

2020 HONDA SUMMERCROSS – Riders Briefing

Big Welcome Everyone, to the Bay of Plenty Motorcycle Club's 2020 HONDA SUMMERCROSS.

As most of you will know my name is Neil Ritchie & I am the Race Commentator

Symon Hall is the President

Will Hatcher is the Race Director

Riders Rep - TBA

Nicole & Di are the MX Timing crew

St Johns Whakatane are the medical team.

A big thank-you to all the volunteers & sponsors for helping to make this event happen.

THE BOPMCC COMMITTEE has DONE THE BEST to THEIR knowledge TO ENSURE THE AWAKAPONGA TRACK & SURROUNDS ARE SAFE FOR RIDERS & SPECTATORS however do we acknowledge that motorcycling is dangerous and an unpredictable or uncontrollable event may occur. You have signed our disclaimer entering yourselves at your own risk – No-one has to go to the startline.

PLEASE OBEY THE YELLOW FLAG – NO PASSING UNDER A YELLOW FLAG – YOU WILL BE PENALISED TWO POSITIONS IF YOU DO SO – NO EXCEPTIONS.

No parent/support person may enter the track while racing is in progress. Officials will assist rider who are in trouble. Failure to adhere to this could cause the rider to be disqualified.

Please be aware that the Tracks are closed immediately after racing is complete for the day, heavy machinery will then be used to prepare for the next day's racing. Parents / Caregivers it is your responsibility to ensure that your children are aware of this danger and stay off the tracks and away from these areas.

A copy of the club rules & regulations, riders briefing & the supplementary regs is in your programme, if you haven't read them please do so. If you need to speak to an Official or the Riders Rep please ask at the sign on shed. All BOPMCC Officials will be wearing fluoro vests.

The BOPMCC Rules & Regulations stipulate you must wear full safety gear, body armour, no skin showing. Wear helmets at all times riding to and from the track at walking pace only, no riding anywhere else. Cameras may be fitted to the motorcycle provided they are securely mounted. Camera mounts are subject to approval by the Officials. Helmet cameras are not permitted.

Ensure that your bikes are safe with no barkbusters or sidestands. Random bike checks will be carried out, if you are not sure about anything on your bike, please come to the Sign on Shed, someone is here all of the time.

STRICTLY NO TEAROFFS to be used at the Awakaponga MX Track.

No Dogs allowed & No Alcohol until racing is completed for the day

We have fenced off areas and put underpasses for access to all areas of track without the need to cross the track - No Crossing the track at anytime, it is dangerous. **Only officials may enter the main track areas.**

You will exit the track after the container after the finishline at race end, or if you pull out of the race.

Practice/Race in the class or classes you are entered in ONLY.

Qualifying begins after the first 2 LAPS of Practice – a Green flag will signal the beginning of the Qualifying session. Gate choice is determined by timed Qualifying for all classes, and be the same for the whole day.

You are allowed to tidy up in front of the start gates, but no dirt is to be put on the concrete. You are not permitted to go onto the startline until the starter officials allow access.

We have a Start your Engine sign – please don't start your bike until you have been shown the sign at the startline.

PRACTICE

Practice is practice – NO Jumping on the FIRST lap, please practice in your class. Obey all flags at all times.

Flag Marshalls – Yellow flag means Slow Down – No Overtaking - No Jumping.

Please note you will be penalised if you pass another rider or do not slow down to on a yellow flag you will be penalised TWO POSITIONS. If you have any concerns with a flag marshall, please see the the BOPMCC Officials immediately.

PENALTIES

Jumping the start – Passing or Jumping under a yellow flag carries a minimum penalised by TWO POSITIONS, and if serious can mean disqualification.

Results will be posted at the club house

Please take your rubbish home with you, or at least put it in the rubbish bins provided.

PRIZE-GIVING will be held at the Club house after racing is complete the rider must be present at the official prize giving to collect personally. IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND PRIZE GIVING YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE PRIZE MONEY

MX1 / MX2

The back to back races start 5 minutes after the chequered flag has been shown. We don't wait until you are ready. Also please make sure you have read the information regarding the Jokers lane.

VETS 35-44 / 45+

The Vets class will have a split start, with the young fellas starting first.

The BOPMCC Club thank you for your support

We remind you that we are all guests at Awakaponga MX track and ask that we behave accordingly. Please do not hesitate to come & see one of the officials if you have any concerns during the day.

THANK YOU FOR BEING A PART OF SUMMECROSS 2020