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# **Alpe de Buffalo**

Victorian Junior Hillclimb Championships

## **2025 Santini Victorian Junior Road Series (VJRS) – Rd 1**

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## WELCOME

Welcome to the Alpe de Buffalo.

Alpine Cycling Club is proud to present an exciting 2025 edition of the Alpe de Buffalo.

This year we've moved the time trial onto back Germantown rd, which will be much safer for all riders. The iconic Mt Buffalo chalet is now the finish for all age groups on Sunday. These changes have been made for the safety of the riders and to assist the logistics for parents, officials and organisers.

Without the support of our volunteers and friends at Alpine Shire Council, Parks Victoria, VIC Police and VIC Roads, as well as our key sponsor – Wilson Asset Management, this event simply wouldn't happen. We encourage you to support them where possible and even shout out a 'thank you' when you see our volunteers co-ordinating the racing for you.

To all our participants, enjoy the weekend, make new friends and race hard.

Let's roll!

Christian Stewart  
Race Director



## EVENT INFORMATION

### CONTACT LIST

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## REGISTRATION

Registration will take place Saturday morning 12<sup>th</sup> of April at the start/finish line of the criterium course at Pioneer Park, Bright (enter from Coben St) from 7:30 am.

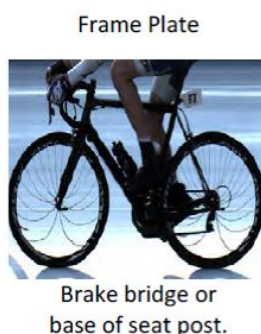
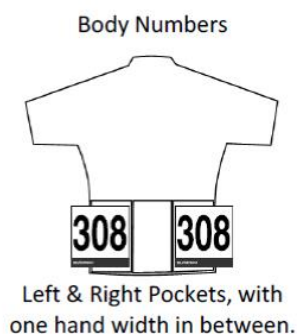
## PRESENTATIONS

Presentations for the Criterium and the Time Trial will commence at the conclusion of the Time Trial on Saturday afternoon (start/finish area) when results have been confirmed.

Sunday's presentations will take place in the ballroom of the chalet. Placegetters (Top 3 stage and final GC) are required to wear full riding kit for presentations. **Hats/sunglasses are not to be worn.**

## RACE NUMBERS

For the Time Trial riders should place 1 number in the middle of the back. For the Criterium and Road Race, place 1 number on the left and right-side pocket each. Frame numbers to be fitted to the rear seat post for both events.



## TIMING

Timing for the weekend will be carried out by Alpine Timing. You will be issued with a transponder at registration which should be checked against your race number before mounting to your bike to ensure that you have the correct transponder.

The transponder is to be securely mounted with a cable tie on the front fork as low as possible. If you do not have a transponder on your bike your race time and placing may not be recorded.



It is the rider's responsibility to return their transponder & race number after they finish/abandon the race.

Transponders & race numbers that are not returned at the event conclusion need to be posted asap to:

**Alpine Timing -Transponders**

**AusCycling – Race numbers**

Lost transponder fee: \$125 | Lost race number fee: \$10

Live results will be available on: [Alpine Timing - Event Timing](#)

## ROLL OUT

It is the rider's responsibility to ensure they have the correct roll out prior to each stage. All competitors will be required to roll out prior to the start of the criterium and the time trial and the top 5 placed riders of the road race will be rollout at the finish line.

Riders who fail the roll out will be given the time of the last placed rider of the stage but will be allowed to continue the event.

U11/13= 5.5m

U15= 6.1m

U17= 7.0m

## SPARES

Riders who have a mechanical during the road race and are unable to continue will be collected by the tail vehicle. No neutral mechanical support is provided. Riders must carry their own spare tube to change themselves. **NO** mechanical support will be provided during Saturdays Time Trials.

## SUPPORT VEHICLES/ROAD CLOSURE

In order to help improve safety for all competitors during Sundays Road Races, **ALL VEHICLES** (parents, coaches & handlers) are required to pass through the park entrance no later than **7:30 am**. Riders will need to be dropped off at their respective start points with sufficient time for their support vehicles to pass through the park entrance before this time.

