

2024 Mid Week ME Series Race #2 - Wednesday, June 19 Deer Valley

WEATHER

The weather in Utah can be unpredictable, make sure you bring whatever you need for rain or shine!

VOLUNTEER: We cannot run a race without our volunteers. Please encourage family and friends to sign up for a volunteer position <u>HERE</u>.

REGISTRATION INFO

Registration opens May 19 at midnight and closes June 17 at 5:00 pm. No race day registration is available.

If at any point during the Mid Week ME 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

Parking will be in the Snow Park Lodge Parking Lot at Deer Valley.

CHECK IN + Race Plate Pick-up

Check-in is available from 4:00-7:00pm at the Bike Utah Tents located in the plaza at Snow Park Lodge by the ticket windows.

WARM-UPS + START TIMES

Specific start times will be sent out via email and posted on the website 48 hours prior to the race.

Pre-riding will be allowed on course until 4:45pm. Deer Valley Bike Park is open until 5:00pm, so do NOT ride uphill on any downhill trails. *See the section at the end of this document and note that race course trails are NOT CLOSED at any time, and you may encounter other trail users during warm ups.

Your assigned start time is when you will begin racing on STAGE 1. t is your responsibility to know how long it will take you to get to the top of Stage 1. Give yourself plenty of time to get there! You must be lined up and ready to race **5**MINUTES before your posted start time.

5:00pm – Youth/Beginner/Adaptive Categories

5:30pm - Sport Categories

6:40pm - Masters Categories

6:45pm - Men Expert Categories

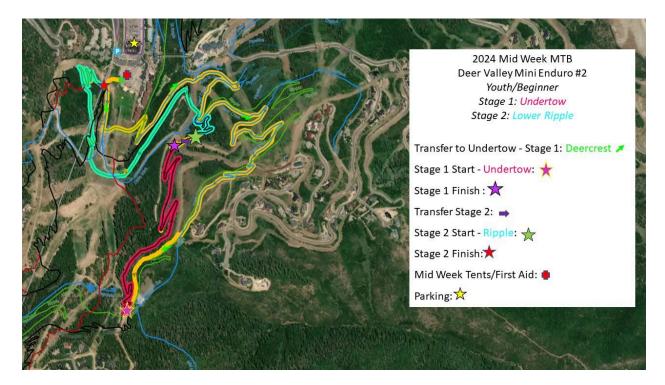
7:20pm - Women Expert/Pro and Men Pro Categories

8:00pm – Post-Race Sponsor Swag Giveaway (Approximate time)

COURSE MAPS

Study the maps carefully. If you have raced with us in the past, this year's stages are DIFFERENT! **Stage 1 for ALL racers will be Undertow Section 3**.

Youth/Beginner/Adaptive



The transfer up to Stage 1 will be on Deercrest. This is an easy but sustained climb to the top of Stage 1. You are rewarded with a very short and DOWNHILL transfer to Stage 2!

Stage 1: Undertow - This is the same stage we have raced in the past. It consists of a wide, machine-cut trail with steep swooping berms and fun rollers. The finish line is located just before the trail opens up onto the Deer Hollow ski run. Slow down and enjoy the short transfer down Undertow, to the start of Stage 2.

Stage 2: Lower Ripple - This stage starts on Undertow, but quickly merges onto Lower Ripple. There is a little bit of a pedal to get momentum but then it will be a fun fast wide trail all the way to the bottom of Ripple where the finish line will be just before the trail ends at Snow Park.

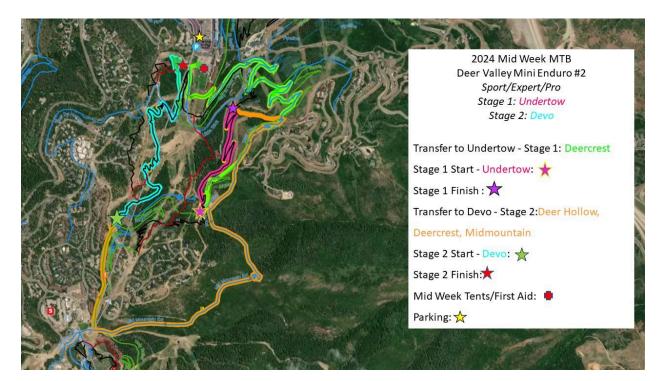
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Parents of young racers - please communicate with your racer and inform them which category they are in and which trails they are riding. Trail marshals and course markings/signs can only help if a racer knows where they are supposed to go in the first place!

RACE COURSES ARE NOT CLOSED - BE NICE

Please know that all trails on our race courses are open to the public at all times. We give notice of our event, but we DO NOT close trails for our races. Keep your eyes up and watch out for hikers, other cyclists, and animals (domesticated or otherwise). Good trail etiquette applies at all times - especially during races! CYCLISTS YIELD TO EVERYONE. Be nice, and say hi to anyone you encounter. THANK A TRAIL MARSHAL as you go by them!

Sport/Masters/Expert/Pro/ Course



The transfer up to Stage 1 will be on Deercrest. This is an easy but sustained climb to the top of Stage 1.

Stage 1: Undertow - This is the same stage we have raced as STAGE 2 in the past. It consists of a wide, machine-cut trail with steep swooping berms and fun rollers. The finish line is located just before the trail opens up onto the Deer Hollow ski run. Slow down and make a hard right up Deer Hollow ski run for a short intense climb to get back on Deercrest and transfer up to Devo for STAGE 2. The transfer is a little longer, but after the one push up the ski run it is a mild and easy climb to the top of Devo.

Stage 2: Devo - You may be used to racing this as your first stage, but it will be STAGE 2 at this race. We will be racing from the top of Devo all the way to the bottom of Ripple at Snow Park Lodge. Devo is a big step up in technicality from Bob's Basin. There are rocks, tight turns, dust, and roots. Pre riding is STRONGLY encouraged so that there are no surprises on race night. There are NO mandatory drops, jumps, or gaps. It will challenge your technical riding skills all the way until it merges onto lower Ripple, where you will have to switch gears and pedal down a wide machine-cut trail. Enjoy the challenge!

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