

Ashland Mountain Challenge  
Saturday June 23 and Sunday June 24 2012  
Ashland Oregon

Welcome to the 2012 Ashland Mountain Challenge. This race is now in it's 8th year. The Former race was a Super D format and started at the Mt. Ashland Ski area and descended 12 miles of the Siskiyou Mountains to Lithia Park in Ashland. While it will still be using most of those same trails, it will now have additional trails to be raced on over a 2 day race. Racers will compete on 2 stages each day. Times will be tallied at the end of the final Stage. It is on U.S.F.S. Property and permitted through the Siskiyou Mountains Rangers District. This Race is part of National American Enduro Tour, (N.A.E.T.)

Full event details are on our website [www.ashmntadv.com](http://www.ashmntadv.com) and click on the race page. All entries will receive the following:

- well marked course/Custom Race Plate
- Lunch and support area near the finish at the old gun range(awards area)
- swag bag at packet pick up with a \$5 coupons for “Standing Stone Brewing” they also have food! A water bottle from Specialized with the AMC Logo.
- 1 Raffle ticket held at awards on Sunday
- \$3000.00 cash purse for the Pro Men and Women
- EMT and search and rescue on site at the finish and 4 corners parking area

### Q&A

Where is the race?

From Ashland, Take I5 south to the Mt. Ashland Ski rd. 9 miles then exit the Mt. Ashland Ski rd and follow it 8 miles to the Ski resort. The race course begins next to the Ski lodge on the Bull Gap trail Head For the Eastern Ridge and for the Western Ridge, shuttles will be picked up near the race Venue off of Glennview and FS rd2060. Follow the signs!

Can I camp?

There is camping at Emigrant Lake Camping area east of Ashland off HWY 66. You can also camp at the Mt. Ashland Ski parking lot in the back lot (NOT THE FRONT LOT)

Is there food at the top?

No, there will be restrooms available, but no food at the top of the race course, we will have an cooler of water though.

Where do I pick up my swag bag and race plate?

At our shop Ashland Mountain Adventures, 700 Mistletoe rd suite 105 Ashland Or. 97520. From 3pm to 7pm on Friday, and Saturday morning from 8-10am at the race venue before the race.

Do I need an OBRA license?

Yes, you can purchase a one day for \$5.00

What category do I enter?

We offer Pro Men and Women, Cat 1 Men, (19-39), (40+), Cat 2 Men, (19-39), (40+), and Cat 3 Men (Open). Junior Men (13-18 Open). Cat 1 Women (Open) Cat 2-3 Women (34 under) Cat 2-3 Women (35+). So, if you are new to this type of racing, enter Cat3.

Are there showers?

No, there are restrooms at the start and awards areas but no showers.

Can we have beer?

Unfortunately there is "No Beer" on Forest Service property, However please join us for the "After Party" at Standing Stone Brewing, in the downtown on Oak Street next to the Wells Fargo Bank.

How does the race work?

The AMC will be a Multi Stage Race over 2 days this year. We will be using trails from the former Super D course and Chainless Race as well as some new ones, we are still waiting on final approval from our Forest Service, as to the exact trails.

Saturday June 23: Pros and Cat 1 racers will be racing on the western ridge of Mt. Ashland. These trails will include Horn Gap and Hitt rd. At 10am Racers will be shuttled up to the Lower Horn gap rd and will have to pedal up another 4 miles to the first Stage, Horn Gap. when finished with that Stage they will then pedal back up another 1.2 miles to the Second Stage, Hitt rd. Racers will receive a Start and Finish time at each Stage. When racers have completed their final Stage for the day, they will need to turn in their score card to the Official Timing table located in the Venue.

Cat 2-3 Racers will be racing on the Eastern ridge, formally the Super D, These trails will be broken up into 2 Stages. Snow melt will determine those Sages and will be announced 1 week prior to the event. They can receive a shuttle to the top either before or after there race. The first racers will begin at 10am. Racers will receive a Start and Finish time at each Stage. When the Racers are finished with their last Stage they will need to turn their Score card in at the Official Timing Table in the venue.

No Awards or Raffle on Saturday.

Sunday June 24: Pros and Cat 1 racers will be racing the Eastern Ridge of Mt. Ashland on 2 Sages Starting at 10am. They can receive a shuttle before or after there race to return to their car. Cat 1 racers will go first. Pro racers will go in a reverse order from there previous days finish results. Again racers will receive a Start and Finish time at each Stage and will need to turn their score card into the Official Timing Table in the venue.

Cat 2-3 racers will be racing on the Western Ridge. Starting at 10am they will be shuttled up to the Lower Horn Gap rd and will Pedal up to Hitt rd. Unlike the Pro and Cat 1 racers, they will be only climbing up to Hitt rd. Not Horn Gap! However, they will receive a SECOND shuttle, and Race Run on Hitt rd. Racers will receive a Start and Finish time at each Stage. When racers have finished there last Stage they must turn their score cards into the Official Timing Table in the race venue.

Is there a Shuttle back up to our car?

Yes! There is a free shuttle for each racer back to the Mt. Ashland Ski Area parking lot, only 1 shuttle per racer!

Is there practice?

You may practice as much as you want. If you would like shuttles and course info, contact Ashland Mountain Adventures @ 541-499-2298

Awards and Raffle

Food will be served starting as soon as the first class's have finished and times have been tallied in the Awards/Food area, just follow the signs at the finish to either the shuttle or food.

We will have prizeing for the top 3 finishers of all the amateur Categories and a Jersey for the winner of each class! The winner of each class receives a "Free" entry into the N.A.E.T. Final, location TBA at the event.

There will be several raffle prizes from all of our sponsors.

"Special Raffle"

Like last year, we will be having a Special raffle to raise money for the N.E.P.A. Study that needs to happen to see trails like "Missing Links", and "Time Warp" on our maps, and get another 20+ miles of new singletrack built over the next 5 to 10 years. Tickets will only be \$10 and will be for sale at the race as well as our shop AMA, Bear Creek Bikes, and Siskiyou Bikes.

Prizes: To be determined.

Last year we raised \$1200 for this fund! Thanks!

If you have any further ?'s please feel free to e mail us at: [trails@ashmtnadv.com](mailto:trails@ashmtnadv.com) It will not be easy to get us on the phone as we will be booking shuttles and if you call with race ?'s we will refer you back to e mail.

Thank you for supporting our race, trails and the town of Ashland!

See you soon,

Bill and Sue Roussel



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