A condition of the permits issued for the event from Parks Victoria, Victoria Police and Vicroads is that **NO** vehicles other than designated **OFFICIAL** vehicles will be allowed to follow the race. A Single Lane Uphill Road Closure will be implemented from 7:30 am Sunday. This will significantly reduce the volume of vehicles on the road during the event and will help in providing a safer environment for the competitors.

Only the **OFFICIAL** race photographers, motorcycle scouts and race officials will be allowed to travel up the mountain at the same time as the competitors.

## NEUTRALISATION

If for any reason conditions warrant, the Road Race will be neutralised. In such circumstances a red flag will be displayed from the lead vehicle.

## FEEDING

There will be **NO** feed zone during the event. Riders are advised to take sufficient drinks & food with them at the start. Any riders given food or drink during the event will face disqualification & possible fine.

## VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers make these races possible. Everyone can help, no matter how tiny the task – from picking up 1 rubbish bag to transport out of the park, through to being a traffic control person. Everyone's help is greatly appreciated.

Online sign-up:

<https://alpine-cycling-club.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=96382>

You will be provided with clear instructions, guidance and support to ensure your contribution is enjoyable and worthwhile.

## NATIONAL PARK

As the event is being conducted in a National Park there are a number of additional rules that must be adhered to.

- i. All competitors & officials must comply with all park regulations
- ii. Competitors & officials of the event do not have exclusive rights to any of the visitor facilities in the Park, including car parks & picnic areas. Other visitors must not be excluded from these areas.
- iii. Competitors & officials must keep to existing trails and roads; this must be strictly adhered to given the fragile nature of a sub-alpine environment.
- iv. All rubbish must be placed in the bins provided or taken by the individual when they leave the park.
- v. No marking or writing is permitted on any of the roads. vi. Native plants are not to be damaged or removed. vii. No Pets or Animals are allowed in the National Park

## Mt Buffalo Chalet

The Chalet near the finish on Sunday at has change room & toilet facilities available. A coffee van at the finish area will have coffee, cold drinks and light snacks available. They will be opening early for us at 8:00am.



**Healthy Parks, Healthy People** Ask most people about the purposes and benefits of national parks and other protected areas and they're likely to tell you about the protection of flora, fauna, scenery and historical features, and about recreation and tourism. All these are important values of parks. National and other parks are well recognised for their vital role in protecting our natural environment and cultural heritage, and in bringing social benefits in terms of the physical, mental and spiritual health of individuals and the community - as recognised by the Healthy Parks, Healthy People campaigns in Victoria and other states.



Fly or drive to Victoria's Alpine High Country in North East Victoria and you'll be met by our picturesque valleys and magnificent Alps.

The towns of Bright, Myrtleford and Mount Beauty are nestled at the base of the incredible Victorian Alps that include Falls Creek, Mount Hotham, Mount Buffalo and Dinner Plain.

**ALPINE SHIRE**

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## EVENT SPECIFIC RULES

1. As this is an AC sanctioned event, AC Technical Regulations and penalties apply. For full details go to [AusCycling | Governance, Rules & Policies](#).
2. The Alpe de Buffalo forms part of the 2025 Santini Victorian Junior Road Series and will run according to the [2025 Santini Victorian Junior Road Series \(VJRS\) Series Regulation](#)
3. **Time Trial bars** will be permitted for the TT as per AusCycling regulations.
4. All bicycles must have an **appropriate red light** fitted and operating on either the seat post or right rear seat stay of their bike. The light must be **visible from 200 metres** in daylight to the rear & operational during the **entire duration** of this event.
5. An Australian Standards approved (AS/NZ 2063) helmet shall be worn at all times whilst riding a bicycle on a highway (Local Police as well as AC Officials will issue fines to riders who do not observe this Law)
6. All competitors are reminded that it is an **offence to urinate within view of the public**. The penalty is disqualification from the event, a \$100 fine and their license suspended for 4 weeks (Local Police as well as AC Officials may issue fines to riders who do not observe this Law).
7. Littering is against the regulations of the sport of cycling. Any rider who **drops, throws or discards rubbish** may be disqualified from the event and fined \$100.
8. Police permits for events conducted on 'Open Roads', require all competitors to **keep left at all times** (except Criterium).
9. Any competitor detected who purposely **crosses 'Double continuous dividing lines'** will be disqualified from the event, fined \$100 and their license will be suspended for 4 weeks.  
  
