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# 2025 TECH GUIDE



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## OVERVIEW

The 2025 Leavenworth Bike Fest is the reincarnation of the historic Bavarian Bike 'n Brews mountain bike race last held in 2018, combined with a pro-level gravel race, and weekend festivities including live music, road rides, and the Bike 'n Juice mountain bike event for kids.

Leavenworth Bike Fest is a non-profit fundraising event for the Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance (EMBA) with net proceeds dedicated to supporting trail building and maintenance at Leavenworth Ski Hill Recreation Area. The event is created through a broad community partnership including EMBA, Wenatchee Valley Velo, the Leavenworth Ski Hill Heritage Foundation, Leavenworth Winter Sports Club, Howell at the Moon Productions, TedDriven and the Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce.

This Technical Guide covers the procedures for all races scheduled for June 14 and 15, 2025.



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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

*All events occur at 10701 Ski Hill Dr, Leavenworth, WA 98826*

**Thursday, June 12, 2025** – Riding venue open for preview using downloaded courses at <https://www.leavenworthbikefest.com/bike-brewn>

**Friday, June 13, 2025** – Courses marked in AM; packet pickup available at Leavenworth Ski Hill Pavilion from 5pm-9pm; Arlberg Sports Bike Expo from 5-8pm at Leavenworth Ski Hill; Icicle Brewing Finish Line Beer Garden from 5pm-9pm at Leavenworth Ski Hill Pavilion; Live Music at Ski Hill Pavilion from 6pm-9pm

**Saturday, June 14, 2025** – Packet pickup starting 7am at Leavenworth Ski Hill Pavilion; Bike 'n Brews Mountain Bike Race: Schooners begin at 9am; Pounders begin at 12pm; Pros/Growlers begin at 4pm; Arlberg Sports Bike Expo from 10am to 6pm; Icicle Brewing Finish Line Beer Garden at Ski Hill Pavilion from 11am-10pm; Live Music at Ski Hill Pavilion from 2pm-9:30pm; Awards at 7pm; Silent Disco from 9:30pm to close

**Sunday, June 14, 2025** – Packet pickup starting 7am at Leavenworth Ski Hill Pavilion; SchotterFest Gravel Race: Pros/Growlers/Pounders begin at 8am; Schooners begin at 9:30am; Bike 'n Juice youth mountain bike race: U10 Boys start at 10am; U10 Girls start at 10:15a; U14 Boys start at 10:30am; U14 Girls start at 10:45am; Arlberg Sports Bike Expo from 10am to 3pm; Lidz on Kidz helmet giveaway from 11am to 2pm; Icicle Brewing Finish Line Beer Garden at Ski Hill Pavilion from 11am-4pm; DJ at Ski Hill Pavilion from 12pm to 2pm; Bike 'n Juice awards at 12:30pm; SchotterFest awards at 1pm; Raffle drawings at 3pm

## EVENT PARKING

**Limited** parking will be in the Ski Hill Parking lot and the western shoulder of Titus Road. Please follow the instructions of parking attendant volunteers, and please refrain from parking on Ski Hill Drive.

Additional off-site parking will be located at two off-site locations: Icicle River Middle School (10195 Titus Rd, Leavenworth, WA 98826) .8 miles from the event venue; and Alpine Lakes Elementary School (500 Pine St, Leavenworth, WA 98826) .6 miles from the race venue. Parking will be available on Saturday and Sunday from 6am to 10pm each day.

There is **NO OVERNIGHT PARKING and NO CAMPING ALLOWED** at either of these lots, and the parking lots will be swept at 10pm each day. Please be responsive to the prohibition on overnight parking, as we do not want to jeopardize future cooperation from our community partners who help make this event possible.



Courses for Leavenworth Bike Fest were designed by Cole Paton who grew up in Cashmere, Wash., and now competes as a pro mountain bike and gravel racer for GIANT Bicycles.



# BIKE 'n BREWS MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE

Saturday, June 14, 2025

**Race Description:** Bike 'n Brews is a mountain biker's mountain bike race. Proper amounts of climbing on single-track with spectacular views, combined with sometimes flowing, sometimes technical, and occasionally steep and rowdy descents that will leave racers smiling long after the pain subsides. Droppers and full suspension not required, but recommended.



Steady grade climbing with occasional steep pitches should not require modified gearing. Hardpack with limited roots/rock and occasional dry/loose corners should inform tire choice. Moisture is unusual in mid-June, but wet conditions will substantially degrade traction given soil type, and should result in changed tread choices.

Courses will be marked with signage, tape, and course marshals at intersections, however it is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** that all racers download course maps on GPS devices from <https://www.leavenworthbikfest.com/bike-brews> in the event that signage is disrupted or other unforeseen circumstances arise. Cellular coverage is largely available on the courses, but spotty in certain locations.

Start line, call ups, and the finish area will be immediately in front of the Ski Hill Lodge.

Parking will be in the Ski Hill Parking lot and the western shoulder of Titus Road. Please follow the instructions of parking attendant volunteers, and please refrain from parking on Ski Hill Drive.

