



FOSBENDER FENDER BENDER

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*Come and experience one of the world's
southern-most sled dog events, run on
NZ's first purpose-built Sled Dog Area*

Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 August 2020

Hosted by Southland Sled Dog Association

NZFSS Sanctioning approved

General Information

COVID-19 considerations

- 1. If you have cold or flu like symptoms, please do not attend!**
If you are unable to attend because of this, or because you are self-isolating, a full refund will be provided. Please provide details to ssdaracesec@gmail.com
- 2. Sneeze and cough into your elbow!**
- 3. Wash your hands regularly.**
- 4. We will be following all current Ministry of Health Guidelines relevant to the COVID-19 Alert level at time of the event. Other measures may need to be implemented to meet those requirements.**

Local Rules for this event

- 1. Starting intervals**
We have an approved local rule that allows us to utilize a 1-minute start interval for 1 and 2 dog scooters should the race committee deem it necessary.
- 2. Race trail**
We have an approved local rule that will allow us to utilize narrow trail where passing will not be acceptable. The rule approval states these sections cannot be longer than 200m and cannot exceed a total of 10% of the total trail length. Trail marking will be explained at the Musers' Meeting.

General Trail Description

All the racing during the Fosbender Fender Bender will be run on loop trails from a common staging area, with Start and Finish within 100m of one another. The Finish line will be the same for all races.

The running surface in the open areas will generally be cut grass (bit lumpy in places) and bare patches of sand. In the forest section the running surface will be compacted pine needles on a sandy base. The terrain is essentially flat with a few undulating sections over old sand dunes. There are also some negative camber corners on the trail network.

There are sections of the trails that meander through pine forest and as a consequence there are some tight bends, and several places where the tree spacing narrows the trail. The forest sections are relatively short and passing may not be practical everywhere. This applies particularly to the larger teams. A program of trail widening is an ongoing process.

Common sense and good sportsmanship must prevail.

The SSDA Race Committee will confirm all courses prior to the Musers' Meeting taking into consideration track conditions, logging and weather. It should be noted that, even though the area is situated on a well-drained sandy base, during and immediately following heavy rain, there will be standing water along sections of the trails and probably a bit of mud too. There is also a chance of encountering the odd shallow wheel rut - rigs and scooters with a knobby front tyre will be the least affected.

Detailed trail conditions will be available at the compulsory Musers' Meeting.

Catering (burgers, chips etc) and coffee will be available on Saturday from 9am until the end of racing.

Schedule of Events

Saturday 22 August

5.7km (morning) 6/4/3/2 Dog Rig - Heat 1

The trail will be a loop track with the finish at the CaniDen.
Start interval: 1 minute.

3.1km (morning) 2/1-Dog Scooter – Heat 1

The trail will be a loop track with the finish at the CaniDen.
Start interval: 30 seconds.

3.1km (morning) 1-Dog Bikejor – Heat 1

The trail will be a loop track with the finish at the CaniDen.
Start interval: 1 minute.

Unsanctioned

3.1km (morning) 1-Dog Canicross

The trail will be a loop track with the finish at the CaniDen.
Start interval: 15 seconds

Unsanctioned

1.7km (afternoon) 1-Dog Junior Advanced

The trail will be a loop track with the finish at the CaniDen. Marshals will be positioned around the trail.
Start interval: 30 seconds.

Unsanctioned

3.4km (evening) 1-Dog Bikejor – Heat 2

The trail will be a loop track with the finish at the CaniDen. This event will be run in near darkness so adequate lighting is mandatory. The trail will be marked with reflectorised markers.
Start interval: 1 minute.

Unsanctioned

3.4km (evening) 2/1-Dog Scooter – Heat 2

The trail will be a loop track with the finish at the CaniDen. This event will be run in darkness so adequate lighting is mandatory. The trail will be marked with reflectorised markers.
Start interval: 30 seconds.

5.9km (late evening) 6/4/3/2 Dog Rig – Heat 2

The trail will be a loop track with the finish at the CaniDen. This event will be run in darkness so adequate lighting is mandatory. The trail will be marked with reflectorised markers.
Start interval: 1 minute.

