



## RIDER BRIEFING

Welcome to the Santa Cruz Enduro Challenge in beautiful Bright in the Victorian High County. With the assistance of the Alpine Cycling Club and the Alpine Community Plantation. Riders will be faced with a range of trails that will challenge their skills and endurance.

This event will form Round 1 of the National Enduro Series and we are honoured to have representation from the top of the Enduro World Series field, Jared Graves, Curtis Keene and Santa Cruz rider, Cedric Gracia. It is also great to see the Director of the Enduro World Series, Chris Ball visiting to look at the strength of the discipline Down Under.

### Timetable

#### Friday 12 Feb

Unofficial practice

Athlete Registration 5pm-6pm

#### Saturday 13 Feb

7:00-13:00 Registration

7:00 15:00 Unofficial Practice

15:30 Prologue

#### Sunday 14 Feb

7:00 Registration

8:00 Rider briefing

8:00 Village roll out

9:15 Stage 1 start

17:00 Presentations\*

## **Athlete Registration**

Athlete registration will be located in the event village in Howlett Park, in front of the River Deck Café. Registration will be open during the below times.

**Friday**            **5pm – 6pm**

**Saturday**        **7am – 1pm**

**Sunday**          **7am**

You will be required to present your MTBA licence at registration. This will be held until your timing chip is returned at the end of the event. If you do not have an MTBA licence, you will be required to take out a day licence and leave an alternative form of ID.

When moving around the event village and surrounding areas, please be mindful of other members of the public, particularly children that may be running around. Please keep to the formed trails and do not ride on the grass.

The Bright Brewery will be operating a remote outlet from the event village so you can enjoy a tasty beverage after a tough day of racing. SRAM and ATC cycles will also be offering a neutral service area from the event village to keep your bikes ticking over.

## **Course Practice**

Official Practice is from 7am – 3pm on Saturday. During this time, marshals and medical assistance will be located within Mystic Mountain Bike Park. Public will be discouraged from entering the event trails, but riders should exercise caution as some may still find their way onto stages.

During Official practice, no private shuttles are permitted. Blue Dirt Mountain Biking are operating a pre-booked service.

All riders should register and collect their number plates prior to practicing. Number plates must be displayed during practice.

## **Stages**

The Santa Cruz Enduro Challenge will be competed over 5 stages.

**Stage 1** All Mountain / Curtain

**Stage 2** World Cup DH / XX Off the Wall / Flat Strap

**Stage 3** Universal Soldier / Coffee Challenge

**Stage 4** The Eiger / Grevids Way / Guriella Warefare

**Stage 5** Fly By Night / Tree Hugger / Rhys Pieces / The Gully

**Please Note:** that Sport, U17 and U15 riders will not participate in stage 2 of the event.

## **The Prologue**

The Prologue stage will commence from the Event village at 3pm on Saturday. Prologue results will not count towards the overall classification, but will determine seeding within each category.

Sunday racing will commence with a rider briefing at 8am. Riders will then roll off towards Stage 1 in groups of two.

## **Liaison Routes.**

Riders must follow the marked route along Morses Creek to the base of Mystic Lane. Riders must give way to traffic at all times.

Liaison routes between stages will be signposted with much of the liaison utilising the Fire road network within Mystic Mountain Bike Park.

## **Medical Services**

Medical assistance will be provided by Acute Medical Services and Ambulance Victoria. A static position will be located on Mystic Lane near the end of Stage 4. Other crews will be roaming at key locations as required.

Should you require medical assistance please make your way to the next marshal point or call the contact numbers on the rear of your number plate. Should you come across a rider requiring assistance, it is the responsibility of following riders to provide assistance where possible, and advise event and medical staff.

Any rider that provides assistance to an injured rider will be provided a time reflective of their positioning on the other stages in the day.

## **Mechanical Support**

Once riders leave the event village they are not permitted to receive any outside assistance with the exception of at the Service point located on Mystic Lane. SRAM will be providing Neutral Support for their products within the event village and at the Service Point.

ATC Cycles is located in the main st and will be able to assist with a range of parts and services.

Club tents can be installed on at the Service Point on Mystic Lane. Clubs must pre register via the event website in prior to setting up