Competitors who **cross the nominal centre** of a roadway may be fined \$100 for the first offence, second offence will be disqualification, fined \$200 and report to AusCycling for disciplinary action.
10. **Cameras** attached to a competitor's bicycle are allowed. The camera must be presented on the bike to the Chief Commissaire before the start of the event. The Chief Commissaire must approve the use of the camera **prior** to use.
11. If required, any competitors selected, will submit themselves to anti-doping control conducted by Sports Integrity Australia - SIA, under the guidelines set out by the UCI.
12. The Sweep Wagon will follow the last rider on the course. Should any rider have a mechanical failure that cannot be fixed, the Sweep Wagon will retrieve them and drop

them back to the Race headquarters. Riders who are deemed to be too far behind the peloton will be pulled from the race by the sweep wagon – this will be at the commissaires discretion.

13. In the event that there is extreme weather, the AusCycling Extreme Weather policy will be enforced. More information about the policy can be found here: [Extreme Weather Policy](#).

## COURSE DETAILS

### Stage 1 CRITERIUM – SATURDAY

#### General

Location: Pioneer Park - Coronation Ave, Bright (entry via Cobden st)

Parking around football oval

Registration and roll out at start / finish line from 7:30am

Course open for practice 9:00am – 9:30 am

Racing Starts at 9:30am

- 9:30am Under 11 (boys & girls) 10 mins + 2 laps Under 9 (3 laps)
- 9:50am Under 13 (boys & girls) 15 mins + 2 laps
- 10:15am Under 15 Girls 20 mins + 3 laps
- 10:15am Under 17 Girls 25 mins + 3 laps
- 10:55am Under 15 Boys (A&B) 20 mins + 3 laps
- 11:25am Under 17 Boys (A&B) 25 mins + 3 laps

12:00am approx Finish

Depending on the number of entries per age category this schedule may change.

Riders are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the circuit, but once the racing has commenced, no other riders are permitted on the course.

**The stage time for lapped riders will be determined by adding the average lap time (per lost lap) of the rider to the official finishing time of the stage.**

#### Time Bonus

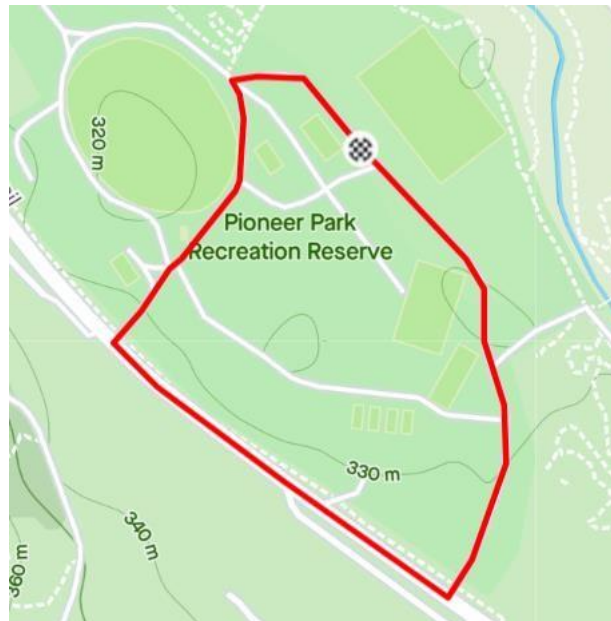
Bonus seconds towards the General Classification will be awarded as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> place = 10sec

2<sup>nd</sup> place = 6sec

3<sup>rd</sup> place = 4sec

## Course Details (Course Map) 1.3km



Parking via Cobden Street around football oval (traffic management in place on Coronation Ave). There will be no lead/follow cars on course.

## Stage 2 TIME TRIAL – SATURDAY

### General

Start 1:30pm Start order will be: U11, U13, U15, U17

30 second intervals between riders, with a few minutes between age categories to move the turnaround point.

Exact start times will be allocated to each rider once entries are finalised

Finish approx. 4:30pm

Time Trial is on an open road and requires a red rear tail light.

Normal road rules apply at all times and riders must ensure they keep as far left of the road as possible at all times. Riders must NOT ride more than 2 abreast and must NOT cross the centreline of the road (except at turnaround point).

