

2023 MTBNZ National Event Series XC Round 3

Event Guide

10-11 February 2024
Codgers MTB Park Nelson



1. WELCOME

MTBNZ

On behalf of the Mountain Bike New Zealand (MTBNZ) Executive Committee, I'd like to extend a warm welcome to athletes, supporters and spectators to the 3rd round of the 2024 National XC Series.

This event will see riders ranked amongst the best in the world competing for Championship titles. MTBNZ wishes all competitors the very best and we look forward to an exciting and fair race!

Ryan Hunt

President, MTBNZ

NMTBC

It has been many years since XC was raced in Nelson, and the team are delighted to bring the format back to the region.

Thanks in advance to CNZ, MTBNZ, Nelson City Council, Nelson Regional Development agency, Ngāti Koata, Tasman pine, NMTBC Event crew, Peak Safety, Trail crew, Volunteers, Riders and support teams for what is going to be an epic weekend of racing between the tape here in Nelson.

Let's Race!

Jamie Roberts

Nelson Mountain Bike Club



2. KEY CONTACTS

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3. EVENT WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

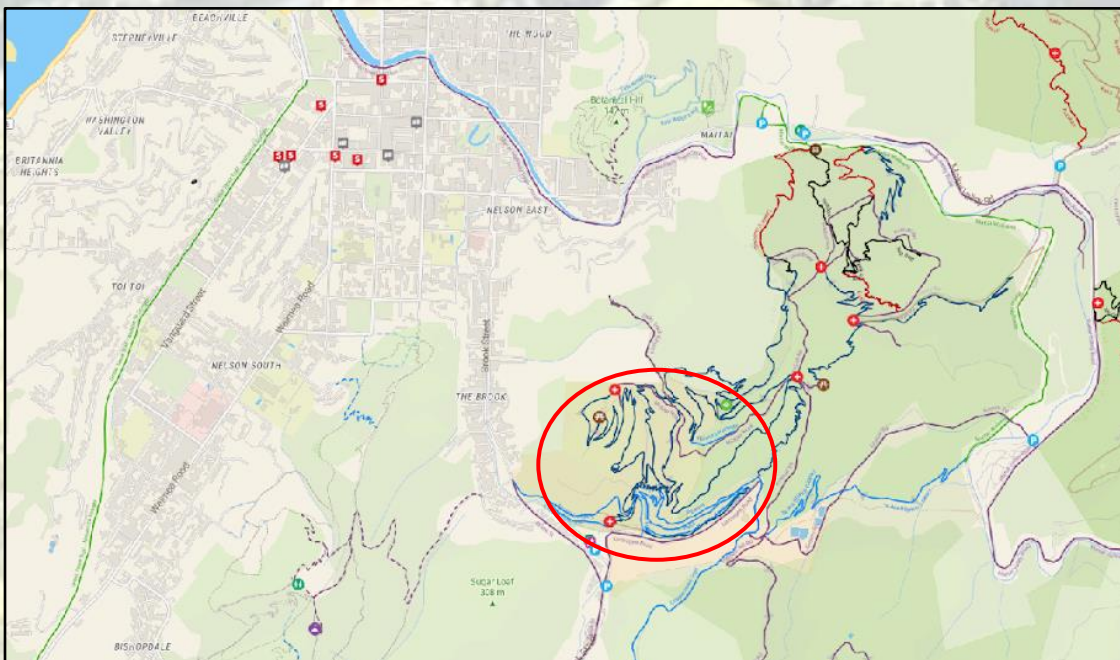
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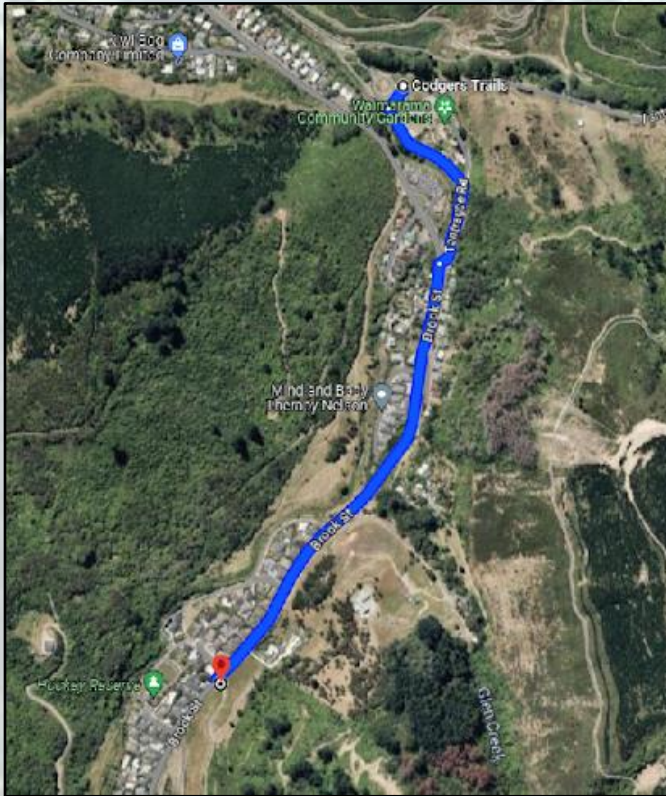
4. EVENT LOCATION

