

“Raetihi Gutbuster”- Fun Bike ride

April 8, 2012 - 11 am

Information and Entry Form

Ride Description - **50km event** - starts at 11am outside the Waimarino Museum

The 25 km section of road from Pipiriki to Raetihi was finally sealed in late 2010, and to celebrate this historic event, the Raetihi Gutbuster bike ride was born. It's still not a road for the faint-hearted: it's narrow and winding, hilly and challenging. It has one-way wooden bridges and shoulders of gravel. But it's beauty and history makes it a journey worth travelling. On a fine day, the view of the Mountains of the Central Plateau as you get to the Waipuna road intersection (and turnaround point for the 18km ride) is breathtaking.

The ride leaves from outside the Waimarino Museum on Seddon St, Raetihi, and travels down to Pipiriki. The turnaround point is at the public rest area where there are toilets and a drink station. If you're not in a hurry you might like to have a swim in the Whanganui river to cool off before heading back to Raetihi!

There is a drink station at the 9km mark, please take care here as you might encounter riders doing the 18km event who are turning around.

Ride Description - **18km option** - starts 11.30am outside the Waimarino Museum

This event is an 18km out and back ride part-way along the Raetihi – Pipiriki road. Starting and finishing at the Waimarino Museum on Seddon St in Raetihi, it starts with a long downhill then becomes a rolling ride through scenic and historic farmland before a 2km uphill section to the turnaround point at the intersection of the Waipuna road. At the turnaround there will be a drink station and, weather permitting, a beautiful view of the three volcanoes of the Central Plateau: Ruapehu, Ngauruhoe and Tongariro. Then turn around and experience the thrill of flying down the hill you just rode up. Check out the unusual hilly formations on your left as you go. Riding back to Raetihi you will be tested again as you ascend the final hill back to the finish at the museum.

Safety is paramount, riders need to be aware that no roads will be closed during the event, and there will be other traffic in both directions. Normal road rules apply, all bikes must be roadworthy and helmets must be worn.

Finish

At the finish line there will be music and food and drinks available, there will be spot prizes and maybe some Easter Eggs too!

Entry Details

Name:.....
Address:.....
Ph..... Cellphone:.....
Email.....
Male / Female
Age:.....(if under 18, parent or caregiver must sign entry)
How did you hear about the Raetihi Gutbuster?.....

Entry Fees (It's cheaper if you enter before the end of March!)

\$10.00 18km ride (entry before March 31 2012) Cheque/ Bank deposit
\$25.00 50km ride (entry before March 31 2012) Cheque/ Bank deposit
\$15.00 18km ride (entry after March 31 2012) Cheque/ Bank deposit
\$30.00 50km ride (entry after March 31 2012) Cheque/ Bank deposit

Please circle one event and method of payment.

Please make cheques out to "Raetihi Promotions Charitable Trust" or deposit into
Acct 03 1524 0023953 00 (Include your name as reference)
Post entry forms to: Raetihi Promotions Group, P.O. Box 106, Raetihi 4646.
For more info email **36seddon@gmail.com** or call 06 385 3123

Waiver (the fine print)

I/We accept the conditions of entry on this form and that may be given at the start or any other time, and agree to abide by the rules of this event. I/We certify that we are in good physical health and I/we enter this event entirely at our own risk. I hereby waive all claims against the event organizers, their officers, volunteers, employees, sponsors or any other party associated with the event, of any liability, financial or otherwise, arising out of negligence or otherwise for any direct or indirect loss, injury, death, or any other matter which might be sustained by myself/ourselves from any intended or actual participation in this event or associated activities. I/We take full responsibility for my/our fitness, experience and actions and all personal possessions and equipment we may use during this event. For relay teams the person completing this entry is agreeing on behalf of all members. I/we accept that in the event of earthquake fire, floods or any other situation deemed "Act of God" that the event may be postponed or cancelled without full refund. I/we authorize the use, without payment, of my/our picture, voice or name in any promotion, broadcast or advertising of the event.

This declaration is to be signed by all entrants if 18 years old or over, or by a caregiver / parent if the entrant is under 18.

Signature:.....