**TT bars/extensions are permitted** as per AusCycling regulations.

All competitors will start on Back German town rd. It is an out and back TT with U11/U13 doing one lap (5km) and U15/U17 completing 2 (10km) Traffic management will control the turnaround point. Road is only open to local traffic.

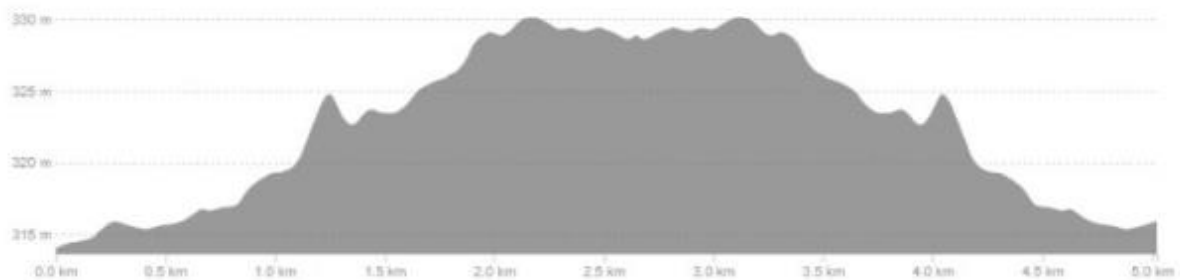
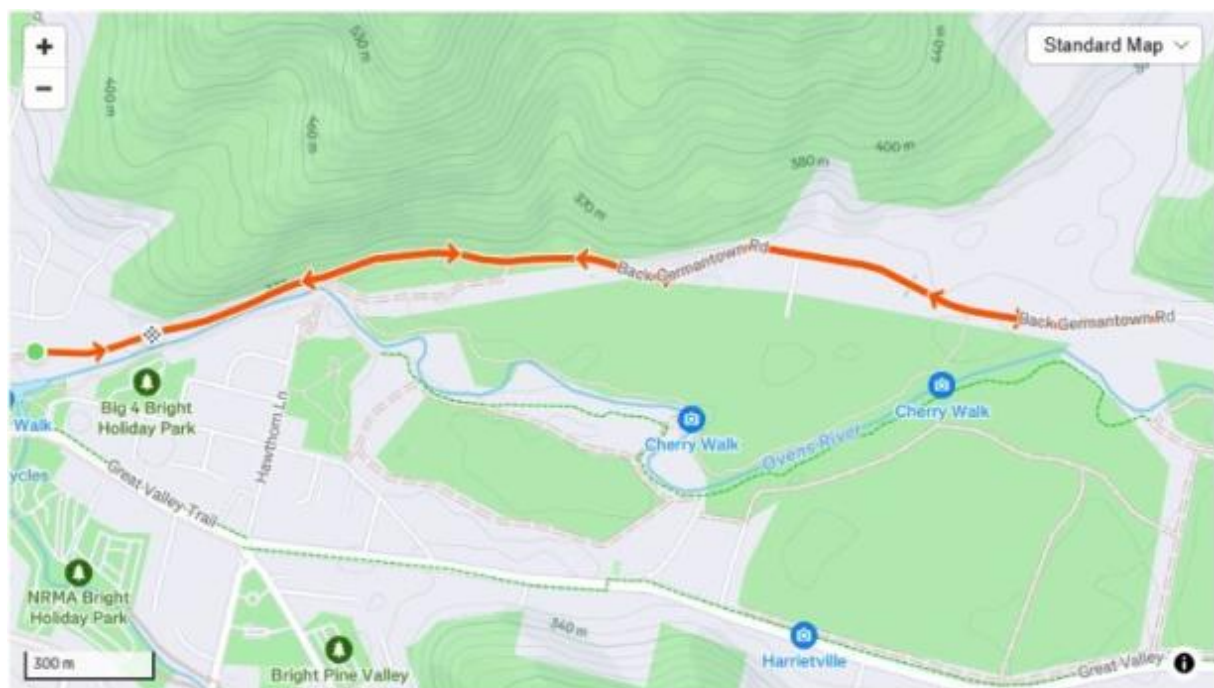
Parking: next to start / finish area

