

University of Michigan Mountain Bike Race

Date: Sunday, October 2, 2005

Location: Pontiac Lake Recreation Area

Parking Fee: Parking will cost about \$5 per car

Registration Opens: 8:00 AM

Registration Fee: \$12*

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Schedule of Events:

9:30 AM: Men's C – 1 Lap: 10 Miles

9:40 AM: Women's B – 1 Lap: 10 Miles

11:30 PM: Men's A – 3 Laps: 30 Miles

11:40 PM: Men's B – 2 Laps: 20 Miles

11:50 PM: Women's A – 2 Laps: 20 Miles

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Course Description:

The Pontiac Lake Trail is regarded as one of the best mountain bike trails in the state of Michigan. The race will be held on a 10 mile loop.

The race will start on a fire road that will have everyone jockeying for position. It then takes a left turn into a section of double track, which soon turns into single track. The first couple miles of the course include a number of climbs, reaching the highest point of the trail overlooking Pontiac Lake. This trail provides an excellent mix of terrain including a fast fire road, drop offs, jarring rock gardens, super fast downhills, and the infamous “Half Pipe.” The loop ends on the same fire road that it started on, which will provide excellent passing opportunities, as well as a flat-out sprint finish. The fastest riders should expect to see lap times around 40-45 minutes.

Directions:

From I-94:

Take M14 east (exit 171) for about 5 miles to US-23 North (towards Flint/Brighton). After about 25 miles, take the M-59 exit (exit 67) east (right) toward Pontiac. After about 15 miles, turn left (north) onto Williams Lake Rd. Turn left onto Gale Rd., then left into the beach parking lot.

Lodging:

The best place to find lodging is in or around Waterford, MI. Here are a few hotels that are within a few minutes drive of the race course:

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Best Western
7076 Highland Rd., Waterford
248-666-8555

Sherwood Motel
2460 Dixie Hwy, Waterford
248-335-9417

Pontiac Lakeside Model
8230 Highland Rd, Waterford
248-666-1900

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