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2020 BMX Queensland State Championships

The BMX Queensland Board send this communication by way of update regarding the 2020 State Championships.

This event will take place at Sleemans Sporting Complex and is scheduled to take place on the dates originally foreshadowed, 21-26 September 2020. The technical guide will be released in the immediate future.

In the interim, we wish to communicate several important aspects relating to the event so rider's and their families can make a decision as to whether they attend and compete in this event.

The event will be run different from previous State Championships due to the current environment we are operating within due to Covid-19. The event will:

1. Be run slightly different to previous State Championships. There may be the need to run race days in block format to limit rider and spectator numbers. Those blocks (if required) will be determined once rider numbers are known when nominations close;
2. There may be a limit to the number of spectators able to attend. We are continuing to work with the Sleemans Sporting Complex, The CPR Group and relevant health authorities to determine final numbers but if riders could plan on one parent/guardian attending with each rider as a worst case scenario;
3. In order to offset those spectator numbers, it is the intention to live stream the event for those not attending, parents and extended family, so they can continue to be part of the action;
4. To assist with scheduling, the possibility of running block format and cleaning time frames/requirements under the relevant event safe plan, the racing format will be 3 motos plus qualifiers (4 motos for undersubscribed classes and sprockets)
5. Nominations will be cheaper than previous years to cater for some of the changes we have made.

The board is excited to offer riders an opportunity to race the State Championships in these trying times. This event will be the pinnacle event for 2020 having regard to the cancellation of the National Championships and World Championships. This will also be the last event under the existing entity of BMX Queensland before Auscycling come into effect.

Of course, the board cannot anticipate any further outbreaks of Covid-19 and will continue to comply with the relevant health authority directives. All the current information and directives support the running of this event and the board will continue to update members as further information comes to hand.

The board want to stress that this event is not compulsory. Given that some families have been impacted more than others because of Covid-19, it is up to each individual family to make a decision about what is best for their family and rider/s.

If people do not wish to travel or participate in this event due to their personal beliefs regarding Covid-19, their inability to obtain leave from work or are financially unable to attend given the impact of these trying times, that is ok. Whatever your personal circumstances, the board want to adopt a slogan for the lead up to this event, "That is ok". It is ok not to attend, it is ok for you to make the best decision for your individual family, it is ok if you want to attend and treat this event as the pinnacle of the year, it is ok whatever your decision.

Your family and your decision about what is best for **YOUR** family is an absolute priority and whatever that decision is, it is and will continue to be supported by the BMX Queensland board.

If members have any relevant questions or concerns surrounding this event, please email the board at mark.vaughan@bmxq.org.au and we will address them in the most appropriate format. Should there be similar questions or concerns, we will address them in a mass email to all members or perhaps go live on facebook with a Q and A session for members to participate in.

We want members to have all of the relevant information and up to date information that they require to make the right decision for all members families.

We look forward to seeing all of the friendly faces and fierce competition for those that elect to nominate and compete in this our last BMX Queensland run State Championships.

Regards
Yours in BMX
BMX Queensland Board & Staff