Presentations to commence after stage 2 at start/ finish line

## Course Details (Course Maps)

### Under 11 & Under 13

1 Lap, distance: 5km



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## Under 15 & Under 17

2 Laps, distance 10km

**NO** follow vehicles/bikes allowed.

## Stage 3 + Junior Hill Climb Championships (Road Race)

### General

A Single Lane Uphill Road Closure will be in place from the bottom gate 7:30am until 9:45am for Sundays Road Races. All parents, coaches and handlers will need to enter the Mount Buffalo National Park before **7:30am** and proceed directly to the finish at the Chalet, the turn off to the chalet will be closed from **8:00am**. Only official race event vehicles will be permitted to pass through the Road Closure point after these times. **NO** follow vehicles allowed. **NO** pets permitted in the National Park.

### ROAD RACE – Sunday

- U11 Start time Boys 8:05am Girls 8:10am – Mt Buffalo Chalet
- U13 start time: Boys 7:55am Girls 8:00am – Rollason's falls carpark
- U15 Start time: Boys 7:40am Girls 7:45am – Barrett Lane, Porepunkah
- U17 start time: Boys 7:40am Girls 7:45am – Junction Rd, Porepunkah

All races finish at Mt Buffalo Chalet

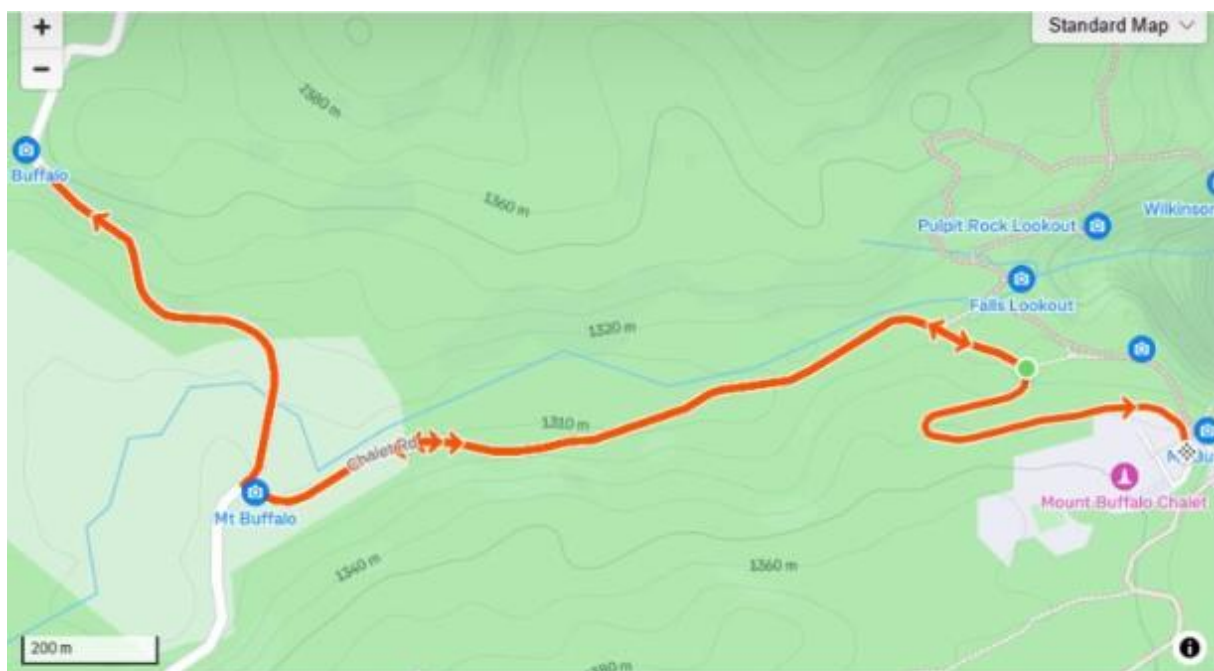
## Course Details

**Under 11 Boys – 8km – Start 8:05am**

**Under 11 Girls – 8km – Start 8:10am**

Assemble at the Mt Buffalo Chalet car park (on top of Mt Buffalo). The race will be neutral to the Cricket Oval, race to the gap (U-turn) to the cricket oval X 2 Laps and then finish the second lap at the Chalet.

