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NAVIGATING THIS GUIDE

The event information in this guide is organised to assist you with planning your Quad Crown MTB 'The Black Pearl' experience and ensuring a great time in New South Wales' Newcastle and Lake Macquarie regions.

Our stages are detailed as accurately as possible, however last-minute course changes do occur for a variety of reasons. Please check our social channels for last minute changes and updates to course alignments.

Toward the back of this Guide, we outline everything you need to know in anticipation of your ride, including timing, awards, accreditation and safety. Please take some time to familiarise yourself, particularly with our start line systems and etiquette.

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DIRECTOR'S WELCOME

Welcome to The Black Pearl, the fourth and final event in the inaugural Quad Crown MTB Series and one that we are super excited to be bringing to the Newcastle and Lake Macquarie region.

For those of you who have been following us from the outset, you will know that there has been a few challenges in delivering this first series of events. From Covid and extreme weather disruptions in 2022 to trail access and stakeholder approval issues this year the challenges have been aplenty!

But as we now near completion of our first series of events, we are super excited at the potential that this new format offers and we couldn't be more confident that we have hit on a great new event concept. The feedback from our other events in Devonport, Eden and the Sunshine Coast has been overwhelmingly positive and we have no doubt you will experience the same at The Black Pearl.

The Newcastle and Lake Macquarie regions are very familiar to our event team as we all previously created and then worked on the Port to Port MTB event. Over the past few years we have been disappointed to see this event get cancelled for a variety of reasons and stage racing disappear from this fantastic region. As such, the chance to bring an event back to Newcastle was too good to resist for us and we think we have created something you are going to LOVE!

If you haven't participated in one of our previous Quad Crown events you will find our format is slightly different to the old 4-day stage racing model. Gone are the long slog stages filled with chewing the bars on gravel back roads, replaced instead with the best single track from the various regions we go to that become the feature of each stage.

As one rider aptly described at our most recent event in Eden, our series is "more like a bunch of Enduro/XC stages that just have all the fun trails included!" That's not to say the stages are easy, there are still some tough climbs, but we do think they are designed to be more on the fun side so you face a challenging long weekend in the saddle but will still have a smile on your face at the end and not be completely broken.

The long weekend aspect of our events has also received super positive feedback from our riders. In essence to do our four events across the year you only need to take four Fridays off work whereas most of the bigger stage races in Australia you need to take off a whole week to attend and compete! Plus our destinations are handpicked to also feature social events at some great local venues so you can enjoy the best food and drink from the region too!

We are stoked to be bringing a quality mountain bike event back to Newcastle and want to thank our major partners who have helped make this happen off short notice. To Newcastle City Council thanks for your belief and support and we are excited to work together again. To Lake Macquarie council, it is great to be back and we appreciate your support as a key stakeholder.

To our major event partners Tinel and Flip Insurance, thank you for your continued involvement and backing. Finally we would like to welcome Lusty Industries on board as a new partner and hope this is the start of a long term involvement in all our events!

Enjoy the trails and have fun!

SALLY, LIAM, CHRIS AND JASON

Directors

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EVENT TIMES

10-12 NOV 2023

FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER

- 1.00 PM **REGISTRATIONS OPEN**
Glenrock State Conservation Area,
Gun Club Road, off Fernleigh Loop,
Merewether
- 3.00 PM **PRELUDE RIDE 9KM TIME TRIAL**
Glenrock State Conservation Area,
Gun Club Road, off Fernleigh Loop,
Merewether
- 5.00 PM **WELCOME DRINKS & PRESENTATIONS**
Modus Brewery
20 Merewether St, Merewether

SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER

- 8.00 AM **REGISTRATIONS OPEN**
Awaba MTB Park TrailHead,
Mount Faulk Road, Cooranbong
- 9.00 AM **STAGE 1 - RACE START**
Awaba MTB Park TrailHead,
Mount Faulk Road, Cooranbong
- 5.00 PM **SOCIAL FUNCTION & PRESENTATIONS**
The Grain Store, 64-66 Scott St,
Newcastle East

SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER

- 8.00 AM **REGISTRATIONS OPEN**
Royal Crown Hotel, 94 Ocean
Street, Dudley
- 9.00 AM **STAGE 2 - RACE START**
Royal Crown Hotel, 94 Ocean
Street, Dudley
- 1.00 PM **SOCIAL FUNCTION & FINAL PRESENTATIONS**
Royal Crown Hotel, 94 Ocean
Street, Dudley

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FRIDAY 10 NOV



REGISTRATION, PRELUDE AND MODUS BREWING

1.00pm Registration Opens // Glenrock State Conservation Area

Registration will be clearly set up at Gun Club Road entrance to the Glenrock State Conservation Area. Look for the Trailhead info board and we will be very close by.

Here, you'll receive your plates, transponder, event T-shirt and complimentary beer token for our welcome drinks later that night. You won't want to miss this function as we will also be running a lucky number plate draw to win one of ten sets of Maxxis tyres, supported by our friends at Lusty Industries. You have to be there to claim your prize, so make sure you join us for a great brew and your chance to win!

Access to the site is off the Pacific Highway. Limited parking is available, however a drop off area will be clearly marked and manned for ease of use. Additional parking is available on Scenic Drive and Fernleigh Loop which are a short ride to Registration and the start line.

3.00pm Prelude Starts // Glenrock State Conservation Area

Get into Newcastle early on Friday so you can be ready for the

Prelude that afternoon, a pulsating 9km loop in the renowned Glenrock State Conservation Area, less than a 10 minute drive from the town centre. Glenrock has had a rebirth in the last 12 months and the Prelude course will include the classics including a visit to the Table, Twisties, Double Barrel, Seismic and of course Snakes & Ladders. With all riders fresh and the trails in prime condition, there could be some long standing KOM's challenged. Then settle in to the Welcome Function that night at the ultimate Aussie seaside pub, Modus Brewing.

5.00pm Welcome Drinks // Modus Brewing

Modus Brewing
20 Merewether St, Merewether
www.mobrewing.com.au

A spectacular architecturally designed and state-of-the-art venue, alongside a fully operational award-winning brewery, set in the heart of the beachside suburb of Merewether, Newcastle.

The breathtaking space offers visitors the chance to enjoy delicious, brewery-fresh Modus beers poured from 36 frosty taps. Beers on offer include the Modus core range, including non-alcoholic NORT range, as well as limited local-only releases ranging from sours to lagers, hazy hoppy IPA's to dark beers. The range is insane and always changing! And if beer isn't your thing, don't worry – an extensive selection of curated cocktails, wines and spirits are also on offer. The menu is as delicious and innovative as the drinks on offer; elevated pub fair with a sprinkle of fresh Mexican.

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SATURDAY 11 NOV



REGISTRATION, STAGE 1 AND THE GRAIN STORE

8.00am Registration Opens // Awaba MTB Park Trailhead

Mount Faulk Road
Cooranbong

Registration will be clearly set up at the Trailhead in our unmissable Quad Crown marquees.

If you haven't registered yet, here's where you'll receive your plates, transponder and event T-shirt. Parking is located on Mount Faulk Road at a generous private property owners' paddock before you come to the MTB Park turn off. Please follow the signs and marshal directions.

9.00am Stage 1 Starts // Awaba MTB Park Trailhead

Stage 1 will traverse the foothills of the Watagans followed by a loop of Awaba MTB Park. Sounds pretty standard, right? WRONG. Be prepared for a course like you haven't seen before, a course where locals will be scratching their heads thinking "why does it feel like I've never been here before?". It will have punishing climbs, rugged moto single track, virgin forest trails, as well as Awaba essentials such as Polly Waffle, Skids for Kids, Tunnel of Love, Biraban AND Faulk Line!!!

A reputation for hosting the Queen Stage in past stage races in the region, this course has a lot to live up to and we guarantee it will deliver!

5.00pm Social Function & Presentations // The Grain Store

64-66 Scott St
Newcastle East
www.grainstore.beer

The Grain Store is a specialised restaurant, restored to the beautiful Warehouse venue it once was, who prides itself on giving its customers the educational experience of pairing their fresh creative menu with the best Australian craft beer available, whilst providing a friendly relaxed environment with exceptional service.

