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Welcome to Autumn riding!! Beautiful days with chilly, darker nights!

It's been a busy summer for the MTB Club – we have had great news regarding new trails & we have been busy plotting & planning before revelling what is in the pipeline for mtbing in Hanmer Springs.

Also check out Anton Coopers great review of our trails on our Facebook page (link below)

New On The Trails:

The Mtb club is still currently working on the proposed skills area around the old DOC Centre on Jollies Pass Rd. This is an exciting project & we hope to provide an area that everyone of all ages can fine tune their bike skills from mastering the art of up & down hill cornering to drop offs, to some low level structures. This project will require fund raising so any membership/donation payments made to the club will be gratefully received.

We have also had approval to formalize Addiction which begins off the 4wd Jollies Pass Rd. This will involve a new uphill trail to the start of the track & a link to the start of Detox, making for one of our longest descent trails. This will be graded as an Expert Trail.

There is a new advanced trail being hand built between Yankee Zephyr & Big Foot, due for completion late next year – this will give us a trail that is protected from logging & will mostly be in native bush. It will also give us the opportunity to hopefully create some more downhill trails in the future.

And lastly a 3km downhill intermediate trail that will join with Mac 1. The climb will take you up the back of Hank hill before you descent back down to Mac 1.

Non Hanmer Mtb Clubs trails: It has come to our attention that there have been some illegal trails being built out there. For any trails that have not been mentioned above or already exist under our trail network, the club takes no responsibility for & should you have any questions/concerns you should contact the Land Owners directly regarding these trails.

Trail Closures:

All trails are open.

As previously mentioned we now have a one-way system in place for most of the intermediate/advanced trails on the network. They are as follows:

UPHILL - Swamp, Uphill Yankees (from the top end off Pawsons Rd to Yankee Zephyr start is both ways but from the intersection is uphill only) & Timberlands

DOWNHILL - Swoop, Tank, Yankee Zephyr, Eagles Nest, C-Line, Red Rock, Jolliffe Saddle, Big Foot & Detox

DUAL DIRECTION - Flax, Mac 1, Fir, Dog Stream & Camp Track

Please ensure you follow the one-way only system – please also be aware that there may be someone travelling in the wrong direction. There have been a few close calls with people who have not been on the trails before &/or wearing headphones so have not heard the other person approaching. This is dangerous for everybody so please use some common sense out there!!

As always we would like to remind cyclists to ensure care is taken when riding dual use trails & make sure that you give way to walkers & travel at a controlled speed when using these trails.

Membership:

The membership year will start again on 1st August.

Yes this is the start of another membership year – 2018/19.

Given the number of riders that utilise our trails the actual number of members is very low. If you enjoy riding our trails & would like to invest in their future please take the time to join/renew your membership for this year and pay your fee. 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 thousands of \$\$ are spent each year on shingle alone. We are currently working on a new website so any questions or queries regarding joining the club please email me. *Thank you!*If you can persuade anyone else to join too, that would be great!

Any questions/concerns? Please contact us at: harmermtb@hotmail.com
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