



THE PHOENIX

ENDURO

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SPECTATORS

RACE GUIDE



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Welcome to The Phoenix Enduro 2019!

Before you set out to support, yell and heckle racers please take a moment to read some important information.

First things first, there is absolutely **no smoking** on any part of the hillside or at the event base. The Christchurch Adventure Park prides itself on being smoke free so please do not light up within the Park. The same rule applies in Victoria Park.

As many of you are aware, two years ago the Port Hills experienced a disastrous wildfire that spread through the Adventure Park and the surrounding hills. As a result of this the hillside has even more hazards than previously.

Our team have worked extremely hard to make all stages safe for both riders and spectators, in particular Stage 5.

In the tree area within Stage 5 we have had to fell over 200 trees to make a safe corridor. Please **DO NOT** venture away from the trail as the forest is still an active hazard and tree and limb fall occurs often.

The lower part of the race track weaves through long grass and shrub, this is very dry and is an extreme fire risk.

We cannot stress enough that there is to be **NO** open flames anywhere and that **ALL** rubbish must be removed and taken down from the hill with you.

At certain points along the race track there will be areas that are completely taped or roped off as well as a sign reading **“DANGER! No spectators beyond this point.”**

These areas are ‘Exclusion Zones’ and the sign means exactly what it says. Please do not ignore them.

We have implemented these measures to avoid tragic collisions between riders and spectators which have occurred at previous international races.

We have set ourselves a high safety standard.

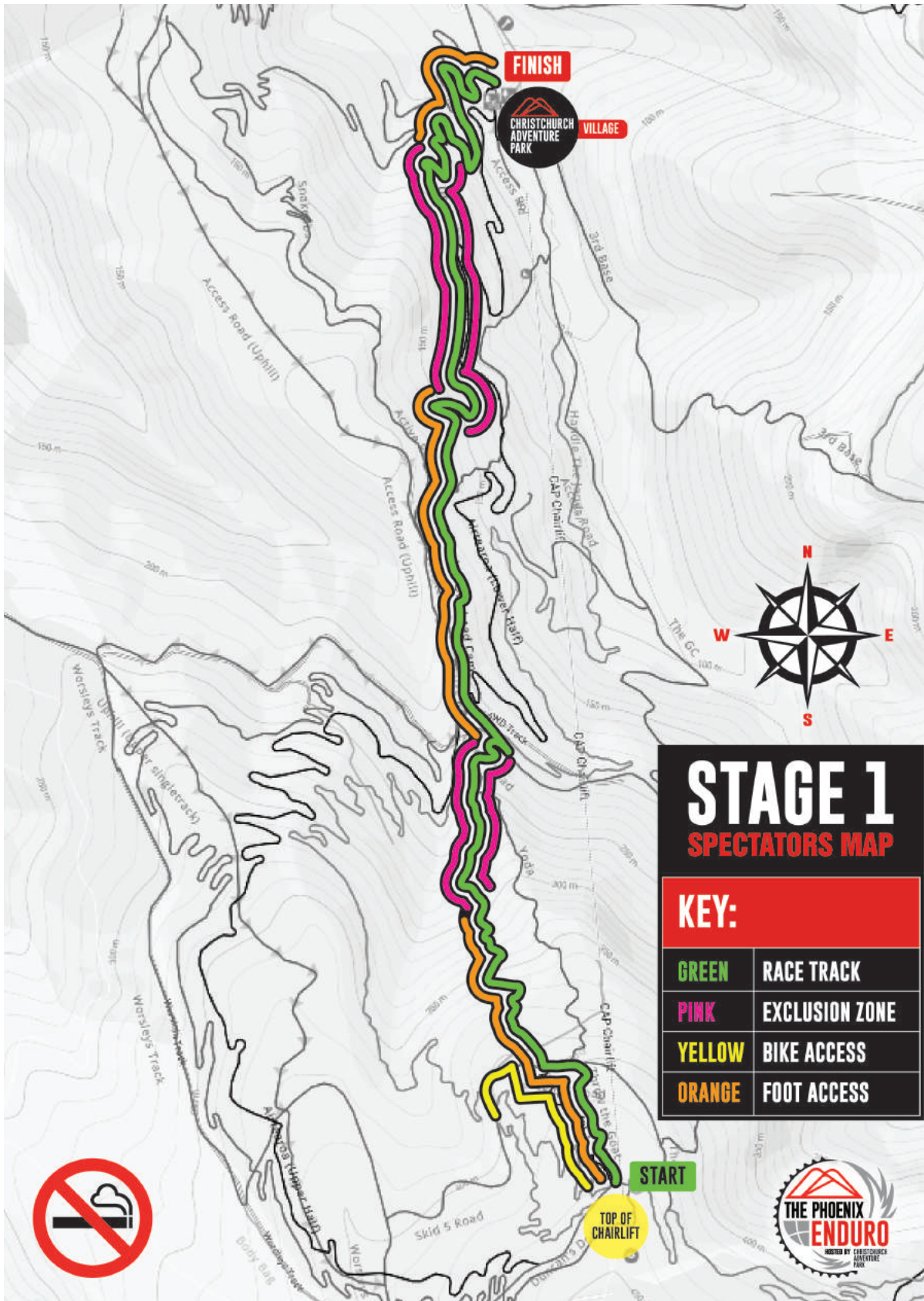
We will make these areas obvious, so please, spectate and support all racers but **DO NOT** enter these ‘Exclusion Zones’ for your own safety.

