# Hanmer Springs Mountain Bike Club NEWSLETTER – Spring 2022

Spring has definitely arrived in Hanmer Springs, hard on the heels of a couple of snow events following a very long wet winter. It's great to see the trails drying out & the evenings starting to get longer. Time to give the bike a tune up and get ready for summer riding!!

## TRAIL UPDATES

#### HELIX

Helix is open and riding well in all weathers. There are a few surprises on the way round and lots of different routes to take!

#### **ADDICTION**

We are looking forward to adding in another line & some different features on Addiction. Work bees will be advertised via member emails & Facebook. Make sure you become a member to come along & have some fun making these changes with us!

## TRAIL CLOSURES

#### **TIMBERLANDS**

This trail is still closed due to logging & will need to be reinstated once the logging is complete.

#### **WESTERN LINK**

The end near Timberlands is also closed, however you can ride on to Pawsons Rd to connect to Swamp & Joliffe Rd to access both Joliffe Saddle & Redrock trails (Redrock has a slight diversion due to the logging but is 95% unaffected)

Please refer to this information on our Facebook page & respect the forest closure <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Hanmer-Springs-MTB-Club-1714487785456103">www.facebook.com/Hanmer-Springs-MTB-Club-1714487785456103</a>

#### HANMER EVENTS

Marshals & helpers needed for Hanmer Events.

The Hanmer Springs MTB club is looking to help support the Hanmer Events Crew by organising enthusiastic volunteers for the weekend of Saturday 4th December - Alpine Marathon & Sunday 5th December Tombstone MTB race.

These volunteers will be helping out with marshalling on the course. If you are a club member & are free & keen to help out the Hanmer Springs MTB club with these events we would love to hear from you at <a href="mailto:hanmermtb@hotmail.com">hanmermtb@hotmail.com</a>. The hours given by you are paid back to the Club from the race fees. So it is a great way to top up Club funds!

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#### **FUNDING**

The HSMTB club have also made representations to Hurunui District Council and the Community Board. The proposals include new and improved tracks and maintenance.

When we are aware of the funding available, we can make plans to further add to our network of tracks. We will be looking at fundraising options including help and support from our members. We have ambitious plans to add to our outstanding tracks.

#### REPORTING ACCIDENTS OR NEAR MISSES

We as a club are concerned about safety on our trails – if you have had any issues while riding please let us know – either email the club direct or private message on Facebook. Contact details below.

#### AND LASTLY .... AGAIN DON'T FORGET YOUR MEMBERSHIP SUBS!

Remember membership runs from August 1 to July 31 each year. Membership is not just about the funding that is received when you join up but we use it to show how many people use & enjoy our trails from both within our community & from surrounding towns & cities. We know that there is a large amount



of people that come to Hanmer to ride our trails & we would really like to build more kilometres of trails for both us & you to enjoy. Help us show that we have a large riding community that come from wide & far to Hanmer specifically for MTBikiing!!

Even if you don't ride please remember that your business may benefit from having quality trails to ride in Hanmer Springs. All membership fees go directly to paying for track materials and building new tracks. It is an important income stream as we are a volunteer organisation. Thank you!

..... If you can persuade anyone else to join too, that would be great!

To renew your membership please visit the website <u>www.hanmermtb.nz</u> & go to 'Membership & Donations'. Its quick to do and payment can be made by credit card, PayPal or internet banking.

**PS Membership Tags:** In this environmentally conscious world we are trying to do our bit by ditching the plastic – it was a great idea to try & encourage locals/ regular riders to show their support for the trails but it just doesn't make sense to create more waste.

We try to keep the club's trails open year-round for your enjoyment. To keep up to date with any trail changes or news, follow us on Facebook or alternatively or <a href="www.trailforks.com">www.trailforks.com</a> Happy riding!!!



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