



# NICA

## Tilden Hill Farm

May 5th, 2024

Tilden Hill Farm, Vernon, New York

## Race The Farm

### RACE DESCRIPTION:

Start Line: Grass-Standing Start

Type Of Terrain: Gravel, Roots, Rocks & Mud!

Trail Description: 50% Single Track, 50% Double Track, with a few bridges

Elevation: Approximately 185 ft per lap

Finish Line: Loose Gravel





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Updates:

## **Petition Placement Outline.**

Coaches, please send in your rider petitions.

**Race Registration and Petitions will close Wednesday at 11:59 PM**

**NO RACE WEEKEND PETITIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE.**

**MS Category** Riders Can Petition to the Freshman Category only.

*If you have an MS rider who is truly talented and racing beyond their years, please contact*

*Jason Cairo. [jason@newyorkmtb.org](mailto:jason@newyorkmtb.org)*

**Freshman Category** Riders Can Petition to JV or Varsity

**Sophomore Category** Riders Can Petition to JV or Varsity

**JV Category** Riders Can Petition to Varsity.

Please do not petition riders for scoring purposes or push riders too hard and advance them too early. Riders may not petition down from their category.

**[Petition Link 2024](#)**

## **Parking & Team Pit Set Up**

Vehicles must park in the designated areas for NICA NY.

NO Cars are allowed in the team Pit Zone.

Teams can drop off equipment & tents on Saturday

Team pit zones can be left overnight.

NICA NY is not responsible for any damage or theft of team property if left overnight.



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**Location! Location! Location!**

**5384 County Rd 43, Vernon, NY 13476**

**43.113840, -75.528671**

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## Wave Start Times

**STAGING** will begin 10 minutes before each wave.

Note: Final lap count decision per category will be confirmed at the start of each race in addition to any lap cut-offs if necessary.

### Wave 1: Middle School Girls

CATEGORY	STAGING TIME START	START TIME	LAP COUNT	EARNED LAP CUT-OFF TIME	MILEAGE PER LAP
8th Grade Girls	9:20 AM	9:30 AM	3	10:30 AM	3.
7th Grade Girls	9:20 AM	9:31 AM	2	10:30 AM	3.
6th Grade Girls	9:20 AM	9:32 AM	2	10:30 AM	3.

### Wave 2: High School Girls

CATEGORY	STAGING TIME START	START TIME	LAP COUNT	EARNED LAP CUT-OFF TIME	MILEAGE PER LAP
Varsity Girls	10:20 AM	10:30 AM	4	12:00 PM	3.4
JV Girls	10:20 AM	10:31 AM	4	12:00 PM	3.4
Sophomore Girls	10:20 AM	10:32 AM	4	12:00 PM	3.4
Freshman Girls	10:20 AM	10:33 AM	3	12:00 PM	3.4

## NICA New York Policies and Rules

All participants are required to read, understand, and abide by all league policies, rules, and protocols while attending any league event.

# Rules Book 2024

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## Wave 3: Middle School Boys

CATEGORY	STAGING TIME START	START TIME	LAP COUNT	EARNED LAP CUT-OFF TIME	MILEAGE PER LAP
8th Grade Boys	12:05 PM	12:15 PM	3	1:15 PM	3.
7th Grade Boys	12:05 PM	12:17 PM	2	1:15 PM	3.
6th Grade Boys	12:05 PM	12:19 PM	2	1:15 PM	3.

