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Races N^o 1 and 2 - Crosscut Classic

Crosscut Mountain Sports Center

16621 Bridger Canyon Rd
Bozeman, MT 59715

2023

September 2nd and 3rd, 9:00 AM

Course Description

The Crosscut course features a mix of fun swoopy singletrack, dirt service roads and two-track. We've mixed things up this year and will be finishing the loop with a new connector that pops out on the backside of the lower stadium area. The Saturday course is 3.8 miles long with 356 feet of climbing. Sunday's course will be identical to Saturday's except that the outer part of the loop will be cut-off making it approximately 2.5 miles long with 266 feet of climbing.

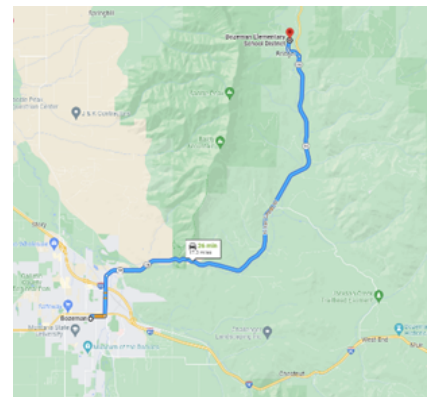
[Google MyMaps link](#)

Pre-Ride

The course will be open for pre-ride Friday afternoon (5:00-7:30 PM) and Saturday morning (8:00-8:45 AM). We will offer an additional pre-ride opportunity on Saturday afternoon (5:00-6:30 PM). There is no pre-ride on Sunday morning. We strongly recommend that all racers pre-ride the course and bring a map, plenty of water, cell phone, and not ride alone. Please pass course workers with great care and stay off the course outside of the above times. Only registered riders, coaches, and staff are allowed on the course. Everyone needs a race plate or a registered coach plate to be on course. No unregistered parents/siblings allowed on course. All racers must have a coach with them during pre-ride.

Volunteer at Our Races

Volunteers are the backbone of our League and make our events possible. Please consider volunteering at this race, we are confident you'll love it, money-back guarantee! We will need volunteers for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. [Sign up HERE!](#) If you have any volunteering-related questions, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Cindy Schultz at volunteer@montanamtb.org.



Directions ([CLICK HERE](#))

Crosscut Mountain Sports Center is located off Highway 86. We will be based out of the newly constructed biathlon stadium off the Bridger Bowl Ski area road. Turn left off the highway to Bridger Bowl Ski Area and take the first two branches to the right. After the 2nd right-hand turn, you will drive through a tunnel and then into the Crosscut parking area. It's about a 25 min drive from downtown Bozeman.

2023 Registration

For 2023 we are carrying on with the flat fee structure, race entries are included in your registration! There is no extra cost for attending races, but you must sign-up for the races you will attend so we can keep track of student-athletes and have appropriate call-ups. Please sign-up in Pit Zone by 11:59 PM on the Monday before the race to make sure we can get you added to the call-up list. **If student-athletes miss the registration deadline they are still welcome to show up on race day and join in, however they'll miss out on their call-up and will line up at the back of their field - no exceptions.**

Petitions for Category Placement

Saturday race category petition: Those petitioning for exceptions to the race category placement for Saturday's race must do so by Monday, August 28th at 11:59 PM. Petition [FORM](#) must be filled out online. Race day petitions will not be entertained.

Sunday race category petition: Those petitioning for a category change for Sunday's race, must see Registration at the venue and complete a paper form by 3:30pm on Saturday. Race day petitions will not be entertained.

Chip Timing

All racers will receive a permanent number plate with chip timing transponder on the backside. Racers will use this race plate for all five races, so please remove this number plate before mounting the bike on car to prevent loss. **Replacement number plates will be available at the registration tent for \$20.**

Registration Information – Race Plate Pick-up

The registration tent will be open on Friday 3:00-7:00 PM, Saturday until 11:00 AM and Sunday until 9:30 AM. Students who do not have a plate can check in with registration after speaking to their head coach. These chip timing number plates will be used for the entire season, please do not lose them. Reminder: double check that you are registered and Race Ready in the NICA Pit Zone!

