RUNNER'S HANDBOOK

















# WELCOME

THE WILD MOUNT BEERIPMO TRAIL RUN IS BACK AND WE PROMISE THE MOUNT IS ALL SINGLETRACK KILLER, NO FILLER.

The 21km course is joined by the 11km which takes in some of the big course's best feature highlights, while the 5km course forges its own path over Fiery Creek and along Paradise Walk.

The event will once again be hosted at the fabulous Cave Hill Creek and within Mt Cole State Forest

# **GENERAL NOTES**

**START & FINISH** is located at <u>Cave Hill Creek</u> camp, 110 The Glut Rd, Beaufort VIC 3373.

Use second entrance on your right.

- There will be a coffee cart on site
- There will be limited food available on site via Beaufort Apex Club BBQ.
   \*Vegans and vegos may want to self cater as limited supplies, apologies!

**THE (21km) RUN COURSE** follows the gazetted <u>Beeripmo Walk</u>, in a clockwise direction once the run route reaches Richards Picnic Ground. Runners return to Richards before making their way back to Cave Hill Creek camp, 500 metres away. See maps to follow. All are available online on AllTrails (great for during race) and GoogleMaps.

### THERE ARE TWO aid stations (21km) at:

- 7km on trail, just off Mt Cole Rd (west); this also services the 11km run
- 14.5km Mugwump Hut



#### THERE ARE NO CUPS PROVIDED AT AID STATIONS >

THIS IS A CUP FREE EVENT. WE ASK THAT ALL RUNNERS CARRY SOME FORM OF WATER HOLDER WITH A 500ml MINIMUM CAPACITY

(hydro pack, handheld bottle, fuel belt, soft flasks).







# **SATURDAY 2nd**

7am - COFFEE VAN ON SITE!

7am - 9am - Bib pick up / registration © Cave Hill Creek Camp 110 The Glut Rd, Beaufort (look for the rego marquee in the paddock to far rear of the property when you drive in the SECOND gate on your right. PLEASE DO NOT ENTER the first main entrance to Cave Hill Creek).

8.30am - 21km RACE START

9am - 11km RACE START

9.15am - 5km RACE START

9.50am - First runner due

12.30am - Cut off @ Aid Station #2

Mugwump Hut, 14.5km

2pm - CUT OFF @ FINISH - COURSE CLOSES



















# **MANDATORIES 21km & 11km**

- 1 X 500ML (MINIMUM) WATER/HYDRATION CONTAINER
- 1 X SNAKE BANDAGE
- 1 X MOBILE PHONE

YES!!! MANDATORY MEANS YOU MUST HAVE THESE ON YOUR PERSON WHILE RUNNING ON COURSE. IF ASKED BY A MARSHAL OR EVENT ORGANISER AND YOU DO NOT HAVE THESE ON YOU, YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED. ALL ITEMS CAN FIT IN A STRETCH WAIST BELT.

NO MANDATORIES FOR 5KM EVENT.

# **SUGGESTED KIT**

- NUTRITION
- SMALL PERSONAL FIRST AID
- WET WEATHER JACKET IF FORECAST TURNS TO RAIN

# WEATHER FORECAST (perfect)

As of 28th November, weather forecast (via BOM) is:

Note that while most of the course is in shade / under tree cover, that it can still get humid up on the mount. We suggest carrying where possible more than the mandatory 500ml.











#### **GETTING THERE**

The event is held at Cave Hill Creek, **110 The Glut Road, Raglan,** approximately 2 hours' drive west of Melbourne and 40 minutes drive west of Ballarat.

Essentially, if coming from Melbourne-way:

- Fling on past Ballarat to the town of Beaufort.
- Take a right towards and through Raglan (more a 'place' than a town!)
- Look for the turn off veering left on The Glut Rd, towards Cave Hill Creek Camp.
- Drive on past Cave Hill Creek Camp main entrance.
- **DO NOT ENTER THE MAIN GATE**. There is a wedding on the main property and we do not want to disturb proceedings!
- A few hundred metres past the main gate you will come to another paddock gate on your right. Turn in, park (sensibly - don't block others) and make your way to the event HQ, see map to the right.



### THE HUB

Park in the paddock carefully. PLEASE be mindful of other cars and do not block anyone in. PLease also be mindful of people walking through the car park. It is a grass car park but should be fine for 2WD.

