2027 UPDATE

Bend Dirt Fest

July 10th, 2027

A premier trail running, gravel grinding, and mountain biking event in Central Oregon — presented by **Scarborough Bicycle Accident Law** and organized by **Mudslinger Events**.



PRESENTING SPONSOR

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Presented by Scarborough Bicycle Accident Law

Matt Scarborough is an avid cyclist who rides these very trails — he understands the terrain, the risks, and what cyclists truly stand to lose when an accident happens.

If You're in an Accident

Seek Medical Care First

Your health comes first. Get checked out — even if you feel fine after a crash.

Preserve Your Data & Equipment

Save your ride data and don't repair or discard damaged gear. Document the scene with photos.

Avoid Early Insurance Statements

Don't accept settlements or give recorded statements to insurers before consulting an attorney.

Off-Road Coverage May Apply

PIP & UM/UIM insurance may cover injuries sustained in off-road and trail accidents.

About Matt Scarborough

With **34 years of cycling experience** and **25 years building his firm**, Matt Scarborough built a cyclist-first personal injury practice with national reach.

🚴 Cycling-Specific Expertise

They understand power meters, training loss, race schedules, and bike components — not just medical bills.

🏆 Works With the Pros

Trusted by professional cyclists including **Ted King** and others at the elite level.

📊 Data-Driven Approach

Uses cycling metrics, biomechanics experts, and bike fit specialists to maximize your claim.

Been in a Crash? Report It

Scan the QR code or visit the link to report a crash and talk with Matt's team.

Report a crash at bicycleaccidentlaw.com

Call **(813) 253-0097** — protecting cyclists' rights, one ride at a time.

THE RACES

Three Disciplines, One Epic Event

🏃 Half Marathon Trail Run

13.1-mile scenic west side loop starting and finishing at the Athletic Club of Bend. Solo or team.

🚵 Gravel Grinder

Long: 50.8 miles / 3,608 ft · **Short:** 37.6 miles / 2,631 ft. Sponsored by Dirty Freehub. 3–5 hours of adventure, two courses and super support

⛰️ Mountain Bike

38.8-mile course — pavement warm-up into west side singletrack. 200 spots available.

Five Team Division. Solo and 3-person team divisions. Class 1 & 3 e-bikes allowed on Gravel Short Course only.

EVENT DAY

Schedule & Packet Pickup

1

Friday 2–6pm

Packet Pickup — Pine Mountain Sports

2

Saturday 6am

Parking at OSU Cascades. Final packet pickup at ACB until 8am.

3

8:00am

MASS Start — Trail Runners up the ACB Trail

4

8:15am

MASS Start — MTB & Gravel. No late starts.

5

10am–3pm

Live Music, Beverages & Vendors. Awards: Trail Run 11:30am · MTB 12:15pm · Gravel 12:45pm · Team of 3 1:15pm · Series Awards to follow.



RACE END

The Finish Line & Safe Return

All participants, whether trail runners, gravel grinders, or mountain bikers, will both start and finish their races at the **Athletic Club of Bend (ACB)**.

> **Cyclist Finish Protocol:** To ensure the safety of all participants and prevent high-speed arrivals, official timing for cyclists will conclude approximately **1 mile before** the ACB venue. After your timing ends, please continue along the final designated trail back to the Athletic Club of Bend to be welcomed back and celebrate!
>
> We anticipate a 10-15% overlap between cyclists and runners on in the final ½ mile with all cyclists yielding to runners Please be aware of your surroundings and courteous to fellow racers.

PACKET & TIMING

What's in Your Packet?



Every Participant Receives:

- Custom Bend Dirt Fest socks (all participants receive or upgrade to a tech t or Tri Blend Shirt
- Custom Gear Bag from our sponsors
- Meal Pack available with custom Pint glass and 15.00 voucher for only 10.00 as an add on
- **Runners:** Bib number + timing chip (wrist strap)
- **Bikers:** Handlebar number plate +timing chip
- Multiple Timing points for your friends or social to follow your Bend Dirt Fest race

⚠ **Do NOT lose your timing chip!** $100 charge for lost or unreturned chips. Each chip is assigned to one person — do not switch with teammates.

COMPETITION

Categories & Team Divisions

Individual Categories

Trail Run: Men/Women U19, 19–29, 30–39, 40–49, 50–59, 60–69, 70+ · Non-Binary

Gravel: Men/Women 15–23, 24–39, 40–49, 50–59, 60–64, 65–69, 70+ · Non-Binary · E-Bike (Short only)

MTB (200 spots): Elite, Singlespeed, Age Groups 14–70+, Clydesdales 200+, Non-Binary

Race age = age on Dec 31, 2027. Juniors under 14: email to register.

Your BDF age group will be pushed into the Oregon XC Series and or Oregon Triple Crown final race categories and standings valued at 1% more points.

