
Bike Taupo MTB Tracks by Grade

Track Name

Description

Direction



G2

Easy/Grade 2: Mostly flat with some gentle climbs on smooth track with easily avoidable obstacles such as rocks and potholes.

Kev's track

Two Way

Named after Kevin Loe. Links SH1 to Huka Falls road

Western Bypass

Two Way

Western side of Huka Falls links off the end of Kev's track to falls Carpark Neat little single track bush track

Café Track

Two Way

Named after the Hub café links Huka falls Carpark to the Hub café Zig Zag hill with nice trees

Tunnel Track

Two Way

Live longer and go under SH1 from Hub café to Wairakei entry

Inwards Goods

Two Way

main entry from the Tunnel track to link onto Tourist trap and feed into MTB system Has two parts an entry and exit

Lake Hire Link

Two Way

named after Lake Hire who have sponsored equipment for building tracks Links the Carpark to Cork Screw and over the road to Tank Stand splits in two at one point has two tunnels on it

Out wards Goods

Two Way

Runs off Tourist trap Links out to SH1 Cross the road to Kev Track

Contact track

Two Way

Entry off SH1 after the steam pipe bridge It's a link track built for the Huka race Lets you come along the road side with out dying and links to the road leading down the western side off Aratiatia dam

Western side of Waikato River to Aratiatia Dam

Two Way

Follow the road past the Wairakei Power station through the gates and you pop out at the dam. Nice ride its about 20km loop from the Hub café

Aratiatia Track to Huka Falls

Two Way


DoC shared track Best part is back towards the falls under the bush

Eastern Bypass track

Two Way

Comes of Aratiatia track and bypass's all the people at Huka Falls great little peace off single track

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Rotary Ride to Spa Park		Two Way
	This track is the key to all the system which links you back into town from Huka Falls starts at car park in Spa Park. Nice track to ride which splits in a number off places to a one way single track Great ride from town after work in the winter or summer. Near Huka Falls joins the walking track which is shared for 50 meters 5 kms	
W2K		Two Way
	Runs from Whakaipo Bay to Kinloch. The Grand Daddy in our track system for is share size and views. Short loop is 14 Kms one way, via headland track it is 21km. If you ride the headland loop back to your starting point: From Kinloch return to Kinloch it's 22 kms. From Whakaipo Bay it's 27 Kms return to the bay. Has easy grades but the distance makes for a great ride A lot of the track is under the native bush and is very sheltered from the wind. Can be very busy in the holidays.	
Redwoods		One Way
	easy ride to from town stunning trees to ride under links to Huka falls and Wairakei You can enter off SH1 or Huka Falls road	
Tourist Trap		One Way
	great learners track has bumps, dips and easy climbs is about a 5 km loop back to the main Carpark	
Coaster		One Way
	As the name implies is a easy (but can be very fast) down hill with beamed corners has a great flow to it and is fun for all easy to get to by coming of Tank Stand at the top of the climb. A must do ride for people coming to the park first time your Grandmother would like it	
Paintball		One Way
	paintball is just a link track that goes onto Fast Eddie.	
Fast Eddy links		One Way
	into Bumble Bee it has a little dip about half way down which can catch you out so don't go to sleep	
Bumble Bee		One Way
	Nice flowing track in with the odd dip and drop leads back to the mid point of Ferret	
Wairakei Resort Track		Two Way
	Runs of the tunnel track and takes riders into the back of the Wairakei resort and then around the back of the hotel beside the hot water stream	
Aratiatia Loop		Two Way
	20 km loop that requires a bit of navigation. From the Hub Café ride into the Tunnel Track, turn right onto the Wairakei Resort track. Follow the signs all the way to the steam bridge (pop in for a coffee at the hotel if you like). Cross the steam bridge duck into the gum tress on the right and it will spit you out at the lookout above the power station. Track down the road and keep going straight ahead through the big pipe gates. The lake will appear on your right. This track goes all the way to the dam. Cross the dam and head back up the DoC track to Huka Falls, then back up to the Hub Café.	

