



2021 Hardwood Wednesday Night MTB Races

General

We are excited to return to weekly races at Hardwood in 2021. The safety of riders, families, volunteers and staff is our primary concern. We have structured the weekly races, with direction from the OCA, to ensure fun and safe racing for all. The individual start format allows racing opportunity to riders while following all physical distancing and other health measures to minimize the risk of COVID-19.

Races will start immediately once the provincial stay-at-home order is lifted. By present guidelines, we will run races as individual unassigned start "self-timed" under Grey or Red zone, and as individual assigned start "HSB timed" in Orange zone or better.

Key Facts:

- Series May 18 to Sept 1 (Tue Nights for Team Hardwood Next Wave, Wed Nights for public)
- Limit of 100 racers each night.
- Series Entry only, no single race sign up permitted.
- If in Grey or Red zone - Racers Start Individually between 5:30 and 7:00 pm with no assigned start time. Races run as "self-timed".
- If in Orange zone or better - Racers Start Individually between 6:30 and 7:00 pm with assigned start time. Races run as "HSB-timed".
- Course choices: Fun, Cranked, Serious, Gnarly, Radical.
- Minimum age 8 years as of Sept 1, 2021.

Key COVID Safety:

- Screening - Canatrace screening each day prior to arrival.
- Distancing - Individual starts, distanced staging of riders, no gathering.
- Masks - Masks worn by everyone within 50 m of chalet/start/finish.
- No Touch Process - Online registration and season registration only.

This is a weekly regional race, and we do not encourage riders to travel significant distances to attend races.

COVID Protocols

Our complete COVID Operations policies can be found [here](#).

- Do NOT attend if you have or may have been exposed to COVID-19, are feeling unwell or anyone in your household is feeling unwell.

- Riders and family members must complete [Canatrace screening](#) each week prior to arrival.
- Everyone must maintain physical distance. No congregating, spectator or cheering areas. Avoid shaking hands or hugging.
- Masks or face covering must be worn at all times within 50 m of the Chalet and Start/Finish area, except for riders on course (See Map below for clarity).
- Do not bring additional family members or invite friends.
- Travel to and from the venue only with members of the same household.
- No dogs or animals permitted. Do NOT leave any animals in the car or parking area.
- Bring your own hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes for your personal hygiene.
- You must take all garbage home with you.
- Do not share any tools, equipment, or water bottles.

Registration - Registration is live on Zone4.ca [here](#).

All riders must register for the **Entire Season** of 16 races. There will be no single night entry permitted. There is a limit of 100 racers each night as per OCA guidelines.

Riders will be expected to pick up number plates prior to the first race night.

Cost:

\$219.00 plus tax for Series – ages 13 yrs and over

\$142.00 plus tax for Series – ages 8 to 12 yrs

\$3.00 OCA Levy/Plate Fee – required once per year, keep plate for the season

Series Fees include discounted entry to all 16 races. Series Fees include Trail Pass on the selected race (Tue or Wed) night after 4:00 pm.

All Riders must have [OCA Citizen Permit](#) to participate. Click [here](#) for Ontario Cycling Association for details and to purchase Citizen Permit.

Refunds

Prorated refunds (less admin fee) will be given at the end of the series for any races cancelled as a result of Covid restrictions/shutdowns.

Course Details

Course maps can be found [here](#). Fun, Cranked, Serious, Gnarly and Radical are all valid courses to ride for each race. Riders can change or choose their course each week prior to start.

Results and Awards

Results will be posted online and available on your personal device. No paper results will be posted for viewing. There will be no awards ceremony.

Weekly Draw prizes will be drawn in advance and winners posted via social media. Winners can pick up draw prizes at Guest Services. Draw Prizes provided by [Smith Sport Optics](#), [Fox Racing](#), [Crank & Sprocket](#), [Bikeland](#), [Trek Store](#), [Velocity BikeWerx](#), [Giant Barrie](#), [Total Sports/The Bike Shop](#), [Kamikaze](#), [JoyRide 150](#) and [Sprucewood Leasing](#).

Passing

Riders are NOT to closely follow or draft other riders. Riders should not follow within 2m. Passing riders must warn the riders they are approaching before coming within 5m, and call which side they will pass on. The faster rider must wait for the rider they are approaching to move to one side of the trail. Faster riders must move to the opposite side of the trail to pass the slower rider.

Grey/Red Zone - Individual Start Self-Timed Format

Riders will choose their own individual course and start time, any time between 5:30 and 7:00pm. Riders will “time” their own race, and submit their chosen course and time to Zone4 (Instructions will be given to all racers, it's easy). Submission must be made by midnight of race night. GPX or pictures files can also be uploaded for verification, although not mandatory.

Orange Zone or better - Individual Start HSB Timed Format

The Individual Start format will have 1 rider start every 15 seconds. Riders will be given a permanent bike plate number and start time for the season. Start times will roughly “seed” riders with fastest riders in age/course groups going first to minimize passing.

Riders can change or choose their course each week prior to start, spreading out riders among courses.

Race Night Process and Check-in (Orange Zone or better)

We ask that riders arrive onsite a maximum of 1 hour before their assigned start time and leave the site as soon as possible after they finish (this time can be extended for members of the same household travelling together).

Riders are required to Check-In at start area 2 min prior to their start. You will confirm the course you are racing for that night with timing staff and stage up for your start keeping 2m apart from other riders.

