



□ A sea of bikes gathered at the Mahia Boating and Fishing Club on Saturday.

# out a magic ride

A KEEN group of riders geared up on Saturday for the Whangawehi Mountain Bike Ride.

In an event organised in conjunction with local sport group Adventure Wairoa, cyclists of all ages set off from the Mahia Boating and Fishing Club.

Participants came from around the region to tackle a range of different terrain including road, gravel and forestry tracks.

Group project co-ordinator Nic Caviale-Delzescaux said the event was a real success with 67 people taking part.

The event was part of a series of summer community engagement activities organised by the Whangawehi Catchment Management Group to share their restoration story with the wider community.

Mr Caviale-Delzescaux said when you live in remote areas it is critical to be able to offer a wide range of activities to attract and engage with the wider community.

"It was also great to involve local clubs and organisations this time round to leverage more support," he said.

□ LEFT: Gisborne riders Gary Simmons and Ron Colling examine the course map before setting off on the Whangawehi Mountain Bike Ride on Saturday.







□ Fitness veteran Rod Kirwan, left, geared up and ready for the challenge with brother-in-law Peter Wagner.



□ More than 60 people took part in the Whangawehi Catchment Management Group Mountain Bike Ride on Saturday.

# Whangawehi wheels



□ Local kids joined in the challenge which welcomed a healthy number of family groups.

