

## 2008 USAC MTB MICHIGAN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP XC RACE SERIES

Eight Mountain Bike races make up the 2008 USAC MTB Michigan State Championship Cross Country Race Series.

Elite and Expert Classes require USAC-MTB Annual License for participation while Sport and Beginner Classes DO NOT. Annual

License may be purchased at the event or on-line at the USA Cycling web site: [www.usacycling.org](http://www.usacycling.org)

All participants have their points tabulated for **Overall Series Standings**. *If you are the Overall Series Champion in your Age Group/Category, you win a **FREE ENTRY** to the **2008 ICEMAN!***

If you hold an Annual USAC-MTB License, you will also earn the USAC STATE CHAMPION Title and Medal (awarded to Top 3 places in each Class/Category, based on Overall Series Standings).

We total the 5 highest point scores out of the 8 Series Races for each participant to determine Overall Series Standings.

*Note that the Brighton Stage Race (June 7/8) and the Stony Creek Marathon XC (June 28) are each **DOUBLE POINTS** events.* For Overall Series scoring, ONLY ONE out of these two events will be counted as double points for each participant, the other (the lower finish out of these events) will count as **SINGLE POINTS** towards Series Standings.

In the case of a tie in points within the top three places in any category, the first tie breaker is who beat who the most, and then, if needed, who beat who most recently. All points stay in the class in which they are earned. *It is required that you start at least 3 races in your Class/Category to be eligible for an Overall Series Award.*


**Overall Series Age Group Champions in the USAC Championship XC Series win a **FREE ENTRY** to the 2008 ICEMAN!!!**

### TEAM AWARD INFO - 2008 USAC MTB SERIES

The winning team receives a **Fine Etched Glass Award** that is kept by the team permanently, and a **Traveling Trophy** (2 Ft. Loving Cup) kept for a year then passed to next year's winning team. (See Team Award Rules at [www.tailwind.net](http://www.tailwind.net).)

**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.



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# BIG-M CROSS COUNTRY MTB RACE

MANISTEE NATIONAL FOREST  
**Big-M Ski Area**  
3495 Udell Hills Rd  
Manistee, MI 49660  
**August 3, 2008**

**Bike Shop Sponsor:**



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## — REGISTRATION FORM —

### Big-M Cross Country MTB Race-August 3, 2008

USAC MTB MICHIGAN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP XC SERIES #6 OF 8  
— PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY —

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
**Age on 12/31/08** \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_ Phone(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Team / Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emer.Cont. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: M \_\_\_\_\_ D \_\_\_\_\_ Y \_\_\_\_\_  
 USAC Mountain License No: \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION FEE — (Note: No Refunds on Race Registrations)**  
 Register ON-LINE thru July 31: [www.tailwind.net](http://www.tailwind.net) - OR - [www.BikeReg.com](http://www.BikeReg.com)

**Post Mark by 7/28:** \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ **After 7/28:** Elite \$35 \_\_\_\_\_ Other \$30 \_\_\_\_\_

14-Un Racer: \$10 \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Race Cat: \$10 \_\_\_\_\_ Kids Race is FREE

*Pre-register for Entire 2008 MTB TT OR Entire 2008 USAC St Champ Ser.*

**ADULTS:** Time Trial Series - \$100 \_\_\_\_\_ USAC MTB Series - \$195 \_\_\_\_\_

**14-UNDER:** Time Trial Series - \$50 \_\_\_\_\_ USAC MTB Series - \$95 \_\_\_\_\_

**Combine TT & USAC Series:** ADULTS - \$275 \_\_\_\_\_ 14-UNDER - \$125 \_\_\_\_\_

Please Make Check Payable To: **TAILWIND** Mail Check & Reg. Form To:  
**Tailwind Enterprises - - P.O. Box 368 - - Davisburg, MI 48350**

## RACE CATEGORIES

Please Mark Appropriate Age Group and Category

Note: Age Group is determined by your age on Dec.31, 2008

WHERE USAC LICENSING REQUIRED, MUST SHOW LICENSE AT REGISTRATION.

<p><b>ELITE (USAC MTB EXPERT OR ABOVE LIC. REQ'D.)</b></p> <p>Men: (Pro/Semi-Pro/Expert) _____                  Women: (Pro/Expert) _____</p> <p><b>EXPERT (USAC MTB EXPERT LICENSE REQUIRED)</b></p> <p>Men: 18 &amp; Under _____                  19-29 _____                  30-39 _____                  40-49 _____                  50 &amp; Over _____</p> <p><b>SPORT</b></p> <p>Women: 24 &amp; Under _____                  25-39 _____                  40 &amp; Over _____</p> <p>Men: 14 &amp; Under _____                  15-18 _____                  19-29 _____                  30-34 _____                  35-39 _____                  40-44 _____                  45-49 _____                  50 &amp; Over _____</p> <p>Clydesdale: 200 lbs+ _____</p> <p><b>TANDEM</b> All _____</p>	<p><b>SINGLE SPEED</b></p> <p>Exp./Elite All Ages _____                  Sport/Beg All Ages _____</p> <p><b>BEGINNER</b></p> <p>Women: 14 &amp; Under _____                  15-29 _____                  30 &amp; Over _____</p> <p>All: 10 &amp; Under _____</p> <p>Men: 11-14 _____                  15-18 _____                  19-29 _____                  30-39 _____                  40-49 _____                  50 &amp; Over _____</p> <p>Clydesdale 200 lbs+ _____</p>
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### SPECIALIZED KIDS RACE

