

**CARDRONA PEAK TO PUB DOWNHILL RACE**  
**CARDRONA ALPINE RESORT, NZ**  
**FRIDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2026**



**DESCRIPTION:** Cardrona Bike Park have teamed up with the Queenstown Mountain Bike Festival to host the Peak to Pub Downhill race on Friday morning before the McGazza Mega Train event in Queenstown.

The race includes a mass start first to the finish format which will be rowdy and exciting to watch. The course starts from top of the ski resort and finishes at the gates to the historic Cardrona Hotel providing a 1300-metre vertical descent over approximately 14km of single track.

To spread out the competitors and reduce dust there will be a wave starts with Open Male starting 1<sup>st</sup> followed by Women and then Junior Male and Female competitors. To reduce trail congestion racers can descend any bike park trail to the bottom of the Whitestar Chairlift after which they join the peak to pub trail all the way to the pub and finish line.

The entire trail is 100% single track and racers **MUST** stick to the formed peak to pub trail. Any racers identified taking short cuts may be disqualified and other racers can protest at the finish if they observe riders cheating. Course safety marshals will also be positioned on course.

## HOW TO ENTER

Enter online or on the day. Pre-registered entries receive a course map, race updates and weather report in advance. Entry is \$40 and includes a single chairlift upload and a return shuttle for drivers to collect vehicles from the resort base area. Discounted lift passes are available for anyone who would like to ride the bike park for the rest of the day.

## ENTRY DIVISIONS

Open Male & Female | Junior Male & Junior Female (U15 on race day)

## RACE SCHEDULE

10:30am	Registrations open at Resort Ticket office
11:30am	McDougall's open for competitor uploads only.
11:45am	Riders briefing at the Race start (located above Whitestar chairlift)
12pm	Mass Start in divisions (Wave starts) Open M - Open F - All Juniors
1pm	Results and Awards outside the Cardrona Hotel
1:15pm	Return shuttles depart

## RESULTS & AWARDS

Podium plates and prizes will be awarded outside the Cardrona Hotel at 1pm. Spot prizes will be drawn from the start list. Full placings, times and results will be included online at [www.cardrona.com/events](http://www.cardrona.com/events)