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	<p>G3 Intermediate/Grade 3: Steep slopes and/or avoidable obstacles possibly on narrow track and/or with poor traction. There may be exposure at the track's outside edge.</p>	
Totara Gut	Entry off the Tunnel track or link up to the café very tight climb or descent beside a stream in nice bush. This is a DoC track and expect walkers so take it easy	Two Way
Ferret	Runs off Tourist Trap twists and turns a lot more than TT rejoins the Tourist trap and brings you back to the car park	One Way
Cork Screw	Runs off the lake Hire Link named after the very steep hill climb and techy descent which can be by passed by doing the Squirt if you are not up to it Has the bikers playground in it with a See saw and ride the planks	One Way
Tank Stand	Named after the old water tank that we used to ride past Has a easy up hill then a long decent to the Corner Shop Connection. Is the main feeder track to the Northern tracks and has a number of tracks both going off it and joining onto it. Is a very busy track	One Way
Mr. & Mrs. track	A new track which is in to parts The first is all down hill and is over to fast and the second part seems to go on for ever and has lots of dips and bumps on it (thus the name) Comes og the top of Ground Effect Grinder	One Way
Young Pines	The Pines are a lot older now. Get too it three ways via the bottom of the Buzzard, the Mr. & Mrs. or up the road from the Connection Is a great blast with a very big dipper that takes your breath away the first time you ride it	One Way
Better than P	Built by Pete Lockwood Runs down the middle of Young Pines and has a great flow to it If you do this after the Mr. & Mrs. you get almost a 3km down hill	One Way
Out Back track	The name says it all it's a 6 km journey with tracks running off it. Has a long up hill and great descent	One Way
Slalom Link	track that brings you back from the Luge and Out Back to the Connection	One Way
Walters Wiggles	Named after Walter who was driving the digger when it was built Runs from the Connection back to Lake Hire Link Has a great traverse along a face to start.	One Way

Track Name	Description	Direction
Incline	Starts at the Connection and is all uphill to link back to the Coaster	One Way
Mays Maze	Runs off paintball and was build by Carwin May and is a techy single track that some love and other hate but we think its great fun and if you don't like it just improve you skills	One Way
Deb's Track	Runs off the top of the Ground Effect Grinder. Big long down hill then followed by an uphill which links back to the midpoint of the Mr. & Mrs. Built by Brendon Reynolds and helpers. Is in memory off Debbie Jane a local biker who passed away while the track was being built.	One Way
Kawakawa Bay Track	SHARED TRACK - EXPECT WALKERS! Starts down town Kinlock and runs to the west along the beach then heads into the hills. Is being upgraded by DoC and Bike Taupo to make it the climbs more user friendly . Rip over for a swim in the bay.	Two Way
Waihaha Hut	SHARED TRACK - EXPECT WALKERS! DoC track that runs of the Western Bays road into Pureora Forest Great half day bush ride in and out to the hut. Track is a bit techy and not very well maintained but worth the effort for the riding under the big trees.	Two Way

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G4

Advanced/Grade 4: A mixture of long, steep climbs, narrow track, poor traction and obstacles that are difficult to avoid or jump over. Generally exposed at the track's outside edge. Most riders will find some sections easier to walk.

Totara Gully Track Two Way

Entry off café track and runs down to Huka Jet access road This is true blue single track in native bush has short sharp climbs and descents This is a DoC track so expect other users

Ground Effect Grinder One Way

Named after the Ground Effect MTB clothing company who have helped us build many tracks Uphill all the way to the highest point in the forest. Feeds the Buzzard, and the Mr. & Mrs.

Retro One Way

Named after the age of guys built it, runs off Outback and is a very hard climb and very techy descent. From the top most people ride down the Luge on the other side. Check out the hand grips on the climb (barbed wire)

Luge One Way

Great down hill very narrow so if you make a mistake it will eat you up. Half way down is a See Saw which will make you tighten up on your saddle. Check it out before you take it on it can be easily bypassed to other chicken chutes

Buzzard One Way

One of the oldest tracks in the forest It's a great down hill with narrow board walks on it to keep you on your toes Blow it and it will eat you up.

Missing link One Way

runs off Buzzard to link onto Tank Stand

Kegresse One Way

New track that links Bubble Bee to Outwars goods. Techy track that seems to never end and you have to wonder about the sanity of the track builders when you see the size of the blackberries. Build by Chris Morris and Eddie Edhouse two guys from the Contact power station over the summer of 09

Teiringa Two Way

SHARED TRACK - EXPECT WALKERS!
DoC track that runs into the Kaimanawas . This is a full on epic or best of all make it a overnight or fly out from the airstrip across the valley Expect to do a bit of walking and carrying

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G6

Extreme/Grade 6: Downhill/free ride specific tracks. Extremely steep sections with large drop-offs and other unavoidable obstacles. May include man made structures and jumps.

The Buddha

One Way

Our only true blue down hill with big jumps and drops. Ride up the tar seal road from the car park and at the top of the hill (about 600 meters) go left under the Oak trees. Check it out before taking on the jumps Has chicken chutes all the way down so can be ridden on a hard tail.

Coles Killer

One Way

Been around for a while but has had a serious make over of late. Built by Cole Harris and then give a make over by James the Canadian. It now runs from the top of the Ground Effect Grinder links onto the Buzzard and then down missing link for the longest down hill run in Wairakei. Has scary jumps and drops but all can be bypassed by the meek and mild and ridden on a hard tail