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Thanks for entering the 2020 PlaceMakers Pass2Pub (celebrating 30 years of Pass to Pub Rides)

This is the final riding instructions to help you have an awesome ride. We've put together this important reminder information.

Even if you've done the Pass2Pub before this is useful up to date stuff. It's quite long, so settle back with an ale or a coffee and read through to make sure you make the most of your day out.

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### **Pre-Race Check-in Saturday 29th February at PlaceMakers Timaru**

You can collect your race number and some Dole Bananas. It's all on Saturday 29 February at PlaceMakers, Hilton Highway Timaru from 10 am - 1 pm.

Join us at PlaceMakers - they are also putting on a BBQ so come on down and enjoy the party. Thank you to the team at PlaceMakers Timaru. If you don't get to PlaceMakers on Saturday don't worry you can still check-in at the start of the Classic or the Mini on Sunday.

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### **RACE DAY TIMETABLE – Sunday 1st March:**

- 36km Classic Race start is at Burkes Pass (follow the signs from State Highway 8 at Burkes Pass) – Race Check-in opens 8.30 am – closes 10 am.
- 16km MINI Pass2Pub - the start is at Waiwera Stock Yards, Waratah Road (Follow signs from Chamberlain Road turnoff at Albury) – Race Check-in opens 9 am – closes 10 am.

### **Race Check-In and Late Entries at both start locations - get there early.**

At check-in, you get your Race Plate (race number), some cable ties and Dole Bananas

Race check-in and late entries close off at 10 am.

**10:15 AM** Compulsory Race Briefing - all riders to attend

**10:30 AM** RACE START

**12:00 PM** The Finish Line After Race Party at the Albury Tavern

**2:00 PM** Prizegiving - category awards and heaps of spot prizes

**12:30 PM & 3:00 PM** Shuttle bus service departs Albury for the start at Burkes Pass

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### **Late Entries**

Late entries will still be accepted at the Pre-Race Check-in on Saturday at PlaceMakers Timaru (Cash or EFTPOS) or will be accepted at either the 36km Start location or the 16km Start location (Cash or Cheque only).

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## **Mycoplasma Bovis – Biosecurity Awareness - IMPORTANT**

Mycoplasma Bovis is a bacterial disease that only affects cattle. The main way Mycoplasma Bovis spreads is through close and prolonged contact between cattle, and calves drinking milk from infected cows.

The risk of Mycoplasma Bovis spreading at events like the Pass2Pub is very low. Good biosecurity will minimise this risk. The following information is from the MPI website. Please take the following steps to help us reduce this risk:

1. Clean and disinfect your bike, footwear, and clothing before coming to the Pass2Pub. This is especially important if you are living or ride on a farm.
2. Clean and disinfect any vehicles that have been in contact with stock.

### **You need to go through the Bike Wash**

All riders on the Classic need to wheel their bike through a Bike Wash tough before entering the Waratah Farm. Marshals will be on hand to help. It's very simple – pick up your bike and wheel it through then get back on and ride off. It's just a mix of water and disinfectant so no harm to your bike, but it will help protect this farm from MVB.

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### **Shuttle Bus**

The shuttle bus will depart from Albury for Burkes Pass after the race. This service is for riders only (no bikes) and is limited to one rider per car. Two services. The first bus departs at 12.30 pm and Second bus after prizegiving at approx. 3.00pm. This costs \$5 and pre-booking is essential, there are a few seats left on each bus.

If you have already booked your bus, just turn up to the bus departure point on the side road (Station Street) alongside the Albury Pub. If you have not yet booked, please do so at race check-in and pay your \$5.

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### **Weather and Water**

Weather is going to be warm and dry.

You must make sure you bring plenty of water with you. **There is no water at the start.** Bring own water with you - enough for you to complete the race.

There is a water station at the halfway mark.

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### **After-ride at Albury**

Spot prizes, music, food, drink, laze on the grass and watch friends cross the finish line – it's all very friendly and relaxed with the prizegiving at 2.30ish. What have you got planned?

Bring some cash - The Albury Home and School have their famous BBQ with gourmet burgers or a traditional sausage sandwich. The Albury Pub will be open for coffee, ice creams, meals and a refreshing coldie in the bar.

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### **What to bring with you on race day.**

Firstly, remember you ride at your own risk and all roads and tracks are open to traffic and normal road rules apply.

The course is well marked and well marshalled (on average one marshal every 1.5 km) but we want you to be as self-sufficient as possible.

That said, you don't want to be too burdened down with lots of unnecessary extra kit. My tip - don't take a huge backpack of gear – this is a 36km (or 16km) MTB race – not an Everest trek!!! A small, well-fitting backpack or hydration pack should be all you need, or you can even stuff it all in the pockets of your riding shirt. But make sure you bring plenty of water/hydration. There is no water at the start. There is a water station at the 21km point.

Bring cash for freshly brewed coffee at the finish, plus great food and refreshments at the Albury Tavern. (Sorry no coffee at the start this year).

