

## 24<sup>th</sup> Winter Classic and Wayne Cretney Memorial 15th August, 2010

### DETAILED EVENT INFORMATION

Date: 15th August 2010

Map: Deliverance (New map)

Organiser and Planner: Bryan Teahan

Event Centre and  
Start Area: Adjacent to Car park.

Event Theme The theme for the event is because of a downhill mountain bike track on the map called 'Deliverance' which takes you from the top of Wright's Hill and delivers you to Karori Mountain Bike Park. The logo shown on the website is similar to the logo for the classic cult movie 'Deliverance' starring Burt Reynolds and Jon Voight – the movie is a graphic story about some city boys going into the backwoods and going through all sorts of pain and adventure and getting shot at and finally being delivered back to civilisation at the end. Instead of a gun coming out of the water and pointing at three men in the distance, we show a compass pointing at three competitors. The 'Deliverance' theme is also apt because by the time you finish a Winter Classic and experience the pain and adventures of the backwoods, you will feel like you are being delivered to freedom.

Here's a poem describing what will happen to you:

#### ***Deliverance***

*Dark clouds roll off to the side  
As you steadily push your way through  
To ... breakthrough!*

*"You've made it all this way"  
"Keep pushing ... for just a little while"*

*All the pain from the past disappears  
You look for it, but ... there's no sign!*

*This is your brand New Day!  
This is an amazing place!*

*You thought you'd never make it!  
But the day has finally come  
Here you are out the other side!  
Full of fresh hope, joy ... and fun!*

*From a poem by Lesley  
(<http://www.changinglivesonline.org/lesleypoems.html>)*

Map Notes:

This map is the first version of a seamless map of the Wellington suburb of Karori and surrounding hills.

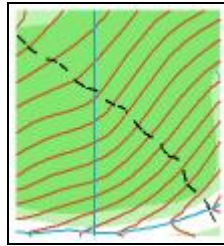
There are two distinct areas of large parks/reserves on the map showing Karori Park pines/bush with a myriad of mountain bike tracks and Wrights Hill being a bush area with a few walking tracks.

The map contains areas of steep native bush with some pines with some Wellington street running included and Wellington parks. Some stunning vistas, some gun-emplacements, some lovely open bush, some cliff and rock features and plenty of man-made features.

On the map is probably the largest patch of bush in Wellington, regenerating and mature in parts where most streams and gullies are generally open or slow and ridges are mainly walk or fight with some slow. There are some areas of supplejack/gorse and these are usually marked as walk/fight. Runnability is subjective and not all walk/fight areas have been totally checked as it would have taken too long to map.

There are several indistinct routes marked on the map – dashed black lines with every 3<sup>rd</sup> dash missing. These should not be regarded as tracks and are marked by coloured ribbons or markers every 10m or so and are difficult to follow. They form a regular grid used for possum trapping – not all of these routes have been mapped. They often go into the grotty parts of the map and often when you are trying to climb you will

take 2 steps forward and 1 step backwards. Use them at your peril!



Example of indistinct route

Red courses are not for the faint hearted – this is rugged terrain with steep slippery slopes and variable runnability. Full-gear recommended. Spiked shoes or shoes with good grip are recommended.

There will be some street running involved which will make running in spikes uncomfortable but the spikes or extra grip will be vital in the bush.

There are many man-made features on the map. Some of the features found in the bush are (some have since been removed): old tires; old farm equipment; old fridges; old building ruins; World War II gun emplacements and batteries; rusty old truck; car graveyards; an abandoned van; motorbike; bicycle up a tree; hair dryer up a tree; wheelchair. The man-made features are usually marked by a black 'x' or a ruined building symbol.

You may come across some goats – at least one with a young kid. You may hear bleating in the distance.

For Orange, Yellow, and White courses you can enter on the day but pre-entry preferred and these courses will be family friendly and not so tough. Start times for these courses are anytime from 10.10am to 1.30pm.

Be prepared to be surprised – there are many unexpected features.



Map snippet

- Map scales: All courses are printed at 1:5,000
- Contour Interval: 5m
- Hazards: Be careful crossing roads – all road rules apply. Stop, look and listen.
- Be very careful going up and down streams - it is stony and rocky in places.
- It is steep and slippery.
- There are some dangerous cliffs.
- There is some stinging nettle, supplejack, gorse and blackberry.
- Rogaines and the school teams are run as team events for safety reasons. If a team member is injured, responsibility for obtaining help is with the unaffected team members.
- Location: Karori Park.
- Directions: The event will be signposted at Karori Park on Karori Road.