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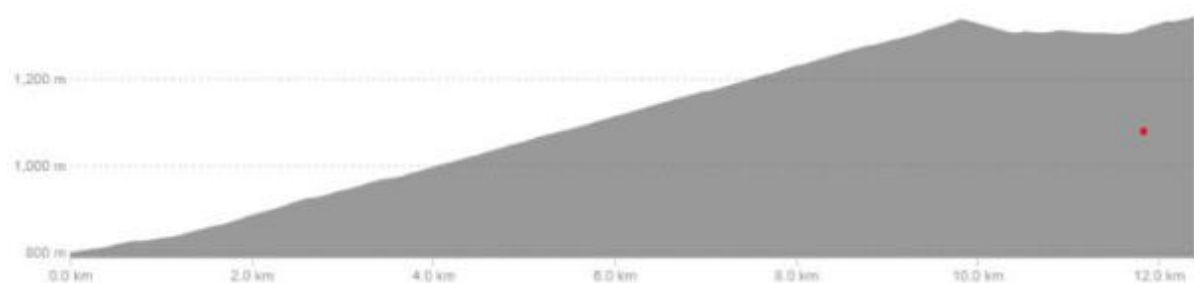
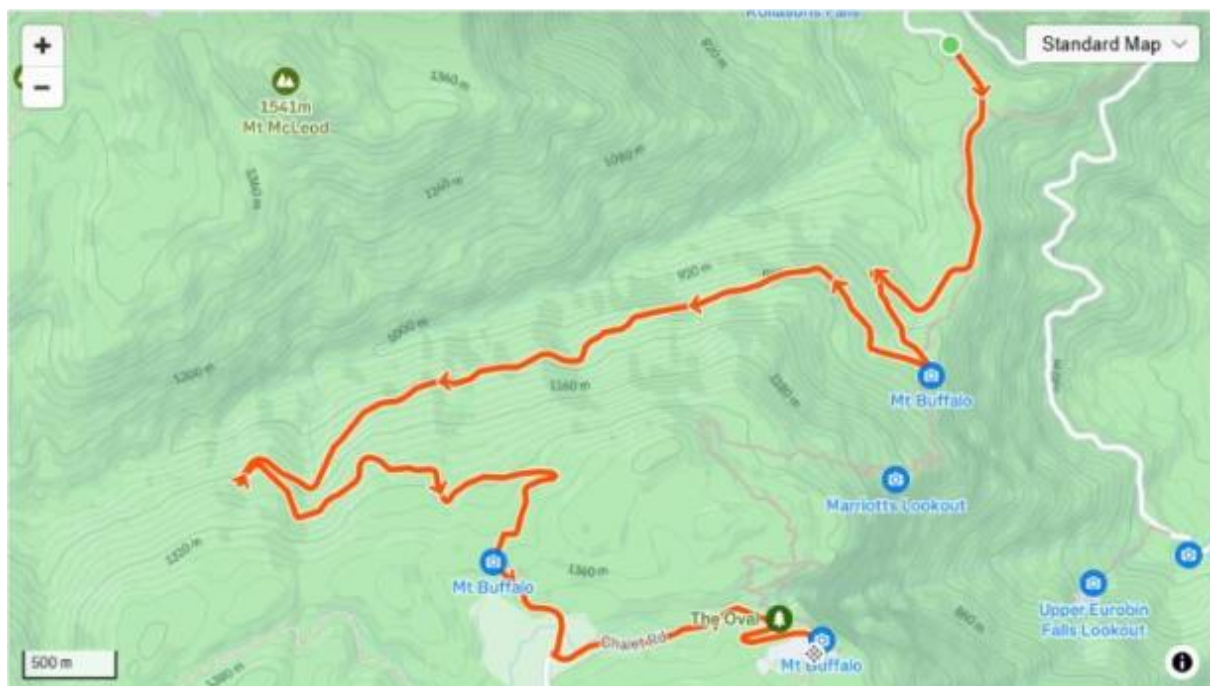


**Under 13 Boys – 12.4 kms – Start 7:55am**

**\_Under 13 Girls – 12.4 kms – Start 8:00am**

Assemble at Rollason Falls Car Park approximately 15 kilometres up Mt Buffalo from Porepunkah on the Mt Buffalo Road. Race to finish at Mt Buffalo Chalet.