Again, racers will be using their number plate for the entire season; replacement number plates are available at Registration for \$20.

Don't forget to sign-up for this race in Pit Zone by 11:59 pm on Monday, August 28th to ensure your student athlete is added to the start list and receives a call-up. Racers who miss the deadline are still welcome to show up and race, however they will start at the back of their respective field, no exceptions.

In order to race you must meet *Race Ready* status!

Race Ready Checklist:

- Pit Zone profile completed
- Waivers electronically signed in the Pit Zone
- League registration fees paid and registered for the race!

Biathlon Demo Opportunity!

Crosscut Mountain Sports Center will be offering NICA participants a Biathlon demo and fun team competition the evening of 9/2 from 5-7pm on the biathlon range. This is open to all NICA participants and team leaders. Challenge yourself and teammates to a new experience. Please fill out [this waiver](#) before the event.

Waves, Start Times, Laps & Distances

SATURDAY:

Category	Staging Time	Start Time	Laps	~Miles	~Race Time
WAVE 1					
8 th Grade Boys	9:00 AM	9:05 AM	1	3.75	<40 min
7 th Grade Boys		9:10 AM	1	3.75	<40 min
6 th Grade Boys		9:15 AM	1	3.75	<40 min
WAVE 2					
7 th /8 th Comp Girls	9:40 AM	9:45 AM	2	7.5	<75 min
8 th Grade Girls		9:49 AM	1	3.75	<40 min
7 th Grade Girls		9:53 AM	1	3.75	<40 min
6 th Grade Girls		9:57 AM	1	3.75	<40 min
WAVE 3					
7 th /8 th Comp Boys	10:55 AM	11:00 AM	2	7.5	<75 min
JV3 Boys		11:02 AM	2	7.5	<75 min
WAVE 4					
Varsity Girls	12:10 PM	12:15 PM	3	11.3	<90 min
JV1 Girls		12:17 PM	2	7.5	<75 min
JV2 Girls		12:19 PM	2	7.5	<75 min
JV3 Girls		12:21 PM	2	7.5	<75 min
WAVE 5					
Varsity Boys	1:40 PM	1:45 PM	3	11.3	<90 min
JV1 Boys		1:47 PM	3	11.3	<90 min
JV2 Boys		1:49 PM	2	7.5	<75 min

*Note: final lap count decision per category will be finalized and confirmed at the start of each race in addition to time cutoffs for multi-lap races. Keep in mind that time cutoffs will be enforced at the races.

SUNDAY:

Category	Staging Time	Start Time	Laps	~Miles	~Race Time
WAVE 1					
7 th /8 th Comp Girls	8:25 AM	8:30 AM	3	7.5	<50 min
8 th Grade Girls		8:32 AM	2	5	<40 min
7 th Grade Girls		8:34 AM	2	5	<40 min
6 th Grade Girls		8:36 AM	2	5	<40 min
WAVE 2					
6 th Grade Boys	9:10 AM	9:15 AM	2	5	<40 min
WAVE 3					
7 th Grade Boys	9:50 AM	9:55 AM	2	5	<40 min
WAVE 4					
8 th Grade Boys	10:30 AM	10:35 AM	2	5	<40 min
WAVE 5					
7 th /8 th Comp Boys	11:10 AM	11:15 AM	3	7.5	<50 min
JV3 Boys		11:17 AM	3	7.5	<50 min
WAVE 6					
Varsity Girls	12:00 PM	12:05 PM	4	10	<60 min
JV1 Girls		12:07 PM	3	7.5	<50 min
JV2 Girls		12:09 PM	3	7.5	<50 min
JV3 Girls		12:11 PM	3	7.5	<50 min
WAVE 7					
Varsity Boys	1:00 PM	1:05 PM	4	10	<60 min
JV1 Boys		1:07 PM	3	7.5	<50 min
JV2 Boys		1:09 PM	3	7.5	<50 min

Race Weekend Schedule

Friday, September 1st:

