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BLIND DATE

at the dairy



Wednesday Night **alpenrose** Cyclocross Series

September 7th- October 5th

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Wednesday 9/7/16

Wednesday 9/14/16

Wednesday 9/21/16

Wednesday 9/28/16

Wednesday 10/5/16

Location

Alpenrose Dairy, 6149 SW Shattuck Rd,
Portland, OR 97221-1044

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
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)

Race Schedule

Race	Start time	Division	Duration
1	5pm no jerseys	Kiddie Cross (no parents)	10 minutes
2	5:05pm no jerseys	Toddler Cross (parents welcome)	5 minutes
3 4	5:16pm	Junior Cross "U 14" Junior Male & Female (age 9* - 13) "U18" High School male & female (age 14 - 18) *you must be nine years old by 12/31/16	30 minutes
5	5:50pm	STAMPEDE (1 lap race open to all senior (18 and over) racers, handicapped by category)	10 minutes
6 7 8	6pm	Cat 5 Men, Cat 5 Women, Cat 4 Women, Cat 3 Women (To prevent sandbagging, no leaders jersey for Cat 5)	30 minutes
9 10	6:35pm	Men Cat 3/4 Master 3/4 +40 Men 60+	40 minutes
11&12 13 14 15&16	7:20pm	Men Cat 1/2 & Women 1/2 Master 1/2 +40 Single Speed Men Cat 2/3 & Master 2/3 +40 Men +50	50 minutes

Race Categories

In 2016, OBRA changed its cyclocross categories from alphabetical designations to numerical designations. The chart below will help you pick the correct category or "Cat.". For further information, see: http://www.obra.org/upgrade_rules.html#cyclocross

2015 Cyclocross Category	2016 Cyclocross Category
Toddler Cross ages	Toddler Cross (parents may walk along)
Kiddie Cross was ages	Kiddie Cross ages 5 to 8 (no parents)
Junior was age 9 to 18	Junior is age 9 - 18 (must be age 9 by 12/31/16). We have separate fields for U14 & U 18, male & female.
Beginner	Cat 5
Cat C	Cat 4
Cat B	Cat 3
Cat A	Cat 1/2
Cat A/Pro	Cat 1

Castelli Leader's Jersey

See website - www.crossseries.com

Residential Neighborhood Respect

The Blind Date race series is contingent on good will with local residents. Kindly drive, park and ride with the utmost respect for local residents.

Venue rules

See website - www.crossseries.com

Parking Issues

See website - www.crossseries.com

Course Description

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 at our website. www.crossseries.com
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

Season Passes Includes 2016 Blind Date Castelli	Season Pass Online	Season Pass Onsite	One Race Online	One Race Onsite	Second or Third Race
Senior (18+)	\$80	\$90	\$16	\$20	\$5
Junior (9 - 18)	\$35	\$40	\$7	\$10	\$5
Stampede	\$20	\$25	\$5	\$5	\$2.50

Registration Notes:

- Register online at: www.obra.org/schedule (click the hyperlink for Blind Date)
 - Register onsite the day of your race up to 30 minutes prior to your race.
 - You need to bring your OBRA card to register. If you have lost it, contact OBRA.
- 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.
 - Pin your race number on the left side of your jersey, parallel to the seam under your armpit.
 - The registration will be in Alpenrose's "velodrome" registration area. This is at the entrance to the Velodrome at Alpenrose.
 - Field sizes will be limited. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged.
 - REFUND POLICY: To keep entry fees affordable, we need to keep logistics simple. Accordingly, injured season pass racers get pro-rated refunds after season ending injuries for races not started. No other refunds given, no exceptions, even if you start a race and flat, or sign up for a race and don't race.

Prizes

Leaders Jerseys: Castelli will supply leaders' jerseys for division leaders.

Race Prizes: Our fabulous sponsors 21st Avenue Bicycles and Fat Tire Farm will award prizes and swag each week.

Payouts: Payouts for elite racers will be three deep in men's and women's A fields, provided there is a 16 racer minimum per field. The payout is: \$35, \$25, \$15.

Cross Crusade Call Ups and Series Points: We award points for Bar Points, Upgrades, Series Standings and Cross Crusade Call Ups as follows: 1st 16 pts, 2nd 12 pts, 3rd 10 pts, 4th 9 pts, 5th 8pts, 6th 7 pts, 7th 6 pts, 8th 5 pts, 9th 4 pts, 10th 3 pts, 11th 2 pts., 12th 1 pt. New for 2016: Series standings are based on your best four of five race results.

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@fieldjergger.com

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.

Lighting

We light select sections of our course. We recommend handlebar bike lights for night racers. To avoid blinding oncoming riders, we do not allow headlamps.

Philosophy

In 2009, with the gracious assistance of Candi & Mike Murray and Alpenrose Dairy, Tony Kic and Joe Field started the Blind Date at the Dairy as a fun, weeknight, cyclocross training race series. We emphasize camaraderie, smiles and fun in a low stress racing atmosphere on a free flowing cyclocross course at the unique Alpenrose Dairy. Eight years ago (then) 10 year old Ruben Field dreamed up this event. Our endeavor is for the Blind Date to help bring out the 10 year old in each of us!

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www.crossseries.com