

NZO WHIRINAKI QUEST

7 November 2009



EVENT INFORMATION

All entrants should read and store this information.

DESCRIPTION

The NZO Whirinaki Quest is a truly epic one lap mountain bike race/ride that takes place in the hidden wilderness of the Whirinaki Forest Park. Key features include purpose built flowing single track and old logging tracks. Beautiful native bush, big views and blistering downhill. Tracks are not super technical, but do have physical and skills challenge. This event is all about an adventurous mountain bike ride in NZ's wilderness. Getting out there with a bit of mud and sweat enjoying the fantastic tracks in the beautiful Whirinaki Forest Park.

LOCATION

The event is based at the Minginui Village, Whirinaki Forest Park, State Highway 38, 90km South East of Rotorua. Murupara is the closest town. Look for, large Epic Events signs and fluoro orange arrows from the town of Murupara.

COURSE OPTIONS

There will be 3 distance options - 10km, 20km, 40km. All distances involve a single lap starting from and ending at the same place (Minginui village).

TRAIL (10KM) - This distance is designed as a fairly easy option suitable for novices and kids. It shares a common out with the 20km and 40km and common home with the 20km distance. Includes 5km of single track in stunning native bush.

ADVENTURE (20KM) - This track is 80% single track located in stunning native bush. Features berms, climbs and downhill on a surface offering loads of traction. An average level of mountain biking fitness and skill is required to complete the 20km ADVENTURE.

QUEST (40KM) - Shares the first 10km with the 20km option which is premium single track in beautiful native bush. Then splits off into the hills to take on old native bush logging tracks, 4WD tracks plus single track. The loop finishes with a downhill return to the Minginui village. The 40km QUEST option requires an above average level of mountain biking fitness and average level of skill.

RIDING GEAR

Compulsory items: Hard shell helmet, closed footwear, shorts and shirt.

Recommended items: Gloves, polyprops, camelbak and a rain jacket.

FOOD/DRINKS

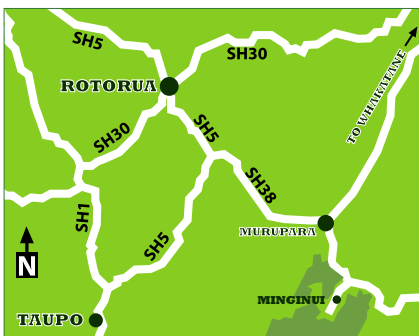
There will be espresso coffee, sausage sizzle, bacon and egg sandwiches and cold drinks for sale on the event day. BBQ meals can be pre ordered for Friday night.

CAMPING

Riders are invited to camp for free at the event base which is an old sports club rooms and sports field. Facilities include a large sports club rooms, sports field, small kitchen and toilets.

PRIZES

There is over \$3000 of prizes. \$1500 of which are given out as random spot prizes. The winners of each category in the 40km Quest will receive a prize. The overall Quest event winner receives an EZ UP Dome 2 shelter.



EVENT SCHEDULE

Friday 6 November 2009

3:00pm	Campsite open at Event Base.
5:00pm	Free bike set up by John Kirkcaldie
6:00pm	Dinner – basic kitchen available
7:00pm-9pm	Early Registration and latest MTB DVD's

Saturday 7 November 2009

7:30am – 9:30am	Registration
10:00am	Riders Briefing
10:30am	Race start
3:00pm (approx)	Prize giving

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