Located in Newcastle's food and cafe hub of the Historic East End; with high ceilings, Art Deco tiling and timber flooring, it is the perfect site for the Craft Beer focused restaurant it now is. It oozes character and style, and its walls tell a story.

Situated on the corner of Scott & Telford St, it was built by J.T Toohey (Tooheys Brewery) in 1885. It was originally built as the Grain and keg storage facility, (hence the name) & acted as the Newcastle Depot. The original elevator shaft down to the underground basement is still there to this day and can be seen by customers. The Grain Store boasts a tap list totalling 21, featuring 100% independently owned and 100% Australian brewed, Craft Beers. This makes it one of the largest Craft Beer tap lists in Australia. This allows us to always have the beer style of your liking available on tap at any given time to match up perfectly with our menu offerings. So whether it's a crisp pilsner, hoppy IPA, smoked porter or dry stout, and everything else in between, it will be there for you to pair with our fresh and tasty food offering.

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37KM

STAGE 2 AND ROYAL CROWN HOTEL

8.00am Registration Opens // Royal Crown Hotel

94 Ocean St
Dudley, NSW

Registration will clearly be set up in the back courtyard of the Royal Crown Hotel. Parking is available on the sports oval on Pitt Street, directly across the road from the Royal Crown Hotel. Please follow the signs and marshal directions.

9.00am Stage 2 Starts // Royal Crown Hotel

The biggest question for Stage 2 is how do you top Stage 1? By staging an MTB race in the heart of one of Australia's biggest cities on a Sunday morning, going up, down, over, under and around the built and natural environment for 37km on awesome trails. Think Parkour on bikes!!!

Returning to the coast just south of Newcastle, this course will incorporate the amazing trail networks of Whitebridge, Redhead, Fernleigh and Glenrock into one fantastic stage that will start and finish at the aptly named Royal Crown Hotel in Dudley.

1.00pm Social Function and Presentations // Royal Crown Hotel

Royal Crown Hotel
94 Ocean St, Dudley
www.royalcrownhotel.com.au

Surrounded by rainforests, pristine beaches and amazing vistas sits this idyllic neighbourhood hotel, firmly since 1892. The Royal Crown Hotel is an easy going neighbourhood pub which attracts locals and tourists alike.

The interior reflects the local flora and fauna with food and drink offerings to rival any other pub in Australia. Newcastle's best beer garden is extremely popular with families whilst the Front Bar offers a loud hub of racing, ping pong and local characters.

Many visitors swing by after bushwalking, surfing, biking and climbing through Glenrock State Conservation Area. It has a huge range of classic and craft beers available coupled with an extensive wine list.

An array of unique events make this pub one of the most exciting venues in the Hunter region.

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STAGE ONE
AWABA

STAGE TWO
REDHEAD



PRELUDE
GLENROCK



EVENT MAP

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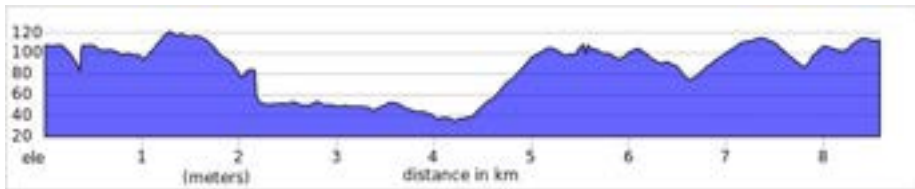


