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Welcome to the first stop of the Crankworx World Tour! We can't wait for you to see the city buzzing as the world descends upon Aotearoa's shores to ride at Crankworx Rotorua.

In our fourth year hosting this event, we've taken everything up a notch to deliver an experience transcending anything done before.

The first four days are free in Rotorua's legendary Whakarewarewa forest, and then the Skyline Crankworx Village comes alive for the final five days of World Tour action. If you've been to Crankworx before, you'll notice the Expo is bigger and better, there's a new Pump Track in a different location, Kidsworx is more accessible for families with amazing new tracks, the Slopestyle also has a couple of mind blowing new features, plus there is an additional free day for Rotorua locals.

We hope those of you visiting from overseas, feel the manaakitanga of locals – this is a Maori word the city is renowned for and it reflects how we as people, extend the hand of hospitality, welcoming and sharing. Take a moment while you're here, to embrace and learn about our culture, from the Opening Ceremony official powhiri, through to some of the traditional Maori wood carvings you'll spot on-site for different event features.

We hope you have an epic time here at Crankworx Rotorua.

Nga mihi,

ARIKI TIBBLE, EVENT DIRECTOR

Rotorua Lakes Council is proud to support Crankworx Rotorua, an event that showcases our district's active environment and the essence of manaakitanga (hospitality) for which our community is renowned.

Enjoyed by thousands who attend the festival and millions who watch from across the globe

Crankworx Rotorua has confirmed Rotorua as a world class destination.

Through this international event we share with thousands of domestic and international visitors what we locals already know, that Rotorua is a place where our environment determines our lifestyle and where our culture creates diverse opportunities for our people.

MAX FREDRIKSSON DURING CRANKWORX
ROTORUA 2017 SLOPESTYLE COMP.
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EVENT ENTRY KEY:



*Free for locals with proof of address and ID.

FRIDAY 16 MARCH

OPENING CEREMONY

EAT STREET 7pm - 8pm

Free

DAY 1

SATURDAY 17 MARCH

GIANT TOA ENDURO PRESENTED BY CAMELBAK

WAIPA, WHAKAREWAREWA FOREST

9am - 5pm

Free

Six stages of enduro action on some of Rotorua's best mountain biking trails in the Whakarewarewa Forest. Riders take their time pedalling up the hills then race against the clock on their way down.

Where to watch from:

Race trails will be released 48 hours before the event on the Crankworx website. Riders will be spread throughout the forest, so head out and watch them race from the trails. This event will start and finish at the Waipa event hub where an MC will keep you updated on the racing with a stage set up and entertainment.

EVENING FUN

SOBAR

Music with Matt (live)

Crankworx drink specials for the whole week of Crankworx

DAY 2

SUNDAY 18 MARCH

REDWOODS DOWNHILL

WAIPA, WHAKAREWAREWA FOREST

Practice: 9am - 2.30pm / Racing: 2.45pm - 5pm

Free

Giant ferns above, dirt gold below. In this new event

for 2018, riders get amongst some quintessential Rotorua terrain. The Taniwha Trail (also known as the National Downhill) was originally built in 1994 by Rotorua's MTB pioneers and features the full gamut of all that's good in a downhill track, from technical steepers to big jumps and drops. The fastest one to the bottom will take home the gold.

Where to watch from:

Head up the trail to watch the riders race down or hang out and cheer them on through the finish line.

How to get there:

From Waipa Carpark ride or walk down the Verry Safe Trail down to Eight Mile Gate Rd. From there follow the forestry road (Hill Rd) to the event hub.

DAY 3

MONDAY 19 MARCH

THE PROFESSIONALS ROTORUA NATIONAL SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

WAIPA, WHAKAREWAREWA FOREST

10am - 4pm

Free

This event is all about giving the next generation of riders the opportunity to compete in a world class mountain biking event.

Where to watch from:

Hang out at the finish corral at the Waipa event hub or head out to the forest to watch them on the trails.

DAY 4

TUESDAY 20 MARCH

THE PROFESSIONALS ROTORUA NATIONAL SCHOOLS TEAM RELAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

WAIPA, WHAKAREWAREWA FOREST

10am - 12pm

Free

In teams of three, riders take turns completing a lap of the course as fast as they can til the laps required are completed. The fastest school to complete this will be the winner.