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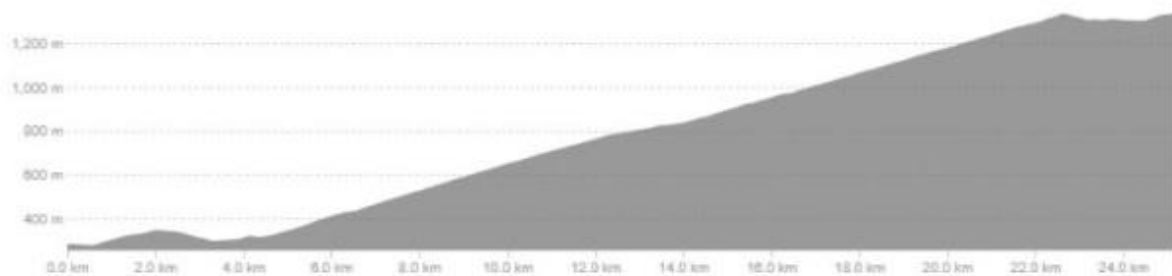
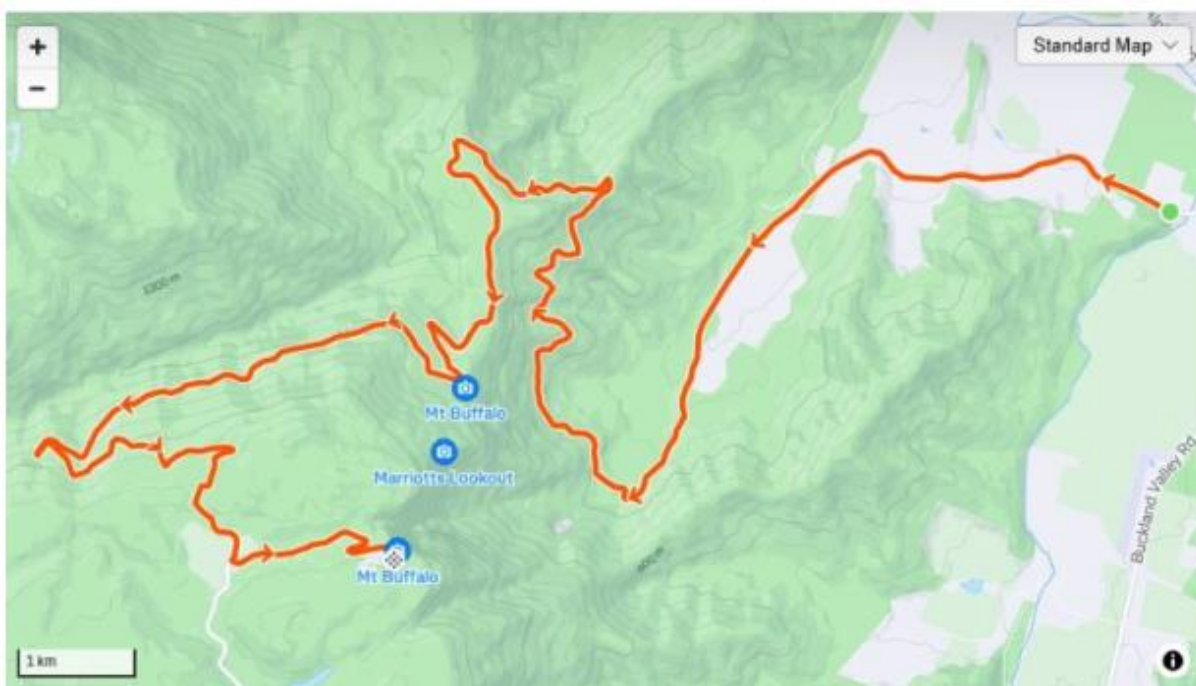


**Under 15 Boys – 25.2 kms – Start 7:40am**

**Under 15 Girls – 25.2 kms – Start 7:45am**

Assemble at Barrett Lane Porepunkah. Turn left onto Mt Buffalo road, finishing at Mt Buffalo Chalet.