## **Lengths/Vert:**

Pro/Growler: 24 miles with three evenly dispersed climbs and descents;

5,100 vertical feet

Pros/Growlers will begin at 4pm and first finishers are expected just under two hours. Feed zone for Growlers will be after the second descent in front of the Ski Hill Pavilion.

**THE THIRD CLIMB UP THE “NUT” TRAIL WILL CLOSE AT 7:30 PM FOR COURSE SWEEP AND FIRST-RESPONDER AVAILABILITY CONSIDERATIONS. ANY PRO/GROWLER NOT**

**ARRIVING AFTER THE CUTOFF FOR THE THIRD CLIMB WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE IN THE RACE.**

Pounder: 16.5 miles with two evenly dispersed climbs and descents;  
3,300 vertical feet

Pounders will begin at 12pm and first finishers are expected in approximately an hour and a half. Feed zone for Pounders will be after the first descent in front of the Ski Hill Pavilion.

Schooner: 11 miles with one substantial climb and descent;  
2,000 vertical feet

Schooners will begin at 9am and first finishers are expected in approximately an hour and fifteen minutes.

**ANY REMAINING SCHOONERS STILL ON COURSE RETURNING ON “4 THE BOYS” TRAIL AFTER 12PM (3 HOURS AFTER START) WILL BE ASKED TO MOVE TO THE SIDE OF THE TRAIL AND DISMOUNT TO YIELD TO POUNDER RACERS STARTING THEIR RACE DEPARTING ON “4 THE BOYS”**



# SCHOTTERFEST GRAVEL RACE

Sunday, June 15, 2025

**Race Description:** The Leavenworth Bike Fest Schotterfest Gravel Race contains substantial vertical with sustained gravel climbs and descents for each of the categories, and paved relatively flat connecting roads between the climbs.

**All racers must abide by the rules of the road.**

Courses will be marked with signage, tape, and course marshals at intersections, however it is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** that all racers download course maps on GPS devices from <https://www.leavenworthbikefest.com/schotterfest> in the event that signage is disrupted or other unforeseen circumstances arise. Cellular coverage is largely available on the courses, but spotty in certain locations.

Start line, call ups, and the finish area will be immediately in front of the Ski Hill Pavilion.

**PRO/GROWLER-SPECIFIC INFORMATION:** Pro and Growler distance racers will face four substantial climbs: Merry Canyon for 5.0 miles for approximately 2,000 feet on chunky forest service dirt and gravel; Eagle Creek for 5.0 miles and approximately 1,750 feet on forest service small gravel and dirt; Camas Road for 2.8 miles and approximately 1,700 feet on steep and occasionally loose hard-packed dirt; and Mountain Home Road for 3.5 miles and approximately 1,350 feet on small to chunky forest service gravel.

Pro/Growlers will encounter an even mix of high speed gravel and pavement descending, as well as approximately 2 miles of hard-pack single-track.

Gearing choices should consider the steep sustained climbing on Camas Road, approximately 3/4 of the way into the race, balanced against the flatter 7-mile paved section leading to the finish.

For tires, riders should be able to successfully navigate all aspects of the course with 35mm as a minimum recommended tire size. Aerodynamics are relevant for wheel choice with long high-speed descents and sustained flat road sections leading into the first climb, between the second descent and third climb, and after the final climb.



Pro/Growlers will have two feed zones, at the bottom of the second climb of the day, Eagle Creek, at approximately 24 miles and shortly before the third climb of the day, Camas Road at approximately 47 miles. Neutral water will be available at the feed zones.

**BAG DROP:** There will be a bag drop available Sunday morning for Pro/Growlers and Pounders who would like to have their hydration bags transported to the First Aid station at the bottom of the Eagle Creek climb.

**Regardless of position during the race, EXTRA CAUTION should be exercised by all Pro/Growler racers in the following areas:**

- All roads and gravel roads are open to the public during the event. **THIS IS NOT A CLOSED COURSE.** Recreational motorcycles, side-by-sides, 4x4s, and vehicles may be encountered on backcountry forest service and county gravel routes. The lead moto and signage will be placed warning other road users of oncoming race traffic, but racers must be prepared for traffic in their lane at all times.
- **≈ Mile 43:** Right turn from stop onto US Hwy 2, where racers will ride the wide shoulder of the highway for approximately 1 mile
- **≈ Mile 55:** Right turn from stop onto US Hwy 2, where racers will ride the wide should of the highway for approximately 1 mile followed by a crossing onto Ranch Creek Road
- **≈ Mile 67:** Left turn from stop onto East Leavenworth Road
- **≈ Mile 70:** Right turn at a stop onto Icicle Road
- **≈ Mile 72:** Right turn at roundabout onto US Hwy 2. Riders will enter the **flagger-controlled roundabout** at the 6 o'clock position and continue through, exiting at the 12 o'clock position and route onto the marked sidewalk corridor paralleling the highway for approximately 300 yards before turning left onto Mill Street
- **≈ Mile 72.5:** Left turn at a traffic light from US Hwy 2 onto Ski Hill Drive

The leading group of elite/open category finishers is expected, but not guaranteed, to have traffic control at the **bottom of Mountain Home Road where it turns on to East Leavenworth Road until the finish line.** The race organizer will make additional announcements clarifying this issue at the start line.