100% DUAL SLALOM ROTORUA



WATTLES, TOKORANGI FOREST, TARAWERA ROAD

Practice & Time Trials: 9am - 1pm

Pro Practice & Time Trials: 1.30pm - 4.15pm

Finals: 4.30pm - 6pm

Another new event for Crankworx Rotorua 2018. The 100% Dual Slalom is a crowd-pleaser with two competitors racing against one another in a side-by-side battle against the clock's cruel hand and themselves. The finely sculpted track of jumps, berms, rhythm sections and drops make for a daring bike-handling battleground.

Dual Slalom is unique in that it tends to bring out mountain bikers from all different disciplines, so expect to see downhill all-stars and dirt jumping ninjas all competing to earn their share of the King and Queen of Crankworx Points.

How to get there and parking options:

(Please refer to map on page 8-9)

DAY 5

WEDNESDAY 21 MARCH

SKYLINE ROTORUA

Gates open 10am - 5.30pm



How to get to Skyline:

- Bike – bike parking available on site (BYO lock)
- Drive – parking options below
- Bus – Cityride buses

(Please refer to map on page 10-11)

THE PROFESSIONALS ROTORUA NATIONAL SCHOOLS DOWNHILL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Practice: 10am - 11.30am / Racing: 12.30pm - 2pm

High School students get the opportunity to battle it down the classic Crankworx Rotorua Downhill trail just days before the pros. Starting at the top of Mount Ngongotaha, riders race all the way down the mountain and into the finishing coral of the Crankworx Rotorua Village.

CRANKWORX ROTORUA AIR DH

Practice: 10am - 1.45pm / Racing: 2pm - 5.30pm

Racing down the Mr Black trail at the Skyline Rotorua Gravity Park, riders race over 30 jumpable features in an attempt to be the fastest person to the finish line. This downhill event is all about technique and hitting jumps, while trying to maintain maximum speed going down the hill.

Where to watch from:

- Mr Black road gap jump
- Follow the trail up and find your favourite spot
- Watch all the action from the big screen in the Skyline Rotorua event village

EVENT PRACTICE TIMES

- **Mons Royale Dual Speed & Style Rotorua Practice / 10am - 1pm**
- **Crankworx Rotorua Slopestyle in memory of McGazza Practice / 11.30am - 3.30pm**
- **Rockshox Rotorua Pump Track Challenge presented by Torpedo7 Practice / 12pm - 2pm**

KIDSWORX

Happening daily throughout Crankworx Rotorua

TIKI TOUR SCAVENGER HUNT

Follow the clues as you venture through the Crankworx Village hunting for treasures. The best way to explore the village so you don't miss anything! New treasure hunts available every day.

PIMP MY RIDE

Come down and give your bike some loving. Clean your bike, pump up the tires and then pimp it up with stickers, number plates and lots of bike bling.

TAMARIKI TRACK

The coolest little track in the Crankworx Village. With berms and rollers, this track is open for everyone to have a go on. Kids can bring their own bike, or have a go on one of the demo bikes. This is the perfect track for kids to practice their skills and experience the thrill of learning some new ones.

EVENING FUN

SOBAR

DJ Ayesha 9pm - 1am

Crankworx drink specials for the whole week of Crankworx

PIG AND WHISTLE

Happy Hour: 7pm - 8pm 25% off drinks!

Crankworx Schnitzel, chips & salad \$20 for the whole week of Crankworx

DAY 6

THURSDAY 22 MARCH

SKYLINE ROTORUA

Gates open 10am - 5.30pm



ROCKSHOX ROTORUA PUMP TRACK CHALLENGE PRESENTED BY TORPEDO 7

Qualifications: 10am - 11.30am

Finals: 6.30pm - 9pm

In this chainless battle you'll see riders coast using only the momentum of the start ramp and their pure strength as they race head-to-head trying to gain as much speed as they can over berms and rollers. Grab some snacks and a drink and have a seat on the grandstand by the track and enjoy the show.

