

2025 Hardwood SingleTrack Classic Rider Guide

Welcome to the Hardwood SingleTrack Classic! This is a unique event for all riders and the following information should hopefully answer most of your questions.

Schedule:

Saturday May 31

- 8:00 am – Package Pick-up
- 9:40 am – Long Course (36 km) Start Time
- 10:00 am – Short Course (18 km) Start Time
- 10:05 am – Just Ride (18 km) Start
- 12:00 pm – Lunch option open
- 12:30 pm – Awards (stick around for Draw Prizes!)
- 1:00 pm – Poker Ride and Trails open to public



IF YOU READ ANYTHING- READ THIS!

The Courses and Order:

- The SingleTrack Classic will use 4 of the standard courses of Hardwood Ski and Bike. You are to ride the courses in a specified order as shown by your number plate. It is the riders' responsibility to ride the entire course in the specified order and follow the correct course.
- There will be a marshal at the "Junction" course crossing. Returning or downhill riders have the right of way. You must obey the marshal and yield the right of way.
- There are many locations where courses merge and separate. Keep your head up and eyes open! The number plate is your reminder of which course you are on.
- You will start each course at the Start Line and return all the way to the Finish Line each time. Each lap/course will be timed.
- You will be required to **Stop** after each lap/course and have your number plate marked to cross off the course you just finished. This will allow for the timing crew to track each rider, and make it easy for you to keep track of which course to follow next. See the Number Plate examples below.

Course and Distances - Ride the courses in order as listed on top:

Long Course 36 km

Riding: Gnarly - Fun - Serious - Cranked. In that order.



Short Course/Just Ride 18 km

Riding: Serious - Cranked. In that order.



Cut Off Times:

Cut-Off times are pre-determined based on a lowest average speed of 9 km/hr, and to ensure the safety and health of all riders.

- Long Course riders will have a Cut-Off time of 12:45 pm to finish the Serious Course, to be allowed to go onto the Cranked Course. These riders will still be ranked.

Other Notes:

Please remember that the weather at this time of year can be unpredictable. Prepare for any weather, and monitor your warmth, hydration and energy levels. Ride with care, and always be sure to ride within your ability. Mountain Biking is an active outdoor sport with inherent risks. Waiver, or entry fee does not insure the rider for any risks or injury.

- Support on the course is wide open. Riders may take any equipment or tools with them on the course; and are encouraged to give or receive assistance from any other riders. Water and food may be supplied to any racer by anyone, anywhere on the course.
- Riders are expected to follow the trail signs for the appropriate course and complete the entire course. Short cutting the course by any racer will result in disqualification. Any rider exiting the course for any reason is responsible for getting back on at the exact same spot on the course. This largely pertains to riders exiting the course to relieve themselves or fix a technical problem.
- There will be a marshal at the “Junction” course crossing. Returning or downhill riders have the right of way. You must obey the marshal and yield the right of way.
- Slower riders should attempt to yield to faster riders when it is safe to do so. Faster riders should be politely loud when preparing to pass, giving a warning of “passing on your left” or “passing on your right”. It is the responsibility of the faster rider to overtake other riders safely. **This is a FUN event for all ages and abilities!**
- There will be a “feed zone” area along the cement wall as you are lapping through the start area. Riders are welcome to leave coolers, bottles, food there for pick up or assisted feed. There will also be neutral water/hydration available to fill up bottles.
- The race director or course officials reserve the right to disqualify riders or teams for dangerous riding, fatigue (danger to yourselves or others), not wearing a helmet and anything else that may jeopardize the safe operation of this event. **There are to be no MP3/IPODS worn during the event!**
- If any part of the course throughout the event becomes particularly treacherous or marking materials are altered during the event, look for a race official or marshal to address the problem.
- Certified bicycle helmets must be worn when riding at all times. Helmets are not only mandatory while riding on the race course but also in the areas of the parking and roadways within Hardwood. Those not in compliance will be subject to disqualification. We also recommend gloves and eyewear for your protection.

Have a great day and fun riding!

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