

Snowy Mountains to host MultiSport Extravaganza in Feb 2019

The Snowy Mountains are cementing their reputation as Australia's Off-Road Adventure Mecca with the next instalment of Australia's ultimate MultiSport Festival

SNOWY MOUNTAINS, NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA, January 14, 2019 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The festival kicks off with the [Snowies Mountain Bike Festival](#) which in 2019 will add a new sixth stage to the already popular 5-stage line up. The festival will take place across three days from the 8th to the 10th of February.

With the Race Hub based at an altitude of 1,260m, riders will join the mountain men and women to be tested with over 100km of rugged mountain terrain, flowing single tracks, technical trails, mammoth ascents, and awe inspiring downhills with some of the best mountain biking found anywhere in the world.

The stage race is based out of two of the region's most popular resorts at Lake Crackenback Resort & Spa and Thredbo Resort making this more than just a mountain bike race as athletes have the opportunity to take in all the 4.5 star facilities on offer; and experience the hospitality and local fare that only the Snowies region can deliver.

In 2019, the festival is ready to welcome back some of Australia's finest elite mountain bikers including reigning champions Andy Blair and Zoe Cuthbert, previous champions Kyle Ward and Samara Sheppard as well as Peta Mullens, Emma Viotto, Cristy Henderson, James Downing, Karl Michelin-Beard, Jarrod Moroni, Ben Henderson and Charlie Todd to name just a few of the elites who will be in the hunt for the \$5,000 cash prize purse.



Snowy Mountains Views



Ride Boldly and Never Fear the Spills

But it's not just about the elite racers. Hundreds of weekend warriors will join the festival in the age group stage race and Sunday's 45k, 30k and 15k events which also includes solo and team options. This means anyone who rides a mountain bike can be a part of this iconic festival.

The 2019 Festival will see the launch of an all new stage taking in spectacular alpine vistas as it traverses the Lake Jindabyne foreshore along 16.2km of pumping single track.

As part of the new Stage 1 'Lake 2 Lake', riders should be ready for a huge helping of heart pumping action as the Hatchery link takes riders on a roller coaster ride of fast, flowing single track trails while also providing some of the very best views of this incredible alpine location. Organisers have challenged riders to "not be smiling at the end of this super-fast blast."



Large groups of mates and members of clubs are travelling from across the country and overseas to enjoy a weekend of biking, camaraderie and celebrations at the [Snowies MTB Festival](#). Many have discovered this event is "more than just a mountain bike stage race." They will join the Man from Snowy River and his mountain bread brumby, in what is arguably one of the most memorable starts to a MTB stage race, as he leads riders into the Thredbo Valley Trails.

The six stages offer a range of diverse terrain and riding experiences, and all within a 50km radius, making logistics easy, and riding fun. Stages include:

STAGE 1 | Fri AM | Lake 2 Lake - 16.2km traversing Lake Jindabyne.

STAGE 2 | Fri PM | Happy Hour Time Trial - 5.5km fast and furious time trial lap finishing at the Alpine Larder just in time for the Pizza Party and Happy Hour.

STAGE 3 | Sat AM | Thredbo Summit Smash - Smash it up the 19.5km ascent climbing 533m from Lake Crackenback to Friday Flat at Thredbo Resort.

STAGE 4 | Sat PM | Thredbo All Mountain Descent - 5.8kms of flowing downhill racing including the chairlift to the top of Eagles Nest at the start of the stage.

STAGE 5 | Sat PM | Gravity Check - Soak in the thrills and exhilaration of this 18.5km roller coaster ride downhill from Thredbo to Lake Crackenback.

STAGE 6 | Sun AM | Release the Cracken 45k - Finish up with 45k's of epic riding as we Release the Cracken! on the 15k XC circuit in and around Lake Crackenback Resort & Spa.

The Snowies Mountain Bike Festival is supported by the NSW Government via its tourism and major events agency, Destination NSW. Riders wishing to be a part of the 2019 Festival are advised to be quick as entries are close to sell out for this ultimate mountain bike experience.

To find out more and to enter on line go to <https://in2adventure.com.au>

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UPCOMING EVENTS

8-10 Feb 2019 Snowies MTB Festival - 3 Days | 6 Stages | \$5,000 Cash Prize Pool - Snowy Mtns, NSW

23 Feb 2019 TreX Snowy Mountains - Australian National Championships - Snowy Mtns, NSW

24 Feb 2019 Trail Run Australia | Snowies Ultra - Snowy Mtns, NSW

30|31 Mar 2019 TreX Back 2 Back - Mt Cotton, Qld

27 April 2019 TreX 2019 Championships - Sunshine Coast, Qld

28 April 2018 Sunshine Coast MTB Festival - Sunshine Coast, Qld

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