Sunday 23 August

7.0km, 5.8km, 4.5km (morning) Open Fun Race Unsanctioned

Scooter (1 or 2 Dog), Bike (1 Dog), or Rig (2 - 6 dogs), choose your distance on the day. All courses will be marked, turnoffs marked with distance options. Checkpoints at three points on the trail. Collect a coloured peg at each checkpoint you pass. 4.5km competitors will collect 1 peg, 5.8km competitors will collect 2 pegs, 7.0km competitors will collect 3 pegs. No need to pre-advise your chosen distance – number of pegs collected will indicate which course you have run. Time penalties will apply for the wrong colour or number of pegs returned (e.g. collecting only the 7.0km course peg without the other 2 pegs). Loop trail with finish at the CaniDen.

Start interval: 2 minutes

Breakfast and Prizegiving (late morning)

Full cooked breakfast catered by Southern Fare available – pre paid on entry form.

Please note: all course distances listed are approximate.

Timetable

Bib draw for Heat 1

Bib draw for Heat 1 will be done prior to the event date, likely via a live Facebook feed. Date and time to be advised with your entry confirmation.

Friday 21 August

7:30 pm	Compulsory Musers' Meeting for all Musers.
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Saturday 22 August

Time	Event	Start Interval
7:00am	Trail Report Meeting (at Caniden)	
7:30am	6/4/3/2-Dog Rig (6&4-Dog teams out first) - Heat 1 start.	1 minute
8:45am	2/1-Dog Scooter (2-Dog teams out first) - Heat 1 start.	30 seconds
9:30am	1-Dog Bikejor - Heat 1 start.	1 minute
10:15am	1-Dog Canicross race start.	15 seconds
4:30pm	Bib draw for Junior Advanced and bib hand out for Heat 2 Entries for Open Fun Race close.	
5:00pm	1-Dog Junior Advanced race start.	30 seconds
6:00pm	1-Dog Bikejor (Fastest out first based on Heat 1 times) – Heat 2 start.	1 minute
6:45pm	2/1 Dog Scooter (Fastest out first based on Heat 1 times) – Heat 2 start.	30 seconds
7:45pm	6/4/3/2-Dog Rig (Fastest out first based on Heat 1 times) – Heat 2 start.	1 minute
9:00pm	Musers' Meeting and bib hand out for Open Fun Race	

Sunday 23 August

Time	Event	Start Interval
7:10am	Trail report and checkpoint system reminder.	
7:30am	Open Fun Race start.	2 minutes
9:30am	Fosbender Fender Bender Breakfast. (Full cooked breakfast)	
10:30am	Fosbender Fender Bender Prizegiving.	

Please note:

Times are approximate and, whilst we will endeavour to adhere to the timetable, there is a margin of error due to unforeseen circumstances.

If in doubt, check with the Head Timekeeper.

Some Important Points

- As always, the Race Marshall's decision is final.
- As a consequence of our Safety Management Plan:
 - Safety helmets are compulsory for all classes, except Canicross.
 - Neckline connecting double lead dogs is mandatory.
- Musher packs will be distributed to all mushers at the compulsory Mushers' Meeting on Friday 21 August.
- Head and tail (flashing or solid red) lights are mandatory for the evening heats for all classes. It is recommended that you have an effective headlight for the morning heats as it can be dark in forested areas of the trails, and lighting will help to make the reflectorised markers more visible.
- Class changes for sanctioned events, after entries have been accepted, must be accompanied by "just cause" and must be presented to the Race Marshall before the Mushers' Meeting. The Race Marshall's decision will be final.
- All sanctioned classes may only be run if there are three (3) or more entries received by the official closing date (14 August 2020). If there are insufficient entries for any given class, mushers who have entered for that class will be contacted regarding alternative options.
- Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times and are not allowed into any buildings at the race venue.
- Noise is not a factor - nearest neighbours are a long way off. However, there will be people who want a good night's sleep so please be considerate.
- All holes are to be filled in, and all dog mess disposed of appropriately; rubbish bins will be available.
- All dogs (whether racing or just staying at the Scout Camp) must have been immunised and be free of infectious disease.
- Remember - never bring any dog that may have been exposed to a contagious disease to a race.
- It is the responsibility of the musher to ensure that all the dogs he/she will be racing are appropriately conditioned and in a fit state to complete the race(s), and to monitor the wellbeing of their dogs.
- It is envisaged that a competitor can enter a number of sanctioned events provided they have sufficient dogs and/or the dogs are adequately conditioned for the workload. However, this will be at the competitor's own risk. There is no guarantee that the competitor will have enough time to complete one event and get to the start in time for the next event. There is a risk that a competitor's bib allocation for consecutive events will not allow enough time to make the following start time.
- **Cancellations:** Any entry cancellation received a minimum of 5 days prior to the first event will be eligible for a full refund. Any cancellation received within the 5 days prior to the first event MAY be eligible for a partial refund upon assessment by the SSSA committee after the event (unless due to COVID-19 precautions). Please allow 14 days after the event for any refund to be processed.