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My tips on personal gear that each rider should take on the ride:

**Clothing:** The race does travel through a hill country environment and the weather can be changeable so dress for the weather. We've consulted the weather gurus and it looks like it is going to be a fine day. But it's going to be very cool at the start. You might feel the chill just before the race starts, however, once you get moving you warm up quite quickly – so don't overdress for the start. I usually wear a thermal under my riding shirt. A good pair of riding shorts with a chamois or gel liner is necessary. A light shower jacket or vest is useful and so is something to put on at the finish especially if you are waiting for others.

**Don't forget the essentials:** Remember to bring all the gear you will be riding in – cycling shoes (you will get wet feet), socks, shorts, riding top, gloves, helmet, and glasses. Don't forget your helmet or shoes!!! Don't forget your bike (it has happened!) and your race plate or race number. If you're riding an E-bike make sure it is fully charged.

**Some cash**

**Food/Drink:** Have a good breakfast before you arrive at the start (maybe visit the Fairlie Bakehouse on your way to the start and grab one of their legendary pies. A gel/energy bar or two is great to carry with you. Stock up at The Cyclery.

**Hydration:** You need up to 1 bottle of water for each hour of riding – more if it is a hot day. I usually take a litre or more of water in my hydration pack and a bottle mixture of fluid replacement. I mix up half a bottle and freeze it overnight, then fill it up the next morning and take it to the race. There is no fresh water at the start, so you need to bring all your hydration for the race with you. There is a water and aid station at the halfway point and plenty of fluids will be available at the finish - cheers to our sponsors DB and Albury Tavern.

**Equipment, tools, and spares:** bring at least one spare tube (possibly two), tyre changing levers, a reliable pump, a set of mini-tools, chain lube, a chain breaker (learn how to use it).

**First aid –** sunblock, a few plasters, some headache pills, painkillers, antihistamine, cramp stop, any essential medication e.g. inhaler, etc. I generally take a small amount of duct tape and a couple of cable ties – very handy for makeshift repairs to bike or body.

**Other Stuff:** Remember a camera, GO Pro or phone to record the scenery and your achievements. There is not much in the way of phone coverage so you won't be able to post pics immediately, but it would be great to see your photos or videos posted to our Facebook page after the race <https://www.facebook.com/Pass2Pub>.

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## Parking

For the 36km Classic, parking is available adjacent to the start just off Rollesby Valley Road, Burkes Pass. For the 16km MINI parking is available near the start line in the cattle yards just off Waratah Road. Please avoid parking on the roadside and follow the parking signs and instructions of parking officials, who will direct you to the best car park area. At the finish line, parking is available in the side streets around the Albury Tavern. Do not park inside the compound.

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Gear transfer: - NO GEAR TRANSFER THIS YEAR

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## Results

Provisional results are available immediately and will be posted on Facebook and the website soon after the race has finished.

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## Finish Line and Prize Giving

Located in the compound behind the Albury Tavern. There is always a great atmosphere at the finish line with lots of supporters and spectators gathered to cheer riders through as they complete the race. We provide some canopies so you can get out of the sun and enjoy some refreshments.

Prizes and prizegiving: plenty of booty to be won. Every entrant competes for the prize pool made up of cash and product. The first male and first female finishers win the coveted Pass2Pub Farm Gate Trophies. The first three finishers in each age group category will be recognised with cash, vouchers, or product prizes (all the junior grades are sponsored by XCM).

The 1st Place in the Retro (Sponsored by the Courier), Single Speed and Tandem categories will be awarded product prizes.

We have hundreds of spot prizes many thanks to PlaceMakers, The Cyclery, and other sponsors. Most of the spot prizes are pre-drawn from all the entries received at the closing date. Winners of these spot prizes will have a round red spot prize sticker attached to their race plates. You can collect your spot prize if you come to the PlaceMakers pre-race check-in. If not, bring your race plate with a sticker to the Spot Prize Marquee at the finish line where you can collect your prize. The major spot prizes are awarded during and at the end of the prize-giving. Winners are randomly selected, and the winners are invited up to collect their prize. If the winners are not present, then the prize is redrawn.

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## COURSE CHANGES

Slight changes to the course from previous years. These are well marked and marshalled.

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## Rubbish

Do not leave any rubbish at all anywhere on the course. You will be riding through 13 private working farms and the farmers take great care over their land. PACK OUT ALL WASTE through the course and at the finish line.

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Thank you to our sponsors

PlaceMakers, The Cyclery, Corporate Print, XCM Sport, Farmlands, Tekapo Springs, Mackenzie Country Hotel, Fairlie Bakehouse, Audio Dynamite, The Courier and us, Special Events Aoraki Ltd. Please support them.

I also want to acknowledge the landowners who have once again supported this event and permitted us to cross their land for the race. Special thanks to the Albury Home and School Association who are providing all the course marshals and delicious food at the finish line and James and the team from Albury Tavern.

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### More information

Check out the web site [www.pass2pub.com](http://www.pass2pub.com) for all the details including key dates, course maps, what to bring and tips for newbies. A share of the proceeds from this event goes to Albury School.

You can also become a fan on Facebook. Join us for competitions, special offers, and training tips on the Pass2Pub Facebook Page [www.facebook.com/Pass2Pub](http://www.facebook.com/Pass2Pub)

That's it for now

From the team at Special Events and the PlaceMakers Pass2Pub.