While out on the hillside please abide by the following rules:

- Respect the marshals and follow what they say at all times.
- Do not walk on the course at any time. What may not seem like a racers obvious route may be for some.
- Look after yourself and don't place yourself or others in danger.
- Plan to be in your chosen location 15 minutes before the first rider comes through.
- Take all rubbish off the hillside with you.
- No smoking or open flames.

Finally, there is always a level of risk when spectating at a downhill mountain bike race as it is difficult to predict where a rider may crash, and bikes can land. There are a couple of areas on the track that have been flagged as higher risk. These areas are the ‘Exclusion Zones’. A helpful tip is to always try and stand on the uphill side of the track so if a rider is to crash, they will generally fall down the hill.

STAGE 1 – Throw The Goat, Swinger Party and Double Overhead Cam



Access Points: Christchurch Adventure Park

Top Down

The start of this stage begins at the top of the Park, which is best accessed via the Chairlift. The first section heads down the first part of **Throw the Goat**. Viewing is possible alongside the trail on foot, be aware of your surroundings as exit routes may be blocked by fallen trees and slash in the long grass.

At the first road crossing, the trail swaps onto **Swinger Party**. This can be accessed by bike, travelling down either the top of Swinger Party or Lord of the Possums. From here you can proceed on foot down the trail for approximately 150m. Do not proceed past the signs restricting access. These are here for your protection as the hillside is very steep with little to no room for spectators to move to if a rider were to misjudge the trail.

