

Blind Date at the Dairy

Wednesday Night Alpenrose Cyclocross Series

Dates:

1. Blind Date One: Wednesday. 9/28/11
2. Blind Date Two: Wednesday. 10/5/11
3. Blind Date Three: Wednesday. 10/12/11
4. Blind Date Four:: Wednesday. 10/19/11
5. Blind Date Five: Wednesday. 10/26/11

Important Reminder: Alpenrose Dairy is a privately-owned no alcohol facility. Alpenrose Dairy is extraordinarily kind to allow us to hold our Cyclocross races here in the dark! Alpenrose's commercial areas, private gardens and baseball diamonds are strictly off limits. Alpenrose's residential neighbors do not want to hear our applause or cow bells. Please be considerate and remind your fellow racers and spectators to do the same!

Race Schedule:

Race	Start Time	Division	Race Duration
1	5 pm	Kiddie Cross (no parents)	10 minutes
2	5:05 pm	Toddler Cross (parents welcome)	5 minutes
3 4	5:15 pm	Junior Cross "U 14" Junior Male & Female (age 10* – 13) "U18" High School male & female (age 14 – 18) *you must be ten years old by 12/31/11..	30 minutes
5 6 7	6 pm	Beginner Men & Beginner Women & Women B (to prevent sandbagging, no leaders' jerseys for beginners.)	30 minutes
8 9	6:35	Men. C Men Master C	30 minutes
10 11	7:10 pm	Single Speed Mens B	45 minutes
12 13 14	8:00 pm	Women's A Mens A Mens 40+ Masters	One hour

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Race Category Information:

1. Kids & Juniors
 - a. **5 pm Kiddie Cross:** This is a race for kids on any bikes who can ride a kid's course without help from their parents. Training wheels and pedal-less bikes welcome. Slower kids should start in the back. Ages 5- 9. Race duration: 10 minutes.
 - b. **5:05 pm Toddler Cross:** This race is for kids who need a bit of help from mom or dad. Parents are welcome to run along. Ages 1 – 6. . Race duration: 5 minutes.
2. **5:10 pm Junior Cross:** U 14 is for ages 10 – 13 and U 18 is for ages 14 – 18. Note: In order to allow the 10 and 11 year olds to race, adults must stay off the course. We will have separate scoring males and females in each of the two age groups. Thanks to Castelli, Blind Date leader's jerseys will be awarded to the series leader at the start of races two through five. Race duration: 30 minutes.
3. **5:40 pm to 6:00 pm OPEN COURSE TIME:** YOU MUST STAY BEHIND THE JUNIORS. Line up at the start line and the course will open when Candi starts finishing the juniors. Do not ride the course at any other time outside of your race or you will be disqualified.
4. **6:00 pm Beginners: (1) Men & (2) Women & Women B:** These races begin at 6 pm and are for beginner Women and Beginner Men and Women B. The beginner races are for entry level, slower and first time cyclocross riders. To discourage sandbagging, leader's jerseys will not be awarded in the male or female beginner fields. Thanks to Castelli, leader's jerseys will be awarded weeks 2 – 5 to the leader of the Women's B field. Women B's will line up first, followed by beginner men, and followed by beginner women. Fast beginners are encouraged to upgrade to women's B or Men's C or Men's Master C. To discourage sandbagging in the Women's B field, dominant riders will be encouraged or required to upgrade. .To upgrade, you need to check in at registration and to obtain a new race number. Race duration: 30 minutes.
5. **6:35 pm Mens C and Men's Master C:** The C field is now split into 35 and under ("Open C") and 36 +. ("Master C"). Open C will line up and start first in weeks 1, 2 & 5 and Master C will line up first and start first in weeks 2 and 4. Thanks to Castelli, leader's jerseys will be awarded to the leader of each category at the start of the race in weeks 2 – 5. To discourage sandbagging, dominant riders will be encouraged or required to upgrade. .To upgrade, you need to check in at registration and to obtain a new race number. Race Duration: 30 minutes.
6. **7:10 pm Single Speed and Men's B:** The single speeders will line up and start first in weeks 1, 3 & 5 and the Mens B field will line up and start first in weeks 2 & 4. Thanks to Castelli, leader's jerseys will be awarded to the leader of each category at the start of the race in weeks 2 – 5. To discourage sandbagging, dominant riders in the Men's B field will be encouraged or required to upgrade. To upgrade, you need to check in at registration and to

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obtain a new race number. After the first couple of weeks these races will be held in the dark. Handlebar lights pointed down at a 45 degree angle are allowed. To prevent the blinding of oncoming riders, no helmet lights are allowed. Race Duration: 45 minutes

7. 8 pm Men's A, Men's 40+ Master and Women's A: These races will be conducted in the dark. Lighting will be imperfect. Handlebar lights pointed down at a 45 degree angle are allowed. To prevent the blinding of oncoming riders, no helmet lights are allowed. Thanks to Castelli, leader's jerseys will be awarded to the leader of each category at the start of the race in weeks 2 – 5. Racers are invited to help stack up cones for the clean up crew after the race each week. Race Duration: 1 hour.

