

Big Hole Challenge and Duathlon Press Release 3 July 2016

Last Saturday marked the Nineteenth Annual Big Hole Challenge and Duathlon, sponsored by Peaked Sports and Anytime Fitness. Net proceeds of the race benefit Mountain Bike the Tetons to help build and maintain sustainable trails in the Teton Region. Racer awards are Non Profit Bucks that the winners can donate to the nonprofit of their choice.

Temperatures in the low 70's, no wind and a rain shower the day before created ideal conditions on the trails. The racers responded by setting 4 course records. Race participants numbered 47, an all-time high.

From a 10 am mass start at the South Horseshoe Trail Head, racers headed up the mountain bike course first with Gabe Klamer of Jackson leading all racers on first loop of the 9.73 mile bike course with 1160 feet of elevation gain. His first loop time was 42:30. The bikers then rode a second lap on the bike course while the duathletes dropped their bikes and changed shoes for a run of 6.13 miles with 958 feet of elevation gain. Jason Popilsky of Driggs was second overall on the bike, leading the duathletes on the first lap with a bike time of 43:55. He followed up with a run of 47:50, the fastest of the day, winning the Duathlon with a total time of 1:31:45. This is a new course record, beating his own time of 1:35:33 from 2014.

On the women's side Abby Broughton took first in 1:48:23 with a 49:54 bike followed by a 58:29 run and also a new course record.

In the mixed team Duathlon, Daniel Abraham combined a 52:25 bike time with Anna-Lisette Davis's 54:32 run to take first with a combined time of 1:46:57. This is also a new course record.

In the women's team class, Becca Parkinson of Tetonia combined a 55:17 bike time with Kate Koons run of 1:07:48 for a first place time of 2:03:05, also a new course record.

In the mountain bike race Gabe Klamer lead the entire race, finishing with a time of 1:26:30, breaking the course record of 1:29:04 he set in 2014. Older definitely equals faster in Gabe's case.

Mareike Fitz of Jackson was the fastest women on the 2 lap course in a time of 1:45:58. She just missed breaking the course record of 1:45:55 set by Amanda Carey in 2014.

The 2016 event included for the first time a 1 lap event of the same course for the junior riders of the Teton Region Composite Mountain Bike Team. These riders are in grades 7-12 from both Teton Valley and Jackson Hole and compete regionally in the Idaho High School Cycling League. Jamison Peacock lead the men with a time of 51:56, which is would have placed him sixth among the adults after one lap. Nick Dunn followed in second at 58:55. Maddy Lee lead the women with a time of 1:02:40.

2016 Big Hole Challenge

2016 Mountain Bike - 2 Laps

| First Name | Last Name | City | State | Gender | LAP 1 | LAP 2 | Race Time | |
|------------|------------|--------------|-------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|------------------------|
| Gabe | Klamer | Jackson | WY | Male | 0:42:30 | 0:44:00 | 1:26:30 | |
| Kevin | Baxter | Simi Valley | CA | Male | 0:46:52 | 0:47:40 | 1:34:32 | |
| Rob | Kincaid | Victor | ID | Male | 0:48:20 | 0:49:34 | 1:37:54 | |
| Sean | Doherty | Wilson | WY | Male | 0:49:06 | 0:50:24 | 1:39:30 | |
| David | Saurman | wllson | WY | Male | 0:49:14 | 0:56:11 | 1:45:25 | |
| Mareike | Fitz | Jackson | WY | Female | 0:51:56 | 0:54:02 | 1:45:58 | |
| Scott | Hansen | Reno | NV | Male | 0:53:08 | 0:54:54 | 1:48:02 | |
| Jeff | Wogoman | Jackson | WY | Male | 0:53:56 | 0:56:46 | 1:50:42 | |
| Julie | Tellman | Victor | ID | Female | 0:52:34 | 0:59:53 | 1:52:27 | |
| Robin | McGee | Jackson | WY | Female | 0:55:17 | 0:58:22 | 1:53:39 | |
| Ryan | Colyer | Tetonia | ID | Male | 0:56:21 | 0:59:45 | 1:56:06 | |
| Cody | Downard | Victor | ID | Male | 0:55:48 | 1:01:03 | 1:56:51 | |
| Kelly | Lee | Driggs | ID | Male | 1:02:00 | 0:55:20 | 1:57:20 | |
| Cynthia | Clausen | Victor | ID | Female | 1:07:00 | 0:52:40 | 1:59:40 | 1st lap w/ Sam Clauser |
| Brian | McGee | Jackson | WY | Male | 0:54:15 | 1:08:19 | 2:02:34 | |
| Laurie | Stern | Jackson | WY | Female | 1:19:30 | 1:22:47 | 2:42:17 | |
| Christina | Damalas | Jackson | WY | Female | 1:26:04 | 1:33:56 | 3:00:00 | |
| Ken | Masters | San Clemente | CA | Male | DNF | DNF | DNF | |
| Cara | Sengerbush | Jackson | WY | Female | DNF | DNF | DNF | |