Codgers Mountain Bike Park, Brook St, Nelson



5. PARKING

There is limited parking at Andrew's Field (event hub) and the bottom of Tantragee Road. There is some parking along Brook Street and plenty at the Brook Reserve (bottom of FDH), approx. a 3min bike ride to the venue, shown below.



6. RACE HQ

Race HQ will be located track-side at the Codgers/Andrews Field carpark. There is running water, power and toilet facilities.

This will house the medics, timing and registration. Event staff parking is also in this area.

8. ENTRIES and RACE REGISTRATION

Registration is at Race HQ on both days from 08:15am

Online entries are available through the event website here: - www.mtbnz.org.nz

2024 MTBNZ National XC Series Entry Fees:

- Affiliated Club member and Cycling NZ Annual License Holder \$75
- Affiliated Club member but not a Cycling NZ Annual License Holder \$85
- Not an affiliated Club member nor a Cycling NZ Annual License Holder \$95

Online entries for all categories close on Wednesday prior to event at midnight.

On The Day (OTD) Entries incur a \$15 Surcharge

Entries capped at 190.

Short Track entries [here](#) or on the day. \$5 for club members, \$15 for non-members. Cash or bank transfer on the day.

9. TIMING AND NUMBER PLATES

All riders will be issued with a unique number plate. This must be attached to the front of your bike at all times including during practice. Riders are not permitted to cut, bend, fold or otherwise modify the number plate. Riders must securely fasten their number plate supplied by the race organiser on the front of the bicycle before commencing practice or race. Number plates must be fastened vertically in a way that the number is easily visible from the front.

Timing will be via SPORTident system with chips issued to riders at registration. These are to be worn on the identified wrist by the rego team and will be checked before seeding and race run.

All racing chips are to be returned. There will be a cost of \$100 for non-return.

10. FOOD SUPPLIES

Deep South Ice-cream truck



BBQ with Sausages and fish burgers

Bring Cash \$\$

11. FIRST AID

A paramedic and a medic tent will be located at the event village. A support vehicle will also be around the course. Medical coverage will be provided by Peak Safety.

We also have First aid trained crew on course and located around the venue.

The nearest A&E is Nelson Hospital Franklyn Street Nelson.

12. CANCELLATIONS

The organiser's reserve the right to cancel one or more of the events in the case of adverse weather conditions. In the issue of cancellation due to weather conditions riders will receive a refund, less \$20 for administration fees.

WITHDRAWALS / REFUNDS

Withdrawals received 14 days before the event maybe eligible for a refund upon presentation of a medical certificate. Withdrawals after 14 days and up to entry closing require a medical certificate. Requests are email to be emailed to Kristy Booth MTBNZ Secretary (mtbnzsecretary@gmail.com). If accepted a refund of the entry fee less a \$20 administration fee will be payable.

WITHDRAWAL from race

If withdrawn from the race, timing chip and race plate to be returned to Rego tent.

Starter will then be advised.

13. ACCOMMODATION



Multiple accommodation options are available in Nelson:

<https://www.nelsontasman.nz/visit-nelson-tasman/plan-your-trip/accommodation/>

14. LICENSING

All entries in UCI Categories must be 2024 UCI Annual licence holders.

