

## Waikato Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Cross Country Championships 2025

**Venue:** SOUTH FARMS, SOUTH ROAD, MANGATARATA (near Ngatea)

**Date:** Wednesday, 4 June 2025

**Host School:** Hauraki Plains College

**Course Description:** Consists of hills, creeks, possibly mud, mainly a grass surface but some metal tracks to cross and to run along in one section although a grass verge is available there. Suitable for spikes, running flats or bare feet.

**Programme:** 10.30 am Managers' Meeting **near start finish line**

11.00 am Year 9 Girls 3000m (in year 9 and U15 on 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2025)

11.20 am Year 9 Boys 3000m (in year 9 and U15 on 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2025)

11.40 am Junior Girls (U16 on 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2025) 3000m

12.00 pm Junior Boys (U16 on 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2025) 4000m

12.00 pm Para boys (Y9/U16/U20 (ORS U22) on 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2025) 2000m

12.25 pm Senior Girls (U20 on 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2025) 4000m

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12.50 pm Senior Boys (U20 on 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2025) 6000m

**Entries:** This is an OPEN entry event – no qualification is required to compete other than that set by individual schools. **Entries close Friday 30 May 2025** and can be done online at <https://enternow.co.nz/enternow-app/wsss>. The Entry charge will be **\$5.00 per athlete**. Once you have completed your entries, you can download an Entry Confirmation. Schools will be invoiced \$5 per participating athlete after the event.

**Race bibs:** Race bibs with timing chips will be issued for use on the day and placings will be taken electronically. Please return these bibs to the boxes supplied before athletes leave the recovery area.

**Points:** For teams races 3 person teams: The first three from each school count for team scores, 6 person teams: The first six from each school count for team scores. Schools can enter any number in each grade

**Uniform:** Ensure that your athletes come dressed and ready to run. Please wear the correct school athletics uniform as registered with WBOPSSA. The course is suitable for specialist cross country spikes and running shoes.

**Facilities:** Portaloos will be available on the day. Please bring your own shelter if desired – there is space for tents. Food and Drinks will be available to purchase. All schools are

asked to bring their own rubbish bags, ensure their area is clean and tidy after the event and take rubbish home at the end of the day please.

**First Aid:** All schools are asked to bring their own First Aid kits – ice will be provided.

**Parking:** Will be signposted on your way up the road, an allocated marshal will also be there directing traffic, please follow their instructions.

**Course Map will follow soon**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Saturday 14 June: New Zealand Secondary Schools Cross Country Championships (Barge Park, Whangarei)**

All information is available at: <https://nzssaa.org.nz/> for Newsletters and Information and ONLINE entry

Individual and School team events for school 3 person and 6 person teams

**Sunday 15 June: New Zealand Secondary Schools Regional Cross Country Relay Championships (Barge Park, Whangarei)**

This event will be held on the morning of Sunday 15 June at same venue as the Individual and Teams championships, the day after the New Zealand Secondary School Cross Country Championships. WBOPSS Boys and Girls teams will be selected to represent our region. Selection will be based BOTH on the performance at the WBOPSS Cross Country Championships and the New Zealand Secondary School Cross Country Championships. To be selected athletes must participate in the individual championships Saturday 14 June.

The age groups will be the same as those we are running at the WBOP Cross Country Championships this year.

More information about the New Zealand Secondary Schools Regional Cross Country Relay Championships is available on the NZSSAA website [www.nzssaa.org.nz](http://www.nzssaa.org.nz)