2016 Individual - Bike + Run

| First Name | Last Name | City | State | Gender | LAP 1 | LAP 2 | Race Time | |
|------------|-----------|---------|-------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|--|
| Jason | Popilsky | Driggs | ID | Male | 0:43:55 | 0:47:50 | 1:31:45 | |
| Brent | Peacock | Jackson | WY | Male | 0:47:12 | 0:50:59 | 1:38:11 | |
| Kris | Quandt | Jackson | WY | Male | 0:51:53 | 0:52:55 | 1:44:48 | |
| Dave | Bender | Victor | ID | Male | 0:50:09 | 0:57:24 | 1:47:33 | |
| Abby | Broughton | Driggs | ID | Female | 0:49:54 | 0:58:29 | 1:48:23 | |
| Forest | Dramis | Jackson | WY | Male | 0:50:30 | 0:59:32 | 1:50:02 | |
| McKendrea | Hickory | Seattle | WA | Female | 1:09:34 | 1:03:30 | 2:13:04 | |
| Joanne | Doherty | Wilson | WY | Female | 1:02:30 | 1:12:44 | 2:15:14 | |
| Julie | Lindstrom | Jackson | WY | Female | 1:09:34 | 1:19:15 | 2:28:49 | |

2016 Team - Bike + Run

| First Name | Last Name | City | State | Team Type | Gender | LAP 1 | LAP 2 | Race Time | Place |
|--------------|-----------|---------------|-------|-------------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|-------|
| Daniel | Abraham | Jackson | WY | Mixed Team | Male | 0:52:25 | | | 1 |
| Anna-Lisette | Davis | Jackson | WY | Mixed Team | Female | | 0:54:32 | 1:46:57 | 1 |
| Libbie | Creasy | San Francisco | CA | Mixed Team | Female | | 0:58:07 | 1:52:33 | 2 |
| Jonah | Creasy | San Francisco | CA | Mixed Team | Male | 0:54:26 | | | 2 |
| Becca | Parkinson | Tetonia | ID | Female Team | Female | 0:55:17 | | | 3 |
| Kate | Koons | Victor | ID | Female Team | Female | | 1:07:48 | 2:03:05 | 3 |
| Annika | Cook | Seattle | WA | Mixed Team | Female | | 1:10:07 | 2:13:07 | 4 |
| Tim | Hickory | Seattle | WA | Mixed Team | Male | 1:03:00 | | | 4 |
| Tana | Atwood | Ft Collins | CO | Mixed Team | Female | 1:32:22 | | | 5 |
| Sam | Cook | Seattle | WA | Mixed Team | Male | | 1:11:05 | 2:43:27 | 5 |

1 Lap Race Junior Race

| First Name | Last Name | City | State | Gender | Race Time |
|------------|-----------|---------|-------|--------|-----------|
| Jamison | Peacock | Jackson | WY | Male | 0:51:56 |
| Nick | Dunn | Driggs | ID | Male | 0:58:55 |
| Maddy | Lee | Driggs | ID | Female | 1:02:40 |
| Sam | Clausen | Victor | ID | Male | 1:07:00 |
| Noah | Scrase | Jackson | WY | Male | 1:21:50 |