the first lap to spread everyone out before the single track. **Please make sure you attend the briefing so you know where the start loop is.**

Changing categories

All the trophies have been made based on the categories entered. If you cannot finish the category you are now entered in you will not be moved to a new category - you become a D.N.F in the results. Your times and laps will still be recorded.

Race Plates

This is fairly straight forward and following a couple of key things saves us and you a lot of hassle.

Each race plate has RFID electronic chips on it, each chip is assigned to a rider. If you put someone else's plate on your bike the timing computer doesn't know. If you swap bikes/plates with other riders the timing system does not know, it just reads the chip. It is very simple: if you ride with a plate that was not allocated to you, you will have messed up times.

So here are the simple rules to follow with race plates:

1. Check your race plate when you pick up your reg pack and make sure you have yours and not your team mates attached to your bike.
2. If you change bike you have to put your plate on that bike.
3. The timing area is bunted off - please don't enter the area with your bike with your number plate attached.

If the supporters of the junior teams could go through this with them prior to the race that would be great. 😊

We no longer use single use cable ties they are not much chop for the environment we use reusable Velcro ties that you can return to us, use at other events, or use for something else. Just don't throw them out or cut them 😊

Some Race Directors tips

1. Read this document and ensure your team read this document
2. If you are new to solo racing, or longer events, pace yourself, either someone is fitter than you or they aren't. If they are you won't catch them anyway, if they aren't you will get 'em when they are walking. Ride your own race. (Even more important during a hot race.)
3. Remember it is a fun and social event. **If you are racing at the pointy end remember everyone else who is participating is how the whole shebang gets paid for. If you think you will struggle with being respectful and keeping your cool this event is not for you. If you are new racing remember to be helpful and allow people to pass when it is safe to do so.**
4. The following spares are worth having: joining link and chain breaker, tubes, derailleur hanger chain lube if it's dry, chain lube if it's wet.
5. Check your bike during the week before, not the morning before.
6. Be Early for Registration. Get there and get your reg pack early, the reg team are also the timing team and will be doing other things when registration closes.

Start list

Start list can be found [here](#)

Results

Progressive results will be live printed at the race village and uploaded [online](#)

Time Table

Saturday 7th of March 9.00am Site Open for camping

Saturday 7th March 10:00am Shredding Betties ride event

Saturday 7th March 2:00pm Course open for 6hour competitors practice

Saturday 7th March 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Registration

Sunday 8th March 7:00 am - 9:00 am - Registration

Sunday 8th March 9:15 am - Race Briefing

Sunday 8th March 9:45 am – Solo riders and team riders doing the first Lap gather at the start area.