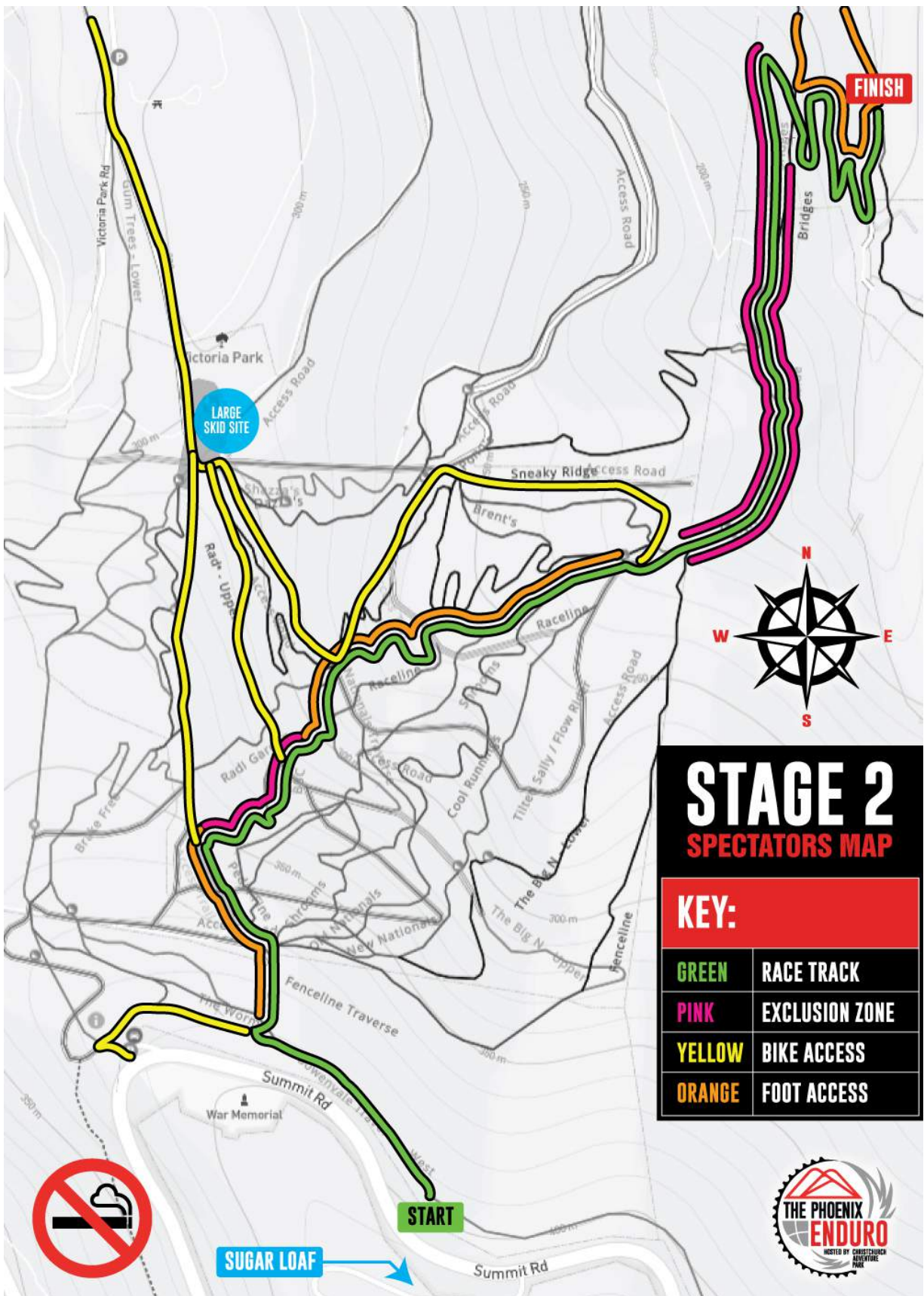
Middle Down

From the **Hot Spot** viewing is available down **Double Overhead Cam** on foot. You can continue down the trail on foot until just past the start for the closed trail Black Pearl. From here you will have views over the section known as the Corridor. You cannot go any further due to the high speed's riders will be travelling down this section.

Village Up

The first stage finishes in the Christchurch Adventure Park Village so viewing the last corners of the trail are easy, just follow up the sides of the trail, making sure to stay off the trail itself.

STAGE 2 – Bowenvale Traverse, Pedal Fine, Raceline and New Bridges



Access Points: Victoria Park

Top Down

For this stage we head over to Victoria Park. Access from the top of the trail is off the Summit Road by foot or bike, just drop in from the first carpark and take the first right. This will bring you out at the end of **Bowenvale Traverse**. From here the race track heads down **Pedal Fine**.

A large portion of this section can be viewed on foot, however there are parts that should be avoided, these have been clearly signed for your safety. These are high risk areas, however mountain biking is dangerous so always be aware of riders approaching.

