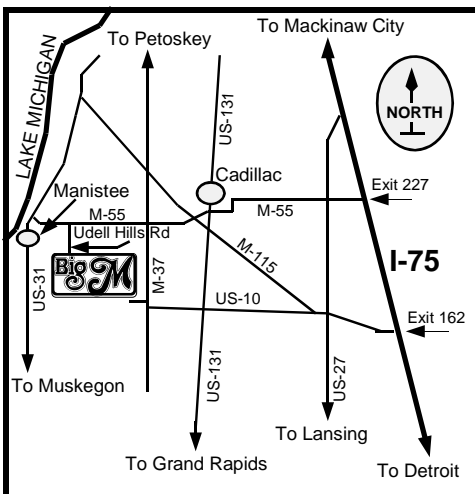


Big 'M' Ski Area, Manistee, Michigan

Big 'M' is located in the Manistee National Forest in northwestern lower Michigan, west of Cadillac. **From Manistee** take M-55 east to Udell Hills Rd, then go south 3-1/2 miles to the Big 'M'. **From the east**, take M-55 west 12 miles from M-37 or about 29 miles from Cadillac. **Note: A \$3 per day car fee is charged for park entry.**

Rustic Camping on site is allowed, and cost is \$5 for the night. Come on up Saturday, pre-ride the trails, and then stay the night!



Course Information

This Cross Country race course is not a "flat land" course! The race course is approx. 6-1/2 miles of fun-filled single-track and two-track trails. There are many long and gradual climbs as well as downhill for recovery, fast flats, and lots of FUN!

Elite Men Racers	→ 5 loops	10:00a
Expert Racers	→ 4 loops (Men & Women)	10:00a
Sport/Tandem/SS	→ 3 loops (Men & Women)	1:00p
Beginner Racers	→ 2 loops (Men & Women)	1:00p
18-Un Beg Women	→ 1 loop	1:00p
14-Under Beg.	→ 1 loop (Men & Women)	1:00

NOTE: Number of Laps and Lap Distance may change based on trail conditions. *The KIDS race will be on a special short loop at 12:30 pm.*

The trails we will use for this Cross Country race course are open to all trail users during the race, **please be careful and courteous to others on the trail at all times. PLEASE, do not leave ANY trash, energy or food bar wrappers on the trails!**

ENTRY FEE & REGISTRATION

Registration & Number Pick-up: 8:30am to 1/2 hr before each race.

Pre-registration Post-Marked by 7/30: \$25 After 7/30: \$30
14-Un Categories: \$10 2nd Race Category \$10 Kids Race is FREE!

Register ON-LINE at: www.tailwind.net - OR - www.BikeReg.com
On-Line registration closes at Midnight on Thursday, August 2

All racers must sign a waiver at registration. Racers under the age of 18 must have the waiver signed by a parent or legal guardian.

HELMETS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL EVENT PARTICIPATION!!!

This XC Race is held under USAC MTB rules. Annual USAC MTB License REQUIRED ONLY FOR ELITE AND EXPERT Classes. **Sport & Beginner Classes DO NOT** require any special Licensing.

USAC MTB licenses may be purchased at this event.



The Primary Bike Shop Sponsor for the BIG-M CROSS COUNTRY MTB RACE is CROSS COUNTRY CYCLE in Holland, Michigan



BIG-M XC RACE INFO.

2007 USAC MTB Michigan State Championship Series
Race #6 of 8 — August 5, 2007
Big-M Ski Area — Manistee National Forest
Manistee, Michigan

RESULTS & SCORING

Results available at the race, and posted on-line at: www.tailwind.net
USAC MTB MI State Championship XC Series will tabulate best 5 finishes out of 8 Series events to determine Overall Series Placing.

AWARDS

Prize Money and Awards:

Elite Men \$500 – 1st \$150, 2nd \$125, 3rd \$90, 4th \$75, 5th \$60
Expert/Elite Women \$300 – 1st \$100, 2nd \$75, 3rd \$50, 4th \$40, 5th \$35
All other classes will award Medals to Top 5 Finishers.

SPECIALIZED KIDS RACE Drawing for cool SPECIALIZED items will take place at the KIDS RACE Finish Line!

Award Presentation: Elite/Expert Classes 1:30p
Sport & Begnr Classes 3:30p
Kids Race At their Finish Line

(Note: Award presentation times may vary based on category finish times.)

SPECIAL NOTICE

Every Series Age Group Champion in this USAC MTB Michigan State Championship Series wins a FREE ENTRY into the Iceman Cometh Challenge Nov 10, 2007.

Note: Sport and Beginner racers are not required to have an Annual NORBA License to participate in this series. However, you must have an Annual NORBA License to become the USAC MTB Michigan State Champion. For Sport & Beginner Classes, license may be purchased through our last series race at Stony Creek on Sept 9.

PRIZE DRAWINGS

Drawings for great gift giveaways from our sponsors will be at 3:30p after racing has been completed.

You must be present to win, and all who register to race are eligible. **Please Fill out a card and drop it in the "Prize Mail Box" at registration.**

THANKS

THANK-YOU's go to all of the volunteers who help make this event run smoothly, and of course to all of our sponsors. Special thanks go to the "Big M" National Forest folks, and to **CROSS COUNTRY CYCLE** in Holland, MI, for their great event support and Race Day mechanical aid!