

Hi,

Thank you for registering for the Alpine Energy 10 Hour MTB Race this Saturday is 4 November 2017 in Centennial Park Timaru.

If you are a team manager or captain, you may receive multiple copies of this email. This relates to any members of your team that are registered under your email address. Please forward on to them or make sure they know all the important stuff.

## **RACE INFORMATION**

The Alpine Energy 10 Hour Mountain Bike Race is a continuous relay race over 10 hours. You either ride it solo (totally on your own for 10 hours) or in a team as a relay. We also have a 6 hour solo section.

#### **RACE OVERVIEW**

Here's a brief outline of what you can expect at the Alpine Energy 10 Hour.

- 10-hour teams and 10 hour solos ride from 9am 7pm
- 6-hour solos ride from 1pm 7pm
- One lap of the main course is a loop of about 10.5km (slight changes from last year we're going back to the 2014 course))
- Only one rider from each team is on the course at any one time
- Team's decide what order they ride and how many laps— all members of the team must ride at least one lap
- The idea is to complete as many laps as possible in the 10 hours, the teams in each category who do the most laps WIN!!

## **Transponder Timing**

- Timing is carried out by Marcus from Active Timing using transponders on Velcro straps which go around your ankle.
- One transponder for each team and one for each solo rider.
- Lap times recorded at the finish of each lap. Make sure the transponder is on your ankle not in your pocket or on your handle bars or it won't record when your cross over to finish you lap.
- Teams don't forget to change the transponder between riders for each lap. The chip is supplied in an envelope and there are instructions on how to wear it on the outside of the envelope it is in your race pack along with your race numbers.
- Team riders must only change transponders at their pit/transition site. You must ride with transponder on through the whole lap.
- There is no issue if the chip gets wet. In the extremely unlikely event that someone
  loses their chip on course then you need to report in to the timing tent and we can get a
  new one. However, you will be charged \$50 plus GST if you do not return the original
  chip.
- At the end of the race when the riders finish their last lap, we'll collect the transponders
- Race numbers are personalized with your race number, your name/team etc. You need
  to ride with your race number visible always. If you change bikes during the race,
  remember to change your number over.

• All solo riders will have a yellow flouro tag under their seat – give them plenty of space - they are riding alone and doing heaps of kms.

# **THINGS TO Bring with you**

- Your bike in good working order plus spares to keep you going for the whole of the race
- Cycle clothing for hot or cold or wet weather not just Lycra, why not bring fancy dress
- Lights for night riding will **not** be required. The race finishes at 7pm
- Hydration and food to keep you going for the day
- Family and Friends to hang out with and support you during the day/night
- Cash/\$\$\$ to purchase coffee a coffee cart will be onsite all day some food will be available to purchase - no EFTPOS – cash only

## **Transition/Camping Sites**

The transition/camping site is in the middle of the course on the grass area beside the Lake/Duck Pond in Centennial Park. Each team or solo rider is allocated a transition site. All sites are pre-allocated because we have limited space and we want to make sure everyone can get in..

Sites are approximately 8m x 5m. Tell us if you have need more than this. There are no actual camping facilities except toilets and fresh water. You can camp on Friday and Saturday night

We encourage you to establish your camp site early (preferably on Friday night). You can establish your transition site between 3pm - 8pm on Friday night or on race day from 6am - 8am. You can camp overnight at your transition site on Friday and Saturday. There is no security overnight but there will be other riders camping overnight.

Maps will be available on-line and at check-in detailing your sites.

#### **Toilets**

Toilets are located right next to the paved car parking are just immediately before you turn onto the grass. Here will be also be portaloos.

## Water

Water is available from a faucet just behind the registration tent or at the park toilets.

#### All sites must be setup by 8am Sat

You can set up BBQ's, gas cookers, chairs, cocktail bars, big screen TV's, even spa pools. We encourage you to decorate your site. You may park a vehicle on your site but it and any tents etc must fit into the 8m x 5m area without encroaching on your neighbours. From 8.30am - once your vehicle is in, it cannot be removed until after the race.

For 6 Hour Solo a special site area is accessible by vehicle during the race, but you need to be set up by 12:00pm. Your sites will be about the size of a 4WD vehicle. If you are a 6 hour solo, sharing a site with a 10 hour team, then you will not be able to drive onto the site after 8.30am (the same rules as for 10 hour applies).

The tent village becomes a very, very social hub, for relaxing, chatting to mates, cheering on your team and the others. Dress up your site, i.e. hang a sign with your team name on it, a flag, item of clothing, banner, team mascot etc.

# The Park Gates get locked at night time for your security.

The gates into Centennial Park are locked at 10pm on Friday night and unlocked at 6am Saturday morning. On Saturday night they will be locked at about 11pm and unlocked on Sunday morning at 6am. You cannot drive into/out of the park when the gates are locked.

#### PRIZEGIVING 7.30pm (or earlier)

Merit, category, special spot prizes –heaps of booty to win. Enjoy a coldie on DB. Feel free to bring you own refreshments and celebrate an epic days riding.

After prize giving take in your race number into Armadillos (Richard Pearse Tavern, corner Le Cren & Church) –open until 10pm and receive a FREE beer with every main meal purchased on 4th of November only.

#### **Pack Out**

Transition sites need to be fully dismantled by 12 noon on Sunday and <u>you need to take all your own rubbish away with you</u>

# **IMPORTANT - Race Registration/Race Pack Pick-Up**

Pre-Race Registration/Race Pack Pickup is on Friday at The Cyclery, 106 Stafford St, Timaru. Registration starts at **12noon and runs through until 7.00pm**. There is one pack for each team, so all team members do not need to register, whoever gets there first will pick up the team pack,

If you don't get to register on Friday then you can collect your race pack on Saturday at Centennial Park. The race HQ is in the middle of the park – follow Quarry Road through the park and you will see the signs. Official registration is from 7.30am – 8.00am. You must be registered by 8.00am at the absolute latest. Compulsory rider briefing is at 8.40am. Racing starts at 9am.

6 Hour Solo Riders - You can register at the above times or from 11noon-12pm on race day at the Race HQ. Your briefing is 12.40pm Sat.

## **Timetable for Sat 4th November**

6am	Centennial Park Gates
7.30am – 8am	Registration at Event HQ, Centennial Park
7am – 8am	Transition site set up
8am	Course open for pre-race riding
8.40am	Compulsory briefing for all riders in 10 hour
	teams or solo
9am	10 Hour race start
12.40pm	Compulsory briefing for all riders in 10 hour
	teams or solo
1pm	6 Hour race start
7pm	Race finish – last lap must be started by
	6.45pm

Please do not bring any fireworks with you.