

Mareeba – Cape Tribulation
10 Stages
1200 km/12000 m



Crocodile Trophy 2008

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Classification

Team Classification

3 riders, same Outfit

Single Classification

Woman
Elite
Master 1 (30 J. - 40)
Masters 2 (+41 J.)

Participants limited

80 riders

Prizes to win

to the value of AUD 15.000,-

Important Dates and Meetings

19.10.2008

Meeting for helpers:

Meeting point: Hides Hotel Cairns
Date/Time: 19.10.2008, 10:00

20.10.2008

Welcome meeting for riders, accompanying and helpers

You get all information about the race and we will answer all your questions.

Meeting point: Hides Hotel Cairns
Date/Time: 20.10.2008, 14:00

Registration/Permanence for participants and accompanying

You will get your starting number, stage description, croco t-shirt, energy bars and gels.

Meeting point: Hides Hotel Cairns
Starting number 1 to 30: 20.10.2008, 16:00 – 17:00
Starting number 31 to 60: 20.10.2008, 17:00 – 18:00
Starting number 61 to 100: 20.10.2008, 18:00 – 19:00

21.10.2008

Transfer from Cairns to Mareeba and START 1st stage

Meeting point: Meteor Car Rental
Date/Time: 21.10.2008, 07:30
Loading Bikes and Luggage: 07:30 – 8:15
Luggage for Cape Tribulation: 07:30 – 8:15
Departure: 08:30
Arrival Mareeba: 11:00
Start 1st Stage: 11:30

30.10.2008

Last stage

Start last Stage: 09:00
Arrival finish: 11:00 – 12:00
Winner celebration: after last rider arrives

Gala Dinner, official winner celebration and after race party

Start Gala Dinner: 19:30

31.10.2008

Transfer from Cape Tribulation to Cairns

Loading Luggage: 10:00 – 11:00
Departure Hotel: 11:00
Arrival Hides Hotel Cairns: about 13:30

Important INFORMATION

Helmet

In Australia you have to wear a helmet at all time! Penalty up to AUD 150,-.

Depots/Feeding Stations

Depot every 30-40 km: energy drinks, water, muesli bars and fruits. Each rider gets 10 gels and 10 bars from Powerbar by the registration.

Drinking Bottles

Please bring min. 10 drinking bottles (or a Camelbag) with you. You can fill up your dinking bottles on the depot before the start and deposit for the desired depot 1 - 3. We will transport the bottles with cooling boxes and ice bags.

Luggage Transport

ATTENTION: we don't accept bike cases and boxes. A truck will bring all the things you don't use during the event from Cairns (to the hotel in Cape Tribulation! Please take only the absolute necessary things with you.

Please note: because of troubles with import we cannot offer sport bags this year. So you can use your own bags.

BIKESTORE CAIRNS

Trinity Cycling Store – ask for Oliver (speaks German also)
40 APLIN Street Cairns
Phone: 07-40516380
www.citysearch.com.au
tc@zoomnet.com.au