**IMPORTANT:** please DO NOT enter or wander around the main Cave Hill Creek Property (red area). A wedding is being held, and the venue managers have very kindly hosted us down the rear of the property, on the proviso that we and our participants do not enter the main property or disturb the peace of the wedding in process.

Thanks in advance for your consideration and respect.

# COMPETITOR PHOTOGRAPHY

Photos of you doing your thang will be available for direct purchase, via the creative crew at Eventurers (say hi to lan and Velta - now integral members of the Victorian trail running family!).

They will be out on course at several key photo points. So smile, look strong, puff the chest, earn that place on the mantlepiece in the 'good' photo frame!



The Eventurers will email you after the event to see if you want any images. Check your junk email folder in case it gets filtered.

Check out Ian and Velta's work at: https://theeventurerstravelphotographers.com.au https://www.facebook.com/./



# 'LIKE' OUR NEW WILD MOUNT FACEBOOK PAGE

To make sure you get all the updates and newsflashes from the event we have created a NEW Wild Mount FB Page that will run all information specific to the event. So while another FB page follow is probably down your list of want to dos, make this one a must-do so you keep tabs on what's going on pre, during and post event!

### www.facebook.com/wildmountrun

plus stay tuned for general TdT info and imagery via



www.facebook.com/tourdetrails www.instagram.com/tourdetrails



# MCs PETE & NATH from RUNNER CHATS

Say hi and listen to the dulcet tones of our regular MCs Pete and Nath, from Runner Chats. They are runners. And they like a chat. Funny that. And their jokes are better than mine. The dynamic duo will be

at the finish, slammin some tunes (courtesy of Pete's playlist) and if you look sideways at them, they will interview you. Promise. Check out their back catalogue at: <a href="https://runnerchatspodcast.com">https://runnerchatspodcast.com</a>

And if you need a coach you can have worse people than Nath in your ear castigating you for not training: <a href="http://www.enferrunning.com.au">http://www.enferrunning.com.au</a>

### **HYDRATION**

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### **MERCHANDISE**

We have a LIMITED NUMBER (and size range) of the Wild Mount tees along with bits and bobs of Afterglow trail run socks, shoe bags and more.

We'll be selling at bib pick up and finish line.







# **MAPPING**

### It is the runner's responsibility to have some idea of where you are going!!

Tour de Trails is pumped to again welcome Capra to the fold to sort out our mapping with App functionality, including being able to track your progress on courses, even when out of mobile range!

Capra is an App-based software that helps race directors easily share the information participants and support crews need to know. Participants use the mobile app that is available on both app stores and you can also see the mapping on the event website

DOWNLOAD THE APP AND SCAN THE Q-CODE TO ACCESS THE WILD MOUNT COLLECTION. Trust us, the CAPRA APP is your best friend...

# **DOWNLOAD IT!**

find out more at www.capra.app

### **OTHER COURSE NOTES**

NO CUPS AT AID STATIONS... what, the repetitive stickers didn't give it away?! Guidelines mean this year's event will be paper / plastic cup free. So you may as well take a hydro pack, running bottle, water belt or collapsible cup with you and cup-free to minimise some waste is the way of the future so you may as well get used to it.