All entries in Non-UCI Categories must be a 2024 UCI Annual licence holder or purchase a Cycling New Zealand one-day licence at the time of entry.

All NZL riders are also required to be a member of an affiliated MTB Club.

15. CATEGORIES

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The following event categories are available for both male and female. Ages are calculated as at **31 December 2024**.

U15 - For riders aged 13 (minimum) or 14

U17 - For riders aged up to 16

U19 *- For riders up to age 18

Elite *- Anyone over 18

Senior - For riders aged 17 - 29 (less laps than U19 or Elite)

Masters 1 - For riders aged 30 - 39

Masters 2 - For riders aged between 40 - 49

Masters 3 - For riders aged 50 - 59

Masters 4 - 60+

*Elite and U19 categories will complete more laps than the Senior category and will have their own race, separate from other categories. The Elite and U19 race will also be run according to UCI rules.



16. Event PROGRAMME

Friday 9th February – Practice day

10:00am – Full course marked and open for practice

1:00pm - Registration open (Andrew's Field Carpark)

5:00pm - Registration closes (open again Saturday morning)

Saturday 10th February – XCO Race Day

Race 1 - all non-UCI categories (U15, U17, Masters)

8.30am: Registration opens for OTD entries

9.15am: Registration closes

9.50am: Call up (at start line)

10.00am: U15, U17, and Masters Men start

10.01am: U15, U17, and Masters Women start

Race 1 prize giving will be held as soon as possible after the completion of the event.

Race 2 - all UCI categories (U19, Elite/U23)

11am: Registration closes

12.50am: Call up (at start line)

1.00pm: Elite/U23 and U19 Men Start

1.01pm: Elite/U23 and U19 Women Start

Race 2 prize giving will be held as soon as possible after the completion of the event.



Sunday 11th February –Short Track (XCC) Race day

9:00 am – Course fully marked. OTD Registration opens.

9:45am – Briefing for everyone + grade selection/allocation.

10:00am – A Grade Start

10:30am – B Grade Start

11:00am – C Grade Start

11:30am – Prizegiving – (Prize purse: Entry fee \$\$ split between top 5 Men and Women in each grade)

17. RACE COURSE – Saturday XCO

5.5km with 200m climbing per lap

Lap Numbers TBC - Aiming for race time of:

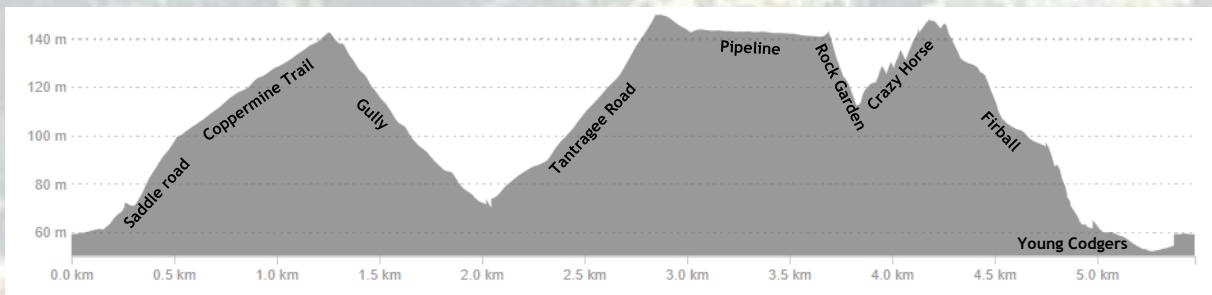
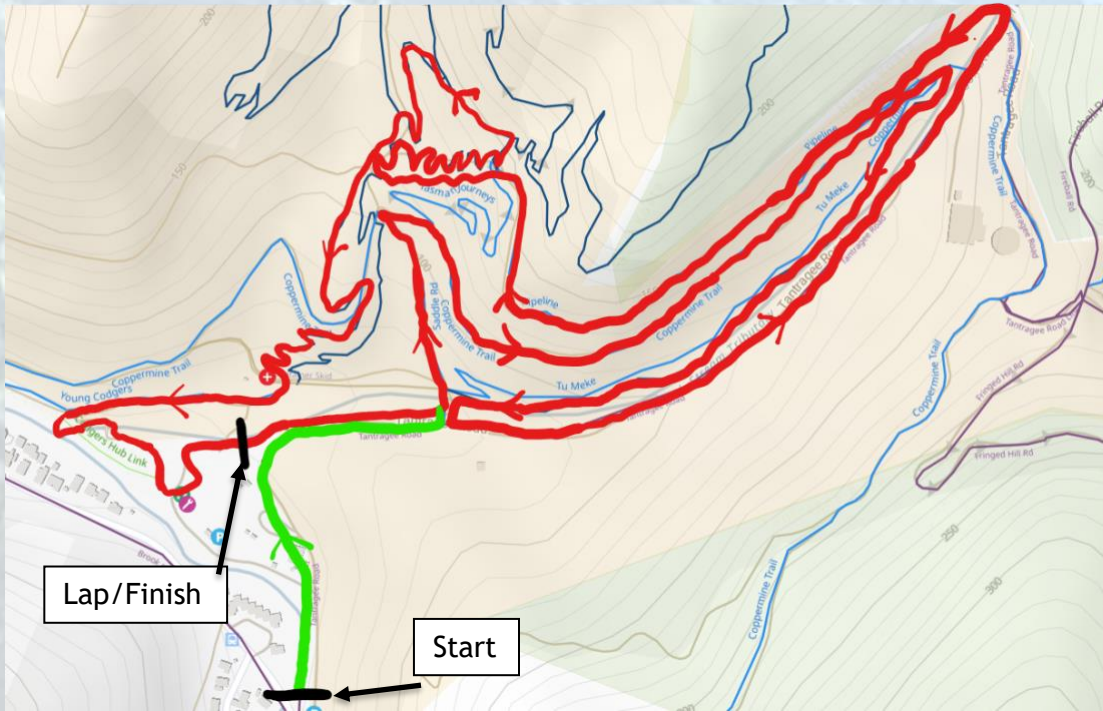
45min-1h for U15