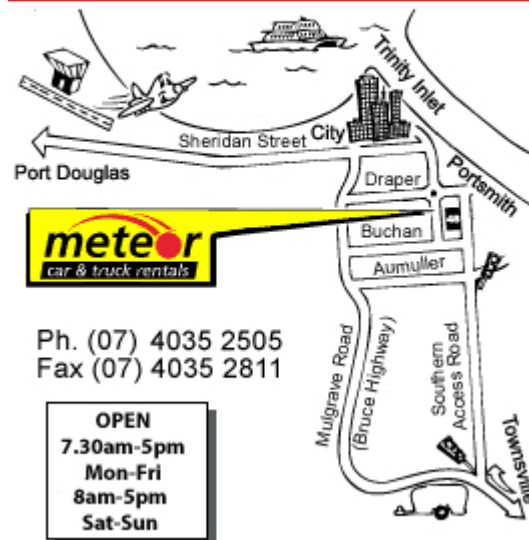
Meeting Point 1st Stage

Monday, 23.10.2008 at 7:54

METEOR CAR RENTAL Cairns

CAIRNS

48 Comport St. Portsmith
(Southern Access Road)



STAGEPLAN 2008

- 01. Stage Tuesday, 21. Oct.
Mareeba – Irvinebank 80 km/1100m
- 02. Stage Wednesday, 22. Oct.
Irvinebank - Koombooloomba 128 km/1400 m
- 03. Stage Thursday, 23. Oct.
Koombooloomba - Gunnawarra 122 km/2235 m
- 04. Stage Friday, 24. Oct.
Gunnawarra - Chillagoe 140 km/900 m
- 05. Stage Saturday, 25. Oct.
Chillagoe - Chillagoe 120 km/850 m
- 06. Stage Sunday, 26. Oct.
Chillagoe – Mt. Mulgrave 138 km/800 m
- 07. Stage Monday, 27. Oct.
Mt. Mulgrave – Laura 148 km/1100 m
- 08. Stage Tuesday, 28. Oct.
Laura - Cooktown 142 km/1050 m
- 09. Stage Wednesday, 29. Oct.
Cooktown – Ayton 128 km/1900 m
- 10. Stage Thursday, 30. Oct.
Ayton – Cape Tribulation 48 km/520 m



PRIZES 2008

worth to AUD 15.000,-

Overall Classification

	Elite	Female	Master 1	Master 2
Place 1	1500	500	500	500
Place 2	900	200	200	200
Place 3	500	100	100	100
Place 4	300			
Place 5	200			
Place 6	150			
Place 7	100			
Place 8	50			

Team Classification

Place 1	1000	Place 1	500
Place 2	400	Place 2	300
Place 3	200	Place 3	100

Stage Classification

	Male	Female	Master 1	Master 2
Place 1	150	80	80	80
Place 2	80	40	40	40
Place 3	50			

* all prizes are vouchers to the value of the amount for the events Crocodile Trophy, Alpentour Trophy or Erzberg Trophy. All vouchers are transferable to another person.



Rules & Regulations

A jury of three non-competitors that are not race organizers will be appointed by the race organizers to interpret, adjudicate, and enforce the rules & regulations for the race duration.

The jurists may also perform other duties to administer the race. The jurists will be chosen based on their knowledge of mountain bike racing, sense of fairness and responsibility within the community.

AGE LIMIT: The Crocodile Trophy is open to male and females who have reached the age of 18 years as at 20.10.2008.

1. The race organizers and jury reserve the right to change any rules & regulations at any time. Any rules & regulations published in any form prior to event registration may change at any time without notice. Riders will be required to sign a copy of the final rules & regulations at event registration. After event registration, any changes to rules & regulations will be announced at a race briefing or de-briefing.
2. The race organisers or jury will also adjudicate on disagreements concerning the rules & regulations and upon all offences or matters not specifically mentioned in the rules & regulations
3. Fines or other penalties including disqualification from a stage or the event may be imposed for flagrant breaches of the rules & regulations.
4. Protests will be heard by the race jury. Protests must be lodged in writing to the Race Director within 30 minutes of the last rider completing the stage, and must be accompanied by \$50.00, which will be refunded if the protest is upheld or the jury determines that the protest was not frivolous.
5. Each competitor enters and competes at his/her own account and risk. Mountain biking can be a dangerous activity and the competitor assumes all risk and responsibility for their safety and well being.
6. Instructions from Police, race officials (including Medical personnel) must be followed under all circumstances.
7. Bicycle helmets must be worn at all times during competition. Failure to meet this requirement may result in immediate disqualification from the event. Damaged helmets must be replaced. In that case the organizer provides helmets for the participants.
(Note: It is Law in Australia for cyclists to wear helmets when riding at all times)
8. All riders have to bring their own drinking bottles (minimum 10 bottles). All riders have to fill their own bottles and hand them over to the depot – crew before the start.

9. Competitors must use the same bike and wheels for the entirety of the race. Swapping or exchanging of bikes will only be allowed within the team. Bikes must be in a safe working condition at the start of each stage. Organisers may withdraw a competitor if his or her bicycle is considered to be unsafe. Should a competitor's bike be damaged, rendering it unserviceable or dangerous, event organisers may allow a substitute bike to be used.

Each competitor has to repair his own bike. The mechanics will assist you after and before each stage.

10. Competitors must keep to the marked track at all times. Cutting off portions of track or riding on unmarked track is prohibited. Competitors must complete 100% of the designated track in order to complete the stage. The qualifying time period is 50% of the fastest time in each category and stage.