3-Person Team Division

One Trail Runner + one Long Gravel Rider + one MTB Rider. Combined cumulative time.

⚠ **Short Gravel Course is not eligible for team competition.**

- Men's Team
- Women's Team
- Mixed Team
- Junior (combined age 55 and under)
- Masters (combined age 150 and over)

Team name must match exactly for all members

COURSE & AID

Course Info & Cut-Off Times



🏃 Trail Run

Aid 1 (mile 2.8) by **9:00am**. Water at mile 4.2. Rimrock aid at miles 2.7 & 10.5. (21 min/mile pace)

🚵 Gravel

Aid 1 (mile 23) by **11:00am**. Aid 2 (mile 28) by **11:30am** (8.6 mph min).

⛰️ MTB

Aid 1 (mile 19.1) by **11:30am** (6.4 mph min). Mandatory chill zone on Haul Trail, ½ mile from finish as you possibly merge with runners

All aid stations stocked by Hammer Nutrition. Drop bags accepted by 7am at ACB (label with name, bib, discipline). No outside support on course.

ROUTE MAPS

Explore the Routes on Ride with GPS

All 4 Bend Dirt Fest routes are available on Ride with GPS — open to everyone. Preview the course, download to your GPS device, or follow along on race day.

View All Routes → ridewithgps.com/events/355286-bend-dirt-fest-p-b-bicycle-accident-law-

🏃 BDF Trail Running Loop

21.5 km / 223 m elevation · Running · Mixed Surfaces

🚵 Bend Dirt Fest Gravel Loop 2027

88 km / 1,224 m elevation · Gravel Cycling · Mostly Unpaved

🪨 Bend Dirt Fest Short Gravel Loop

62.3 km / 878 m elevation · Gravel Cycling · Mixed Surfaces

⛰️ BDF A Route MTB Loop

62.4 km / 951 m elevation · Mountain Biking · Mostly Unpaved

Open to all — no account required to preview routes. Download for Garmin, Wahoo, or any GPS device.

COURSE DETAILS

Trail Run & MTB Routes



🏃 Trail Running Loop

Distance: 21.5 km (13.4 miles)

Elevation Gain: 223 m (732 ft)

Surface: Mixed (trail & dirt)

Start/Finish: Athletic Club of Bend

Description: A scenic west-side loop through Central Oregon's iconic singletrack. Aid stations at miles 2.8 and 10.5 (Rimrock). Water stop at mile 4.2. Cut-off: Aid 1 by 9:00am (21 min/mile pace).

View Route on Ride with GPS



⛰️ MTB A Route Loop

Distance: 62.4 km (38.8 miles)

Elevation Gain: 951 m (3,120 ft)

Surface: Mostly Unpaved / Singletrack

Start/Finish: Athletic Club of Bend

Description: Pavement warm-up into west-side singletrack. 200 spots available. Aid 1 at mile 19.1 — must arrive by 11:30am (6.4 mph min). Mandatory chill zone on Haul Trail ½ mile from finish where course merges with runners — cyclists yield.

View Route on Ride with GPS

COURSE DETAILS

Gravel Routes



🚵 Gravel Long Course (2027)

Distance: 88 km (54.7 miles)

Elevation Gain: 1,224 m (4,016 ft)

Surface: Mostly Unpaved

Start/Finish: Athletic Club of Bend

Sponsored by Dirty Freehub

The full gravel adventure — 3 to 5 hours of epic Central Oregon riding. Aid 1 at mile 23 (cut-off 11:00am). Aid 2 at mile 28 (cut-off 11:30am). Minimum pace: 8.6 mph. Class 1 & 3 e-bikes NOT allowed on long course.

View Route on Ride with GPS



🪨 Gravel Short Course

Distance: 62.3 km (38.7 miles)

Elevation Gain: 878 m (2,880 ft)

Surface: Mixed Surfaces

Start/Finish: Athletic Club of Bend

A slightly shorter but still challenging gravel loop. Class 1 & 3 e-bikes allowed on Short Course only. Eligible for solo competition but NOT eligible for team competition.

View Route on Ride with GPS

VENUE

Directions, Parking & Camping

Getting to Bend (No Parking on site until after 1pm)

Central Oregon, served by Redmond Airport.

- From Portland: 3 hours
- From Boise: 5 hours
- From Seattle: 5.5 hours

Start/Finish: Athletic Club of Bend, 61615 Athletic Club Dr.

Parking: OSU Cascades, 1500 SW Chandler Ave — *no parking at ACB.*

Camping: Meisner, Wanoga, or Swampy Lakes snow parks.



SAFETY

General & Bike Safety

Helmets Required

Mandatory for all cyclists at all times. No exceptions.

