

Saturday 19th July

Livingstone National Park, Wagga Wagga

Social Ride

Wagga MTB club is hosting our July social ride at the spectacular Livingstone National Park. Make the most of the weekend by staying the weekend with a relaxing social ride on the Saturday as a warm up to the 3rd RAMBO race to be held at Plum Pudding Reserve, Wagga Wagga.

Directions to Livingstone National Park

- Travel along Hume Hwy to Holbrook
- Turn left onto Wagga Wagga-Holbrook Rd, head to Wagga Wagga; travel approx 46km
- Turn right at O'Briens Creek Rd (also blue SSAA shooting range sign); travel approx 6km
- Turn right at Wrigleys Rd (Livingstone National Park sign) – dirt rd
- Take left at Y intersection to shooting range/entrance to park

Start time

1pm at Livingstone National Park. If driving from Albury please allow close to 1.5 hour travel time.

Groups

There will be beginner, intermediate and advanced groups with each group having a leader who is familiar with the National Park and its trails. All riders will be doing the same start and then you will split up and do different length rides. It will most likely be challenging for everyone.

A brief description of the tracks

-We all start with the Link Trail (steepish, rocky) until we get to Cindy's (singletrack crossing from side to side of a water course with some physical challenges- short, steep pinches and some logs). At the end of Cindy's is a good place to split up if necessary.

-A shorter ride along TAMP (singletrack with a couple of gully and rut challenges) onto Pod Racer (fast, flowing, "Can I do that again?" singletrack). This is finished off with a bit of fireroad climbing and descending.

-A longer ride would involve Anima (singletrack weaving through native grass trees), RSFG (a rocky, sticky, beep gully which I personally find a lot of fun) and Extension (singletrack climb). From this point there are a lot of different options such as The Rock Garden, P-Plate (personal favourite) and Fiveways to Scout Hall which can all continue on to the short ride finish.

-Everything at Livingstone is rocky with a lot of leaf litter and twigs/branches covering the singletrack.

Ride time

Please be prepared to be riding for 3 hours. You must carry at least one drink bottle, one spare tube and something to eat. If you do not have these then you may not be able to participate in the ride. A small pump, tyre levers and multitool would also be beneficial but not compulsory.

Compulsory items

Shoes must fully enclose the foot, a helmet that meets Australian standards and a mountain bike in good working condition. Also as above, drink, tube and food.

More info on Wagga Wagga NSW <http://www.discoverwagga.com.au/>

A huge thank you to Michael Loughlin of Wagga, who organised and will run this social ride.

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