

2025 BCSS Mountain Biking Provincial Championship Bulletin 1

Date: May 22-23, 2025

Host: Brooks Secondary School

Venue: Powell River, BC **Tournament Entry Fee:** TBA

Tournament Chair: Brooke Hanson, <u>bhansonevents@gmail.com</u> **BCSS Liaison:** Shannon Klassen, <u>sklassen@bcschoolsports.ca</u>

Championship Website: Mountain Biking Provincial Website

Event Registration

No zone qualification required for the championship. All entries <u>must</u> be received before the registration deadline (April 30th, 2025). Registration form will not be available prior to April 21st.

- The number of entries from each school may be capped to ensure the size of the championship does not get too large to compromise rider safety.
- The championships will have a maximum of 600 racers. Each race category will be limited to the following:
 - o Bantam Girls 50
 - o Bantam Boys 50
 - o Junior Girls 125
 - o Junior Boys 125
 - o Senior Girls 125
 - o Senior Boys 125

Coaches will need to ensure that athletes have skill level and experience to compete in these provincials.

- If we receive more than 600 registrations, we may allow schools to have riders race Enduro or XC to allow for more athletes to participate.
 - Note: Racers must complete both Enduro and XC to score points towards the banner.

Course Information

Coaches will need to ensure that athletes have the skill level and experience to compete at provincials.

The Enduro and XC racecourses will take place on trails that are designated Blue Square and Single Black Diamond level of difficulty. Blue trails are intermediate level and may have technical features such as rocks, roots and drops that require a competent mountain bike riders. Single Black Diamonds may use technically demanding man-made features and jumps require a competent rider with a confident level of skill. All race categories will have both Blue and Black trails in their assigned racecourses.

Course Location

Enduro Course: Mount Mahony trail network

XC Course: Millennium trail network

*The race routes will be released once registration is closed.

STARS Registration

- All student athletes must be registered on your school's STARS roster.
 - Team registration deadline April 9, 2025
 - Roster registration deadline April 23, 2025
 - All athletes representing your school team in competition must be entered on your STARS roster by this date.
 - Athlete registrations submitted after the designated deadline must be added to the official STARS roster by BCSS staff. Late registrations are subject to penalties outlined in the BCSS Handbook.
- Coaches need to be added to your STARS rosters by April 23rd. Only coaches listed on the STARS roster will be permitted on course and at the coaches' meetings.
 - All coaches, managers, and assistants listed on school team rosters must complete
 the Concussion Awareness Training Tool (CATT) for Coaches. CATT certification is valid
 for two years <u>cattonline.com</u>. Athletic Directors are responsible for ensuring all
 coaches have completed the CATT certification prior to engaging in any competition.
 - Please ensure all coach information (email and cell #) is correct. You can easily modify the information in STARS by accessing the coach's profile.

Important Dates

Team Registration Deadline: April 9th, 2025
 Race Registration Opens: April 23rd, 2025

• Race Registration Deadline: April 30th, 2025

• Coaches Meeting: May 21st, 2025

Championship Schedule (DRAFT)

Wednesday, May 21, 2025		
TIME	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
All Day	Unofficial pre ride	Mount Mahony and Millenium Trails
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Package Pick-Up	Brooks Secondary Library
6:30 PM	Coaches Meeting	Brooks Secondary Library
Thursday, May 22, 2025		
8:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Enduro Race - GROUP A	Mount Mahony Trails
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Late Package Pick-Up	Brooks Secondary Library
1:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Enduro Race - GROUP B	Mount Mahony Trails
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	BBQ and social	Brooks Secondary Gym
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Rad Reels	Brooks Secondary Gym
Friday, May 23, 2025		
8:30 AM – 1:00 PM	XC Race	Millenium Trails - Depart from Brooks Secondary

2:00 PM	Awards	Brooks Secondary Soccer Field
3:30 PM	Depart for Ferry	5:15 depart for Comox 4:55 depart for Earls Cove

- Due to the large number of athletes on course, there is no course inspection on Mount Mahony on Thursday May 22nd. Racers are only permitted on course during their assigned time.
- The Millenium Trails will be open for course inspection on Wednesday and Thursday all day.

