



RIDER AND EVENT BRIEF

Event Schedule

- Official Communications (start lists, communiques) will also be published on the MTBA Website Saturday morning

Course & venue – EXTREME WEATHER UPDATES

- The Falls Creek Gravity Enduro Course has 5 stages with practise taking place in a day and covering Approximately 17 km in the race stages with 1,035m of decent. Approximately 13.1km and 933m vertical in the transition stages.
- An online copy of the course map has been updated & will be made available below and on the MTBA website and via social media
- A summary of the course including estimated course times is below
- The Event Village is located at the top of Falls Creek Rd in the Village Bowl
- Team Tent sites can be set up at the village bowl in the sign posted areas
- Water will be available at midway on the Summit Access trail on the Liaison to Big Fella & at Flowtowm upper start & finish
- Toilets are available at the Frying Pan Inn in the heart of the Event Village at the Village Bowl. There will also be access to Public toilets near the play ground at the Village Bowl and also in the main Plaza and the Easy Eats Brewhouse Public Shelter off BHP Rd



Registration

- Late Registration will be open from Friday Midday – 5:30pm and Saturday 8am – 5pm at the Falls Creek Management Office.
- Race plate collection Saturday from 9am at the Village bowl.
- You will need to collect your timing band separately from the 'Live it Live' Timing Tent, located near the top of the village bowl on Falls creek Rd Saturday afternoon
- Late registrations may be available Saturday midday.
- You will need to have your racer plate attached for racing on Sunday. Your timing band is to be worn on your right wrist.

Practice Day Shuttles

- Blue dirt will be operating shuttles for riders on Saturday the 24th November from the Village bike Café in Slalom Plaza - Pre Bookings are essential and available via ride@bluedirt.com.au or by visiting <https://bluedirt.rezdy.com/266995/1-day-falls-creek-uplift-ticket>.
- Please note shuttles will run from Flowtown at Howman to the Summit access road – they will not be travelling to the top of the summit

Start Times

- You each will be assigned start times for all stages 1 – 5. This information will be published online Friday night and available at registration on Saturday & Sunday.

Timing

- Timing will be provided by 'Live it Live' using the Sport ident Air+ System. The Sport ident Active timing band is to be worn on the right wrist.
- All starts will be a rolling start where your time is activated as you pass the timing unit located approximately 5 -10m into the stage.
- All finishes will be marked with a stage finish sign. Your time will be recorded as you pass the timing unit.



Safety

- Medical assistance will be in the main event village and at the bottom of the course.
- All riders must wear a full-face helmet, including those with detachable chin piece, for the racing stages.
- Helmets must also be worn during the transition, noting the open face and helmets with detachable chin piece are permitted.
- A reminder for U15 – U17 riders to wear mandatory safety gear, which includes full finger gloves, knee and elbow pads.
- Riders are reminded to look after each other during the day. Riders who stop to assist anyone who is injured, will have a time calculated for an impacted race stage.
- **Please note** there are a number of snakes around the national park – we ask if you come across one you leave them be and let them move on their way.

Rules and Penalties

- Penalties will be applied for infringements to rules. These will reference the MTBA standards and guidelines as found on their website.
- There is no official assistance zone between stages as such all riders will need to be completely self-sufficient, noting the support between riders is encouraged.
- Between stages 2&3 & 4&5 bike maintenance is allowed but you must use the same frame and wheels – if you do need to change any of these you will need to seek approval to avoid disqualification. This will incur a 5min penalty.

Podium and Results

- Podiums will be awarded based on the MTBA Categories only
- Results will be available online via livingitlive.com.au
- Presentations will be held at approximately 14:30pm or when all riders have finished in the Event Village.



EVENT SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY NOV 21 ST			
7:00AM		Trails closed to GE Series Riders until Saturday 24th	All race stages
12:00PM		Final Course Map Released	
THURSDAY NOV 22 ND			
12:00PM	16:30PM	Team Tents and Event Hub Bump in @sign posted areas	Village Bowl
FRIDAY NOV 23 RD			
10:00AM	16:30PM	Team Tents and Event Hub Bump in	Village Bowl
11:00AM	17:00PM	GE Series Rider Registration/Racer Plate Collection NOW SATURDAY	Village Bowl
SATURDAY NOV 24 TH			
9:00AM	16:00PM	GE Series Rider Practise	All stages
		BLUE DIRT SHUTTLES AVAILABLE @Village Bike Café – Slalom Car Park	\$65pp *Bookings essential
11:00AM	17:00PM	GE Series Rider Registration/Racer Plate Collection	Village Bowl
15:00PM	17:00pm	Timing Chips available for collection	Village Bowl
SUNDAY NOV 25 TH			
8:00AM	9:00AM	Rider Briefing & Timing Activation	Village Bowl
8:30AM	14:30PM	Trails Open for GE Series Riders only	
14:30PM	15:00PM	GE Series Rider PRESENTATIONS	Village Bowl