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**CAIRNS**  
**BMX**

Cairns BMX Club Inc.  
PO Box 5538  
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## Cairns BMX Club Information Booklet – 2017

The Cairns BMX Club is an incorporated entity affiliated with BMX Queensland and BMX Australia. We are guided by the rules and regulations of our state, national and international bodies – BMX Queensland, BMXA Australia and UCI (Union Cycliste Internationale).

The club is open to all riders, gender and ability from 2 year olds to 50 and over riders.

Cairns BMX is one of the biggest clubs in Australia with over 300 riders and has hosted many State and National events.

### Club Contacts

President – Harald Weber – [president@cairnsbmx.org.au](mailto:president@cairnsbmx.org.au)

Vice President – Jack Emeleus

Secretary – Alicia Prince – [secretary@cairnsbmx.org.au](mailto:secretary@cairnsbmx.org.au)

Assistant Secretary – Leisa twadle

Treasurer – Prue Swenson – [treasurer@cairnsbmx.org.au](mailto:treasurer@cairnsbmx.org.au)

Assistant Treasurer – Michelle Foster

Registrar – Donna Gale-Leahy – [registrar@cairnsbmx.org.au](mailto:registrar@cairnsbmx.org.au)

Assistant Registrar – Vacant – (Jill West is standing in)

Track Director – Steve Petre

Assistant Track Director – Brad Graham

Events/Social Media – Fiona Mundie - [events@cairnsbmx.org.au](mailto:events@cairnsbmx.org.au)

Canteen Co-ordinator – Vacant.....

Pro Shop – Russell Valentine

Media and Marketing – Vacant

Coaching Co-ordinator – Leanne VandenHooven – [coaching@cairnsbmx.org.au](mailto:coaching@cairnsbmx.org.au)

Fundraising Co-ordinator – Julie Williams - [fundraising@cairnsbmx.org.au](mailto:fundraising@cairnsbmx.org.au)

Volunteer Co-ordinator – Jack Emeleus – [volunteers@cairnsbmx.org.au](mailto:volunteers@cairnsbmx.org.au)

Please contact the relevant committee members if you have any enquiries. We also have a Cairns BMX Club Facebook page and Team App, which can be downloaded from your smart phone/tablet that we update for any news/cancellations so it is recommended to download the Team App or like and share our FB page.

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## Licences

All riders must be licenced with BMX Australia to be able to ride on the Cairns BMX Club Track. You can join via BMXA website [www.bmxaustralia.com.au](http://www.bmxaustralia.com.au) or can be completed at the track on the Laptop (see the ladies in the office) – once completed (you will require ID for new members), you will be sent a BMX licence. Please keep this licence on you at all times as this must be shown on Tuesday's and Friday's at the track when requested.

Licence Fees are as follows;

- 4 month licence - \$41.15
- Mini-Wheeler - \$50.85
- Sprockets - \$163.45
- Open - \$169.60
- Club Only - \$144.90

## Operational Levy

To assist with the maintenance of our Track and club facilities, each rider must pay an operational levy of \$60, which is paid annually at the beginning of each year, payable by 1<sup>st</sup> March. This includes your gate fee on a Tuesday. **NO LEVY = NO TRACK**

Please see the ladies in the office for more information. (If you are new joining mid-year, we will Pro-rata your levy).

Mini Wheelers operational levies are \$30, 4 month Licence = \$20

## Track Open

The Club is open on Tuesday's for Gate Practice and Friday night for racing (weather permitting), except for school holidays and in July when the Cairns Show is on. We will advise of closing times closer to the dates.

## Tuesday Practice Times

- 4.30pm – 5.00pm – Mini Wheelers (2-4 years)
- 5.15pm – 5.45pm – Mini Sprockets (Transitional riders from mini-wheelers to sprockets)
- 5.45pm – 6.30pm – Sprockets (5 -7 years)
- 6.30pm – 8.00pm (8 years & Over)

Due to the large volume of riders on gates night, the club has decided there is to be NO BERM DROPPING on Tuesday Night gate sessions.

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## **Friday Night Racing**

Please see the attached Race Format for more information on racing but registration is open from 6.00pm – 6.30pm.