1h - 1h15 for U17, M3+

1h15-1h30 for U19, M3-

1h20-1h40 for Elite/U23





- Up Tantragee Road to Saddle Road (**Lap 1 only**)
- Up Saddle Road
- Right along Coppermine Trail
- Down Gully
- Up Tantragee Road to Coppermine Trail
- Along Pipeline
- Down Rock Garden
- Up Crazy horse
- Down Firball
- Down Young Codgers



- Finish lap on grass in Andrews Farm
- Subsequent laps up Walnut back to Saddle Road

18. RACE COURSE – Sunday XCC

*Nelson MTB Club event, not part of MTBNZ series

1km with 20m climbing per lap. All grades race for 20 minutes.



17. RULES & EQUIPMENT

The race will be run under the MTBNZ Technical Regulations, available at:

<https://www.mtbnz.org.nz/file-share/f04e9399-d2a8-4047-bda9-d7a78f6a8ca2>

19. TRACK ACCESS PRIOR TO EVENT

All trails are available for public use outside of race time. Crazy Horse is a downhill trail and will not be available to practice up-hill until 10am on the official practice day - Friday 9th February.

The Dun Mountain trail between Brook Street and Tantragee Road will be closed to public from 10am till 3pm on Saturday 10th Feb.

20. HEALTH AND SAFETY

We are committed to providing and maintaining high health and safety standards by ensuring that all risks and hazards associated with the event are adequately identified and managed to prevent harm.

The safety of the riders, officials, volunteers and spectators have been included in the event



planning. This includes (but is not limited to) course inspections, course marking, directional signage, hazard warning signage, communications and first aid provisions. If you have any questions or concerns regarding Health and Safety please report to the Chief Commissaire or to the Event Manager.

Notes:

- The event courses are designed for mountain biking and a certain amount of skill is required. By participating in this event, you are acknowledging that you have a sufficient level of experience and skill to ensure your own safety.
- It is your responsibility to manage your own safety during the event, to be aware of other park users at all times and to make responsible decisions.
- The event is held in an outside environment and weather conditions are likely to be very changeable. Ensure that you are prepared for inclement, adverse or extreme (hot or cold) conditions. If you withdraw from the race you must report back to the timing marquee at the finish line and advise an official.
- In the case of an evacuation, all riders are required to exit the course and report to the timing marquee to confirm their whereabouts.
- The entire event is smoke, drug free. Please ensure that all your supporters are aware of this.

