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Tasmania to host Red Bull Hardline's Australian Debut at Maydena

Tasmania is gearing up to host the Australian debut of the Red Bull Hardline Mountain Bike Series on Sunday, 25 February 2024 at Maydena Bike Park in the State's south.

The Rockliff Liberal Government recently announced a \$1.4 million partnership with Red Bull that will bring 30 of the world's best male and female mountain bike riders to compete at the Red Bull Hardline Tasmania event between 2024 and 2026.

Liberal Member for Lyons, Guy Barnett said the event is set to be a worthy achievement for what has quickly become Australia's premier mountain biking location.

"Maydena Bike Park is the jewel in the crown of Australian mountain biking, and I applaud the fantastic work that has been undertaken to date in preparation for this event," Minister Barnett said.

"The Tasmanian Liberal Government has been a long-time supporter of mountain biking and since the initial launch I am incredibly proud as the local member to have witnessed and supported Maydena Bike Park's meteoric rise.

"And now, with thousands of spectators set to flock to this bucket list destination, this further cements Tasmania's place as a leader in this growing sport.

"This event will boost Tasmania's economy and elevate our local tourism and hospitality businesses, both when the events take place and when it inspires more people to visit. "I encourage everyone from New Norfolk and those in the Derwent Valley to get in quick to secure their tickets today – this is a world class event on your doorstep and as an avid cycler myself, I cannot wait to see you out there."

The Tasmanian Liberal Government have been long time supporters of mountain biking at Maydena Bike Park, having:

- Provided \$800,000 in 2018 to Maydena Bike Park to progress Stage Two of the facility, and
- Delivered on an election commitment by providing \$475,000 in funding to secure the 2023 Enduro World Series for Maydena Bike Park.

Spectator tickets for Red Bull Hardline Tasmania are available to purchase at <u>www.redbull.com/hardline</u>.



Photos: Guy enjoying Maydena Bike Park and the tracks.