Championship Structure

Two competition formats are offered at the championships: All-Mountain (XC) and Enduro. Competitors must start in both events to earn team event points. The championship event will consist of a group start in the 'All-Mountain' event, and timed stages with staggered starts (schools will be grouped together) for the 'Enduro' event. Finishers will be awarded points based on their placement in each event which will contribute to the team banner championships.

Uniforms

Racers are expected to wear school uniforms, school colours or unmarked clothing. Corporate logos are restricted to a maximum of two logos, and each logo should not exceed the dimensions of a credit card. Club clothing is not permitted while racing or at awards.

Equipment

All athletes are required to have safe and functional equipment. Helmets are mandatory while training and competing. Knee pads, riding glasses or goggles, elbow pads, gloves, and full-face helmets are strongly recommended for the Enduro course. Any equipment identified as unsafe will not be permitted in the competition. Before riding always inspect your equipment or have it inspected by a qualified bike mechanic. For a complete mountain bike checklist, <u>click here.</u>

Awards

- Gold, Silver and Bronze medals awarded to the top three finishers in all divisions
- King and Queen of the Mountain Award in Senior divisions.
- BC School Sports Blue Banner awarded to highest scoring school

<u>Apparel</u>

Rush Apparel is the official supplier of BCSS Provincials merchandise. Rush will offer presales on tournament merchandise – the site will open in early May. <u>Rush Apparel Website</u>

Rad Reels

Powell River and the qathet region have a tradition of celebrating the land, and our relationship with it, through an annual night of local film submissions. We call this sell-out night, Rad Reels.

This year, at the BC Provincials, we are excited to announce we will be hosting Rad Reels: The Provincial Edit. We are putting the challenge out to all teams.

Your team's mission: to create a short video edit between 2-4 mins max showcasing your land and how you enjoy it.

Subjects can range from why your riding area is awesome, why people should come visit and ride your area, something your team has done to make a difference in the community, or anything Rad your team does or has done. Submissions must be uploaded before the deadline of April 27th here: BCSS Rad Reels Submissions via Google Drive.

Films will be showcased at our BBQ event on Thursday, May 22nd. More details can be found here: <u>B.C.S.S. Rad Reels | grdradreels.com</u>

Ferry Information

For those travelling from the mainland, please book your route here (Comox - Powell River).

For those travelling from Vancouver Island, you can book one of the ferries here (Horseshoe Bay - Langdale) - the second ferry does not take reservations, you can view the schedule here (Sunshine Coast / Earls Cove - Saltry Bay)

Local Mountain Bike Association

We would like to thank the <u>Qathet Regional Cycling Association</u> for their support in this event. In an effort to remediate the trails post-event, a \$5 donation per racer will be donated back to the QRCA.

Hotel Information

Town Centre Hotel

- 2 Double Beds \$169
- 1 Queen & Lounge Chair \$174
- 2 Queen Beds \$179
- 1 Queen w/Sofa Pull Out- \$194
- **Group #:** 1636
- **Group Name:** BC School Sports Mountain Biking Provincials
- Release Date: April 20th at noon
- Call us @ 604-485-3000 Ext 0 to make your reservations.

Pacific Point Market and Suites

- Two and Three Bedroom Units: \$199 \$209
- To book call Lisanne at: 604-485-2555 Or the Market and ask for Jonathan or Pennie 604 489 9111

Beach Gardens Resort and Marina

- 2 Queen Beds \$154
- 1 Queen & Pull Out \$154
- 1 Queen Bed \$154
- 1 King & Pull Out \$164
- **Group #:** 1328
- **Group Name:** Mountain Bike Provincial Championships
- Release Date: April 22nd, 2025
- Call 604-485-6267 or 1-800-663-7070 to book

Powell River Campsites

- Haywire Bay Park
- Inland Lake
- Willingdon Beach

Additional Hotels

- Beyond Bliss Spa and Suites
- Old Courthouse Inn
- Island View Lodge