

**2024 Mid Week Fat Bike Series
Race #3 - Tuesday, January 30th**

WEATHER

The forecast for this Tuesday looks good for a winter evening ride. We should have clear skies & temps that will start warm(ish) but cool rapidly when the sun goes down. Remember to bring warm/dry layers for hanging out pre- and post-race.

WAIVERS + REGISTRATION INFO

Waivers - please make sure you have signed your Soldier Hollow waiver. If you know you didn't sign it, [please click here to do so](#). We'll double check your waiver status at check-in. If you plan on riding in all 4 races, you only need to sign the waiver once.

[Race day registration](#) is available! Beginning at midnight, the price goes up - sign up now or share the link with someone who would like to join us. It's also not too late to [purchase a season pass](#).

If at any point during the Fat Bike Series you misplace, lose, or otherwise forget to bring your assigned race plate, we'll happily provide you with a replacement plate for a [\\$10 fee](#).

PARKING

UPDATE! We will be parking in the UPPER LOT near the Soldier Hollow Nordic Center and Soldier Hollow Golf Course buildings. DO NOT PARK in the Ice Castles parking lot like we have for the previous two races.

WE NEED TO KEEP MUD OFF of any snow surface at Soldier Hollow. PARK IN A PAVED PARKING SPOT if at all possible. If you must park in the gravel overflow lot, PLEASE DROP YOUR BIKE OFF at the Bike Utah tents (see check-in below) and then park your vehicle.



CHECK IN + BIKE DROP-OFF

Check-in is available from 5:00-6:15 pm. Bike Utah tents will be set up in the southeast corner of the parking lot (see course map below). **As stated before, if you find that you have to park in the gravel parking area, please DROP YOUR BIKE OFF at the check-in tents and then park your vehicle.**

PLEASE ONLY ACCESS THE SNOW via the area immediately adjacent to the Bike Utah check-in tents. **DO NOT** ride your bike up from the Ice Castles lot (you are not to park down there!), and please **DO NOT** jump fences.

WARM-UPS + START TIMES

Warm ups will begin no sooner than 5:45 pm, as there are still skiers on the course until that time. Racers may pre-ride any/all of the course after 5:45 pm, so long as they are on the start line at 6:25 pm for pre-race announcements.

5:45-6:15 pm - Course open for pre-riding and warm ups

6:25 pm - All racers gather at the start line for pre-race announcements

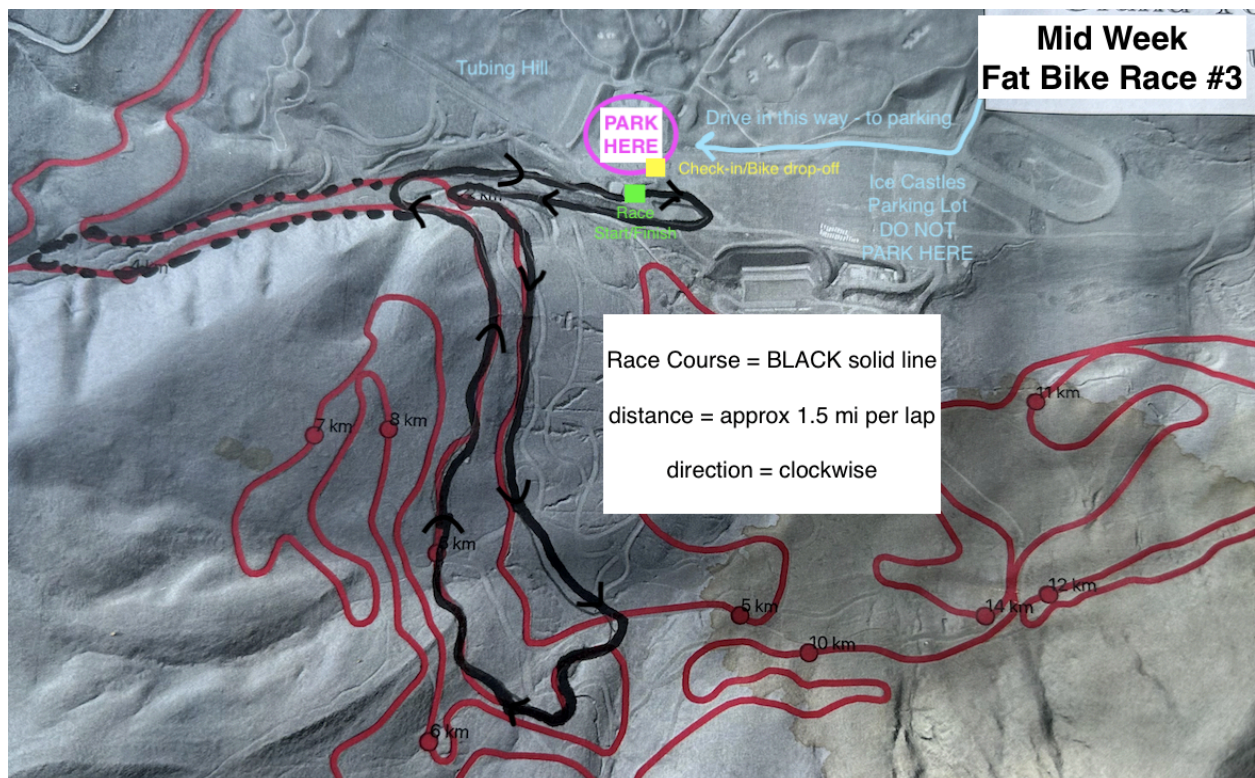
6:30 pm - Expert/Pro Men + Expert/Pro Women + Single Speed start

6:31 pm - Intermediate Men start

6:32 pm - Intermediate Women start

6:33 pm - Beginner Men + Beginner Women start

COURSE MAP



This is a 2.5-ish km (approx 1.5 mile) course on wide Nordic trails - we will ride it clockwise. Number of laps will be announced at check-in on race-day after inspection of snow conditions, but Beginner categories can likely expect to ride 3 laps, Intermediate categories can likely expect to ride 4 laps, and Expert/Pro/Single Speed categories can likely expect to ride 5 laps. There is no opportunity to pre-ride the course until 5:45 pm on race day. Don't worry about where to go - there will be trail markers on course that will block any trail you are NOT supposed to ride on!

POST-RACE

Stick around for our sponsor-donated swag giveaway post-race. We'll host this drawing at the check-in tents after everyone has crossed the finish line.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFO

Clean your bike - We are riding on groomed nordic ski trails, and dirt, mud, rocks, etc do not play well with the grooming machine and the skate/classic skis that glide over these trails every day. You WILL NOT be allowed to participate if your bike is dirty (frame or tires) at all. There will be no cleaning station at the race, so make sure your bike is free from debris before you come to the race. I suggest maybe bringing an extra water bottle (or two?) and brush to take care of any road grime from the drive up - but it's really the big chunks and leaving visible dirt tracks that we're worried about.

Handlebar/Helmet lights are mandatory - Even though we are on a lighted track here & there, you'll want at least a bright handlebar light and a head/helmet light if you have it.

No support - Bring your own pump, CO2 cartridges, bike fixing tools, etc. We do not have any neutral support at these races.

Less-than-fat-tires (narrower than 3.8") - While we haven't made tire width restrictions in the past, the groomers can buff out any ruts you may leave, and we won't ask you to leave if you're riding a skinny-tire bike, please note that you will be in your own category to keep things fair for all riders.