YES... there will be

**Stailwind** and water at all aid stations.

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**HALF MARATHON** 





5KM



# **COURSE MAP 21km**









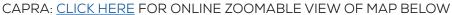


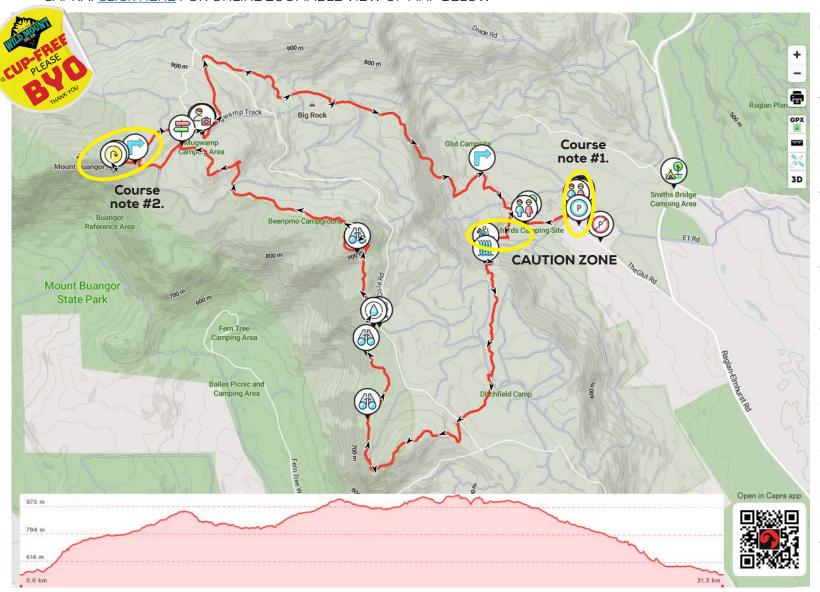












## **COURSE NOTES**

CAPRA: CLICK HERE FOR ONLINE \ VIEW

ASCENT: 920m

#### **COURSE RECORDS:**

CR: Bryan Keely 1:37:30\* (male) CR: Simone Brick 1:57:56\* (female)

**AID STATIONS:** 7km + 14.5km

#### **COURSE NOTES**

- 1. Start/finish location is in the rear paddock of Cave Hill Creek.
- 2. Mt Buangor lookout turnaround point and return

route. Runners will approach the lookout via the regular high route, but on return will dogleg earlier down an access track, rejoining the fire road back uphill towards Mugwamp Hut Aid Station

**CAUTION ZONE:** a tree fall has made one location on the trail very steep as runners need to climb up and over it. There may be rope placed to assist.

WATCH FOR CARS at road crossings and the short sections on dirt roads. NO HEADPHONES on these sections / crossings.





# **COURSE MAP IIkm**











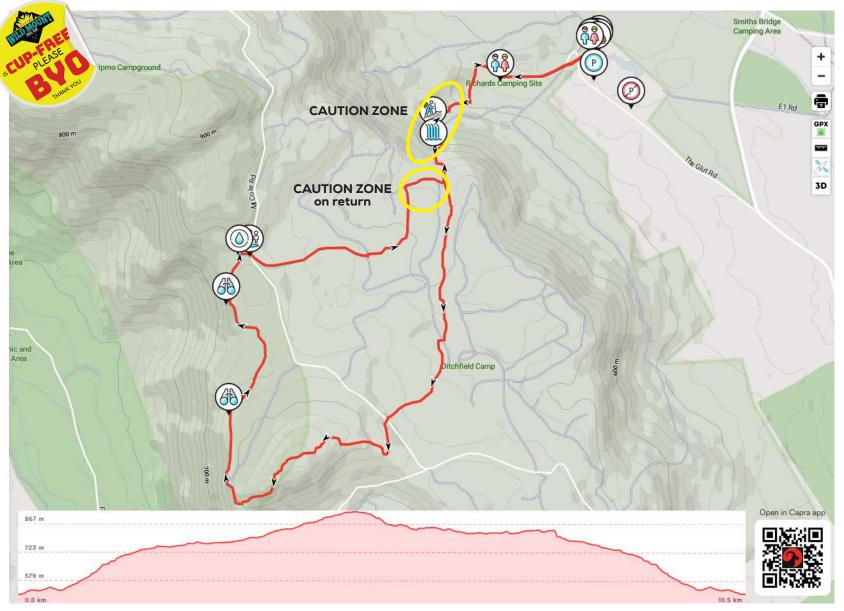








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### **COURSE NOTES**

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ASCENT: 580m

#### **COURSE RECORDS:**

CR: Rueben Bennet-Daly 1:10:54 (male)

CR: Erin Williams 1:17:07 (female)

**AID STATIONS: 7km** 

WATCH FOR CARS at road crossings and the short sections on dirt roads.

**NO HEADPHONES** on these sections / crossings.

**CAUTION ZONE:** a tree fall has made one location on the trail very steep as runners need to climb up and over it. There may be rope placed to assist.

**CAUTION ZONE** on return leg - the trail leaves a dirt road on a bend and drops off a sharp descent where footing can be tricky. Take care as you descend this section is a 'bush' section that traverses you across back to the main Beeripmo trail you came up.