Masks must be worn at all times until 30 seconds to start.

Only starting riders will be allowed into the staging area.

There will be a clear gated entrance into the staging area and clear gated exit after Finish line to keep riders separated.

Start Marshall (Orange Zone or better)

The start area will corral the riders using tape lines to keep riders 2m from start marshalls. Riders will be staged for starts, maintaining 2m distancing. There will be a start grid to keep riders 2m apart during staging.

All timing staff will wear masks and keep 2m distance from riders and other staff.

Finish line/Timing crew (Orange Zone or better)

The timing crew will wear masks and maintain 2m distance from each other and riders, unless from the same household. Short range radios will be the best form of communication between timing crew.

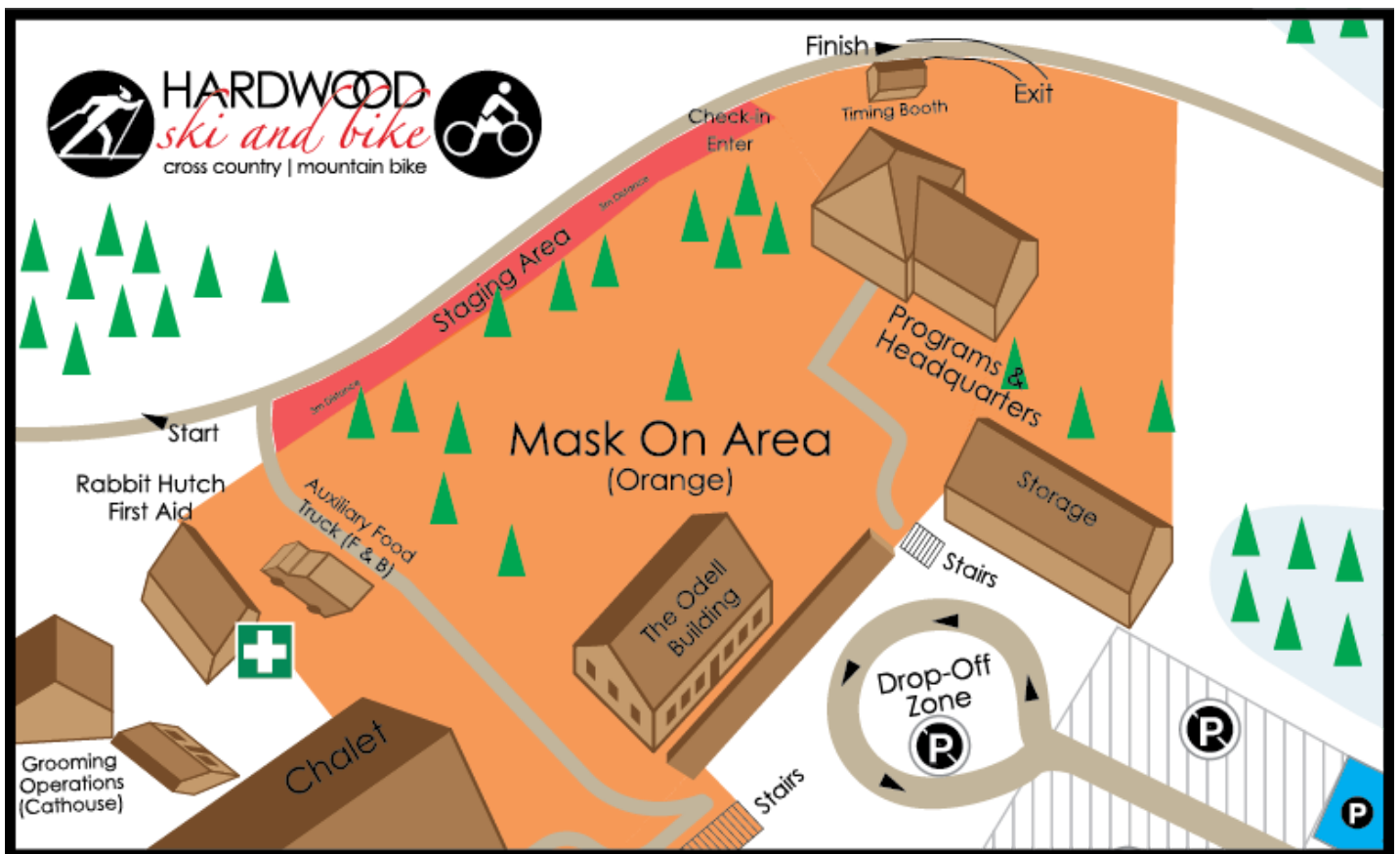
Toilets

Indoor and outdoor toilets will be available and regularly cleaned and sanitized as per Hardwood COVID protocol.

Medical/First Aid

Trained and experienced medical crew will be onsite and have transport onto course when necessary. All medical crew must have proper PPE. Please report to the timing building to report or request First Aid.

Site Map



Bike Wash

There is a bike wash just beside the main chalet. There are no indoor showers available for riders.

Retail/Repair Shop

The retail/service shop will be open until 9 pm.

Food Service

Grab 'n' Go items are available in the chalet until 9 pm. The food trailer will be open for ice cream and other items.

Directions

For directions to Hardwood Ski and Bike please go to [Plan Your Trip](#) or google "Hardwood Ski and Bike."

For more information call or visit our website.

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