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FRIDAY 10 NOV

9KM

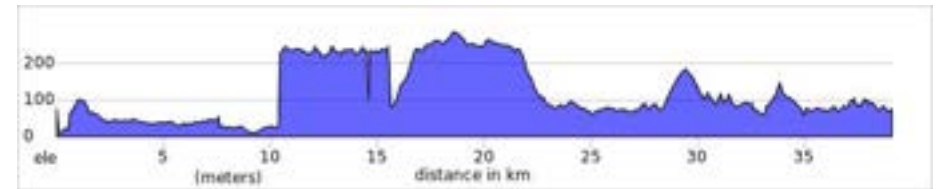
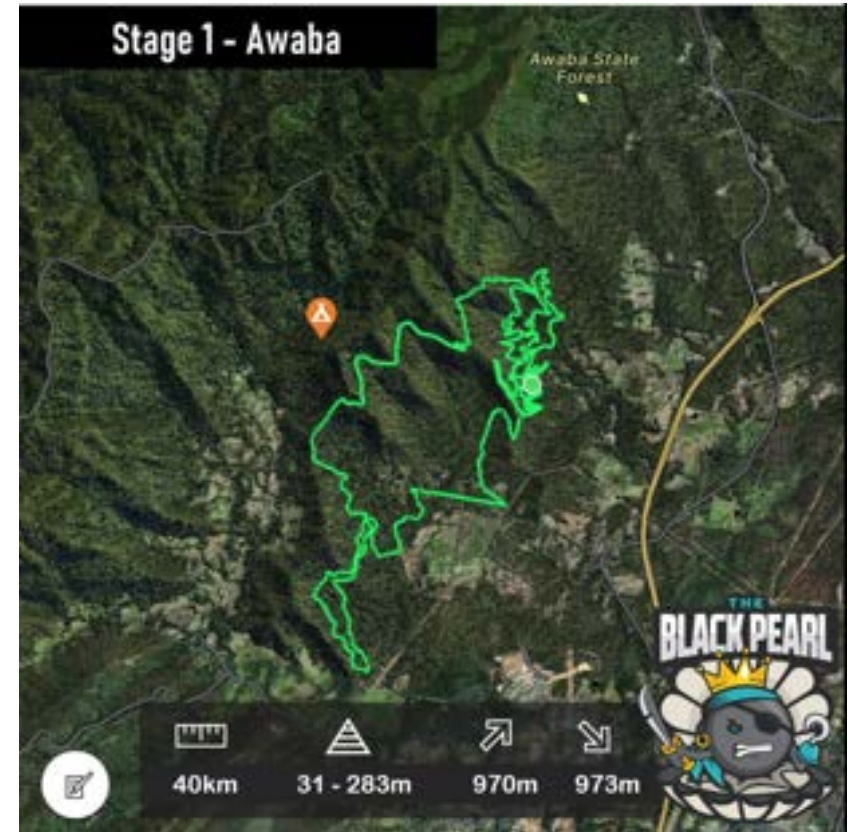
REGISTRATION, PRELUDE AND
MODUS BREWING



SATURDAY 11 NOV

40KM

REGISTRATION, STAGE 1 AND
THE GRAIN STORE



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SUNDAY 12 NOV

37KM

**STAGE 2, PRESENTATIONS, AND
THE ROYAL CROWN HOTEL**



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HANDICAP SYSTEM

WEEKEND WARRIORS – HANDICAP SYSTEM

Our unique Quad Crown handicap system is one we have continued to revise across our first three events. We are now really confident that we have nailed it and our overall goal is achieved - to identify and crown the Weekend Warriors who ride to the best of their ability at each of our events.

This award is open to the whole field of riders (other than the Elites) and in essence you are riding the stages against yourself, much like a golfing handicap system works! Each rider will be given a handicap from the Prelude based on their own time versus the average time for all riders. So it is VERY IMPORTANT that you ride the Prelude if you want to be included in the race for the Warrior Crown!

The Prelude handicap will produce an expected time for Stage 1 which will be compared with your actual time. The rider who gets as close as possible to their expected time will be deemed the Stage winner.

The same will then happen for Stage 2, with your overall comparison times leading to a final placement on the Weekend Warrior Leaderboard. The aim is to identify the “most consistent rider” who can ride to the best of their own ability over each of the stages at The Black Pearl.

Keep an eye out for the Weekend Warrior Leaderboard after both Stages 1 and 2 as we will present stage winners for both male and female Warriors. At the conclusion of Sunday’s Stage, we will award an overall Warrior King and Queen, which will be the riders in the field who raced closest to their handicap time over the two weekend stages. In the end this award is meant to be fun and create some banter amongst mates across various abilities to keep things interesting for all riders!