# **COURSE MAP 5km**











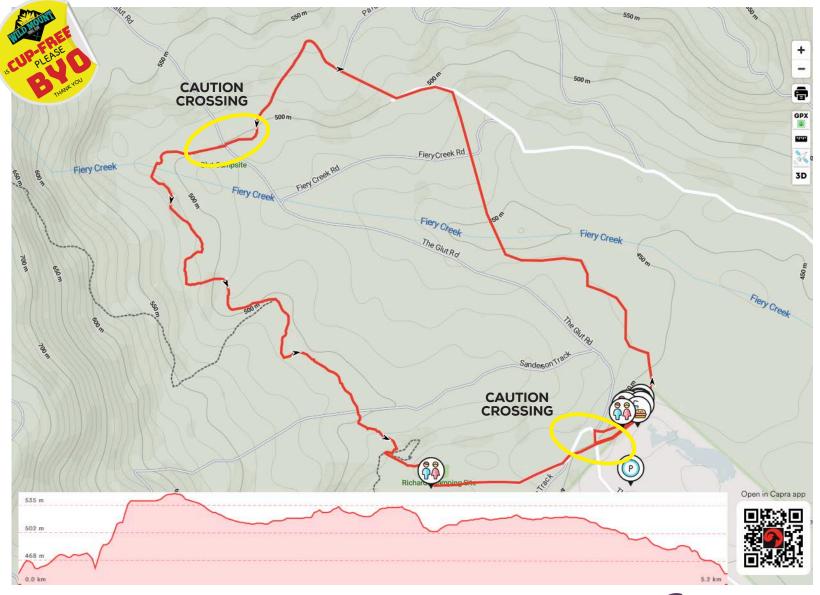








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# **COURSE NOTES**

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ASCENT: 200m

#### **COURSE RECORDS:**

CR: George E 28:47 (male) CR: Jean Flynn 28:47 (female)

**WATCH FOR CARS** at road crossings and the short sections on dirt roads.

**NO HEADPHONES** on these sections / crossings.













### **FACILITIES**

#### **COFFEE & DRINK**

Essential fuel up pre event Le Peche Gourmand mobile coffee van operational from 7am

#### **FOOD**

There will only be basic food available. Note that catering this year is not extensive so please BYO if you want anything beyond burgers and snags! Vegans and vegos take note. BYO barbie for on site! We apologise in advance, (our event RD is a plant based runner, too, so worse case, hit him up from his personal stash!)

#### **TOILETS**

There will be portable toilets on site. Please do not wander into the main Cave Hill Creek grounds searching for toilets. ONLY use the supplied portable toilets, located nearby the finish line arch

# **ACCOMMODATION**

Check out the Pyrenees accommodation pages: <a href="https://www.visitpyrenees.com.au/where-to-stay/">www.visitpyrenees.com.au/where-to-stay/</a>

**Looking for camping sites nearby the event?** Choose from a few freebies within cooee of the event hub or others on the south side can be booked via Parks Victoria (20 mins from event hub).

Good **free spots** are at Richards, Ditchfields, Smith Bridge all near event HQ. You could also camp at Mugwamp, which is on the course (Aid Station 2) but is a 15 minute drive on dirt roads (2wd).

Google map for campsites **CLICK HERE** 





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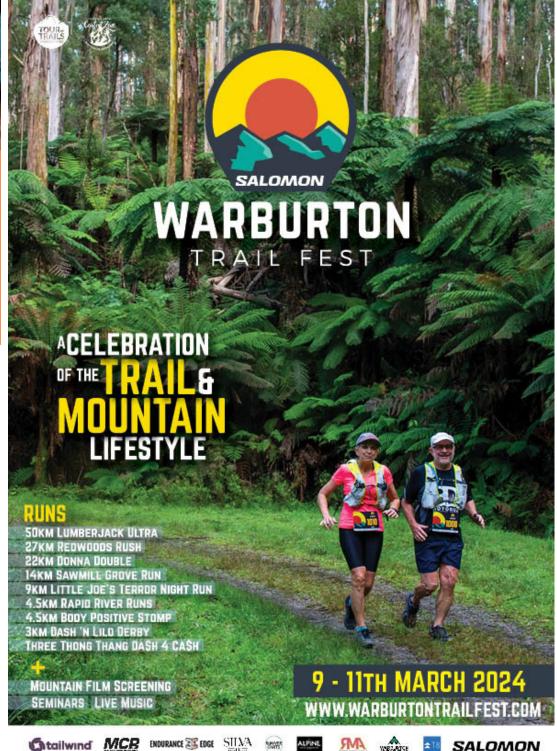
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# **COURSE MARKING PROTOCOL**

COURSE MARKINGS / FLAGS / ARROWS WILL BE ONLY placed only at decision points or to confirm correct direction soon after an intersection or decision point.

