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Lace up those running shoes – the Boyne Valley 50 Trail Run returns next month

Get ready to hit the trails! The Boyne Valley 50 Trail Run returns on Saturday 19 July, following a hugely successful debut - and Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB) is proud to be back on board as sponsor.

GAWB CEO Darren Barlow said the event has something for everyone, from trail running newcomers to seasoned competitors.

“The Boyne Valley 50 Trail Run is a fantastic way to show off the natural beauty of the region and make the most of our incredible recreational assets, like the Four Mile Scrub to Boynedale Bush Camp Rail Trail and the broader Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail network,” Mr Barlow said.

“We’re proud to support grassroots events that encourage healthy, active lifestyles while helping locals and visitors alike connect with nature and community.

“The rail trail, opened two years ago, is already delivering on its promise to boost liveability and tourism in the region.

“The Boyne Valley 50 Trail Run is not just a run - it’s a celebration of community, nature, and the outdoors.

“And when the race is done you can pitch a tent under the stars at Boynedale Bush Camp and soak in the scenery,” he said.

Event organiser Kyle Adams said the team was thrilled with GAWB’s continued support.

“Last year’s inaugural event smashed our expectations,” Mr Adams said.

“The support from the local community, and the participants especially, was incredible.

“We’ve listened to feedback and made this year even better. Whether you’re going for the full 50 or just dipping your toe in, there’s a distance for everyone,” he said.

The Boyne Valley 50 is a multi-distance trail event along the Dawes Range section of the Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail, with four race options:

- 50km Ultra
- 23km Downhill Dash
- 23km Uphill
- 12km Taster

Don’t miss out- register at milepostevents.com.au/boyne-valley-50 before 5pm, Wednesday 16 July.

The Four Mile Scrub to Boynedale Bush Camp rail trail is an initiative of the 2020-2025 Lake Awoonga Recreational Strategy, a \$7 million investment into outdoor recreation and liveability initiatives.

The six-kilometre walking trail forms part of the Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail network and feature sections for non-motorised travel such as walking and cycling, while the Four Mile Scrub section is open to foot traffic only. Boynedale Bush Camp is provided free to the public, offering a composting toilet, fire pits, picnic tables and shelters, and is located approximately a 45-minute drive from Gladstone Central.

Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB), as a Queensland Government Bulk Water Supply Authority, delivers safe and reliable water services which promote economic development and enhance the lifestyle of regional Queensland. GAWB owns and operates Awoonga Dam, along with a network of pipelines, water treatment plants and other distribution infrastructure. GAWB also owns and operates Aquaculture Gladstone, a fish hatchery and interpretive display at Lookout One at Lake Awoonga.

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