EVENT PRACTICE TIMES

- Mons Royale Dual Speed & Style Rotorua
Practice: 10am - 3pm / Qualifiers: 3pm - 5pm
- Crankworx Rotorua Slopestyle in memory of McGazza Practice: 12pm - 4pm
- Crankworx Rotorua Downhill Practice:
10am - 4.45pm

KIDSWORX

TIKI TOUR SCAVENGER HUNT

PIMP MY RIDE

TAMARIKI TRACK

KIDSWORX PUMP TRACK ARENA

SESSIONS 1pm - 3pm

A special opportunity where the Pump Track is open to kids all-ages to have a jam and receive some tips and tricks from the athletes on a world class pump track. Spend time with some of the top athletes, while fine-tuning pump track skills.

EVENING FUN

PIG AND WHISTLE

Happy Hour: 9.30pm - 10.30pm 25% off drinks!

PUMP IT UP PARTY 9pm - late

SOBAR

Tunes with T (live) 6pm - 9pm

DJ Ayesha 9pm - 1am

DAY 7

FRIDAY 23 MARCH

SKYLINE ROTORUA

Gates open 10am - 9pm



MONS ROYALE DUAL SPEED & STYLE ROTORUA

Practice: 12.30pm - 2.30pm / 4pm - 5pm

Finals: 5pm - 7pm

Just like the name suggests, this event is a mixture of speed and style. Riders battle against each other down a track with step-downs and booster jumps while trying to go as fast as they can, executing the most stylish tricks possible. Ultimately, this event comes down to whether speed trumps style or style trumps speed!

Where to watch from:

Head up on the hill around the track to find your favourite viewing spot.

OFFICIAL OCEANIA WHIP-OFF CHAMPIONSHIPS PRESENTED BY SPANK

7.30pm - 9pm

Back again for 2018, the Whip-Off under lights

will see riders hitting the biggest dirt jump onsite at Skyline Rotorua. Riders will leap into the air and attempt to get their bike as sideways as they can. Judges will select a winner based on the amplitude, style, degree of whip past 90 degrees, and most importantly, the return of the bike and rider to a straight landing on the ground.

Where to watch from:

The best viewing spots are up on the hill or in front of the big screen.

LIV WOMEN'S ONLY TRAIL SESSION

9am - 12pm

Liv Cycling presents a women's only ride session at the Skyline Rotorua Gravity Park. Enabling women of all skill levels to enjoy Sprint Warrior, one of the most exciting trails at the park. Although it is solely a free ride session, you will be riding in the company of Liv athletes and ambassadors who will be more than happy to offer advice and give you some tips to help you enjoy the features on the trail.

Register at crankworx.com

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TIKI TOUR SCAVENGER HUNT

PIMP MY RIDE

TAMARIKI TRACK

KIDSWORX SKYLINE HIPSTER DH RACE

10am - 12pm

Have a go on Skyline Rotorua Gravity Park's most popular trail. Kids up to the age of nine travel up in the gondola and drop into this long and flowy trail which finishes in the Crankworx Village.

EVENT PRACTICE TIMES

- Crankworx Rotorua Downhill Practice:
10am - 5pm

EVENING FUN

LAVA BAR

CRANK IT UP PARTY

10pm till late with Dj Sanka

\$10 pizza and burger deals available for the whole week of Crankworx

SOBAR

KGB 6 - 9pm

DJ Nero 9pm - 1am

PIG AND WHISTLE

Happy Hour: 9.30pm - 10.30pm 25% off drinks!

DAY 8

SATURDAY 24 MARCH

SKYLINE ROTORUA

Gates open 10am - 9pm



CRANKWORX ROTORUA SLOPESTYLE IN MEMORY OF MCGAZZA

Practice: 10am - 3pm / Finals: 3.30pm - 6pm

The pinnacle event for Crankworx Rotorua and the season opener for the Crankworx FMBA Slopestyle World Championship. Riders travel down a course of massive jumps and into the air to perform a symphony of flips, whips and tricks through the Redwoods at Skyline Rotorua Gravity Park. This year will see a refresh to the course with a few jump rebuilds.

KIDSWORX

TIKI TOUR SCAVENGER HUNT

PIMP MY RIDE

TAMARIKI TRACK

KIDSWORX PUMP TRACK CHALLENGE

10am - 12pm

After watching the professional riders earlier in the week, it's time to give the kids an opportunity to have a go racing on this world class trail. Kids will have the opportunity to practice and get coaching tips from athletes before it's their turn to race.