THERE WILL BE VERY FEW 'CONFIDENCE MARKERS' on sections of trail where there are no intersecting tracks and there has not been any other trails to follow other than the one you are on. So if you haven't seen a marker for a while BUT you haven't come across any intersections and you remain on distinct singletrack (and/or see a Beeripmo Walk sign), be confident that you are on the correct course.

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO DOWNLOAD THE GPX FILES to have on your GPS watch (if vou have one).

LOOK FOR THESE SIGNS ON COURSE















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# **IMPORTANT**

## **NOTES FOR ALL RUNNERS**

#### WITHDRAWAL AFTER REGISTRATION BUT BEFORE RACE START

If any runners needs to withdrawal AFTER you have picked up your bib, we need you to notify the Race Director (number on back of bib), preferably by texting your name and bib number and/or calling/leaving a message. If you do not, we will think you are out on course and when you do not pass over the finishline, we will send out the search party (this happened at a recent event and they were visited at 1am by a police divvy van - best you tell us!)

#### **RUNNER WITHDRAWAL DURING RACE**

If any runners needs to withdrawal, please 1> YOU MUST notify the Race Director (number on back of bib), preferably by texting your name and bib number and/or calling/leaving a message. 2> Additionally (but not instead of!) give your name and bib number to a marshal.

### **FIRST AID**

You and our marshals are not expected to perform any first aid beyond basic care and comfort should a runner have a medical issue. Your first duty is to ensure you are not in any danger. Then ensure the runner is not in any immediate danger and is warmed. Once you are confident that they are stable, for most non-life threatening medical issues (i.e. rolled ankle, torn calf), call the Race Director. If the medical incident is a life-threatening emergency (i.e. snake bite) call Triple 0 immediately and follow instructions, ensuring you let them know the incident has taken place as part of an event where Endurance Medical Services is in attendance and you have a Race Director to report to.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Some positions on the course get low to no phone service, but most of the course gets some (Telstra – other carriers less so). If you happen to be involved in any form of serious medical / withdraw incident, or any other problem occurs out on course (tampering of course markings etc.) Please report in to the Race Director or a marshal immediately. **DO NOT LEAVE THE COURSE WITHOUT NOTIFYING THE RACE DIRECTOR YOU ARE DOING SO**, if it is before crossing the finish line.

**SWEEP** There are sweeps on course for your safety. If you are at the rear and have any concerns please approach a sweep and they can assist.



# **TIMING**

Timing is being managed by Tomato Timing. They will post all results post event at <a href="http://tomatotiming.racetecresults.com">http://tomatotiming.racetecresults.com</a> or check in to the <a href="Results tab on the event">Results tab on the event</a> website.



**PRIZES** will be awarded for 1, 2, 3 male and female across the distances. Apologies but there are no prizes for each age category.

# **MEDALS?**

Yes! For every distance.

Get yours at the finish line!

Note that our marshals can only hand you a medal, rather than put around your next.

Please help with COVID Safety by maintaining social distancing when you accept your medal.



# **BIBS & EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

BIBS SHOULD BE WORN PREFERABLY ON THE FRONT OF YOUR SHIRT OR SHORTS, IN ORDER TO REGISTER OVER THE LINE ACCURATELY.

Bibs located higher up and/or on packs often do not register with the timing devises. You will need to **pick up your bib** from the registration marquee, in the 'event hub paddock' located to the very rear of the Cave Hill Creek property.

#### **BIB PICK UP IS OPEN:**

Friday 1st > 6pm - 7.30pm, all distances

#### Saturday 2nd >

7am - 8.15am - 21km bib pick up

7am - 8.45am - 11km bib pick up

7am - 9am - 5km bib pick up

YES - we will take registrations on the day, should you be able to drag along a mate or ten!

SHOULD YOU NEED TO WITHDRAW FROM THE EVENT AT ANY TIME: please ensure you text one of the Race Directors ASAP with your BIB NUMBER + NAME and pull out location, and if you are okay! There is decent (Telstra) mobile reception for most of the course.

If you need medical assistance please call EMS Emergency direct as your first port of call.