Middle Up or Down

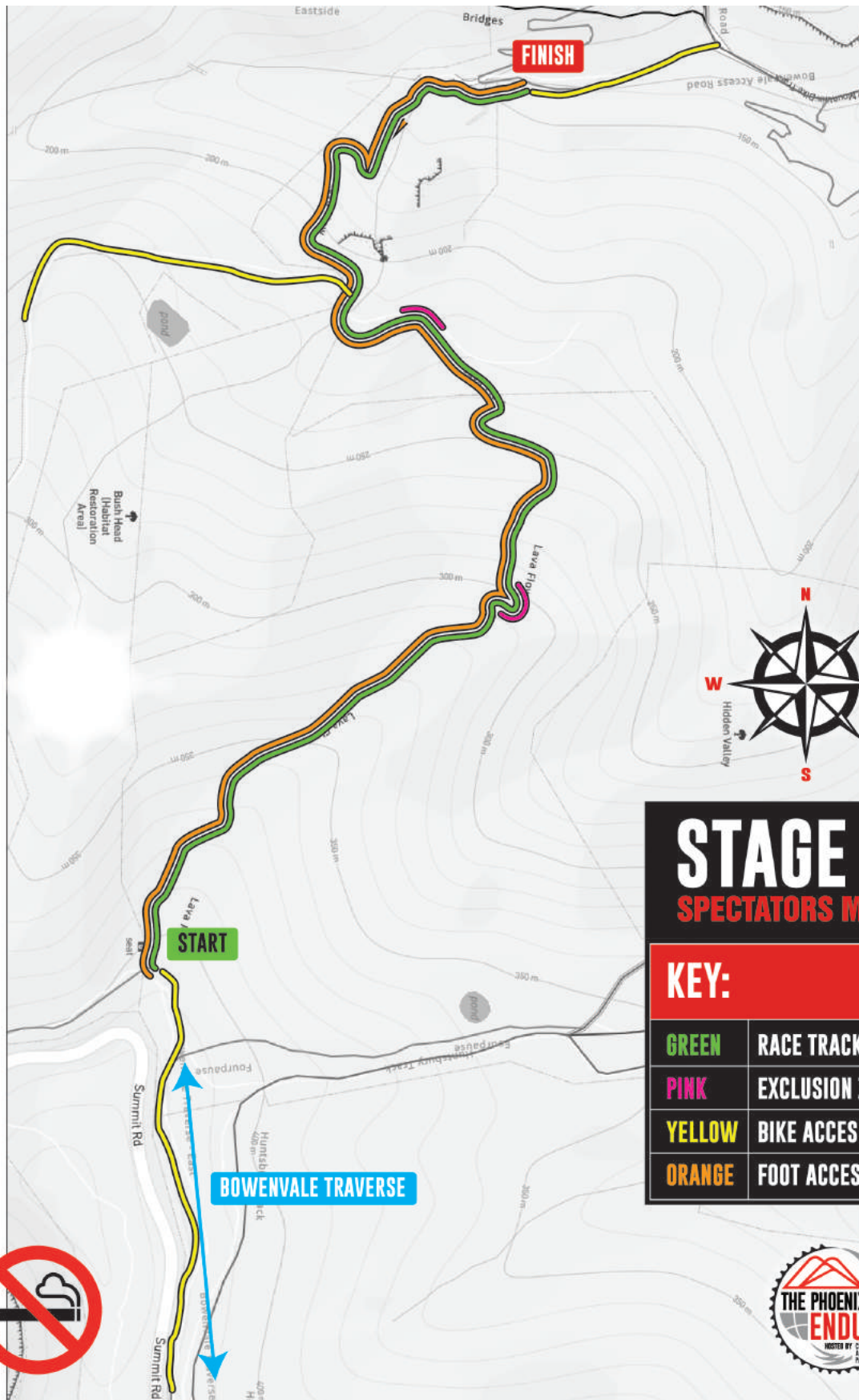
Another access point is via Victoria Park Rd at the 19th Battalion Memorial parking. When you head to the small pump track head down the 4wd track by the start of Shazzas / Dazzas. This will bring you out to the end of **Pedal Fine** and the start of **Raceline**.