10:00 am: Core Race Staff Arrives

11:00 am: Volunteer Shifts Begin

3:00 pm: Team Pit Zone Opens, Registration Opens, Merchandise Opens

5:00 pm: Pre-ride Begins (Everyone on course must be registered and have a number plate on bike)

6:45 pm: GRiT (Girls Riding Together) Pre-ride

7:00 pm: Registration Closes, Merchandise Closes

7:30 pm: Pre-ride Closes

Saturday, September 2nd:

7:45 am: Registration Opens

8:00 am: Pre-Ride Opens

8:15 am: Coaches Meeting (mandatory attendance for 1 coach representative from each team)

8:45 am: Pre-ride Closed

9:00 am: Racing Begins! (See detailed start schedule above for category start times)

11:00 am: Registration Closes

~3:30 pm: Racing Concludes

~3:30 pm: Pit Zone Break Down Begins

~3:45 pm: Awards

5:00 pm: Pre-ride begins

5:00 pm: Crosscut Biathlon demo begins

6:30 pm: Pre-ride Closes

7:00 pm: Crosscut Biathlon demo ends

Sunday, September 3rd:

8:00 am: Coaches Meeting (mandatory attendance for 1 coach representative from each team)

8:30 am: Racing Begins! (See detailed start schedule above for category start times)

~2:00 pm: Racing Concludes

~2:00 pm: Pit Zone Break Down Begins

~3:00 pm: Awards

Other Important Notes

- Pit Zone drop-off is open to teams only from 3:00-7:30 pm on Friday.
- All participants will be expected to help with course takedown and awards will not begin until after takedown is completed.
- Pit Zone will open to vehicles for loading after completion of awards.
- No smoking.
- No inappropriate language.
- Any conflicts and/or disputes with any race official or volunteer shall not be dealt with in the team pit area.
- All bikes must be walked in Pit Zone area.
- Helmets must be worn at all times while riding.
- Any violation of the above rules may result in a team penalty and/or expulsion from the team pit and infield area.
- No gasoline generators and no open fires inside the team pit areas (including no charcoal grills).
- **Dogs must be kept on leash at all times at the race venue. Clean up after your dogs.**

- Please pack out what you pack in. No garbage receptacles will be provided.
- Potable water is available at the Crosscut Nordic Center off Highway 86.
- Review our [Refund and Weather Policy HERE](#).
- All racing will be governed by the [NICA Rulebook](#).
- **We hope all racers and their families will stay after the race for the award ceremony!**

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Additional Crosscut Information

Overnight Camping Authorized on Friday and Saturday!

The Montana Interscholastic Cycling League encourages racers, coaches and parents to camp out! Thanks for the amazing folks at Crosscut Mountain Sports Center and Bridger Bowl, rustic overnight camping will be offered on Friday and Saturday nights. Guidelines:

- Parental supervision required, no exceptions. MICL and team coaches are NOT responsible for student athletes outside of pre-ride and racing.
- Camp sites are rustic/unimproved, and first come-first served. No hookups available for RV's.
- There will be specific tent and RV sites.
- No campfires or open flames allowed. Propane grills and stoves allowed as consistent with the current local fire restrictions.
- Pack in/pack out trash and recycling *no trash service provided.
- Porta potties will be provided.
- Bridger Bowl has requested we stay ONLY in the specific lower parking areas where camping is allowed.

Crosscut and Bridger Bowl Map of Area



NICA Crosscut Classic Course

Crosscut Classic Full ...

- League**
 - Timing
 - Merch Reg Volunteer
 - League Trailer
 - Announcing
 - League Camping
 - Water For Teams
- Spectator**
 - Parking Lot D
 - Overflow Parking Lot B/C
 - Spectator Path to Venue
 - RV/Tent Camping
 - Tent Only Camping
 - Vehicle Route to Venue
- Infield**
 - Building
 - Building
 - Building
 - Start Line
- Safety**
 - Course Crossing
- Crosscut Classic Full Course 2022**
 - NICA CC 2023 Course
 - Warmup Zone
 - Cutoff To Sunday's Short Course

**Click on map for an interactive view*

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