**Racing starts at 7.00pm.**

Cost for racing is as follows;

- Mini-Wheelers - \$2.00
- 1 Rider - \$10.00
- 2 riders (in the same family) - \$18.00
- 3 or more riders (in the same family) - \$25.00
- Pro Men and 14+ Ladies Riders - \$12.00

Practice times on Friday Night before racing

- 6.00pm – 6.30pm – 8 years & over Riders
- 6.30pm – 6.45pm – Pro Men
- 6.45pm – 7.00pm – Sprockets

Mini-Wheelers will have their first three races at 7.00pm before the first moto. (see Race format attached)

## **Transponders**

The club runs transponders as their scoring system on race nights, these are available to purchase for our club members (Transponders are a timing chip that is attached to your bike, which records your time each race which is used for scoring) and these can be purchased from the club throughout the year.

## **Number Plates**

Every rider has to have a number plate attached the handlebars of their bike. When you join the club, you will need to see the ladies in the office to get started and to allocate a number. Once you have a number – visit the Pro shop where you can purchase a number plate for \$12, plus \$2 a number.

The following number plate combinations must be used;

Mini Wheelers – Purple Plate, White numbers

Sprockets – Orange Plate, Black numbers

Age – Male (20 inch) – Yellow Plate, Black numbers

Age – Female (20 Inch) – Blue Plate, White numbers

Cruisers – Red plate, White numbers

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### What do you need?

Any 20 inch (or 24 inch for the older riders) bike is fine. Remove any accessories (mud/chain guards, kick stand, pegs and reflectors), make sure there is no sharp edges on your handlebars and pedals for safety. Make sure you pump up your tyres, sometimes there is a pump at the track in the Pro Shop but it would be a good idea to have your own. (Don't forget some tools)

Clothing – you will need – Long pants, long sleeved top, socks and shoes, gloves and a full face helmet. We do have some of this available to buy in the pro shop.

Mini-Wheelers can use an open face bike helmet until they step up to a pedal bike.

### Mini-Wheeler/Transitional and Sprocket Riders

It is a requirement of the club that any mini Wheeler or Sprocket parents who wish to enter the track during practice and/or race nights must obtain a Volunteer Membership with BMX Australia (free of charge), this ensures that you are covered by Insurance if anything happens on the track.

You must also have enclosed shoes whilst on the track assisting these riders getting around.

No Shoes and licence = No Track.

Please visit [www.bmxaustralia.com.au](http://www.bmxaustralia.com.au) for this licence by answering a few questions, please see the office if you need more information, we do have a Laptop handy to do this at the track.

### Volunteers

The Cairns BMX Club is run by Volunteer's every week and each family must fill at least **1 Hour** of volunteering position each month.

You will need to have a volunteer and/or Level 1 Official licence – which can be obtained from [www.bmxaustralia.com.au](http://www.bmxaustralia.com.au), please visit this website or the office for more information.

These hours will be recorded in our database – please see the attached Volunteer Information sheet attached for more details BUT **NO VOLUNTEER HOUR = NO RIDING ON THE TRACK.**

Please see our Volunteer Coordinator, Jack Emeleus or the office for more information.

### Racing Calendar

Please find attached the First Season calendar for 2017 (January – June 2017).

The weather in Cairns can be wet at times, which can be unsafe to ride and also damage the track, therefore sometimes we have to cancel Gates and Race nights. If this happens then we will race on Sunday afternoon from 5pm. Please keep an eye on our Facebook page, Team App on your smart phone/tablet for any updates.

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## **Sponsorship**

Our club relies on the assistance given by our sponsors. Throughout the year you will see advertisements from our sponsors. We encourage club members to support them in the best way possible.

Signage is available and renewed each year, please the either Rachel or Josh Rayner at the track for more information.

## **Fundraising**

The club has regular fundraising events and activities as well as raffles on a Friday night and carnivals – please support these as much as possible as the funds raised will reduce any coaching costs that the club organises for our riders.

## **Coaching**

The club has a few qualified Beginner and Level 1 Coaches which will be available every Tuesday for sprockets to lend a hand and also available for additional coaching throughout the week. There will be a list of coaches available and phone numbers on the board out the front of the Pro shop.

## **Rules and Etiquette at the Club/Track**

- Remember – We are all volunteers at the club
- No swearing allowed by riders/parents at the track
- No Alcohol allowed at the track
- No smoking in the grounds and within 10 metres from the front entrance to the track
- We have a no Bullying policy
- If you have a complaint at the track (not race related) – please see the President – In racing – Chief/Team manager race official for the night.
- Please be mindful of the riders on the gate, as a safety issue - once you are up on the hill – please remain quiet.
- All riders to shake hands after every race – we are all here to race fair and most of all HAVE FUN!!!!!!