ELITE RIDERS – IN IT TO WIN IT!

We all know the elite riders are going to be up the front and smashing it like they do at every event. There will still be Leader jerseys for the leading male and female riders as well as podiums at the end to recognise the best of the best. And of course prize money! Furthermore, we have also implemented ranking points from each of the first three Quad Crown Series events. At the conclusion of the 2023 Series, an overall winner in the Elite Male and Female categories will be announced. Points have been allocated at each event based on the Top 10 places in both the male and female elite categories. The overall 2023 Series winners will be awarded at The Black Pearl and the race is set to be a hot one!

The Current Top 5 Quad Crown Series Leaderboard off our first three events is as follows:

MALE

- | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Daniel McConnell (50 points) | 3. Sam Fox (25 points) |
| 2. Cameron Ivory (35 points) | 5. Alex Lack (20 points) |
| 3. Kyle Ward (25 points) | 5. Cam Wright (20 points) |

FEMALE

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Peta Mullens (60 points) | 4. Samara Sheppard (25 pts) |
| 2. Katherine Hosking (45 points) | 5. Sorcha Flett (15 points) |
| 3. Jessica Manchester (35 points) | |

ELITE RIDER PROFILES

When you attend a Quad Crown MTB series event, it's highly likely our wonderful Weekend Warriors will find themselves riding in the same field as Olympians, World and National Champions!

The Black Pearl is no exception, with some of Australia's best determined not to miss out on all the fun.

Feel free to hit these guys up for a few tips! If you can't keep up with them during the stages, make sure you head on down to a social function to have a chat.

JESS MANCHESTER

Jessica is a 23 year old kiwi currently living in Tasmania. Racing XCO for over 10 years now and has multiple National and Oceania Titles with 3 European seasons completed. Has goals to compete and get results internationally as an elite rider and get more women on bikes



KATHERINE HOSKING

Katherine isn't new to the mountain biking scene with multiple National Championships titles and plenty of international racing experience. She enjoys riding all bikes and believes the most important things are to always try new things and to always have fun!



ELLA MENIGOZ

Ella, a 17-year-old Brisbane local, has recently graduated and is excited to begin her engineering studies at the University of Queensland in the coming year. She proudly holds the title of U19 XCM National Champion, and her aspirations stretch even further, with her sights set on making her international debut in 2024.



RUBY DOBSON

At 18 years old she's the junior taking it to the Elite riders. With a handful of junior National Titles under her belt she's proven she has the talent, and at The Orca she was challenging for the stages early in the day. If she can find the endurance in those young legs, she'll be a contender for a stage win.



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ELITE RIDER PROFILES

BRENT REES

Brent says “My path into racing MTB’s was slightly different to most of my peers with a relatively late introduction. I made the transition from a Motocross background after I left school and fell in love with the adventure and experiences of travelling and pushing myself physically to new levels of fitness. I’ve fortunately had some great successes in the past 5 years amongst my incredible travels throughout Aus, NZ, Asia and Europe. Including Stage wins at the Cape to Cape, Volcanic Epic, Multiple National XCO round Wins & podium, Multiple XCO state titles and most recently securing my first National title in the Marathon Champs in Wagga.”



DAN MCCONNELL

Dan began cycling at 13 years of age and at 23 was chosen for the Australian Team where he made his Olympic debut at the 2008 Beijing Games. McConnell followed that up with a spot at the 2012 Summer Olympics. At the 2014 Commonwealth Games, he won the bronze medal in the men’s cross-country cycling.



CAM IVORY

Cam grew up riding his BMX bike in the bush behind his house and spent most school holidays digging jumps and trying to out-do his mates.



After a bad crash where he knocked out his front teeth and got stitches in his lip, he gave mountain biking a go at age 14 and quickly started to progress through the club grades, state and national level until he got selected for the 2009 Junior MTB World Championships at Mt Stromlo.

Since then, Cam has been a member of the Australian MTB team most years and was a member of the 2014 Commonwealth Games team racing in Glasgow, Scotland. He is a 3 x National Champion Winner and definitely one to watch at The Black Pearl.

