



CYCLE CHALLENGE ROLLS INTO TOWN



WE'RE DELIGHTED TO welcome cyclists from all over the country to New Zealand's largest cycling event, the BDO Lake Taupō Cycle Challenge.

This year is the 43rd instalment of the event, with around 6000 riders expected to take part over the weekend.

It's not just about endurance either, as tonight will see the quicker riders take part in the criterium event, which pits riders against each other in handlebar to handlebar action – a spectacle not to be missed!

The pint-sized pedallers among us can also get into the action, with a children's challenge at the Northern Domain today at 3pm-5.30pm and a repeat is scheduled for tomorrow

12pm-5pm. Cycle instructors will assist with this event on both days.

Council events manager Steve Giles said hosting this event in Taupō makes for a great weekend for both locals and visitors.

"It's great for our district to see events like this coming to town. Of course, it's also important to mention and say thank you to all the volunteers who make this event possible, please give them a high-five or thank them yourself if you see them," he said.

Please remember next year's event is scheduled for the earlier date of Saturday November 14.

» LAKE TAUPŌ CYCLE CHALLENGE ROAD CLOSURES

Please be advised road closures are in place Friday November 29 and Saturday November 30 for the Lake Taupō Cycle Challenge and criterium events.

- » **Tongariro Street from Spa Road to Heuheu Street:**
Friday November 29, 12 noon to Saturday November 30, 8.30pm
- » **Tongariro Street from Spa Road to Lake Terrace:**
Friday November 29, 4pm to 8.30pm
- » **Lake Terrace from Tongariro Street to Ruapehu Street:**
Friday November 29, 4pm to 8.30pm
- » **Tamamutu Street from Tongariro Street to Gascoigne Street:**
Friday November 29, 4pm to 8.30pm
- » **Tongariro Street from Spa Road to Lake Terrace:**
Saturday November 30, 2am to 8pm
- » **Lake Terrace from Tongariro Street to Titiraupeunga Street:**
Saturday November 30, 2am to 8pm
- » **Lake Terrace from Titiraupeunga Street to Mere Road:**
Saturday November 30, 8.30am to 3pm
- » **Redoubt Street from Tongariro Street to Ferry Road:**
Saturday November 30, 5am to 10am (controlled restricted access)
- » **Story Place from Tongariro Street to Redoubt Street:**
Saturday November 30, 5am to 10am (controlled restricted access)
- » **Ferry Road from Tongariro Street to Redoubt Street:**
Saturday November 30, 5am to 10am (controlled restricted access)
- » **Poihipi Road from Wairakei Drive to Tuhingamata Road:**
Saturday November 30, 6am to 10.30am
- » **Whangamata Road from Poihipi Road to Kinloch Road:**
Saturday November 30, 6am to 10.30am
- » **Whangamata Road from Kinloch Road to SH32:**
Saturday November 30, 6am to 12pm
- » **Maniapoto Street, Motuoapa:**
Saturday November 30, 8am to 1.30pm

PORTFOLIOS AND COMMITTEE STRUCTURES ANNOUNCED

Taupō District Council has confirmed its committee structure and portfolios for the next three years. Portfolios give councillors responsibility for particular focus areas of importance to the district, where they can take an active leadership role within the community.

The portfolios and the councillors who will be responsible are:

- » **Economic and Business:** Deputy Mayor Christine Rankin and Cr Kathy Guy
- » **Sport and Recreation:** Cr Kevin Taylor
- » **Youth:** Cr Anna Park
- » **Older Persons:** Cr John Boddy
- » **Arts & Culture:** Cr Yvonne Westerman
- » **Environment:** Crs John Mack and John Williamson
- » **Mangakino:** Cr Kirsty Trueman
- » **Community Safety:** Crs Tangonui Kingi and Kevin Taylor
- » **International Relations:** Cr Anna Park

The structure for 21 committees has been set. The committee memberships include councillors and external appointments. The council appointments include:

- » **Risk and Assurance Committee:** Deputy Mayor Rankin, Crs Park, Williamson, Mack, Mayor Trewavas (ex officio).
- » **Emergency Management Committee:** Cr Park (Chairperson), Crs Trueman, Taylor, Kingi, Mayor Trewavas (ex officio).
- » **Kinloch Representative Group:** Cr Guy (Chairperson), Crs Westerman, Williamson, Mayor Trewavas (ex officio).
- » **Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group:** Cr Trueman (Chairperson), Crs Leonard, Westerman, Mayor Trewavas (ex officio).
- » **Taupō East Rural Representative Group:** Cr Leonard (Chairperson), Crs Boddy, Park, Mayor Trewavas (ex officio).
- » **Taupō Reserves and Roothing Committee:** Cr Williamson (Chairperson), Deputy Mayor Rankin, Crs Boddy, Guy, Park, Taylor, Westerman, Leonard, Mayor Trewavas (ex officio).

For full information including all committee appointments, please head to taupo.govt.nz

WHAREROA PLAN CHANGE SUBMISSION PERIOD EXTENDED

The submission period for Plan Change 36 – Whareroa (application to rezone rural land north of Whareroa to residential) is being extended through until **December 20**.

The extension is to allow submitters and potential submitters the chance to view the Economic Cost Benefit Report.

You are able to view the report at www.taupo.govt.nz from December 9.

Submitters who have already made a submission can email any changes or additions to hsamuel@taupo.govt.nz

» WHAT'S ON?

- Nov 29 Lake Taupō Cycle Challenge Criterium, Taupō
- Nov 30 Lake Taupō Cycle Challenge, Taupō District
- Dec 7 IRONMAN 70.3 Taupō, Tongariro North Domain
- Dec 7 Pihanga Christmas in the Park, Pihanga Reserve
- Dec 8 Carols by Candlelight, Colonel Roberts Reserve
- Until Dec 9 Truth, Nature, Self, Taupō Museum
- Until Dec 16 From the Inside, Taupō Museum

For more information visit www.lovetapu.com