## Wave 4: High School Boys

CATEGORY	STAGING TIME START	START TIME	LAP COUNT	EARNED LAP CUT-OFF TIME	MILEAGE PER LAP
Varsity Boys	1:05 PM	1:15 PM	5	2:45 PM	3.4
JV Boys	1:05 PM	1:16 PM	4	2:45 PM	3.4
Sophomore Boys	1:05 PM	1:17 PM	4	2:45 PM	3.4
Freshman Boys	1:05 PM	1:18 PM	3	2:45 PM	3.4

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## NICA New York NICA Race Duration Guidelines



**Riders will complete laps with the following Race Duration Guidelines for each category:**

- **60 minutes: Middle School Race**
- **90 minutes: High School Race**

Student-athletes will be asked to withdraw at the finish line after cut-off time limits have been reached. Race officials reserve the right to determine these time limits at any time. Time limits may be imposed for reasons that include, among others, safety, heat, cold, rain, and muddy conditions or fatigue.

Course closures may be announced at any time.

Racers who do not make the time limit cut-off will still be scored and ranked.

Due to weather or course closures, these duration guidelines may be changed at League Discretion.

STAGING will begin 10 minutes before each wave.

Call Ups For All Riders Will Be Called.

The top 5 overall riders will be called to the line by name, and all other riders by number.

**Registration Race**



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## Online registration closes **Wednesday, May 1st 11:00pm**

**All riders must be registered in the NICA NY Pit Zone**

**No Race Day Registration is available on race weekend.**

**Category Petitions are closed for the season on May 1st, 2024**

**Please Check in at the NICA Registration Tent on Saturday 3:00 pm-5:00 pm  
and Sunday 7:00am-11:00am.**

**DO NOT LOSE YOUR RACE PLATE!** Students will receive a race plate for the race series to be used for all races, so please take care of them. Race plates have chips on the back and require care to avoid damage. There is a **\$10.00** fee to replace race plates if lost or forgotten. Replacement plates are at the registration tent all season long, along with some empathy because we have all lost our race plates before!

## **Race Registration Closing Schedule 2024**

Race Two-Wednesday May 1st, 11:00pm

Race Three Wednesday, May 15th, 11:00pm

Race Four Wednesday, May 29th, 11:00pm

Race Five Wednesday, June 5th, 11:00pm

**Race Plates:** Race Plates can be picked up on Saturday at 2:00 pm at the registration tent.

Scholarships and financial assistance are available. For more information, email

[jason@newyorkmtb.org](mailto:jason@newyorkmtb.org)

**Volunteering at our Events**



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Race day would not be possible without the incredible work of our volunteers. It takes a “village” to put on quality youth mountain bike races. Many parents and cycling enthusiasts find getting involved with our events a fun and rewarding experience.

**Saturday and Sunday positions are available. We know** some positions can look complex and overwhelming for first-time volunteers. Rest assured ALL of our volunteer positions are fun and require no previous experience, and our Core Race Staff are with you every step of the way. You will feel confident and well-prepared for your task.

**View volunteer training videos [HERE](#)**

**CLICK Volunteer Link [HERE](#) TO GUARANTEE YOUR PREFERRED VOLUNTEER SPOT.**

**[RACE THE FARM VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION](#)**



## Event Weekend Schedule





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## **Saturday**

**9:00 am** Volunteer Shifts Begin  
**Noon-ish** Volunteer Lunch  
**1:00 pm** GRiT Rider Meet Up & Ride  
**2:00 pm** Registration Opens  
**3:00 pm** Pre-Ride Open to all riders

**\*Everyone on course must have a race plate affixed to their bikes. (student, coach, league staff)**

**5:00 pm** Pre-Ride Closed  
**5:00 pm** Registration Closed

## **Sunday**

**7:00-9:00 am** Course Pre-Ride Open/Close  
**8:45 am** Coaches Meeting  
**9:30am** MS Girls  
**10:30am** HS Girls  
**12:15 pm** MS Boys  
**1:15 pm** HS Boys  
**3:30 pm** Awards Ceremony

**(Award Ceremonies Will Commence After The Results Have Been Posted & Not Contented)**

## **Pit Zone Information**

The Pit Zone is open for loading/unloading

Saturday: 12:00 pm -5:00 pm

No riding on the course prior to the pre-ride opening at 3:00 pm

**NO BIKE RIDING ALLOWED IN THE PIT ZONE- Please do not walk, ride or drag your bike into the NY Pit Zone.**

Garbage expectations - **Teams must remove all garbage from the Pit Zone.**

Fire/Grilling expectations - **FLAME ON!!!** BBQs are welcome & Jason Always Needs A Burger!

