





Qld MTBO State Series Event No 4 Wild Horse Mountain Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023

# **Final Instructions for Entrants**

Thank you all for your entry into the 2023 Queensland State Series Event No 4

A few key items before getting into the final instructions

- 1. Registration will open at 08:00 am so please attend to collect hire gear or to update your SI number.
- 2. The start times are:-

3 hour score /line course - 08:30 am with a mass start. Competitors should be at the start at 08:20 am for a briefing on how the line bonus works in this event and clarification of any queries you may have. All other courses have starts from 08:40 am to 09:30 am.

All courses close at 12:00 noon

The Start is approximately a 400 m ride away from Registration.

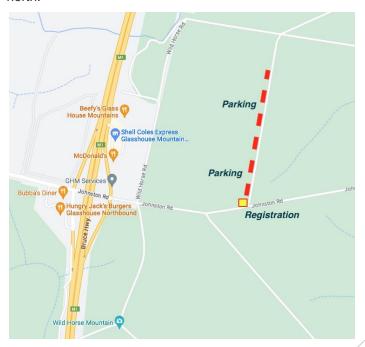
3. We are using larger range (1.8 m) contactless BS11 control stations, but you may have the option to use the smaller BSF8 control. A "dipable" BSF8 station will be provided at the Finish. It will be your responsibility to check that your SI Air stick flashes and beeps to register contact with the controls stations.



# Road Directions GOOGLE MAP LINK

<u>From Brisbane:</u> Allow 70 minutes from Brisbane CBD to registration area. Travel north on the Bruce Highway. Take exit 171 to the northbound service centre and turn right into Johnson Road, Cross over the M1 and continue east for approximately 500m. Turn left and parking is available on the unnamed road heading north.

<u>From the North:</u> Follow the Bruce Highway south to exit 171 and the southbound service centre turn left into Johnson Road and continue east for approximately 500m. Turn left and parking is available on the unnamed road heading north.



Course	Distance	Climb	Classes
1	30km	90m	M21, Long, WOL (Women Open Long), E - bikes
2	25 km	75m	W21, M40, M20
3	20km	60m	W40, M50, Medium
4	18 km	50m	M16, M60, W16, W20, W50
5	15km	_ 50m	W60, W70, M14, M70, W14, Short
90 min Score			Open to all with individual and group starts between 8:40am and 9:30am for 90 min Score
3 hr Score/Line			8:30am mass start for 3 hr Score /Line course

There has been significant rainfall since the last event held in this area and some tracks (particularly the slower or difficult tracks) may have long grass or lantana in areas and may require dismounting. Some tracks may have indistinct entry points.

## Registration

Registration will open at 8:00 am. Please come to Registration to have SI stick numbers confirmed and to collect hired SI sticks and map boards.

## Start & Finish

There is a five minute ride to the Start area.

There is a mass start time at 8:30 am for 3 hour score/line course competitors. Be there 10 minutes early for briefing The Start window is from 08:40 am to 09:30 am for all other courses.

If your SIAC stick battery has failed during your ride you can "Dip" your stick to Finish in the smaller BSF8 station All courses close at 12:00 noon.

#### Map

Map size is A3 for all courses. Scale 1:15,000 for all courses, contour interval 5 metres.

## **Map Symbols**

A unique symbol on this map is the "purple exclamation mark" that indicates a potentially hazardous point on the track – exercise caution in these areas.

## **Course Notes for Score Course entrants**

#### 90 Minute Score Course

This follows the traditional score course format with each control worth different points value as shown in parentheses after the control number. You navigate around the course to gain the maximum number of points and finish in under 90 minutes. A penalty of 10 points per minute applies for each minute, or part thereof that you are late. If you are more than 30minutes late you will be disqualified.

#### 3 hour Score with Line Bonus

Competitors in this event may complete it as a traditional score course, however, for those who want to gain bonus points there is a more strategic option. To gain a 300 point bonus riders need to visit the six nominated controls (numbered 1-6 on the map and worth 31points each) in sequence, standard score controls can be interspersed in the sequence. For example -

Start - 143 - 1 - 152 - 164 - 2 - 3 - 148 - 172 - 4 - 5 - 139 - 6 - Finish. In this example 12 controls are scored and 300 bonus points are earned.

A penalty of 10 points per minute applies for each minute, or part thereof that you are late. If you are more than 30minutes late you will be disqualified.

#### Clear & Check:

You will be directed through clear & check units as you approach the Start. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure they have correct SI stick and that it is cleared before they start.

#### Start process

In this event, competitors will not have a pre-allocated start time. Two minutes before the start time, you will be able move into the start lanes. At 1 minute, you can collect the map for your course and fix it to your map board etc. You can also read the map while doing this. At end of the series of beeps, you must move forward immediately. There is a "START" control to ride past soon after you collect your map and you may be required to dip you stick to register your Start. You must move away from the start area immediately as there will be riders behind you wanting to start.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU CANNOT RIDE BACK THROUGH THE START AND PRE-START AREA AFTER YOU HAVE STARTED. IF YOU ATTEMPT TO DO SO YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED

#### **Finish**

At the finish, punch the "**FINISH**" control and ride East to return to the Registration to download your results. If you have a hired an SI stick, or map board we will retrieve them.

If you decide not to finish your course, you must report to the down-load tent when you return to the registration area to avoid a search being mounted for you! You also need to punch the Finish control and download your SIAC stick so it switches off.

#### Safety:

If you encounter an injured rider, you **MUST** abandon your course and render whatever assistance you can. Send another rider back to registration for assistance, if possible. You will be permitted to either restart from your last control preceding your abandonment or be credited with State Series points at your preference. Mobile phone coverage is available on course and registration area. Bring your own medical items for pre-race treatments.

A first-aid kit will be available in the registration area for emergencies. There will be a trained first-aider in the Registration area.

## Safety Bearing:

Go to the northern side of creek then head north to Johnson Road then west to registration area

# **Out of Bounds Areas:**

The area west of the start including that section of Johnson Road is out of bounds during the event.

#### **Course Closure:**

Courses closes at 12:00 noon. If you have not finished your course at this time, you must abandon your course and return to the registration area as quickly as possible and report to the down-load desk.

#### Water:

Everyone is urged to drink plenty of water before starting their ride. There is no water out on the course, so you must take all water you require for the event with you. Please bring your own water for use before and after the event.

# Catering:

A bush toilet will be available near the registration area.

A sausage sizzle and soft drinks will be available for purchase after the event.

## **Control Collection:**

Many hands make light work. The organisers for this event would very much appreciate it if competitors could provide some assistance after the event collecting controls. If everyone assists by collecting the controls from within one small "region" of the map we will have them all in very quickly. **Please don't be shy in volunteering for this activity!** 

## Anything else you want to know:

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