From here you will continue beside the trail on foot through the trees. At the end of **Raceline**, Stage 2 heads down **Bridges**. This next section is another exclusion zone for spectators as the trail is narrow with steep drops off the side.

Bottom Up

To access the finish of Stage 2 you can bike or walk up from the end of Bowenvale Ave. Spectators are welcome to view from the sides of the trail in the trees.

STAGE 3 – Lava Flow



STAGE 3
SPECTATORS MAP

KEY:

GREEN	RACE TRACK
PINK	EXCLUSION ZONE
YELLOW	BIKE ACCESS
ORANGE	FOOT ACCESS

Access Points: Victoria Park

Top Down

The top of Stage 3, which is down the iconic Christchurch trail **Lava Flow**, is accessible from the top of Huntsbury Road off the Summit Road. From the start, the whole stage can be viewed on foot. There are a few exceptions to this in the fall zones of technical features, which are marked as exclusion zones.

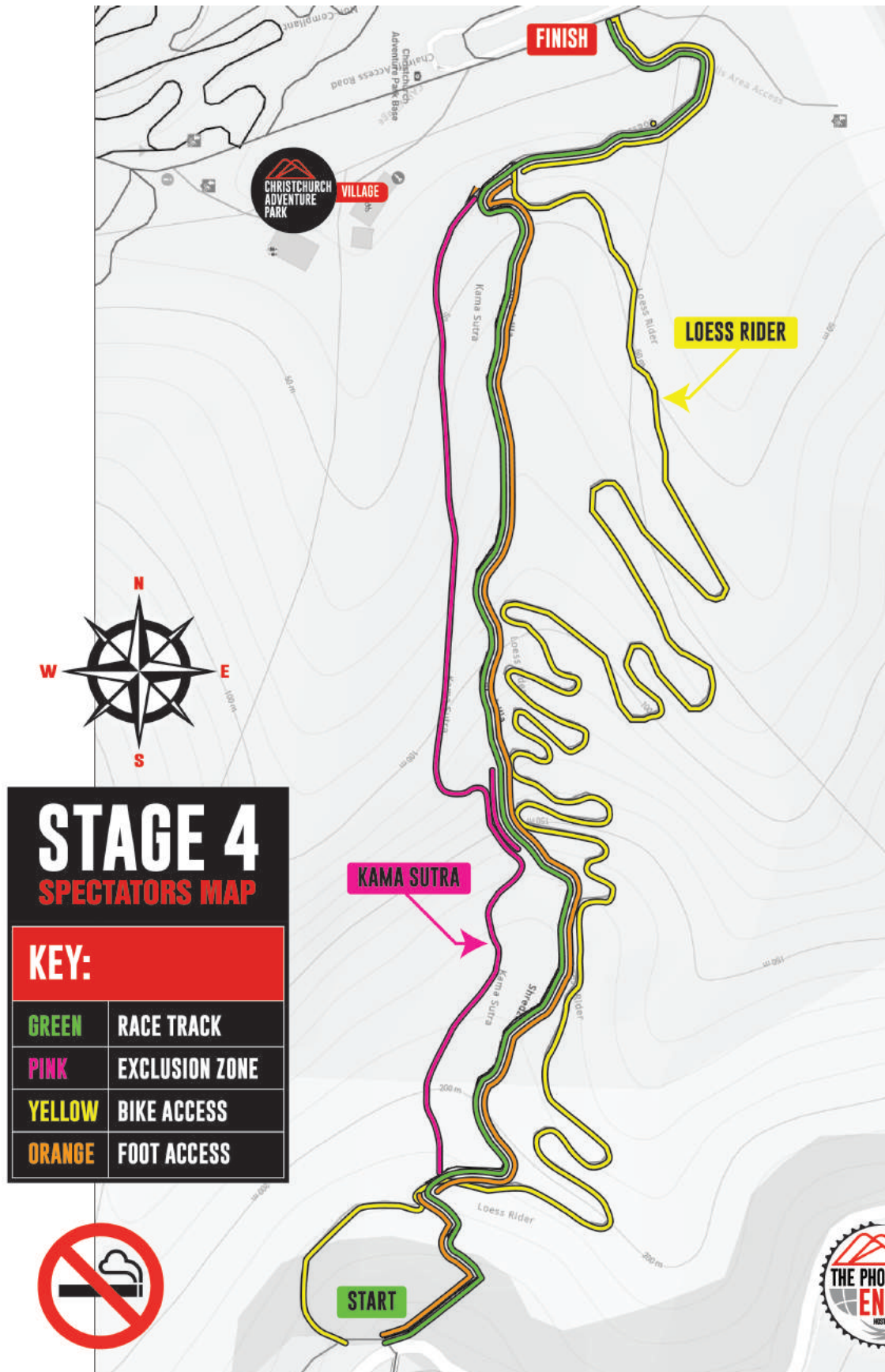
Middle Down

The midpoint of **Lava Flow** is accessible from the Summit Road down a 4wd track roughly half way between the starts of Stages 2 & 3.

Bottom Up

The finish of Stage 3 is 50m further up the valley from the finish of Stage 2 and accessible from the end of Bowenvale Ave.

STAGE 4 – Captain Cook and Shredzilla



Access Points: Christchurch Adventure Park

Top Down

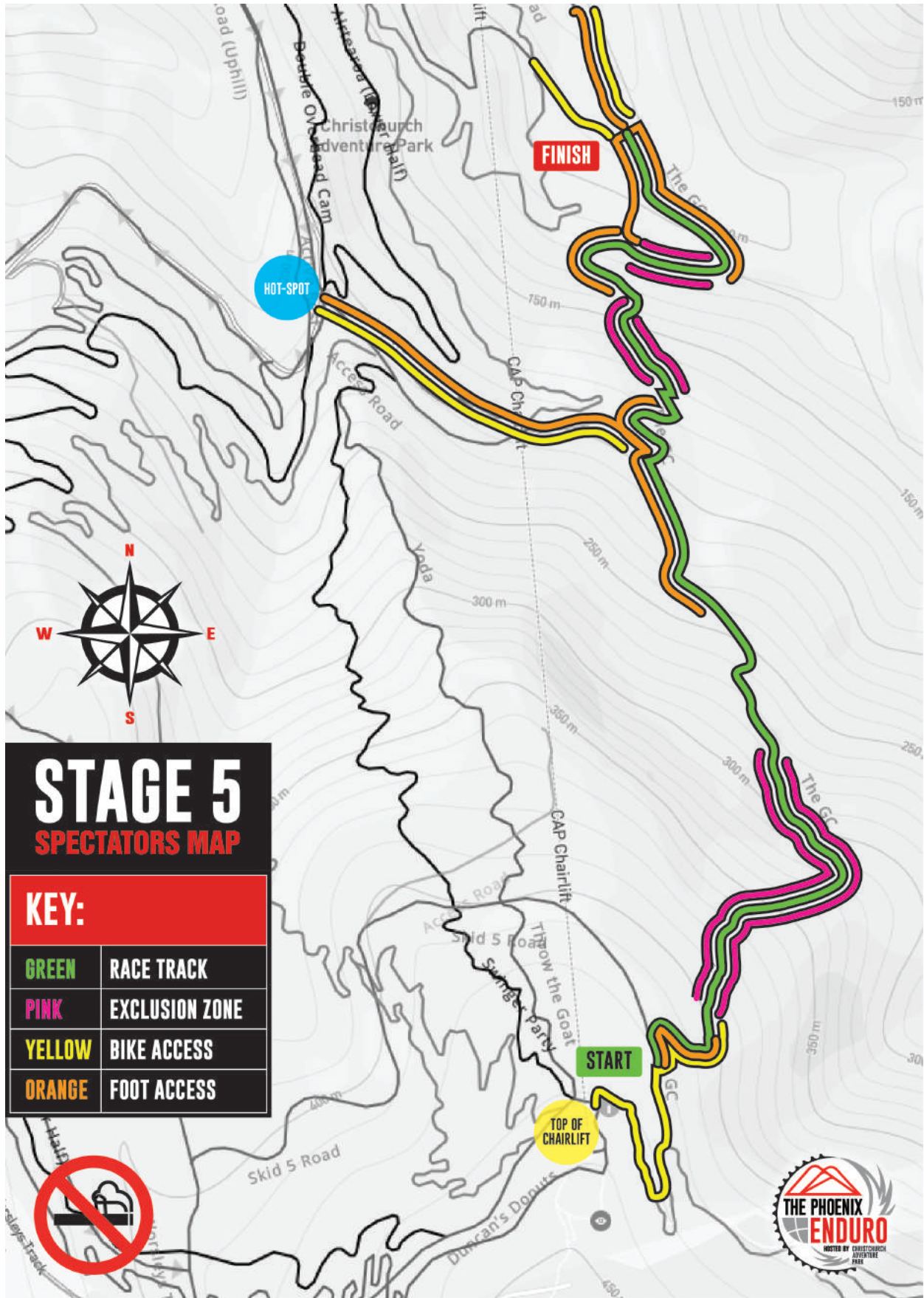
The race now heads back into the Christchurch Adventure Park, with stage 4 starting on **Captain Cook**. You can access this trail just off Dyers Pass Road. **Captain Cook** is accessible on foot. If you wish to continue down further with a bike, please follow all marshal's instructions as some racers may still be using the trail as part of their liaisons.

