



## Rec Ride 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August | Reefton

### SCHEDULE

- Friday 25<sup>th</sup>** Leave Blenheim prompt for Reefton and ride in the Murray Creek/Blacks Point locality. Grade 3+ going on 4. Stay the night in Reefton and joined in the evening by those who cannot get Friday away from work.
- Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>** Consolidate transport and drive to Blackwater. Ride to Waiuta and then to Big Creek Hut. Approx. 8 k of road plus 11km grade 3 plus. Stay at Big River Hutt. No bookings but need hut pass. Self-catered.
- Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>** Ride out to Reefton. 27k, some climbs and rough under wheel. Grade 3+ again. Shuttle back to Waiuta to pick up cars and return to Blenheim arriving about 7pm.

### RIDE INFORMATION

See the link below for information the Saturday/Sunday rides.

<http://www.doc.govt.nz/parks-and-recreation/places-to-go/west-coast/places/victoria-forest-park/things-to-do/tracks/big-river-tracks/>

### WHAT TO BRING

This is an isolated back country trip and it is late winter.

**It is essential that you have a good coat, plenty of warm clothes, plenty of food, spare tubes etc.**

### ACCOMMODATION IN REEFTON

Six pubs plus motels and cabins at the motor camp. Motor camp basic but potential hot shower before drive home on Sunday. I favour the motor camp.

### NEXT STEPS

Please **confirm to Kevin Wilson if you will be going by Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August** with the following details:

- Are you travelling Friday morning or evening?
- Do you have your own transport available? If so, how many bikes you can take or:
- You require a ride plus transport for your bike.
- Preference for accommodation.

That gives Kevin an opportunity to consolidate transport.

I will make the call to go or cancel on Thursday evening 24<sup>th</sup> if forecast or existing weather unfavourable. Plan B Nelson?

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