No inappropriate language is allowed

Dog expectations: Put A Leash On Old Yellow For Us & Scoop That Poop Please!

Traffic/Parking Plan: Please follow all posted parking signs. If no signs have been posted about parking, please use your best judgment regarding where you park.

## **More Pit Zone Information**

★ **No Smoking, Alcohol, Guns, or Open Pit Fires On The Property.**



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- ★ Conflicts and/or disputes should not be dealt with in the team Pit Zone area
- ★ Keep cool, folks, it's just a bike race!!!
- ★ Any violation of the above rules may result in a suspension from the league, team penalty and/or expulsion from the Pit Zone and infield.

## Race Fee/Late Fee

	MIDDLE SCHOOL	HIGH SCHOOL	LATE FEE AT RACE*
League Registration (annual)	\$30	\$30	\$
Race Entry Fee (per race)	\$30	\$30	\$

## Chip Timing Info

All riders will receive a permanent number plate with a chip-timing transponder on the backside. Riders will use the same plate for the entire race series, so please remove it before mounting the bike for transport to prevent loss.

**Replacement number plates will be available at the registration tent for \$10.00 if lost.**

## Petitions for Category Placement

Contact your Team Director or Head Coach to be invited  
Independent riders contact [jason@newyorkmtb.org](mailto:jason@newyorkmtb.org)



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## Refund/Weather Policy

Below are the guidelines for how the league will conduct races in challenging weather. Our primary considerations are the safety of riders, support staff, and spectators and potential damage to the venue and trails. Any decisions regarding canceling, postponing, or altering race start times, lap lengths, number of laps, etc., will be made jointly by league staff and the land manager. Often, this decision cannot be made until the morning of the race due to the unpredictable and rapidly changing nature of severe weather. The league will attempt to notify the racing population via email, social media, and website updates as soon as possible. Please review our full weather policy at: [newyorkmtb.org](http://newyorkmtb.org)

## Camping and Lodging

### Hotels Camping

## Contact Information

General League Questions:

**Jason Cairo** [jason@newyorkmtb.org](mailto:jason@newyorkmtb.org)

Race/Venue Specific Questions:

**Dolores Diaz** [doloresEdiaz@gmail.com](mailto:doloresEdiaz@gmail.com)

Rule Specific Questions:

**Andy Greenspan** [greenspanandy@gmail.com](mailto:greenspanandy@gmail.com)

Registration Specific Questions:

**Ellen Tarbay** [ellen.tarbay@gmail.com](mailto:ellen.tarbay@gmail.com)

Please note that most staff arrive onsite Thursday or Friday of each race weekend and may not have sufficient cell/data coverage to respond to calls/emails. Please plan accordingly.

## NICA Safety Reporting and Insurance Coverage

### Safety Reporting



Incident reports are mandatory whenever a student-athlete or coach is injured during a NICA activity. These incident reports are submitted by each Team's Designated Reporter or an independent rider's parent. For more information on Safety Reporting reporting please see our [brochure here](#).

### Insurance Coverage

NICA Insurance coverage covers registered student-athletes and coaches injured while participating in the sanctioned pre-ride and race events.

For more information on NICA Insurance Coverage, please see our [FAQ here](#).



The **New York** Interscholastic Cycling League is a Project League of the National Interscholastic Cycling Association, a 501(c)(3) non-profit youth development organization guided by the core values of fun, inclusivity, equity, respect, and community. The league promotes interscholastic mountain bike racing, provides training and education to new teams and coaches, and offers a comprehensive infrastructure to grow youth cycling in a professional, safe, and engaging manner.

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