Sunday 8th March 10:00 am - Race Start

Sunday 8th March 4:00 pm - 6 Hour race finish

Sunday 8th March 5:30 pm - Presentations Kellevie MTB park 6 hour

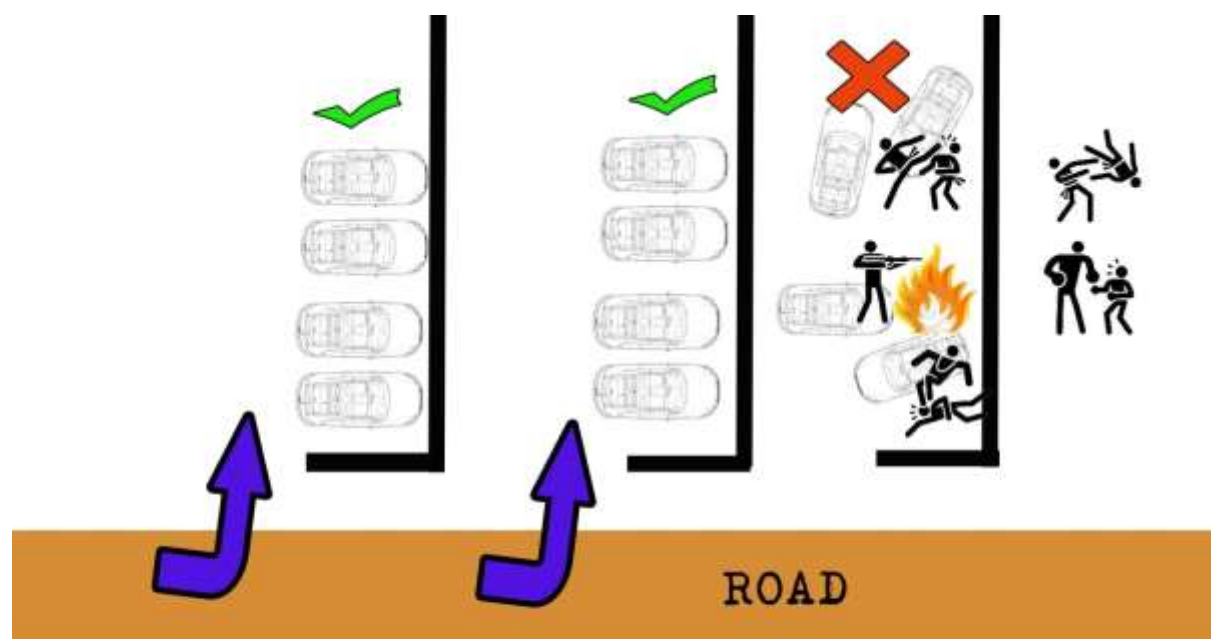
Car Parking

The car parking is divided into camping and day parking if you have let us know you are camping you can park in the camping area. All other vehicles will need to be parked in the day parking areas. If you have a campervan or caravan you may also park in the camping area. Please be considerate of others. There will be marshals stationed at key points to guide you. Signage will be in place to help guide you to ensure that parking is orderly and

cars are not parked in access lanes. Please obey directions from these attendants. Do not leave valuables in sight and ensure that your vehicle is locked and secured. The race organisers are not held liable for any damage or stolen property. Remember if you are driving on the property adhere to the speed limit signage. If you have an urgent need to leave and you and your vehicle are in the camping area you can only do so with the direction of event staff.

Day parking.

If you think you will need to leave before the conclusion of the 6 hour event you need to park in the day parking area. The day parking area is set up so people can leave without interfering with the main transition and improve safety for campers and for contractors that come and go throughout the event. Usually everyone uses common sense and the day parking works well. To leave there will be one course crossing; **riders have right of way** and we ask you to obey all direction of signage and staff. Essentially Park in rows with consideration for others, for those who are more visual learners we have put the day parking recommended guidelines into a visual reference. See diagram on next page:



DAY PARKING INSTRUCTIONS

JEANNERET ELECTRICAL TECHNOLOGIES Race village

To keep racing affordable we aren't providing the full schwizzery that we have at our larger events but there will be tunes, live music, transition shade food and coffee vendors and live timing.

It is an opportune moment for us to thank Sam from Jettech for his ongoing support and, outside of his massive efforts with electrical infrastructure at the village, he has also been responsible for developing our online networking system during events.

Generators

people can bring their own generators, however, if you are staying overnight, all generators must be turned off at 10.00pm. Remember you will be near other people and some of them will be trying to rest.

Fires

Fire-bins will be placed around the village and managed by the event team provided there are no fire restrictions. NO other fires are to be lit by competitors. Sealed gas heaters (the big "mushroom" style) are allowed in all campsite areas, as well as cooking stoves etc. However if there is high fire danger any direction from Tas Fire Service or race management must be adhered to.

Litter

We ask that people keep the village and camping zones clean and take your rubbish with you. Please take the time to remove your rubbish. Dumping of carb/gel packs on the trackside as opposed to tucking them in your attire somewhere will be frowned upon. I have been really impressed by the way people at our events have managed themselves so I feel like people reading this will already be on the same page. The last Hellfire Cup and the last 6hour we found no gel wrappers on the course. this is impressive keep it up!

But to be clear this one is pretty simple:

Bought it in with you - take it out with you.

Littering intentionally leads to disqualification.

Drinking Water

Drinking water will be available from tanks within the race village. We suggest that teams bring good size water storage containers to fill up at the tank and use at their site.

Coffee/food

Coffee will be available from the Sunshine Coffee Co, from first thing Sunday morning with great coffee and Tasmanias best ice cream and Taco Taco food truck will down on from 8:00 on Sunday morning. This means you will need to be self-sufficient on Saturday if you are coming down the day before to camp **Please bring cash as Eftpos may not be working.**

Note those camping on Saturday will need to bring their own food as there will be no food vendors on site on Saturday night.

Pets

Pets are not permitted within any part of the property. There is no exception. It is not that we don't like them - we just don't want them running under bike wheels.

Little Tackers

The event is family friendly, however, we insist that kids be kept out of transition area and off the course for their own safety. Kids must be supervised at all times. It is not that we don't like them, they are very good for making merchandise, cleaning chimneys and trail work, we just want to make sure everyone is safe and sound.

On course Mechanicals and assistance

if you encounter a mechanical issue you must proceed along the course back to the race village with your bike and go through the timing station if completing your lap. Riders can assist each other on course, but outside assistance is not permitted. You must be able to either repair your bike on course without assistance or be able to make your way back to the race village via the course to complete your lap.

Podium Prizes

Solo **overall** Male/Female

1st: Full Lumberjack entry, champagne, and trophy

2nd: Lumberjack entry 50 % Discounted entry, champagne, and trophy

3rd: Lumberjack 50 % Discounted entry, champagne, and trophy

Age category solos and teams:

All podiums receive a trophy.