8. The Men's Master 40+ race will be a one hour race and is a new category we are adding for 2011. Prizes and medals will only be awarded if the field size consists of ten or more racers.

9. Masters and Clydesdales etc. should pick the field that suits them best. Masters are welcome to race in any field including, but not limited to: "Master C," Masters 40+, Men's B, Beginner Men, Men A etc.

10. Self-select your category. If you change categories, you need to turn in your old race number for a number in the appropriate category. Racers with out of sequence numbers will be pulled from the race.

11. If you want to race more than one category in a night, you must register for and pay for the second race. The price for a second race is \$5.

12. The scheduled duration for each race should be for the middle of the pack. Accordingly, slower racers may finish their race prior to the leaders, who have already passed the finish line prior to the expiration of time for the race and who will need to race to the finish of their final lap.

13. Course marshals may disqualify you if you ride the course during another division's race.

Location:

Alpenrose Dairy
6149 SW Shattuck Rd
Portland, OR 97221-1044
Tel. (503) 244-1133

Directions:

From I - 5:

1. Take I-5 (exit 2.6 miles south of Portland)
2. Take exit 297 toward Terwilliger Blvd 0.2 mi
3. Keep left at the fork, follow signs for Bertha Blvd and merge onto SW Bertha Blvd 0.7 mi
4. Turn left at SW Vermont St 0.3 mi
5. Slight left at SW Capitol Hwy 0.2 mi
6. Continue on SW Vermont St 1.8 mi

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7. Turn right at SW Shattuck Rd 0.3 mi (Important: Enter at the bike racing sign and not at the Dairy's business entrance)

Venue Rules:

Please respect that Alpenrose Dairy is a private business and we are privileged to race our bikes at their facility. Alpenrose has many residential neighbors who do not want to hear our cow bells or hooting and hollering. Feel free to observe the races from anywhere on the course, but keep your cowbells and hooting far from the neighbors! The dairy operates its business at night, so be sure to avoid the commercial zones at Alpenrose. Racers and spectators are kindly requested to strictly observe the following rules:

1. No Alcohol on premises, no exceptions!
2. Please leave pets at home
3. Park in designated areas
4. Do not enter baseball fields or other closed off/private areas- the dairy is a residence!
5. Use toilets (not bushes or dark corners)
6. No loud music or noise that could possibly disturb residential neighbors
7. This event is sanctioned by and open to members of the Oregon Bicycle Racing Association. Daily and Annual Memberships are available onsite and at www.obra.org

Parking Issues:

1. Please try to park in the first parking lot on the right when you enter Alpenrose. Please enter in the downhill (north) entrance from Shattuck Road. The uphill (south) entrance is for dairy business. The dairy operates at night and we need to avoid interfering with its business operations.
2. Overflow parking will be available inside Alpenrose on the road towards the Velodrome beyond the first parking lot and in the adjacent grass field to the right. The cyclocross course will use most of the grass field to the right and will use the entire pavement commencing at the end of the first softball field to the left. You must park before the end of the first softball field.

Course Description

This will be a cyclocross course with grass, meadow, dirt, rocks, gravel, asphalt, curbs, obstacles, steep descents, run ups, barriers and quick changes in direction. The course map is attached. The course will be illuminated for nighttime cyclocross racing, but not floodlit like a baseball park at night. The toddler cross and kiddie cross races at 5 pm will be on child friendly sections of the course.

Registration: (Registration Form on last page)

Registration is available online (follow link from OBRA website's calendar or from Blind Date at the Dairy Website www.crossseries.com or go to 21st Avenue Bicycles (cash or check only at 21st Avenue). Onsite registration is available too. To discourage lines and delays and to

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encourage advance registration, onsite registration costs more. Registration and pricing details are below.