From **Captain Cook** the race continues onto **Shredzilla**. To see sections of trail further down you can continue on foot beside the trail or continue by bike down Loess Rider which gets very close at points to the race, just remember not to block the trail for other users.

Village Up

If you're coming in from the bottom of the trail, there is access only by foot. Just cross over the creek by the exit of Stage 4 near the car park. Make sure to keep the bridges at the exit of the trail clear, then follow up the side of the trail.

STAGE 5 – The GC



Access Points: Christchurch Adventure Park

Top Down

The new **GC** track starts at Summit Connection. This is only accessible via bikes there is to be no foot traffic down Summit Connection.

At the start of the **GC**, members of the public can leave their bikes and walk down the track, being sure to stay on the outside of the taped race track and not venture away from the track area.

Middle Up or Down

If you are out and about on your bike, for the day only, you are able to pedal out from Hotspot (location where LOP/Swinger Party etc come out) along Mid Road to where **The GC** crosses the road.

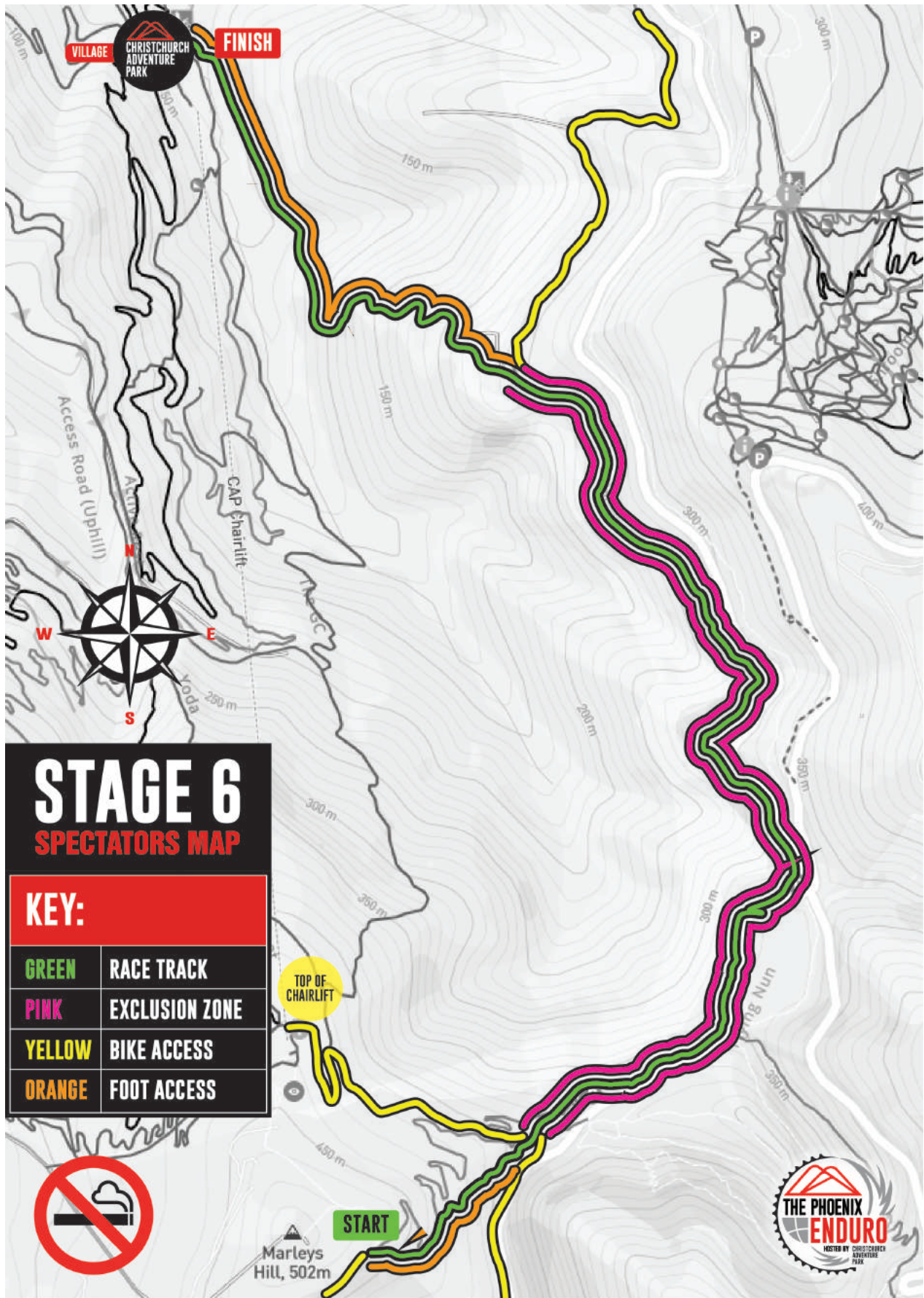
From here, please get off your bike to walk up or down the track from the road crossing. Again, please be very careful as you walk alongside of the track. This section is nicknamed 'The Motorway' as it is a very fast section of track.

Village Up

If you are interested in seeing the finish jump and for a good view point to see a big portion of the race track, head up to the end of Valley Road where the race track finishes.

There is a walkway on the left of the road as you head up. Please stay on this walkway as we need the road clear for vehicle access.

STAGE 6 – Gnarly Nun, Flying Nun, Choir Boy, 3rd Base and Dreamcatcher



Access Points: Christchurch Adventure Park

Top Down

Our final Stage 6 starts above the Park on **Gnarly Nun**. This trail starts in the same place as the **Flying Nun**; at the very top of Worsleys Road. From the top of Stage 6 you can spectate on foot alongside the trail, down to where **Gnarly Nun** joins the **Flying Nun**. From here down is a large exclusion zone, as it's another very high-speed section with no room alongside the trail for spectators to stand. The top section of trail can also be accessed via the Summit Connector at the top of the Chairlift by bike.

Middle Down

The exclusion zone extends down to the start of **Third Base**. To get here you can walk/bike up Choirboy from the start of Stage 4 just off Dyers Pass Road.

Village Up

Another place to access **Third Base** is by following the sides of the trail up, which finishes opposite the lift terminal. Be aware that there are exclusion zones in the trees of **Third Base**. These are high risk areas such as fall zones after features.