Please **do not attack people at the highways or stop signs**. There are plenty of other locations to make a difference in the race. **Lengths/Vert:**

Pro/Growler: 73.8 miles with four climbs and descents of varying length and gradient;

9,330 vertical feet

Pro/Growlers will begin at 8am and first finishers are expected in approximately four hours.

Pro/Growlers will have two feed zones stocked with neutral water and food. One at the start of the second climb of the day, Eagle Creek, at  $\approx 24$  miles; and the other shortly before the third climb of the day, Camas Road, on Pioneer Drive at  $\approx 45.5$  miles. This will be the last chance to refuel for the day.

Pounder: 44.3 miles with two evenly dispersed climbs and descents;

5,124 vertical feet

Pounders will begin at 8:05am and first finishers are expected in approximately two and a half hours. Feed zone for Pounders will be at the beginning of the Eagle Creek climb.

Schooner: 28.7 miles with one substantial climb and descent;

3,197 vertical feet

Schooners will begin at 9:30am and first finishers are expected in approximately an hour and forty five minutes. Feed zone for Pounders will be at the beginning of the gravel portion of the Eagle Creek climb.

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## **RACE RULES APPLICABLE TO ALL RACES**

1. AWARDS CEREMONY REQUIRED: All prize purse-eligible athletes must attend the awards ceremonies.
2. ENTRY FEES & PRIZE MONEY: Athletes are eligible for overall prizes and awards at each individual event. All athletes receiving payouts will be required to fill out proper tax paperwork.
3. DOPING CONTROL: No participant in the Leavenworth Bike Fest Open categories can be under a current doping ban. All Open Category athletes are subject to drug

testing. If drug testing is taking place at an event, selected athletes will be notified by a USADA chaperone at the finish line.

4. **RACE PLATES:** Your race plate must be affixed to the front of your bike, as flat as possible, readable from the front. Race plates cannot be wrapped around the frame of your bike, nor attached to the side of your frame.

5. **ATTACHMENTS:** No aerobars, bar extensions, or clip on attachments of any kinds will be permitted.

## **RESULTS**

Gun start and chip finish will be used for all races. Results will be posted online at <http://www.leavenworthbikefest.com>.

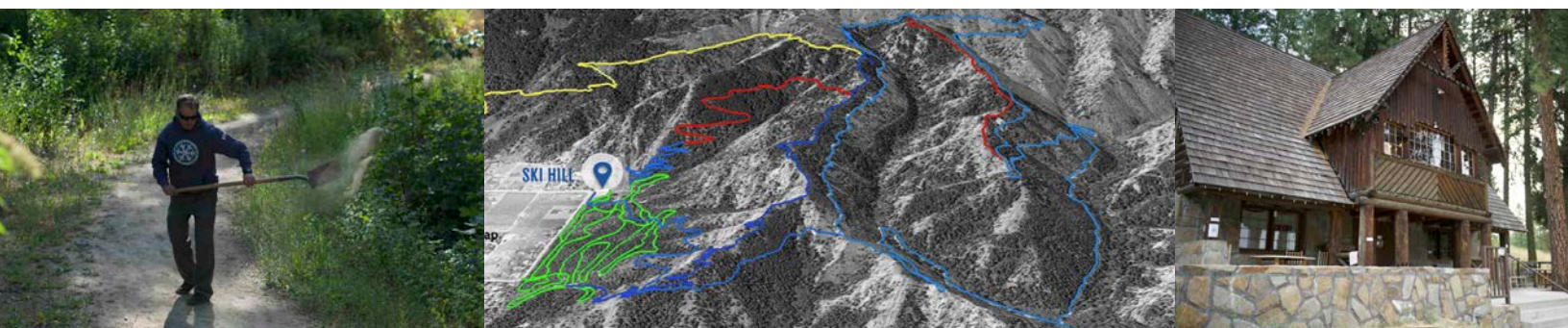
## **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Videography and photography for the Leavenworth Bike Fest will be coordinated by Howell at the Moon Productions. Following the event, official photo galleries and event videos will be shared with registrants for their own use and promotion. Athletes should tag @leavenworthbikefest.

Other third-party usage will need approval.

## **MEDIA COVERAGE**

In order to capture the best coverage of the race for social and post-production, there will be media on course. Vehicles will include vehicles adjacent to the course, Side-by-sides, e-Bikes and motos.



**Leavenworth Bike Fest is a fundraiser for the Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance, with all net proceeds allocated to support trail maintenance and the construction of new trails at Leavenworth Ski Hill.**



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Sincere thanks to all the sponsors and community partners who have come together to make this new event possible!