- 1) **Please fill out a Blind Date at the Dairy Registration Form and OBRA Release and use it to register for each race or for your season pass.**
- 2) **SEASON PASS:**
 - a) Pre-registration Season Pass: \$80 for five races and includes a handsome Blind Date at the Dairy t-shirt. Available online or at 21st Avenue Bicycles. Pre-registration available until 3 pm on the day before each race. Junior Season Pass costs \$45 including t-shirt.
 - b) Onsite Registration: Season pass available onsite on day of first race for \$85, including Blind Date t-shirt. Junior registration available for \$50 for series, including Blind Date t-shirt.
 - c) Note: T-shirts are limited to the first 200 to register for season passes.
- 3) **PER RACE REGISTRATION:**
 - a) \$16 (\$9 for juniors) if pre-registered online or at 21st Avenue Bicycles. Pre-registration ends day before each race at noon. Onsite registration costs \$18 (\$10 for juniors) per race.
- 4) **Registration Notes:**
 - a) Register online at: www.crossseries.com
 - b) Register at: **21ST AVENUE BICYCLES** located at 21st Avenue in between NW Kearny and NW Lovejoy up to 6 pm the day before your race. (Cash or check only at 21st Avenue). You will need to show your OBRA card to register.
 - c) Register onsite the day of your race up to 30 minutes prior to your race.
 - d) You need to bring your OBRA card to register. If you have lost it, contact OBRA.
- 5) **Race Numbers:** Do not bring your OBRA or OBRA Cross numbers. We will assign race numbers on site. Keep your number for the entire five race series.
- 6) Pin your race number on the left side of your jersey, parallel to the seam under your armpit.
- 7) Field sizes will be limited. To ensure your place in each race, sign up for the entire series and do not lose your race number!
- 8) PLEASE print, fill out and sign an OBRA release before registration and bring it with you to the race.
- 9) The registration will be in Alpenrose's "velodrome" registration area. This is at the entrance to the Velodrome at Alpenrose. To get to the registration area, you will need to walk across the cyclocross race course. Please do so with extreme caution. Please avoid entry into Alpenrose's the dairy operations area.

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- 10) **Blind Date at the Dairy T-Shirts** are included with season passes or otherwise available for \$15 on a first come first serve basis at 21st Avenue Bicycles and at the registration area. Quantities are limited.
- 11) **Castelli Blind Date at the Dairy Cycling Caps** are available at 21st Avenue Bicycles and at the registration area for \$15. Quantities are limited.
- 12) Field sizes will be limited. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged.
- 13) If you register for the entire series, please check in each week so we can be sure to get you scored.

Prizes: Castelli will supply leaders' jerseys for division leaders at the start of races 2 – 5. Series prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of the series. This will consist of gift certificates and cycling equipment prizes from our generous sponsors. Minimum value: \$1. Payouts for elite racers three deep in men's and women's A fields (15 racer minimum): \$35, \$25, \$15.

Volunteers: are needed to make this after work race series possible. Please email Joe & Tony if you're interested and available to help tkic@hotmail.com; joe@fieldjerger.com .

Contact:

Tony Kic or Joe Field
tkic@hotmail.com
joe@fieldjerger.com
Tel. Joe: 503 228 - 9115

Disclaimer:

Bicycle racing is an inherently dangerous activity and is suitable only for the physically fit experienced cyclist. Cycling at night is also inherently dangerous. Cyclocross racing at night, while exhilarating, can be dangerous. Proceed at your own risk and remember that you are solely responsible and assume all risk for any property damage, personal injury and or death.

Sponsors:

Alpenrose Dairy: for graciously hosting and putting up with us! Alpenrose also spends extra money on electricians and groundskeepers to make our event possible.

Castelli: for supplying the rad leader's jerseys!

21st Avenue Bicycles: For buying the race bibs, hosting offsite registration and for paying for lights and extension cords!

OBRA: For accrediting and facilitating the Blind Date at the Dairy race series!

Field Jerger, LLP Law Firm: For covering for Joe while he's organizing this event and providing \$ for lighting.

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2011 Blind Date at the Dairy Registration Form

(Please Type or print clearly – if we can't read it, we can't register you!)

Name: _____

Blind Date at the Dairy Race Category: _____

Registered OBRA Team (if any): _____

Cyclocross Racing Age (your age on 12/31/11): _____

Hometown: _____

You must furnish EITHER your 2011 OBRA Road bib number or your 2011 OBRA racing license number. You will be assigned a Blind Date at the Dairy race bib. Please do not bring your OBRA cyclocross or cross crusade or race number to the Blind Date series. Please remember to fill out an OBRA Waiver too & to turn it in with this form.

OBRA Road Bib Number: _____

OBRA Racing License Number: _____

Sign me up for:

Season Pass (\$80 senior \$45 junior)

Brown unisex T shirt. Circle one size: XS S M L XL

Blue women's cut T shirt (tight fit). Circle one size: XS S M L

One Race: \$16 senior \$9 junior Race Date(s): _____

Buy t shirt(s) \$15@ specify size(s) & color(s):

Buy Castelli Blind Date Cycling Cap(s) \$15@

Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Work or Home Phone: _____

Total Enclosed:\$ _____

Please make your check payable to: "**FieldKic, LLC**" or pay cash at 21st Avenue Bicycles in person. Do not mail cash.

You can drop this form off with your check at 21st Avenue Bicycles on NW 21st Street in between NW Kearny and NW Lovejoy or mail it with your check to: FieldKic LLC, 621 SW Morrision St., Ste. 1225, Portland, OR 97205.

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