For more information about the Fosbender Fender Bender please contact:
Haakon Berg (SSDA President)
Phone: 03 235 8857
Email: icesibes@gmail.com

Accommodation

As always, accommodation for the mushers is available at the 'dog friendly' Scout Camp at Sandy Point (see attached map for directions). This means that mushers (who stay at the camp) do not have to drive their dogs and their equipment to the race staging point, as the start and finish points for the Fossbender Park race course is based adjacent to the Scout Camp!

Dogs must not be taken into any building at the Scout Camp.

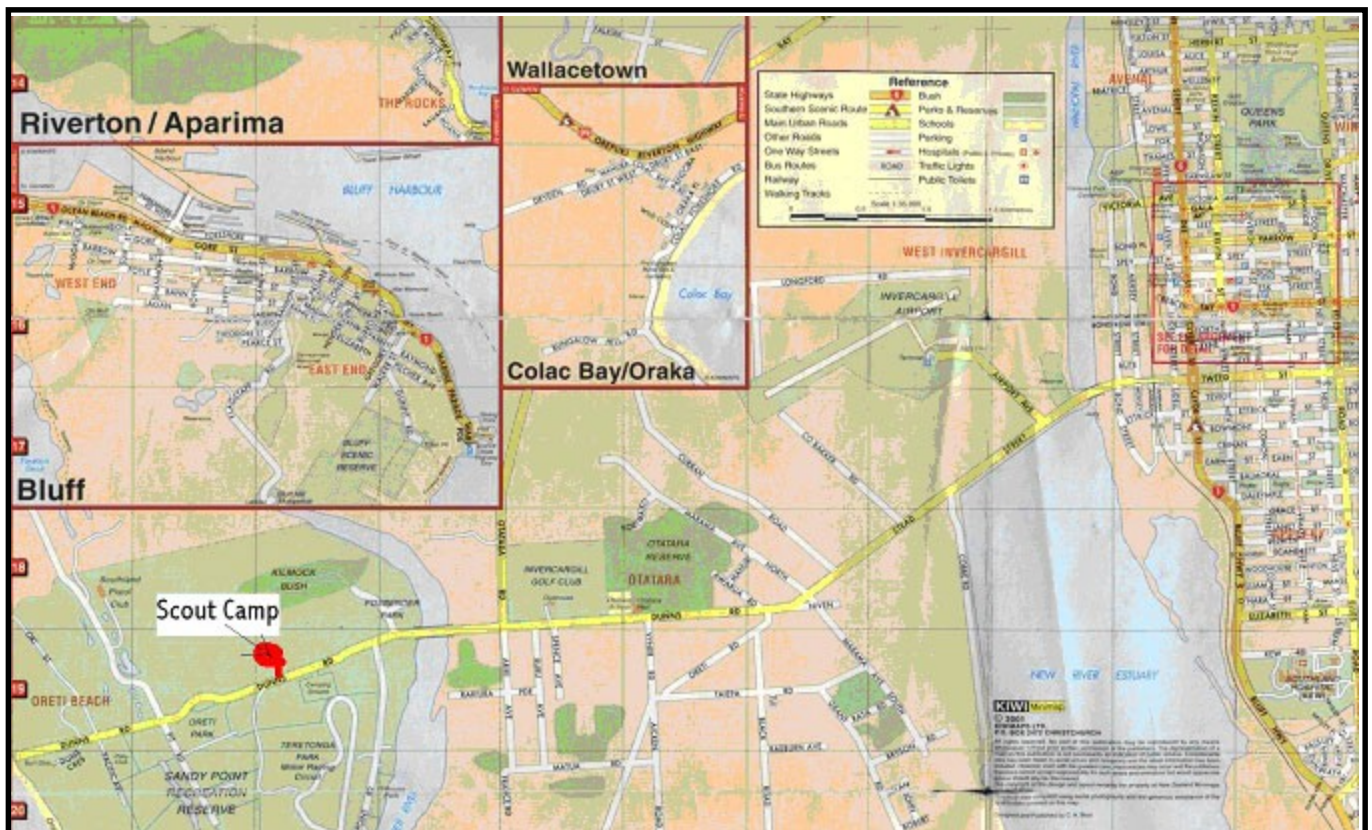
You need to provide your own sleeping bag/bedding, towels etc.

