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THE ORGAN GRINDER

5 HR MOUNTAIN BIKE ENDURO

**SUNDAY, JUNE 7TH, 2015
CANMORE NORDIC CENTER**

THE RACE

The Organ Grinder has become the premier enduro event of the early season. At the 5 yr milestone, it's solidified its place in the calendar and the minds of the cycling community. As in previous years, this year's event will be epic, challenging for the riders and a treat for the spectators and supporters.

Held at the beautiful Canmore Nordic Center we will showcase some of the best singletrack the Center has to offer.

THE FORMAT

It's simple really, ride around our course as many times as you or your relay team can in 5 hours ... the one who does the most laps wins. There will be Solo Male, Female, and Male 40+ & Female 35+ Master categories as well as Relay Teams of two (male, female, mixed) and the prizes will be great.

THE COURSE

The course will stay largely the same as in 2014 but we will try to change it up a bit to keep things fresh ... and challenging. We will again use a chunk of the previous days Iron Maiden XC course, but we will add on the lower trails that so many of you love, or hate, doesn't matter ... you're doing them anyway, over and over...

PRIZES AND AWARDS

Prizes for the top 3 in each category from our great sponsors at Bow Cycle, and super cool t-shirts for all entrants and a BBQ are provided. (small print ... you may or may not get the size of t-shirt you want. We do our best, but predicting the size of our entrants is impossible)



REGISTRATION & FEES

\$75 for Solo categories and \$70 per person for Relay Teams of 2 if you sign-up by Wednesday, June 3rd. There will be a \$10 late fee for those registering after Wednesday, June 3rd **Registration will close at 6pm, Saturday, June 6th.** There will be **ABSOLUTELY NO RACE DAY REGISTRATION.** Fees are non-refundable. Visit www.Zone4.ca to register. Registration will be capped at 225 total riders.

\$5 NORDIC CENTRE TRAIL FEE

An extra \$5 per person will be charged for the Nordic Centre trail maintenance levy. The fee was introduced to help ensure that the Nordic Centre has a sustainable source of funding for their future trail building and maintenance. This fee is **on top** of the fees we pay to use the facility.

BEAR SPRAY REQUIREMENT

The Canmore Nordic Center has a requirement that all event participants carry Bear Spray. This includes the Organ Grinder. As such, participants will not be allowed to start the race or each lap without Bear Spray. Each participant must provide their own Bear Spray as it will not be provided at the race.

For more information about this policy please visit this link ...

<http://www.albertabicycle.ab.ca/bear-spray-requirement-for-canmore-nordic-centre-events?id=921>

WET WEATHER RACING AND CANCELLATION POLICY ...

In the past, many people have expressed their concern that the race should not go ahead if there is a risk to the trails as a result of extremely wet weather. As organizers, we look to the Nordic Centre for guidance and if they give the go ahead we will race.

However, if the weather and trail conditions should warrant the cancellation of the event we will not refund entries but will rather donate the proceeds from the race to trail building groups in the Bow Valley. Keep in mind that we have had some pretty horrible weather in the past that did not warrant cancellation, so it would have to be pretty bad for us to pull the pin. You'll still get a cool t-shirt and we may even still hold the BBQ.

ENDURO RACE CATEGORIES

Solo	Age	Sub-categories
Open Men	15 & up	All male categories
Open Women	15 & up	All female categories
Master 40+ men	40+	All Master Men categories
Master 35+ Women	35+	All Master Women categories

2 person Relay

Open male	- Teams of 2 men, any age
Open female	- Teams of 2 women, any age
Open mixed	- Teams of 2, any age

... A BIT ABOUT LICENSING FROM THE ABA

... all participants must have either a current ABA/UCI license, or a Single Event License that can be purchased when you register on Zone 4

... Single Event Licenses are available to purchase at a price of \$10 for Citizen riders who are not licensed. A Single Event License may be purchased when you register online. (note: only 2 single event licenses can be purchased for the year)

... remember that race registration closes at 6:00pm Saturday, June 6th.

NO RACE DAY REGISTRATION!!!!!!

SCHEDULE ...

SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH

5:00 pm - on - Pre-ride and course inspection open after completion of the Iron Maiden XC

(NO PRE-RIDING DURING THE IRON MAIDEN XC!!!)

SUNDAY, JUNE 7TH

7:30-8:45 am - Sign-on **(Sign-on will close lock tight at 8:45 am sharp)**

9:00 am - Pre-ride closed

9:00 am - Rider meeting and staging

9:15 am - START - all categories

2:30 pm - Cut-off time for laps to qualify for final standings

3:00 pm - Awards



PRE-RIDE

The course will be available for pre-ride and inspection on Saturday, June 6th from 5pm on, and on Sunday, June 7th, from 7am - 9am.

There will be absolutely no access to the course during the day on Saturday when the Iron Maiden XC is in progress.

(AGAIN NO PRE-RIDING DURING THE IRON MAIDEN XC!!!)

SIGN-ON

All racers must sign-on from 7:30-8:45 am on Sunday in order to race. **Sign-on will close at 8:45 am Sunday ... No Exceptions!!!** Licensed racers must have their license with them at sign-on.

NUMBER PLATES

You will receive an Organ Grinder number plate when you sign-on. You do not need your ABA number plate.

FOOD AND WATER

Post race food and beverages will be provided to all racers but you need to bring all of your own race supplies. We will be having our ***Cyclemeisters All You Can Eat Sausage Extravaganza B.B.Q.*** put on by the Cyclemeisters Parents starting at 1 pm on Sunday.

BIKES AND EQUIPMENT

All your equipment needs to be in good, safe working condition and you must wear an approved bike helmet at all times.

MECHANICAL / FEED ZONE

There will be 2 designated zones for feeds and mechanicals. Racers are responsible for their own mechanical work and feed zone assistance.

QUESTIONS? Contact: racedirector@cyclemeisters.com



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Curious Communications ... Pink and orange plaid may not be your thing, but you've got to admit these guys are pretty damn creative.



Spolumbo's Fine Foods ... Not much to say here really ... just really good food!!