CATEGORIES & AWARDS

The Black Pearl is less about prize money and more about good times and an epic three days of riding. However, we do wish to acknowledge the riders who perform to the best of their ability and cross the finish line in the best time.

Our handicap system ensures that everyone and anyone is in the mix to be crowned the overall winner of The Black Pearl (Male and Female) and proclaimed King and Queen. Podium glory, prizing and a taste of royalty await the Male and Female who finish with the fastest adjusted time.

We've been monitoring our handicap system closely over the previous three events and think we've hit on the winning formula. However, we're always looking at ways to improve our events for ALL our riders and we've got one small change for The Black Pearl. After the Prelude, we will present a pink and yellow jersey to the overall leaders of the whole field. After Stages 1 and 2, there will be presentations to the Top 3 eBikes, Elites and Warriors. By blending the Open and Masters categories together under the Warrior Crown, we really are acknowledging the Quad Crown King and Queen!

Of course, you can still check your results under these categories (Open, Masters, Super Masters, eBikes and Elite) to see how you performed.

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RIDER JERSEY

If you haven't noticed already, we have one absolutely epic rider jersey this year.

The Pro Performance Jersey from series partner Tineli has all the best features combined with style, ensuring you're going to perform as well as look good.

How do you get your hands on one? If you didn't purchase one when completing your registration, you can purchase one at Registration on Friday or Saturday.

Pro Performance Jersey - \$149.95

- Technical fitted jersey with waffle textured main fabric.
- High stretch fabric to comfortably fit a range of body sizes.
- Super lightweight fabric – ideal for hot conditions.
- Highly breathable, great moisture management
- Double stitched pockets and hems for durability.
- Three rear pockets.
- Full coverage, full colour, fade resistant digital sublimation printing



Our Pro Performance Jersey was designed by Tineli.

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MEN'S JERSEY SIZING CHART

SIZE	CHEST	LENGTH
XS	88 cm	64 cm
S	92 cm	67 cm
M	96 cm	70 cm
L	100 cm	73 cm
XL	104 cm	76 cm
XXL	110 cm	79 cm
3XL	116 cm	82 cm

WOMEN'S JERSEY SIZING CHART

SIZE	CHEST	LENGTH
XXS (4)	<74 cm	60 cm
XS (6)	77 cm	62 cm
S (8)	82 cm	64 cm
M (10)	88 cm	66 cm
L (12)	94 cm	68 cm
XL (14)	98 cm	70 cm
XXL (16)	100 cm	72 cm
3XL (18)	>104 cm	74 cm

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IMPORTANT RIDE INFORMATION

RIDER REGISTRATION

All riders are required to collect their rider pack prior to the event. This pack will contain your number plate, transponder and cable ties and an event t-shirt.

Rider pack collection will be open at Registration each day of the event - Glenrock MTB Park on Friday November 10 from 1.00pm, 8.00am at Awaba MTB Park Trailhead on Saturday November 11 and again from 8.00am at the Royal Crown Hotel on Sunday November 12. It is highly recommended that riders collect packs on Friday so that your bike is setup correctly in advance and to avoid time delays.



TIMING

The Black Pearl is timed electronically by OneTime. You will receive a number plate, transponder and cable ties in your rider pack. These need to be fixed to your bike for the duration of the event. Please affix your transponder as per the below image. You cannot change transponders with another rider as it is unique to your registration. The Transponders must be handed back at the finish line of your final day of riding. You may keep your plate as a souvenir.

If you have a timing issue, please have a chat with our staff at the Race HQ tent.



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IMPORTANT RIDE INFORMATION

ACCIDENTS ON COURSE

If a rider in front of you crashes, this is not an opportunity to pass! Please stop immediately and ask if they need assistance. The first rider on the scene should remain with the rider, if the rider requires medical assistance the second rider on the scene is to remember the rider number and move forward to the next marshal check point with a radio. This will allow for medical assistance to be called and first aid to respond.

