



## Ride Dungog – 2024 Trail Development Fundraiser Update

To our valued sponsors,

In 2020 the Dungog community was extremely generous in supporting the endeavours of Ride Dungog to further expand the Flow Trails at the Common, donating around \$70,000 via the Go Fund Me platform to assist in building a 3<sup>rd</sup> flow trail.

In our last update in 2022 we advised that the 3<sup>rd</sup> flow trail had hit regulatory headwinds. With the blessing of donors, the funds were reallocated to existing trail maintenance and trail safety works.

Following, a monumental effort in planning, completion of numerous studies, management plans and engineering designs, relevant approvals were finally received in March this year. We're now very pleased to provide an update on the projects completed and in progress by Ride Dungog.

While the majority of the major works completed have been funded via a Federal Government Grant, allocation of the community raised funds to support these projects is critical in ensuring they are completed and maintained to the standard enjoyed by the thousands of riders visiting the Common.

### **Dungog Common MTB trail developments being supported from the community funding:**

1. 3<sup>rd</sup> Flow Trail – Rifle Range upgrade works to Flow Status & standard
2. Trail Maintenance 2022-2024 - 25km of XC trails & Flow Tracks
3. Trail Safety works – Snake, Al's Downer, Easy Way Out, Inny+Outy, Les' Lair
4. Adaptive Rider Trail works on Inny+Outy and Necessary Evil (para / disability bikes)
5. Dungog Common amenities (slashing, mowing, fencing, access, seating)
6. Pump Track completion and maintenance
7. Dual slalom race course completion and maintenance
8. Trail connections and integration (entry/exit of the dual slalom to flow area)
9. Additional trail signage
10. Timing Equipment/Event Hardware

Without the generous support of donors, Ride Dungog would not be able to deliver these outcomes. We cannot thank you enough for assisting in the development of a nationally recognised MTB & Cycling facility. On Easter Saturday alone we had over 180 vehicles and 500+ riders visit the Common.

With thousands of riders from all over the country visiting as a result of these achievements, we are passionate about building on these successes. Ride Dungog will continue to promote our town and region with cycling events and club racing and with the support of Dungog Common Recreation Reserve will continue to seek funding for ongoing development and operational needs of the Common

As a fitting example of 'Build it and they will come' on August 24, Ride Dungog and Dungog Common Recreation Reserve will host the **2024 UCI Velosolutions Pump Track World Championships Australian Qualifying Race**. This is a tremendous coup for Dungog and we will work to deliver a fantastic event for the riders and spectators alike.

We are proud of our efforts, and that of our supporters and partners. Your donations and assistance, and continued growth in rider and family visitation numbers, contributes to the ongoing prosperity, sustainability and quality of life in Dungog and surrounding areas.

Thank You

Ride Dungog Committee 2024

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