



MELTDOWN 34



Welcome to RUTS' 34th Meltdown Dual European Scrambles
We pray that you have a safe and enjoyable race.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if any one is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come.

Saturday	8:30 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Course A	Expert Mag (50+) Expert Senior (40+)	All Vets (30+) Nov—Hwt 200, 250 Vintage 1995 older	Exp / Int / AA Hwt, 250, 200
Course B	All Masters (60+) All Legends (70+) All Womens & Minis	Nov / Int Mag (50+) Nov / Int Senior (40+)	All Quads
Sunday	8 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Course A	All Masters (60+) All Legends (70+) All Womens & Minis	Nov / Int Mag (50+) Nov / Int Senior (40+)	Quads All
Course B	Expert Mag (50+) Expert Senior (40+)	All Vets (30+) Nov—Hwt 200, 250 Vintage 1995 older	Exp / Int / AA Hwt, 250, 200

SOUND CHECK: Bikes with ODD numbers must get sound-checked near sign ups.

TECH INSPECTION: Tech inspection on the starting lines. Be 15 minutes early for tech inspection. Forest-approved spark arrestor & red or green stickers are mandatory! (or license plate).

BOMB RUN PRACTICE — Saturday @ 7:30-8am & Sunday @ 7-7:30am. Ambulance must be present. You must use the bomb return trail marked with white cards with a red bullseye. Riding backwards on the bomb run is dangerous to you and your fellow competitors and will earn you a DQ. We HIGHLY advise you to pre-run the bombs before racing begins both mornings.

RACE START LOCATION — Course A & B Start is down Granite road 1/2 mile Nort East of camp. Follow the "off color" ribbon from SIGNUPS to the start area. A Finish is @ RUTS Hill. B finish is at the same place as B Start.



RAFFLE! LIVE MUSIC! FREE BBQ SAT starts @ 6 pm. Bring chairs and

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drinks.



Sunday Chapel at the stage. Free coffee and donuts (7-7:30am). Start your day off right.



RIDERS MEETING — A mandatory riders' meeting will be held 15 minutes prior to each race on the starting lines. Important start, race, and course instructions/markings will be given at that time. Please do not dig a hole with your rear wheel.

THE START — This year the start format will be up to the start crew. It could be straddle the front tire, straddle the rear tire or the boring yet familiar straddle the bike. Be prepared for anything. When the banner goes up, engines off, banner will be up for at least one minute. When the banner goes down, start it, and go!

COURSE A is 7 miles long filled with terrain to suit every level of rider. The start is in the valley 1/2 mile north east of camp, off GRANITE road. Be sure to pre-run the bomb. The bomb will lead you straight to the front side of RUTS Hill, so on lap 1, it may get congested. Use the alternate if you must, but for the enjoyment and amusement of our spectators, we do ask that you join the bottleneck. Its makes for great YouTube videos. There are several sections of fresh virgin single track in the valleys to escape the hammered main lines so they may get silty! Stay on the marked trail to avoid missing turns, missing checks, and racking up penalties! Course workers will be out watching for course cutting. The single track through the buttes is too fun and is followed by smooth single track valleys to give your arms a break. There are no major road crossings. For those that don't want to attempt the faster line over RUTS Hill, hit that alternate...but it will take you a little more time, and the girls might giggle at you. **COURSE B is 11 miles long** of fast single track with a few technical sections thrown in for a challenge. It is not as technical as course A, but more technical than in years past. Watch out for rocks, turtles and secret checkpoints. Our youth course utilizes parts of course B, and youth pits are near course B Finish, so be on the lookout for young riders around the finish line area. Ride cautiously and follow speed limit rules near the finish.

RACE INSTRUCTIONS

- If you break down, stay with your bike. **DO NOT LEAVE THE COURSE!** Wait for help or a sweep rider. If you get hurt or break down on the course, stop the next rider and give him or her your number and club info so we can inform them and send help. There are "stuck stubs" available at signups. Use them!
- **If you do leave the course, be sure to notify home check so we know you are safe and do not spend hours looking for you.**
- Do not ride backwards on the course. There will be spotters throughout both courses. **DO NOT CUT THE COURSE.** Do not follow dust. The courses come close together at one point and you'll want to stay on the ribbon; it is safer and you won't be DQ'd.

CHECKS — All checks are flying checks (do not stop; check workers will record your number when you go by). Make sure your number is displayed clearly. You must be noted at all checks. Please hoot and holler at the check workers as you go by. High fives are a total bonus!

COURSE MARKINGS — Stay within 20 feet of the course markings - that's 20 feet on either side of the ribbon. The course is marked with bright pink ribbon. **Bright orange day-glow cards and down arrows indicate danger.** Pay close attention to the down arrows. The more you see, the more severe the conditions are and the slower and more cautious you need to ride. **Road crossings are marked with bright orange day-glow cards with a big "X" on them.** Use these markings for your own safety and benefit. We want you to have a safe and enjoyable race. There are many dirt road crossings on both courses, some double, some TRIPLE. Be aware of road crossing signs, look both ways and SLOW down.

SPECTATOR AREAS are at the start, finishes, and RUTS Hill. Please follow instructions of RUTS volunteers for your safety and to comply with BLM permit stipulations.

BE SAFE AND SMART — **CAMP SPEED LIMIT IS 15 MPH OR LOWER!** Watch out for kids—yours and others. Weeks of preparation have occurred to help make this weekend an enjoyable and safe one, but we still need your help. Let's make this a weekend to remember.