11. If a competitor fails to finish any stage of the race due to serious mechanical malfunction or other mishap, then at the discretion of the race jury the competitor may be allowed to continue the race. The jury or race organisers may impose a time, or other penalty.

12. The organisers reserve the right to distribution of prizes or prize money if less than five entrants in any category compete.

13. Overall leader and other Category leaders are obliged to wear the leaders jersey with sponsorship labels provided by the race management. There must not be any alterations made to the sponsorship labels, as the promoter must be visible. Personal and team sponsorship labels are allowed on the front of the leaders jerseys underneath the official sponsors, to a maximum size of 25x25mm

14. Race numbers must not be manipulated, reduced in size or discarded

15. Assistance during the race (food, drinks and material) from unofficial persons is forbidden (exceptions are possible with prior approval or in emergency).

Unofficial vehicles or motorcycles are not allowed in the race. It will be handled as a grave offence!!!

The team or support vehicle are allowed during some of the stages (announcement before each stage) to feed their riders at the official depots only. After feeding the vehicle has to drive immediately to the next depot or to the finish.

Competitors who accept support from unofficial vehicle or person will be punished (except depots)

16. Race organisers reserve the right to make changes to the track, stages, and organization as may be required for the betterment of the race, for safety, or other reasons.

17. Organisers and competitors are obliged to keep the start and finish area clean and to avoid any damage to official or private property. Competitors are advised that throwing away waste materials (especially plastic bottles or cans) along the racing route is prohibited. It is strictly forbidden to clean the bikes or vehicles in the river (drinking water for the region). The use of soap or shampoo is forbidden in the rivers.

18. Competitors must ensure that the cleaning or repair of bicycles is not undertaken in a manner or place that results in a deposit of rubbish, grease, oil etc. Penalties as above may apply.

19. The race organisers reserve the right to withdraw a competitor or not recognise a competitor's time, if it is considered the competitor to be outside what is judged to be a reasonable time for completing a stage. The jury will decide whether further continuation in the race is allowed

20. The Race Organisers reserve the right to withdraw a competitor from any or all stages of the race upon advice from the official event Doctor or any medical authority recognized by the race organizers

21. Transport of the luggage

The organisation doesn't take responsibility for the transport of the bikes and the luggage. Each participant must load his luggage onto the truck himself. Responsibility cannot be assumed for luggage that is not loaded or left behind. Each loading time will be announced in time. Our truck crew unloads the luggage at each camp. The luggage weight is not to exceed 25 kg considering the fact that the crew has to unload 4 tons of luggage each day. So please pack in several bags. Bike boxes or cases will not be accepted at all! Hard shell suitcases are causing problems too.

We don't take any responsibility for damage on your bike or luggage.

Don't lean your bike on any vehicle or put it in front or behind a vehicle!!!!

22. Offences

If any competitor doesn't keep to the rules the jury is entitled to pronounce fines or (immediate) disqualification.

1st offence: caution
2nd offence: AUD\$ 300,- or time penalty
3rd offence: disqualification

23. Briefing and presentation ceremony by to organisation daily at 5 pm

24. Briefing before each stage by the race director

25. Catering

Breakfast: 2 hours before the start of each stage
Dinner: from about 5:00 p.m. after each stage
Depots: between each 30 and 40 km (drinks and food)
depending on weather and difficulties of the stage.

Ratings

Individual and overall classification according to times:

Ratings: Adding up time of all stages. Disqualified riders who have exceeded the time control will be excluded from the classification.

Identical times: The lowest number of all rankings will be considered.

Equality: In case of equality the better ranking of the last stage will be considered.

Time bonus (only ELITE):

stage winner:	15 seconds
2 nd place:	10 seconds
3 rd place:	5 seconds

Individual and overall classification according to points:

Ratings: Adding up the points of the stages. The first five competitors of each stage will be rewarded 20, 15, 10, 5 and 2 points in chronological order.

Identical points: In case of equality of points the highest number of first places or the highest number of second places and so on will be considered.

Equality: In case of equality the better ranking of the last stage will be considered.

Overall team classification according to time:

Adding up the total time of the 3 riders in a team per stage. Adding up the total time of all stages.
(Team: 3 riders, same jersey and bike short)