



# **NILE RIVER FESTIVAL 2020 - SPECTATOR INFO & SCHEDULE**

## **THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY:**

Day 1 – Superholympics + Big Air Ramp + SUP Jousting

9am till 2pm: Superholympics: Spectating is hard for the Superholympics, but you can totally get involved in the fun and shenanigans if you know how to get yourself to Superhole, bring an inflatable and a good dose of enthusiasm.

5.30pm: Big Air Ramp and SUP Jousting

Location: By the water's edge at the Nile River Explorers (NRE) Campsite.

Suggested accommodation: [Nile River Camp](#), [Nile River Explorers Campsite](#), [Jinja Basecamp](#) or [Nile Porch](#)

Party: 6pm onwards - Opening celebrations at NRE (stay tuned to our [Facebook event page](#) for more info soon).

8pm – Quick prize giving for Ramp Event (main prize giving on Saturday night)

## **FRIDAY 31ST JANUARY:**

Day 2 – Freestyle Friday

We are travelling down the river to do the freestyle, so it's not easy for spectators to come along during the day. The last rapid, called Vengeance has a cool island with BBQ overlooking the action. Bring some BBQ food and beer and speak to Overland Camp about getting across to the island for around 3pm.

Otherwise just join us at Overland Camp by Kalagala for the after-river banter and party.

Suggested accommodation: [Overland Camp](#)

## **SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY:**

Day 3 – The Hendri Coetzee Itanda Falls Extreme Race & Mountain Bike Race

Location: Itanda Falls, Busoga

If you only see one event this year, this is the one! Watch the best paddlers in the world race down one of the biggest rapids in the world!

Mountain Bike Race:

This year BikeVentures are running a bike race and a separate tour that will take you from NRE to Itanda in time to watch all the kayaking action. Your entry fee includes transport back to NRE at the end of the day. The money raised even goes to a great charity. If you want to get involved, see

<https://www.facebook.com/events/cycling-out-of-poverty-coop-africa/jinja-mountain-bike-race-2020/1231667256983992/>

8am Bike race leaves NRE

8.30am Bike Tour leaves NRE

Transport / logistics if not mountain biking:

From Overland Camp:

10am Overnight bags for those who stayed at Overland Camp will be collected together to be transported back to NRE (this means you can paddle across to Itanda with just the stuff you need for the day and get the truck back to NRE river right at the end of the day). All bags will be looked after until you claim them once back at NRE.

10-11am Boat shuttles across the flatwater for spectators from Overland Camp to Itanda will be available for a small fee.

From NRE:

9.30am Spectator transport will be leaving the NRE campsite to Itanda Falls (Journey time: 45 minutes).

Spectator transport is 10,000 ugx per person each direction (to/from NRE).

Departure: Money will be collected when you are boarding the transport prior to departure. Return: This transport must be booked and paid for by the morning of the event at the latest to ensure we have sufficient vehicles.

Snacks and drinks will be available at the event site so bring a bit of cash. Please be aware the event sites are basic and have limited shade – bring your suncream/water/hats etc

4pm The return transport to NRE will leave at the end of the event (time is approximate). The shuttle buses will not depart until the end of the day's event and will not leave until they are full.

If you prefer, you are welcome to arrange your own transport down to/from the event site.

Evening:

The main Nile River Festival party – one of Uganda's biggest parties of the year! Nile River Explorers Bar – Jelly wrestling, Beer Olympics and a whole heap of fun! Don't miss it!

Suggested accommodation: [Nile River Camp](#), [Nile River Explorers Campsite, Jinja Basecamp](#) or [Nile Porch](#)

## **SUNDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY:**

Come and join in the rafting event! No experience necessary! This is an awesome opportunity to get involved in an epic day on the river with some of the most experienced kayakers and rafters in the world. Rafts with guides to tell you everything you need to know will be a part of this festival spirited trip down the river. To book, please contact [Nalubale Rafting](#).

Transport: Will be arranged by whichever rafting company you choose to book with.

Journey time: full day.

Suggested accommodation: [Nile River Camp](#), [Nile River Explorers Campsite, Jinja Basecamp](#) or [Nile Porch](#)

Or, if you fancy a camping out on a spectacular river island next to one of the best rapids on the river, join us on Vengeance Island for a festival close-down social. Places are limited, book through [Overland Camp](#).

Stay tuned to our [Facebook event page](#) for more info soon.