EVENT PRACTICE TIMES

- Crankworx Rotorua Downhill Practice:
10am - 3.30pm

DEEP SUMMER PHOTO COMPETITION

EAT STREET 8.30pm - 9.30pm

Four elite photographers have three days to put together an epic slideshow showcasing Rotorua's beauty and mountain biking culture. Slideshow presentations will light up Eat Street after the Slopestyle.

EVENING FUN

SOBAR

DJ Nero & guest 8pm-1am

DAY 9

SUNDAY 25 MARCH

SKYLINE ROTORUA

Gates open 10am - 5.30pm

CRANKWORX ROTORUA DOWNHILL

10am - 5.30pm

One week on from the Redwoods Downhill, riders will be back at Skyline racing from the top of Mt Ngongotaha. Riders will tackle bridge drops, rock gardens and rooty technical sections down the mountain riding across the Skyline Rotorua Luge track to finish up underneath the Skyline Rotorua Gondolas and into the Crankworx Village full of spectators.

Where to watch from:

- The Professionals Rotorua Grandstand
- Fat Mans Root
- Larches
- Woodyard
- End Jump (Saturn jump)



KIDSWORX

TIKI TOUR SCAVENGER HUNT

PIMP MY RIDE

TAMARIKI TRACK

KIDSWORX SPRINT WARRIOR
DOWNHILL RACE

10am - 12pm

Sprint Warrior is a chance for confident young riders to be challenged, dropping into the trail which starts at an intermediate level, then leads into a fast-paced advanced trail. The fastest one down the mountain wins.

EVENING FUN

SOBAR

DJ Nero & guest 8pm-1am



To keep up to date with the most current schedule go to:
www.crankworx.com/rotorua/rotorua-schedule-list



WHERE TO GET YOUR TICKETS

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND
TO PURCHASE TICKETS PLEASE VISIT

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ROTORUA/TICKETS](http://WWW.CRANKWORX.COM/ROTORUA/TICKETS)

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KING & QUEEN

Crankworx provides a venue for extraordinary mountain bikers to showcase their skills. A number of exciting athletes will be at Crankworx Rotorua, from top local riders to world class mountain bikers from all around the globe. They're here to test their skills by participating and performing in different events for the chance to be named the King or Queen of the Crankworx World Tour. Here's a quick look at some of the top contenders you'll see competing for the title:

TOP MALES

ADRIEN LORON FRA
KING OF CRANKWORX 2017

BERNARD KERR UK

TOMAS SLAVIK CZR
KING OF CRANKWORX 2016

TOP WOMEN

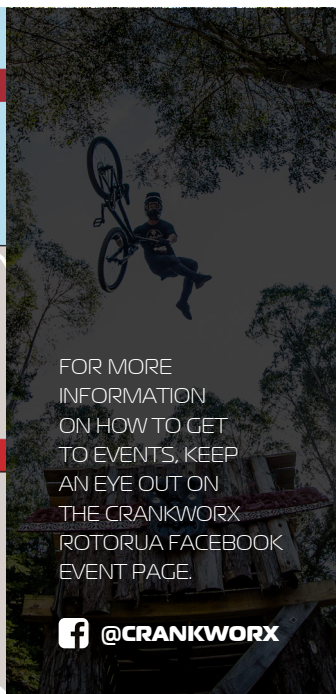
JILL KINTNER USA
QUEEN OF CRANKWORX 2017

CASEY BROWN CAN


MIRANDA MILLER CAN



THE KING & QUEEN OF CRANKWORX 2017
ADRIEN LORON (FRA) (TOP) AND JILL KINTNER (USA).
PHOTOS: FRASER BRITTON.



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ON HOW TO GET
TO EVENTS, KEEP
AN EYE OUT ON
THE CRANKWORX
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EVENT PAGE.

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DAYS 5-9
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DAYS 1-4
MARCH 17-20

Suggested Cityride bus routes:

- 3: Ōwhata via Lynmore and the Redwoods (Wattles)
- 1: Ngongotahā via Rainbow Springs/Skyline and Agrodome
- 6: Kawaha Point via Rotorua Hospital (Skyline)

Cycling and shared paths:

- Cycle lane (on road)
- Shared path
- Te Ara Ahi National Cycleway (to Waipa Village)
- Inner City Green Corridor



DAY 4
MARCH 20

SRAM®

GOLD

ROCK SHOX

GIANT

MONS ROYALE
MERINO

CAMELBAK



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