RIDER ETIQUETTE

Riders are to be reported to the Event Director if they:

- Disobey road rules;
- Be rude or disrespectful to other riders or marshals;
- Who behave in a way that puts any rider or marshal in danger;
- Is reported to litter on course;

Quad Crown believes in the honest and supportive culture of Mountain Biking and holds the safety of our riders a priority. If you stop to assist a rider with a mechanical or injury, please report to HQ and you will be awarded a time credit for the time spent helping out a fellow rider.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Whilst there is a portion of the course that is managed by our Traffic Controllers, the majority of it will have live traffic, meaning road rules will apply. Riders must NOT ride in a bunch on the road or take over the lane. It is important to understand that while traffic management is in place, roads remain open to vehicles. Riders must always give way to cars.

Riders who have medical conditions (eg Asthma) must carry their own medication for the duration of the event.

All riders should carry enough food, water, basic first aid and a tool kit in their daily ride kit. There will be basic feed stations on the course to allow riders to adequately rest and refuel.

WITHDRAWING FROM THE RIDE

Should a rider decide to withdraw from the ride, they must notify official marshals on course, who will then communicate to the SAG vehicle to come and pick up the rider or alert timing so we're not waiting for you to finish while you're chilling at the after party!

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IMPORTANT RIDE INFORMATION

START LINE - PRELUDE

The Prelude will see riders move through the course one by one with a gap between riders to ensure a clear run. There are overtaking points along the course should you need them and be sure to let a rider overtake should this happen to you.

At the conclusion of the Prelude the results and wave start times for the following Stage will be announced at Modus Brewing welcome function and posted on social media. If you can't make the prelude and have registered for the weekend ride, don't stress – you will be given an average time for your seeding. Ebike riders will start at the last wave for all Stages.

START LINE - STAGES 1 & 2

Riders will be called into the Start grids based on their predetermined start times announced the day prior. You will be checked off as you enter the grid, and your transponder will be already programmed to a gun start time. Elite riders will start first and then riders will self-seed from fastest to slowest.

If you wish to change waves to ride with a mate or you are running late, please let the timing tent know so we can make sure you get an accurate result. You're always welcome to hang back wave to ride with your mates, however we cannot push riders forward a wave.

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EXPLANATION OF SERVICES

ITEM	CONTENT
Bag Drop	The Black Pearl has limited storage available, however the team at Information will gladly hold a bag, jumper or belongings while you ride.
Bike Mechanic	TREK will be on site each day looking after your bike servicing needs.
Bottle Drop	The Quad Crown will have a bottle Drop service on Saturday and Sunday of the race. Please ensure your bottle is dropped in the crates at Information prior to 8.30am and it will be taken to the water point for you. Please be advised that riders will not be able to collect their bottles until Saturday morning at the start line for Stage 1 and then at the presentations for Stage 2 as we wait for the Tail End to bring these back.
Coffee	Very important! Saturday and Sunday will see Oneill's Mobile Coffee on site to ensure you are caffeinated before the ride!
Information tent	Got a question? Be sure to see a friendly Quad Crown team member at the information tent who will have all your answers. Day 1 will see information services open at 1.00pm. Days 2 and 3 at 8.00am. You can also purchase your exclusive Quad Crown rider jersey here.
Parking	Prelude: Limited parking is available at Gun Club Road, however we will have a drop -off service available. We advise parking along Fernleigh Loop and Scenic Drive. Stage One: Parking is located on Mount Faulk Road at a generous private property owners' paddock before you come to the MTB Park turn off. Please follow the signs and marshal directions. Stage Two: Parking is available at the sports oval on Pitt Street, directly across the road from the Royal Crown Hotel.
Registration tent	Registration tent will be open from 1.00pm till 4.00pm on Friday November 10 at Glenrock State Conservation Area Trailhead, 8.00am on Saturday November 11 at Awaba MTB Park Trailhead and Sunday November 12 at the Royal Crown Hotel.
Rider packs	Rider packs will be available for collection at the registration tent. Your pack will include your transponder and rider plate, and event t-shirt.
Water Points	Water points are located at approximately the halfway point of each stage for both Stages 1 and 2. There is no water point for the Prelude. We strongly advise you carry enough water for the course however we'll be there if you need us.



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