Yield & Signal

Cyclists yield to all trail users. Call passes, use hand signals. Forest Service road crossings — cars won't stop. Look and listen. All runner road crossings are not flagged. Proceed when clear

No Music, Stay Aware

No personal music while running or riding. Follow pink arrows and yellow "X NO" markings.

Leave No Trace

Pack out what you pack in. No littering — unload gels at aid stations only.

Be Seen with Magicshine

Our safety sponsor **Magicshine** keeps you visible on the trail. The **Seemee 300** rear light delivers 300 lumens of rear visibility — a must-have for dawn, dusk, and shaded forest riding. **magicshine.com**



SUPPORT

Medical & Refunds

⛑️ Medical Support

Adventure Medics on course and at base. EMT response up to 30 min; evacuation 1+ hour. Consider **Air Link** or **Firedom** coverage.

💰 Refunds & Transfers

No refunds. 50% credit up to 1 week prior 9am Saturday. Transfers to a friend until Sunday before ($10). Bike Reg protector recommended for injuries to make your own claim

Claim **INFO**

GET INVOLVED

Volunteer & Give Back



Earn $20/hour toward entry to any Bend Dirt Fest event — or direct your volunteer hours to support a local non-profit or community group. COTA and other trail organizations depend on volunteers like you. Sign up on registration

Course Marking (Trail Run)

Monday, July 7, afternoon
Mark the Trail Run course — placing directional arrows, "wrong way" X signs, and mile markers along the 13.1-mile west side loop. Hiking sections of trail with marking supplies. Hydrate and wear sunscreen.

Course Marking (MTB Race)

Tuesday, July 7, 8:00 AM–2:00 PM
Flag and mark the MTB race course — placing directional arrows, "wrong way" X signs, and mile markers. Hiking/riding sections of trail with marking supplies. Hydrate and wear sunscreen.

U-Haul Pickup

Wednesday, July 8, 8:00–9:30 AM, ACB lower parking lot
Pick up rental U-Haul for event supplies. Valid driver's license required. Quick errand, minimal physical labor.

Venue Setup (Friday)

Friday, July 10, 8:00–10:00 AM, ACB lower parking lot
Set up tents, tables, signage, finish-line structure. Physical work — lifting, hauling, assembling. Hydrate and wear sunscreen.

Packet Pickup (Friday)

Friday, July 10, 3:00–6:00 PM, Pine Mountain Sports
Same as Thursday — check-in, distribute bibs/chips/swag, verify waivers.

Want to bring your group? Contact **volunteer@mudslingerevents.com** to get your organization involved. Groups receive donations and free entries for volunteers.

SATURDAY, JULY 11

Race Day Volunteer Roles

Help make race day run smoothly! Earn $20/hour toward entry or support local trail organizations.

Hydration Station (Gravel Course)

Saturday, July 11, 7:30 AM–12:30 PM, Mile 20 (4613 Rd)

Staff hydration-only stop on the Gravel course at mile 20 on both short and long loops — hand out water to riders. Next aid station is 5 miles ahead. Keep station stocked and watch for any riders who look distressed. Full morning outdoors.

Aid 1 MTB / Aid 2 Gravel

Saturday, July 11, 7:30 AM–12:30 PM

Staff aid station: hand out water, Hammer Nutrition products, snacks. Enforce no-racing zone. Watch for distressed riders. Full morning outdoors.

Course Sweep (MTB Route)

Saturday, July 11, 7:40 AM until last rider clears

Ride MTB course behind last riders — check for stragglers, mechanicals, help needed. Confirm course clear. Long day on bike.

Sweep Riders (Gravel Course)

Saturday, July 11, 7:40 AM until last rider clears

Same as MTB sweep but on Gravel course.

Run Water Station #2

Saturday, July 11, 7:45–10:00 AM, 4604-400 Rimrock

Staff water-only stop at mile 4.2 — hand out water, keep stocked, pack up after sweep runner passes. Exposed outdoor post.

Tear Down

Saturday, July 11, 2:30–4:00 PM

Break down tents, tables, signage, finish-line structures. Load into U-Haul. Physical work at end of long day.

Questions? Contact **volunteer@mudslingerevents.com**

AWARDS & COMMUNITY

Results, Awards & Good Vibes



🏆 Awards Schedule

11:30am Trail Run · 12:15pm MTB · 12:45pm Gravel · 1:15pm Team of 3 · Just after: Oregon XC Series & Oregon Triple Crown Series

📊 Live Results

Results texted to you on race day. Posted at Mudslinger Events Results & E8 Timing.

🎶 Festival Atmosphere

Live music 10am–3pm. Vendors. 10 Barrel Brewing beer (21+). Custom finisher awards for all.

Support **COTA** (Central Oregon Trail Alliance) via the registration page. **Leave No Trace — give 8 hrs or $ to your local trail group each season!**