The Scout Camp is also suitable for tenting, caravans and motorhomes. Please note that you will still be required to pay the accommodation fee.

The Scout Camp will be open on Friday. A permanent directional sign is on the main board at the corner of Dunns Road and Sandy Point Road, and there is another sign at the turn off to the Scout Camp.

Other accommodation options for mushers who choose not to stay at the Scout Camp include:

- Beach Road Holiday Park ~ 375 Dunns Road ~ 03 213 0400
- Surrey Court Motels ~ 400 Tay Street ~ 03 217 6102
- ASURE Evergreen Motel ~ 217 North Road ~ 03 215 9135



FOSBENDER FENDER BENDER 2020 ENTRY FORM

Entries close 8:00pm, Friday 14 August 2020

List the dogs you plan to run in the Races:

A. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
B. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
C. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
D. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
E. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
F. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
G. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
H. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
I. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
J. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
K. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
L. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
M. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____
N. Dog Name: _____ Dog DOB: _____	Dog NZFSS Number: _____

FOSBENDER FENDER BENDER 2020 ENTRY FORM

Entries close 8:00pm, Friday 14 August 2020

Provide details for the classes you wish to enter:

Saturday 22 August 2020

6/4/3/2-DOG RIG – approx. 11.6km total distance over 2 heats

Musher Name: _____ Musher NZFSS Number: _____

Class entered: 6-Dog 4-Dog 3-Dog 2-Dog

Dogs (list letters of dogs to be run): _____

Musher Name: _____ Musher NZFSS Number: _____

Class entered: 6-Dog 4-Dog 3-Dog 2-Dog

Dogs (list letters of dogs to be run): _____

2/1-DOG SCOOTER – approx. 6.5km total distance over 2 heats

Musher Name: _____ Musher NZFSS Number: _____

Class entered: 2-Dog 1-Dog

Dogs (list letters of dogs to be run): _____

Musher Name: _____ Musher NZFSS Number: _____

Class entered: 2-Dog 1-Dog

Dogs (list letters of dogs to be run): _____

1-DOG BIKEJOR – approx. 6.5km total distance over 2 heats (REMINDER: Dogs must be 18 months minimum)

Musher Name: _____

Dog (list letter of dog to be run): _____

Musher Name: _____

Dog (list letter of dog to be run): _____

1-DOG CANICROSS – approx. 3.1km total distance

Musher Name: _____

Class entered: Men Women Junior

Dog (list letter of dog to be run): _____

Musher Name: _____

Class entered: Men Women Junior

Dog (list letter of dog to be run): _____

1-DOG JUNIOR ADVANCED – approx. 1.7km

Musher Name: _____

Dog (list letter of dog to be run): _____

FOSBENDER FENDER BENDER 2020 ENTRY FORM

Entries close 8:00pm, Friday 14 August 2020

Provide details for the classes you wish to enter:

Sunday 23 August 2020

OPEN FUN RUN

Musher Name: _____

Dogs (list letters of dogs to be run): _____

Musher Name: _____

Dogs (list letters of dogs to be run): _____

Musher Name: _____

Dogs (list letters of dogs to be run): _____

Entry Information

Registration for unsanctioned events will be accepted on the official entry form or on the day. Open Fun Run entries will close at the 4:30pm Musers' Meeting.

All sanctioned events will be run in accordance with NZFSS rules. NZFSS Sanctioning has been approved for Scooter and Rig classes.

Entries must be received by **8:00pm, Friday 14 August 2020**. Entries for sanctioned events may be accepted after this date, however **an additional \$20.00 late entry fee will apply.**

**Final cut off for all sanctioned event entries is 5:00pm, Monday 17 August 2020.
Postal entries should be sent in time to arrive by the final cut off.**

**NO ENTRIES FOR THE EVENTS THAT SANCTIONING HAS BEEN APPLIED FOR
WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS TIME.**

NB: An entry is not deemed to be received until payment of the entry fee is received.

