

Northgate Classic - *Race Guide*

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NORTHGATE CLASSIC

Mountain Bike Race August 7, 2022

Northgate Trails, Dauphin, MB

Race Name: Northgate Classic

Race Date: August 7th, 2022

Host:

- Decipher Wilderness Services

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Location:

The Northgate Trails are located adjacent to the north gate of Riding Mountain National Park (South of Dauphin).

Directions: To get to the Northgate Classic Race, go to the Trailhead on Hwy 10 immediately north of Riding Mountain National Park (12 km south of Dauphin, or 6.4 km south of the Hwy 5/Hwy 10 intersection). The trailhead parking lot is on the west side of Hwy 10 along the water treatment plant access road. Large signs mark the Northgate Trailhead and the water treatment plant access road.

Google Maps Link:

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Northgate+Trails+Dauphin/@51.0256131,-100.0543012,13.82z/data=!4m5!3m4!1s0x52e5ef41bc28012d:0x3866570335088d48!8m2!3d51.0234397!4d-100.0669634>

Eligibility:

The race is open to all. Valid UCI/CCA/MCA race license or a Day Permit* are required. To purchase a UCI/CCA/MCA license visit the [MCA Website](#).

*Day permits are available at a cost of \$20 per event for non-MCA licensed riders who wish to participate in an MCA-sanctioned event without purchasing a full license. Up to three Day Permits may be purchased per year. The cost of Day permits can be “rolled” into a full license at any time.

*****IMPORTANT***** Day permits DO NOT provide sport accident or liability insurance for the permit holder. Rather, they are in place to “Protect” the MCA, the Race Organizer and volunteers, and licensed riders. We strongly encourage all participants to consider the benefits of a full MCA racing license.

Registration:

PLEASE NOTE: Unlicensed persons may register and participate but they must purchase an additional "Day Permit" for \$20 when registering.

Link: [COMING SOON!](#)

Registration closes: 11:59pm Friday August 5th

Race day registration:

There will be No Race Day Registration

Check In: All registered riders must "Check-in" at the registration table. On-site check-in opens at 9:00am and closes 1/2 hour before your event start time.

Categories:

Kids Race* - Choice of 1 or 2 laps (kids course). (+/- 10-15 min lap) - recommended for kids U11

Main Event* - Choice of 1, 2, 3, and 4 Laps (Full Course) (+/- 10km lap - 30-45)

1 lap XC event - recommended for novice racers and youth aged 11+ (30 min-50min)

2 lap XC event - short, fast, XC event for most abilities, youth 13+ (60-90 min)

3 lap XC event - longer XC event for more experienced riders (1.5-2.5 hours)

4 lap XC event - experienced racers looking for an endurance event 18+ (2-3 hours)

*All Races at the Northgate Classic will have gender neutral starts. Please self-seed at staging based on your perceived ability level for your event of choice. Allow faster riders to the front.

Pricing:

Kids Races	\$10
1-4 lap Youth (U19)	\$25
1-4 lap Adult (19+)	\$35

Course Pre-ride:

The full course will be available for pre-ride anytime on August 6th, and on race day (August 7th) between 8:00-10:00am*. Course preparation work will be underway on Friday the 5th.

**Kids races utilize a portion of the adult course. Pre-riders must be off the course by 10:00am. This is not a large pre-ride window on race day so prepare early for one lap pre-ride if you so choose.*

Podium & Prizing:

Kids Races There will be Male and Female podiums for the one and two lap races. Prizing will go three deep. Kids will be provided candy or similar food items.

Main Events There will be Male and Female podiums for each main event (X4). Prizing will go three deep. There will also be draw prizes for main event participants.

Course Description:

The track surface may consist of a variety of terrains including singletrack, doubletrack, dirt, loose dirt, gravel, sand, hard pack, stone, mud, and/or grass. The course will offer technical features that may include rocks, roots, logs, and human-made special features. Difficult technical features may offer several line choices, "A" denoting the more difficult option, and "B" denoting the alternate or moderate option, and potentially an option "C" which would denote the easiest option.

Race-day Schedule:

(Staging for each race will begin at least 15 minutes in advance, please listen for the commissaires to announce staging and prepare early)

8:00am	Full Course open for pre-ride
9:00am	Registration table Open (Check In only- no race-day registration)
8:00am	Kids Course open for pre-ride
9:45am	Kids Course closed (no more pre-riding)
9:50am	Kids Race Staging
10:00am	Kids Race START (both races, two waves) (Main course pre-ride closed)
10:45am	Kids Races Complete
11:00am	Kids Podium
11:50am	4 lap and 3 lap event staging (two waves)
12:00pm	4 lap and 3 lap event START
12:10pm	2 lap and 1 lap event staging
12:20pm	2 lap and 1 lap event START (two waves)
03:00pm	Podium and Draw Prizes (Full Course events)

Food:

There will be food and beverage available for all event participants (both kids and main events) from 2pm until 3:30pm. Lunch is included with all registrations. Additional food may be available on a first-come-first-serve basis for non-participants. Cash Only.

Parking:

There will be parking on-site at the Northgate Trails parking lot (Adjacent to the staging area). Please watch for children and cyclists.

General Race Rules :

- Pre-riding may only be done during the designated times for your category.
- Everyone riding on the course during scheduled Pre Ride/training times MUST have a current MCA general membership (or race license). Non members are not permitted to operate a bicycle on the course during scheduled event times.
- All racers must operate a bicycle with both front and rear working brakes.
- All racers must wear a safety approved helmet deemed appropriate for cycling AT ALL TIMES while riding (i.e. while training, racing, riding around the staging area etc.). No exceptions.
- Riders shall act and race with caution and respect for their fellow racers. They shall be held responsible for any accidents that they cause.
- Racers MUST present their license at the Registration/Check in table. Do not come to a race without your license. FYI, technically, the license is to remain on your person throughout the race.

- It is a racer's responsibility to know the race course and the number of required laps before the race starts. Marshals are not obligated to give out directions to confused riders.
- A racer must act in a sporting manner at all times and shall permit any faster rider to overtake without obstructing.
- If a rider exits the course for any reason, he/she must return to the course at exactly the same point from which they exited (i.e. do not cross over tape to re-enter the course).
- Music players and electronic devices are NOT allowed by any racers during any events.
- Sleeveless jerseys are NOT allowed.
- You may only wear the jersey of a club or team to which you currently belong, i.e. do not wear a Pro team jersey unless you are currently a member of that Pro team.
- Previous years cup jerseys should not be worn by previous winners.
- Handlebars must have end caps. Kickstands should be removed. Water bottle holders must be secured in appropriate locations on the bicycle frame or seat post.
- Race plates must be secured to the handlebar so that the number can be clearly read by the Commissaires at the Finish line. Do not alter the plate in any way. Ensure the plate is not obscured by brake cables or bent such that the numbers are difficult to read from a distance. Ensure the bottom of the plate is secured so that it cannot flip up.
- Before the race, know exactly where the finish line is situated. Your finish time is recorded on the finish line. Do not stop your race until you cross the finish line. Once finished, exit the area immediately.
- The finish line is for finishers. Never cross the finish line twice.
- If you leave the race for any reason you MUST alert one of the Commissaires as soon as you are able. It is not fun to look for a "lost" rider who has left the race course unannounced.
- Glass containers are not allowed on the course, including the feed zone.
- Please walk your bicycle in the parking areas & any other road ways adjacent to the race site.
- Please walk your bicycle in the registration, spectator and staging areas.
- Please consult the UCI and CCA rules to see all applicable rules and regulations.