

The Wobbly Wheel

Mountain Biking Otago Monthly Update

The Season has started with a hiss and roar and the MBO team have been busy with another successful Naseby 12 hr. Many Thanks to all the sponsors.

Check out the latest updated calendar we certainly have a full season ahead.

MBO CALENDAR LOCAL EVENTS

1 Nov Club Open Day
7 Nov EVO South Island Open
28 Nov Funduro R1
5 Dec Pineapple Crusher XC
12 Dec Funduro R2
16 Dec Wednesday XC
24 Jan Otago XC Champs
30 Jan Funduro R3
3 Feb Wednesday XC
20-21 Feb
Otago/Southland School Champs
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MBO Club Open Day 1 November



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Clun open day for 1 November and we have an awesome day of fun lined up.

11 am Grass Dual Slalom heats, Finals at 2pm all proceeds going towards the Knocking Nicols Off project.

1pm Kids race.

From 11am Garage sale if you've got used goods to part with, proceeds to Knocking Nicols Off

Free BBQ

See you at Forrester Park follow the signs to neighbouring hillside for events.

Knocking Nicols Off

\$25,666 achieved to date.



More than a decade ago, Mountain Biking Otago hand built 6 kilometres of bespoke single-track at Nicols Creek. This multi-use track climbs up a steep gully close to the bottom of Leith Valley Road. It is surfaced with compacted gravel to make it useable all year round. Recreational bikers, walkers and runners have thoroughly enjoyed going up and admiring the view but then back tracking down.

Every Sunday since 2019, Hamish has led dedicated bands of volunteers to hand cut another 2 km of track, pushing the track now quite close to the top of the hill. When the track is finished, several adventurous loop circuits will be available for all users to enjoy, extending north and south along the historical Swampy Ridge Track.

This is a challenging project made more difficult by the lack of road access. To finish the project, we need to use helicopter to get 500T of gravel to site. We are fundraising a total of \$60k for this project and full details of how you can help can be found on our website page Knocking Nicols Off.

We've started a Give a Little page, full details and link can be found on the club website

<https://mountainbikingotago.co.nz/knocking-nicols-off/>

Membership Update

2020/21 season is opens, the new membership registration the link is below.

Many thanks to those who have already re-joined for the season and a big shout out to those who have added an extra donation to the club

Membership subscriptions Student \$30, Individual \$40 Family \$70

Mankey map with every new subscription until stock runs out. Many thanks to our local bike shops for their support. These should not be too far away the order has been finalised.

<https://mountainbikingotago.co.nz/membership/>

Website Update

The Membership crew are looking at the MBO Deals and Discount page, if you are a business owner and would like to be included, we'd love to hear from you.

We are also looking to add other local biking activities links for your convenience such as social riders, shuttles and coaching etc

Race Update

The subcommittees have been busy setting their calendars for the season.

XC: The Pineapple Crusher is an exciting new event for the MBO team. A great line up of events to help those preparing for upcoming Nationals. The Otago Champs date has been set for 24 January and some midweek Wednesday night after work races in Dec and Feb.

Enduro: The Funduro has set its dates partnering up again with EVO with more details to come.

See the Calendar for all upcoming club events.



Saturday 5 December 2020

The Pineapple Crusher is a new event. It will be staged XC race being hosted by Mountain Biking Otago in support with Off The Chain Cycles. Keep the Date clear as more details to come in the coming weeks.



