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## Head for the Mountain

**Tickets for the 2009 UCI Mountain Bike and Trials World Championships on sale today!**

**6 July 2009** – Tickets have gone on sale today for the 2009 UCI Mountain Bike and Trials World Championships being hosted at Stromlo Forrest Park in Canberra 1-6 September.

The world's best mountain bike riders will take to the Stromlo Forrest Park tracks competing in Downhill, Cross Country, Four Cross and Trials.

Tickets can be bought in advance at a discounted rate via Ticketek or at the gate. Included in the ticket price is bus transport from the Canberra City to Stromlo Forrest Park, car parking at the venue and all day bus shuttles up and down the mountain during racing. Single day, 3 day and family passes are available.

Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation Mr Andrew Barr today opened ticket sales with Aussie team hopefuls Caroline Buchanan and Ben Henderson. "The World Championships will be a highlight in the sporting calendar bringing visitors from around the world to Canberra and Stromlo Forest Park", Minister Barr said.

"Last year's World Cup was great preparation for the World Championships and gave international riders a feel for our world class venue. I urge all Canberrans to get behind the World Championships and grab the opportunity to see the world's best riders".

Caroline Buchanan, who took out gold at last year's World Cup in Canberra and recently returned home with gold from the World Cup in Fort William Scotland, was present at this morning's announcement. "It is the first time in 10 years the World Championships have been held in Australia. With Canberra hosting the World Championships, it gives me the exciting and rare chance to ride in front of a home crowd", Buchanan said.

The World Championships runs from Tuesday 1 to Sunday 6 September. Tickets are required for Friday, Saturday and Sunday; admission is free Tuesday to Thursday.

Tickets for the event can be purchased via the Ticketek website: [www.ticketek.com.au](http://www.ticketek.com.au)

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