Teams categories:

Pairs Female, Male, Mixed

Teams 3/4 Female, Male, Mixed, Schools

Race Registration

Only one person per team needs to register – that person can pick up the entry pack for their team – However for rider safety if are any changes or non-attendance of team members we must be informed at registration. Teams and solos can register on any of the following times: Saturday 7th at the Jettech Event Village 6:00pm – 8:00pm or Sunday 8th at the Jettech Event Village 7:00am – 9:00am. At registration competitors will receive an entry pack containing their race plates.

Your safety driving home

After the race you may be tired you are welcome to camp the Sunday night and rest before any long journey home.

Race Start

The race start will use the entry fire road to spread everyone out before the single track. At 9:45am on Sunday one rider from each team will proceed to the start area and can be accompanied by a teammate or helper. The start is designed to open up the field before the single track. SOLO RIDERS will line up with the rest of the field. The start field will go on a 1200-meter (approx.) fire road and then start the course passing transition. Anyone missing

the start will have to wait until the field has completed the fire road start loop, then await permission to start from race officials. The start line order will be self-seeded.

Lap Times and Transition

The riders and teams with the most laps win. For riders and teams on the same number of laps, the fastest time wins (least amount of time to complete the same number of laps). You or someone from your team must be riding on the course at the 6 hour mark to qualify for a placing. For example If you finish a lap with a race time of 5:59:00 your team will need to complete another lap. To avoid this you will need to hang around before the timing station and cross after the 6 hours is completed if you don't want to have to complete another lap. Riders and teams can take a break at any time throughout the event and your lap time is measured from when your previous team rider finishes a lap until you complete the next lap. The transition area will be after the timing station. We will have manual timing backup if required so if a timer asks for a number the rider must stop and respond appropriately.

The transition is a rolling transition after the timing station where you **MUST** tag your riding partner.

SOLOS do not have to dismount but must proceed through on the right hand side of the transition area Solo feed station area will be set up opposite transition.

Course signage

At race briefing signs indicating technical features, risks and direction will be shown and explained to you. Please follow course direction provided by either on course signage or marshals.

Attaching Your Bike Number Plate

Attach your bike number to the front of your bike using at least 3 ties, securely fastening it to the handle bar and ensuring that it can be easily seen from the front. Remember - if we can't see your number, your lap times may not be captured if the electronic timing system malfunctions.

Minimum Equipment on the Track

Each rider must have the following equipment whilst on the course:

- Serviceable mountain bike and Australian Standards certified cycling helmet,
- A full water bottle or hydration pack,
- Tool kit with spare tube and basic tools .

YOUR BIKE MUST TURN UP AT THE EVENT CLEAN AND HAVE BAR ENDS CAPS FITTED. You may be taken off the start line by scrutineers if you turn up with a crusty rig with no bar ends.

Course Etiquette and Passing Rules

Following are a few tips on the course: A rider walking their bike must give way to a rider who is riding. The rider being overtaken has right-of-way until the overtaking rider is past and clear by a bike length. If you want to pass the rider in front on single track, call out

"TRACK". When the rider in front feels it is safe to pass, they will pull over to one side and call "PASS". They may also call out "ON MY LEFT / ON MY RIGHT". Let the rider in front know what you are doing by calling "ON YOUR LEFT / ON YOUR RIGHT". If there is more than one rider passing, let the rider in front know by calling "TWO COMING THROUGH". If you do not make this call, the rider in front will assume you have decided not to pass and will return to the centre of the track. There are several small bridges and ramps on the course, some of them over water. Overtaking is not allowed on any of these. There are also areas marked with skull and cross bones to indicate danger, extra care must be applied to consider the safety and comfort of other riders during these sections. The same care must be taken with track sections marked with two down arrows to indicate an approaching technical section.

On Course Emergency Procedures

There will be a team of marshals riding on course during the event if they request you slow down or divert you please follow their requests. There are sections on the track where assistance from first aid may take time to reach. If you find an injured rider stay with them and send the next person for help. Any person rendering assistance will be given corrected time based on their average lap times (excluding their assistance lap).

There will also be marshal points on the track where you can report issues to marshals who will be in communication with race management.

Good Karma

As a philosophical point it is worth remembering although we are racing on a sheep station, we are not racing for one! So be aware that passing involving contact or abuse will result in disqualification. The Kellevie 6 hour is a place to foster good karma. The event provides an atmosphere for a fun social event whilst at the same time finding our own personal hell! How good is that! We thank you for involvement, and to help us make the event a success we ask that you help us by being patient and supporting race officials.

Thankyous

We would like to thank Dave and the team at MTN Trails for their great trail work and use of the land, our tireless trial team and event volunteers who without them there would be no racing, Sam and the team from Jettech who bring the power to the party and the Crew at Mates4Mates who do such awesome work in the community.

Good luck to everyone riding, see you at Kellevie for the Kellevie MTB Park 6hour Duncan, Sarah and the race team.

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This is a blank page, there is no reason for it, however if you got this far you are a champion for reading all the competitor information.