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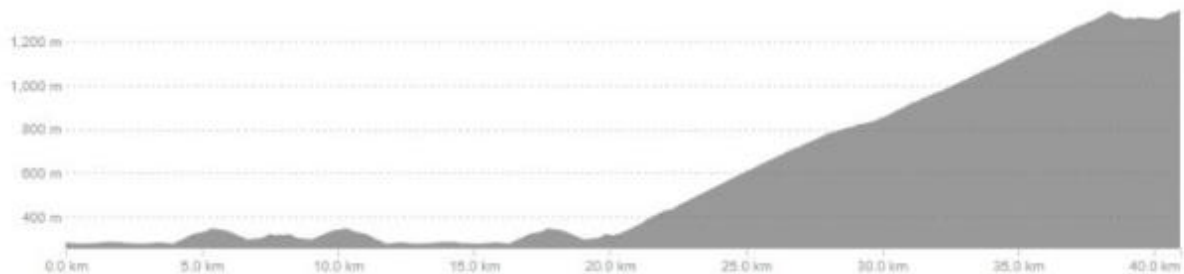
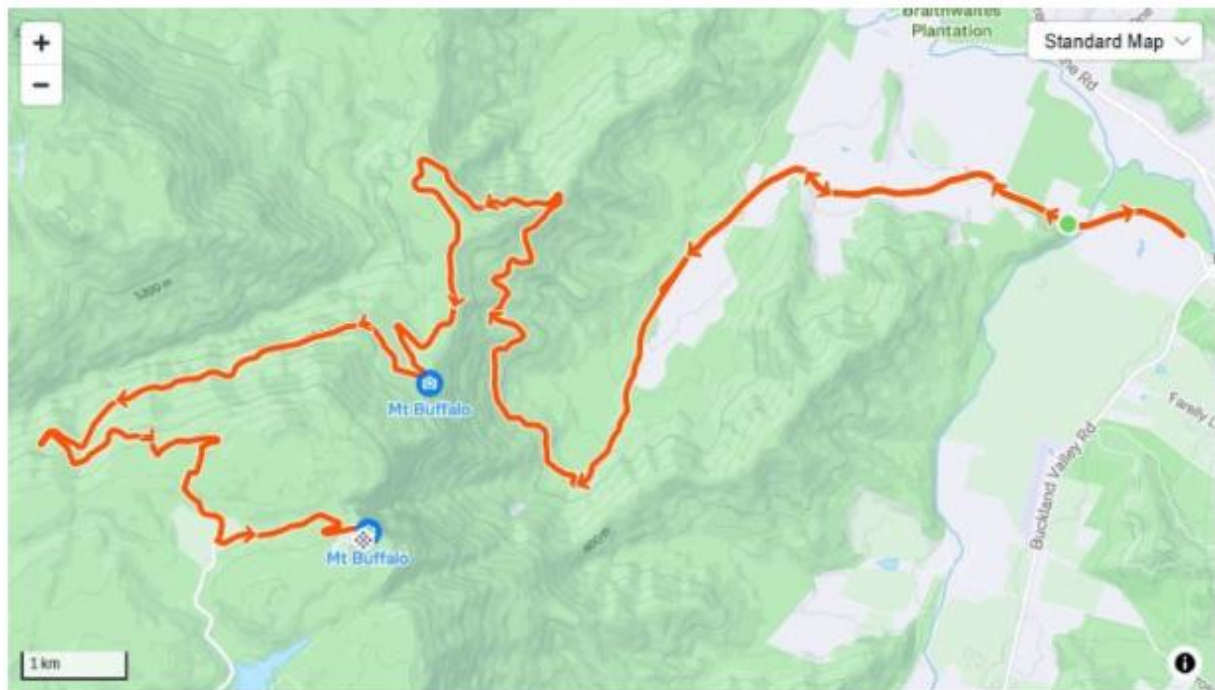


**Under 17 Boys – 39 kms – Start 7:45 am**

**Under 17 Girls – 39 kms – Start 7:50 am**

Assemble at Junction road Porepunkah, turn left onto Mt Buffalo road, U-turn before Porepunkah roundabout, ride to the National park entry gate, U-turn, return to first U turn, then up to the finish at Mt Buffalo Chalet.

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Approximate finish time 10:30am. Presentations will take place in the ballroom inside the Chalet after the last rider has crossed the finish line.