Short Loop Mass Start Kids Race  
 Held at 12:30 pm — **FREE!**

**A MEDAL TO EVERY RACER!**

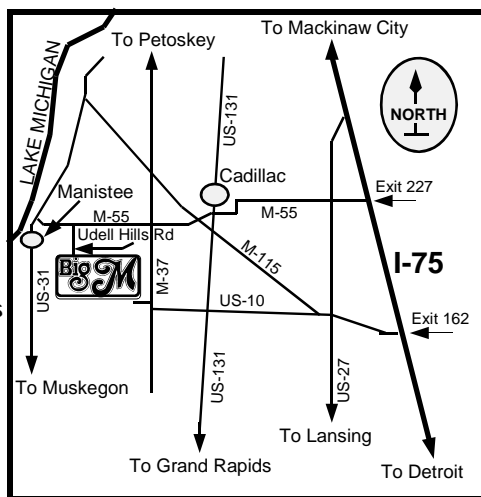
PLUS: Special KIDS RACE Drawing for  
 Swell Prizes From **SPECIALIZED!**

## 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
14-Under Beg Racers	→ 1 loop (Men & Women)	1:00p

NOTE: Number of Laps and Lap Distance may change based on trail conditions.

The **SPECIALIZED KIDS RACE** is on a special short loop at 12:30p.

The trails we 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 wrappers behind!**

## ENTRY FEE & REGISTRATION

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

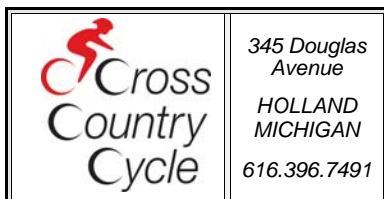
**Post Mark by 7/28:** \$25 **After 7/28:** Elite \$35 Other \$30

14-Un Racers: \$10 **Kids Race is FREE!** 2nd Race Category: \$10

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!!!**

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### RACE DATES FOR 2008

April 13	Pontiac Lake Time Trial	Waterford, MI
April 27	Bloomer Park XC	Rochester Hills, MI
*June 7/8	*Brighton Rec Stage Race	Brighton, MI
*June 28 (Sat)	*Stony Creek Marathon	Shelby Twp., MI
July 20	Ruby Campground XC	Port Huron, MI
<b>August 3</b>	<b>Big-M XC</b>	<b>Manistee, MI</b>
August 24	Pontiac Lake XC	Waterford, MI
Sept. 7	Stony Creek XC	Shelby Twp., MI

\* **Highest finish out of these 2 events is scored as DOUBLE POINTS for Series**

This is an Eight Race Series of USAC MTB Sanctioned Events throughout Michigan. We total the FIVE Highest Point Scores out of the Eight Races for each participant to determine the final Series placing. You must participate in at least THREE races to be eligible for an OVERALL SERIES AWARD. Overall Series Winners become USAC State Champions if they hold a USAC MTB Annual License.

**NOTE: At individual USAC events, Expert/Elite Classes require USAC MTB Annual License, Sport and Beginner Classes DO NOT require Licensing to race.**

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For more information on this and other TAILWIND events including the **2008 MICHIGAN MTB TIME TRIAL SERIES**

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## AWARDS

### Prize Money and Awards:

Elite Men \$500: 1<sup>st</sup> \$150, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$125, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$90, 4<sup>th</sup> \$75, 5<sup>th</sup> \$60  
Exp/Elite Wmn \$300: 1<sup>st</sup> \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$75, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$50, 4<sup>th</sup> \$40, 5<sup>th</sup> \$30  
All other classes will award Medals to Top 5 Finishers.

Award Presentation (Approx.): Elite & Expert 1:30PM, Sport & Beg. 3:30PM

Award to every **SPECIALIZED KIDS RACER** - Medals & Prize Drawing for **SPECIALIZED** prizes will be at the Kids Finish Line

**TEAM AWARD INFO - 2008 USAC MTB SERIES: [www.tailwind.net](http://www.tailwind.net)**

## PRIZE DRAWINGS

After the race, there will be drawings for great gift giveaways.

You must be present to win, and all who register to race are eligible.

Fill out a Drawing 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!

Thanks Laura for your Sweet but Commanding Announcing Voice!