

Kahuterawa MTB Track

Palmerston North



Directions to Kahuterawa Tracks

From Palmerston North (18km, 20 minutes)

Go over Fitzherbert bridge and head past Massey University and along Tennant Drive towards Linton. Take the first left after a 1/2 km straight then follow the road for 100m and turn right into Kahuterawa Road. Follow this to the Domain (approx 4km) and head up to the left, following the gravel road until the car park on your right, 200m short of the road end.

Event Track Description

Bike from there up the gravel road to the bridge over the Kahuterawa Stream a via right. You then begin a climb up Back Track. This varies from relatively technical rocky single-track to wider smooth dirt sections, with several stream crossings thrown in. After 270 meters of climbing you meet a shingle road then veer left into the forest (4.4km so far).

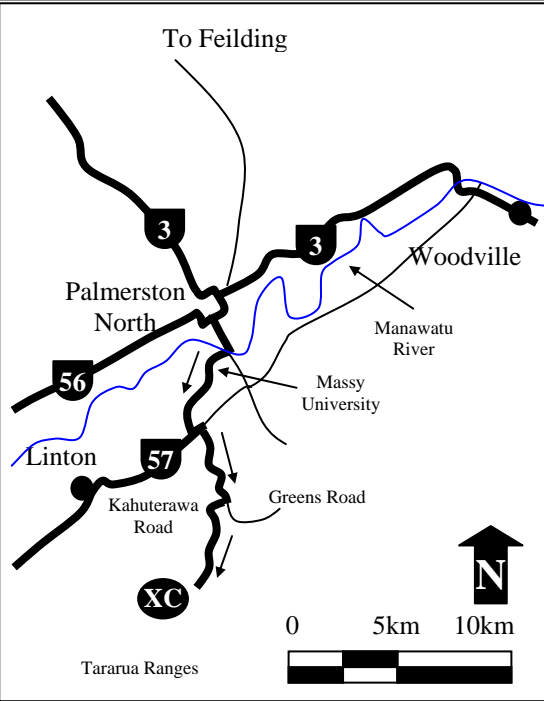
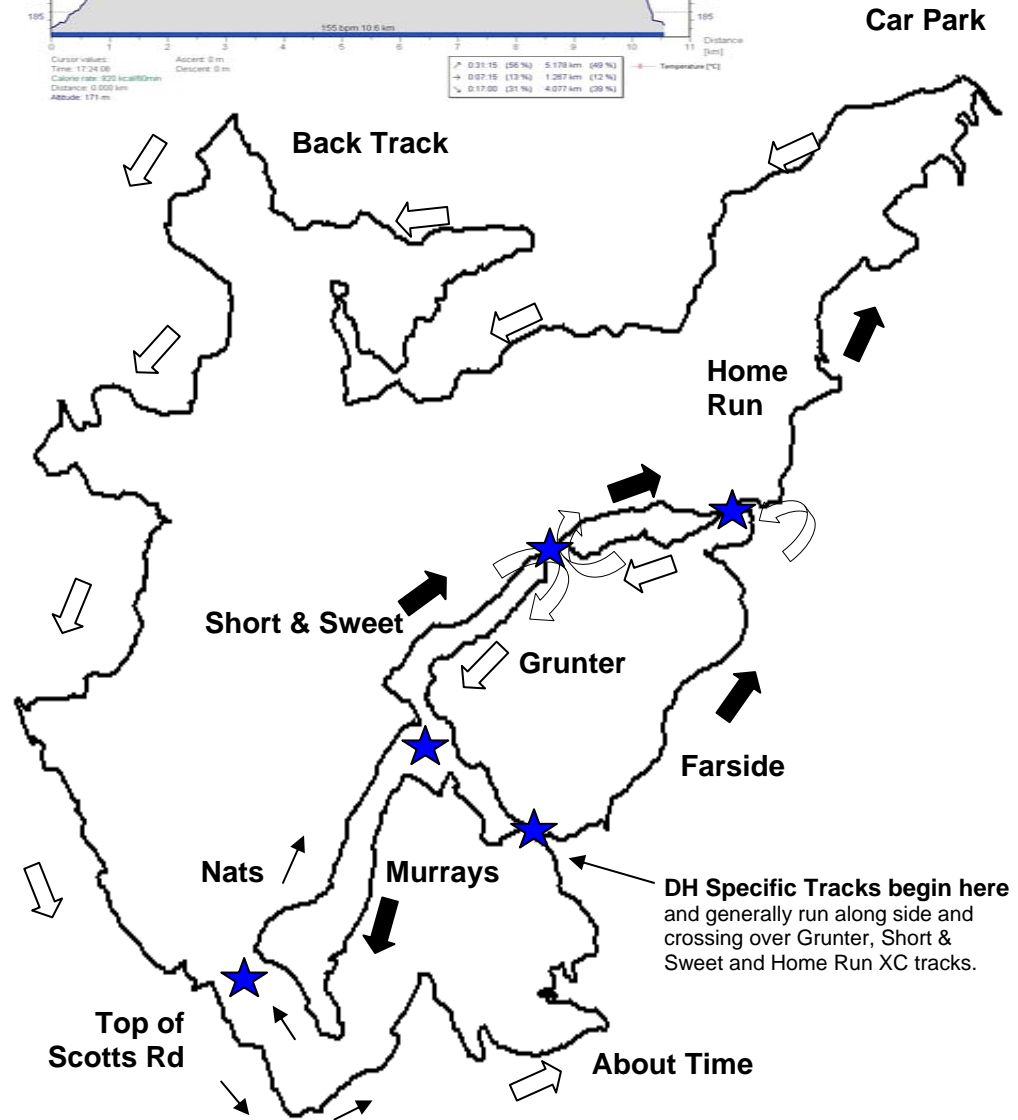
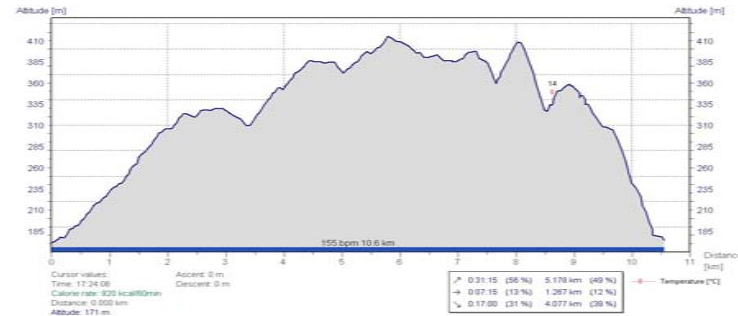
From here there are many options. To complete the full course follow arrows to your right. A flattish start becomes a climb on new single track (About time) and a few boardwalks to the top of the hill, then heads back down towards the gate (Murrays). After this you turn and head along 'Nats' and down 'Short and Sweet' before being turned uphill for a grunt up 'Grunter'. At the top the trail veers left and heads over the top of the hill and downwards to your left, 'Farside'. After a short climb up out of the bottom a hard left turn will take you up a short section of 4WD track or just keep going down from here. After it flattens out a single track heads off to your right and begins the DH run all the way back to the bridge, 'Home Run'. This will be difficult to follow but watch for the red arrows. The last section of the DH is quite rocky and technical. Both the rocky climb and clay descent may get slippery in the wet.

There are a number of DH specific tracks winding in between the XC tracks from the top of Grunter down, please be aware of other users and be prepared to give-way.

Where the areas are marked by blue stars on the map you should find links to change track.

NOTE:

The forest is owned by Palmerston North City Council. Please respect the area and other users. Do not build tracks or structures without permission and please report any wind or track damage to the club.



LEGEND

- Down track
- UP track
- Flat track
- Back Track - 4.4km
- About Time - UP
- Murrays - DH
- Nats - Flat
- Short & Sweet - DH
- Grunter - UP
- Farside - DH
- Home Run - DH
- Intersection/Links



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