Cheques to be made payable to the Southland Sled Dog Association and sent, along with entry form, to:

Helen Brunner
SSDA Race Secretary
40 Walker Street
RD 11
Invercargill 9877

OR email entry form to ssdaracesec@gmail.com and make payment into SSDA bank account, including your name and "FB2020" as a reference. SSDA bank account details: Westpac 03 1750 0072198 00

Once your entry has been received and payment verified, you will be sent an acknowledgment via email. If you do not receive this within one week, please contact the SSDA Race Secretary at the above email address.

REMINDERS

- Sanctioned classes are being run under NZFSS rules.
- Class changes for sanctioned events, after entries have been accepted, must be accompanied by "just cause" and must be presented to the Race Marshall before the relevant Musers' Meeting. The Race Marshall's decision will be final.
- Sanctioned classes may only be run if there are three (3) or more entries received by the official closing date (14 August 2020). If there are insufficient entries for any given class, musers who have entered for that class will be contacted regarding alternative options.

Planning Information

To assist us with our planning, please advise the following:

Total people attending:		
Vehicle details (for parking management):		
Number of vehicles:		
Number of trailers:		
Trailer size To assist with parking allocation, please indicate the size of any trailer(s) you will be bringing.	Standard (6'x4' or smaller)	
	Large	

Contact Details

Name: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

Address: _____

Declaration

By entering their name/signature and date below, the musher(s)/entrant(s) agree and declare that:

- **SSDA reserves the right to refuse entry.**
- SSDA will not be held responsible for any personal injury to anyone attending or competing in the event, nor for damage to any equipment/personal property brought to the event. ERV (Emergency Response Vehicle) will be on standby during the weekend to assist in the event of an accident.
- SSDA will not be responsible for valuables and personal items left anywhere within the bounds of the race site.
- Children are to be supervised by their parents/guardians at all times.
- This event is run under NZFSS Race Rules, **and all undersigned mushers are familiar with those rules.**
- All information contained in this entry pack has been read and understood.
- They are a current financial member of a club recognised by the NZFSS, or they pay an additional \$5 as temporary membership of SSDA for the Fosbender Fender Bender event. Please indicate club membership below.

Signatures:

Musher 1:		Club membership:		Date:	
Musher 2:		Club membership:		Date:	
Musher 3:		Club membership:		Date:	
Musher 4:		Club membership:		Date:	
Musher 5:		Club membership:		Date:	

NOTE: If completing this form electronically, a typed name will be considered a signature for the purposes of this declaration.

Race Entry Fees

CLASS	Number of Entries	Fee Per Race			Amount
6/4/3/2-Dog Rig		X	\$25.00	=	\$
2/1-Dog Scooter		X	\$15.00	=	\$
1-Dog Bikejor		X	\$10.00	=	\$
1-Dog Canicross		X	\$5.00	=	\$
1-Dog Junior Advanced		X	Free	=	Nil
Open Fun Run		X	\$5.00	=	\$
Late fee (after 10 August 2020)		X	\$20.00	=	\$
Temporary SSDA Membership (refer to declaration section)		X	\$5.00	=	\$
RACE ENTRY TOTAL					\$

FOSBENDER FENDER BENDER BREAKFAST

Breakfast (per person) (full cooked breakfast)		X	\$20.00	=	\$
Please indicate any dietary requirements					

SCOUT CAMP ACCOMMODATION

Please complete the section below to assist with camp planning and to reserve your accommodation.

I/we will not be staying at the Scout Camp	<input type="checkbox"/> (Finished with this section)		
I/we will be staying at the Scout Camp	<input type="checkbox"/> (Provide details below)		
I/we will require the following number of sleeping spaces/bunks			
I/we will be staying these nights	Fri <input type="checkbox"/>	Sat <input type="checkbox"/>	Sun <input type="checkbox"/>
SCOUT CAMP ACCOMMODATION TOTAL			
Number of people staying at the Scout Camp (whether using beds/bunks or not)		x \$8.00 per person per night	\$

GRAND TOTAL

Race Entry Total	\$	_____
Fosbender Fender Bender Breakfast	\$	_____
Scout Camp Accommodation	\$	_____
TOTAL	\$	<u>_____</u>