Entries
Are Open
On the website

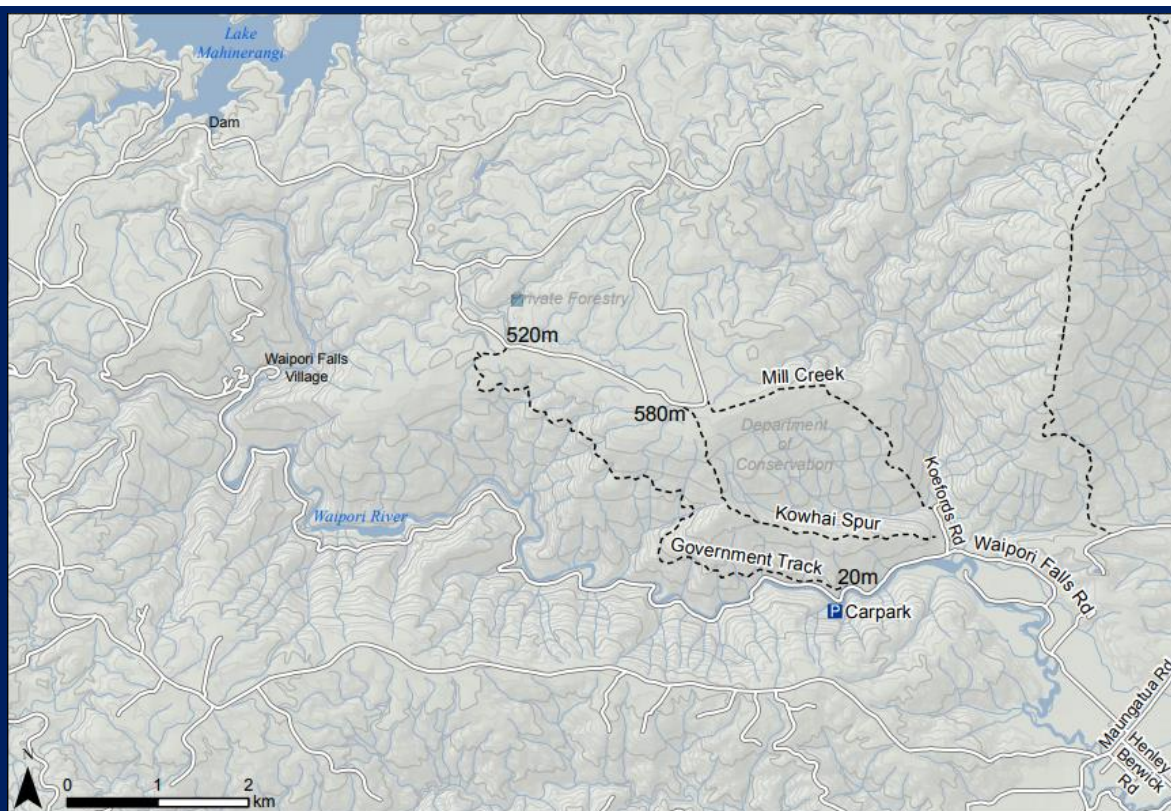


ALL MBO EVENTS ARE HIGHLIGHTED YELLOW		
	Saturday	Sunday
Oct		
3-4		
10-11	Naseby 12hr/ NZ DH- Napier	
17-18		Fun Gravity- Signal DH Summer Series R1- Christchurch
24-25		Deans Bank- Bike Wanaka
27-30	Signal Hill Closed for Possum Trapping	Signal Hill Closed for Possum Trapping
31	The Hammer Halloween Howler 12hr	
Nov		
1		H&J's Outdoor XC- Southland
7-8	EVO South Island DH Open	Taieri Mouth Classic
14-15	NZDH- 440 Auckland DH Series R1- Queenstown	
21-22		
28-29	Funduro R1 NZDH- Wellington	DH Summer Series R2- Dave's race Christchurch
Dec		
5-6	NEW EVENT Pineapple Crusher XC- Off the Chain-Dunedin XC staged race	
12-13	Funduro R2 NZDH- Dome DH Series R2- Queenstown	DH Summer Series R3- Christchurch
Wed 16	XC- Dunedin	
19-20		
30	Bannockburn classic (Wednesday)	
TBA		
Jan		
2-3		
9-10		
16-17		Craigieburn Enduro
23-24		Otago Champs XC/SS MTBNZ DH 1 440 Auckland
30-31	Funduro R3 MTBNZ DH2 Dome Auckland DH Series Round 3- Queenstown	MTBNZ NI XC Manawatu
TBA		Womens Enduro-Christchurch
Feb		
Wed 3	XC- Dunedin	
6-7		MTBNZ DH 3 Jentree Malborough
13-14	MTBNZ DH4 Coronet Queenstown Papakaio 8hr	MTBNZ SI XCO Coronet Queenstown
20-21	Otago / Southland School Champs DH Series R4- Queenstown	Otago / Southland School Champs NZ Open DH- Christchurch
27-28	National Champs- Christchurch	National Champs-Christchurch
Mar		
6-7		

BACKYARD SECRETS

RIDE ADVENTURE GUIDE

“Government Track”



From the flood free SH1, turn onto the Henley-Berwick Road. At Berwick School turn right, then left onto Waipori Falls Road.

Shortly before you reach the first bridge across the Waipori River, you will see a DOC sign "Government Track" on the right. There is a car park 100m further on the left if you need it.

The track starts with a short push up a steep section of switchback track. The old pack track begins to side along the flank of the Waipori Valley, and from here, it is an easy grade for riding. There are a few creek crossings you will have to carry your bike over, and the track can be muddy at times, sometimes with stinging nettles and windfalls. When you reach the top, you can choose which way you go back to the car park.

Bike It Now Naseby 12 hr Well done Everyone, see you next year!



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