

Batawa Cup presented by Doug's Bicycle & City of Quinte West

Description

The Batawa Cup p/b Doug's Bicycle and City of Quinte West is a series of four cross country (XC) mountain bike races. The series will feature local amateur racers competing for points on Olympic style short race courses on the Batawa trails. The goal of the race series is to develop grass roots racing in Quinte West. All profits from the race series will go back into the Batawa Trail System. Following completion of the race series the winners in each category (under 16 girls, under 16 boys, open women, and open men) will be presented prizes and have their names engraved on the Sonja Bata Cup. Weekly and final standings will be posted online. The races will be mass start and take approximately 40 - 60 minutes, depending on the course route chosen for the week. Single race participation is permitted.

Points Series

The series will consist of four mountain bike races held on Wednesday evenings in May and June. The winners of each race in the series will be awarded points based on their placing. The rider with the most accumulated points in each category will be declared the overall winner of their category. The overall winners of each category will be announced at the podium ceremony immediately following completion of the final race. Series standings will be updated weekly on webscorer.com. The points per race breakdown is as follows;

First Place: 5 Points

Second Place: 3 Points

Third Place: 2 Points

Fourth Place: 1 Point

Categories

Under 16 Girls- age 15 or younger as of June 1st, 2019.

Under 16 Boys- age 15 or younger as of June 1st, 2019

Open Women- age 16 or older as of June 1st, 2019

Open Men- age 16 or older as of June 1st, 2019

Note: If a fifteen-year-old racer is dominating their field they may be asked to move up to the Open category at the race managers discretion.

Race Dates

The races are scheduled to take place on Wednesday evenings on the following dates; May 15th, May 22nd, May 29th, and June 5th. The races will start at 6:30 PM and be approximately 40-60 minutes in duration depending on the course chosen for that week. Racers are asked to be at the start location no later than five minutes prior to race start. The final night coincides with the first summer "Pub Night" at Batawa Ski Hill. There will be food for purchase and live music in the chalet following the final race. The podium ceremony will also take place at this time.

Registration

Registration for the race series, and single races will be through Webscorer.com. Registration for each race will close approximately 30 minutes prior to race start. Number plates and will be issued to registered racers prior to the start of their first race. Racers are required to maintain their number plate for the duration of the race series, after which it is theirs to keep. All racers are required to sign a Batawa Sports waiver prior to their first race.

Pricing

The cost per race in the Open categories is \$10, or \$40 for the entire series. The cost per race in the Under 16 category is \$5 per race, or \$20 for the series. All payments will be through the online race registration system.

Required Equipment

The following items are required from all race participants;

- 1) Bicycle in good working order with two functioning brakes,
- 2) A CSA approved bicycle helmet, and
- 3) Electric assist bicycles (e-bikes) are not permitted.

Number Plate Placement

Number plates will be secured to the racer's handlebar with zip-ties, number facing forward. No variations are permitted without prior permission from the race manager.

Race Course

The race course will change weekly utilizing various combinations of the south side trails. There will be a common start finish area located near the chalet. The course will be clearly marked, and racers will be briefed on the route prior to race start. Each course will be approximately 2500-4000 meters in length. The number of laps will be determined by the difficulty of each course. For example; a course with lots of climbing will consist of 3 laps in the open category, a flatter course may be 4 laps. The goal is to have each race be approximately the same duration of time. The race course will be posted each week prior to the race start and will be marked on race day. Racers will receive a confirmatory brief on the race course prior to race start. The courses will be open for pre-riding at any time prior to race start.

Course Marking

As the Batawa trails are well defined the course will not be marked with tape along its entire length, although any sections in the open will be marked with tape. Any turns on the race course will be clearly indicated, and trails not in use will be closed with course marking tape.

Race Staff

Race staff will be in the chalet one hour prior to race start. This is for waivers and the issuing of number plates. Prior to race start there will be a course marshal located at the midway point of the race, and the race manager will be located at the timekeeper's position at the start/finish. The race staff are

volunteers, any hostility directed toward them will not be tolerated and result in the racer being removed from the race series, refunds will not be issued.

The Rules

- 1) All racers must be on a bicycle in good working condition, with two functioning brakes.
- 2) An approved helmet must be worn.
- 3) Number plates must always be clearly visible.
- 4) Racers must remain on the marked course, no shortcuts.
- 5) Electric assist bicycles (e-bikes) are not permitted.
- 6) Any racer withdrawing from the race must immediately inform the course marshal or race manager.
- 7) Treat others with respect. Any racer behaving in a disrespectful manner toward other racers, or the race staff will be immediately removed from the race and the race series. Refunds will not be issued in this instance.
- 8) All racers must be off the course no later than 7:30 PM, racers will be removed prior to the start of their last lap if, based on their previous lap times they will not complete their final lap prior to 7:30 PM.
- 9) Be respectful when overtaking other racers, they may not have the same level of skill or experience as you. Announce your passes when approaching another racer i.e. "passing left" or "passing right". If you are being overtaken maintain your line and be predictable.
- 10) Have fun!

Medical Plan

In the event of a medical emergency during the race contact the nearest race staff member immediately. They will contact 911. There is a First Aid kit and AED located in the chalet.