

Rasputitsa is a symbol of resilience, of nature's indomitable will, and of our own determination to embrace the challenges it presents. This is the time when the thawing snow transforms our landscapes into arenas of adventure, demanding respect, skill, and a hearty dose of good humor. As we embark on this journey through mud and melting snow, let us remember that Rasputitsa is a celebration of the raw beauty of nature in transition. It is a reminder of the cycles that guide the natural world and our place within it. Here, amidst the unpredictability of terrain and weather, we find the purest form of challenge and adventure. To all riders, supporters, and friends, you are the heartbeat of the event. Your enthusiasm, your energy, and your unwavering spirit make this more than just a race or a ride; it's a testament to the human spirit's capacity to find joy in adversity, to forge connections in competition, and to respect the natural world in all its forms. May the spirit of Rasputitsa inspire us to push our limits, to support one another, and to celebrate every moment of this extraordinary adventure. Thank you for being part of this remarkable community and this unforgettable experience. Here's to the mud, the miles, and the memories we're about to make. Let the adventure begin!

THESE ROADS ARE A GIFT

As guests traversing these roads, it's vital to recognize and respect that they serve as pathways to people's livelihoods. Each mile traveled signifies not just a journey for leisure or exploration, but also a passage through the arteries of our local communities. These roads connect us not only to nature's beauty but also to the toil and aspirations of those who rely on them for their daily sustenance.

Thus, as we enjoy the privilege of traversing these routes, let us do so with a deep sense of gratitude and respect. Let us tread lightly, mindful of the impact our presence may have on those whose lives are intricately linked to these thoroughfares. In honoring their livelihoods, we honor the interconnectedness of all who share this journey through life.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, April 19, 2024 - 3:00 pm
The Jay Cloud Cyclery, 91 Main Street, Montgomery, VT
SHAKEOUT RIDE WITH MAKESI DUNCAN

Join Specialized Ambassador Makesi Duncan for an exhilarating shakeout ride starting and finishing at [The Jay Cloud Cyclery](#) in picturesque Montgomery, Vermont. The ride kicks off at 3:00 pm on 4/19/2024, promising a thrilling (mostly) gravel loop that will take you through the stunning landscapes of this scenic region.

The adventure begins at The Jay Cloud Cyclery, where [Makesi Duncan](#) will lead a group of cycling enthusiasts on a journey through Montgomery's charming terrain. The route includes a challenging climb up the Hill West Ridge, offering riders a chance to test their mettle. As you

conquer the ascent, the reward awaits with a breathtaking descent into Montgomery Village, providing an adrenaline-pumping experience.

Along the way, riders will be treated to the charm of Vermont, passing by a couple of covered bridges that add a touch of historic beauty to the ride. The route has been carefully crafted to offer a perfect blend of challenge and enjoyment, making it suitable for riders of varying skill levels.

To make this ride even more special, it is limited to just 50 riders, ensuring an intimate and personalized experience for everyone. As a token of environmental consciousness, each participant will receive a 100% post-consumer waste eco plastic seat-mounted fender, courtesy of [Trash Gear Co.](#) This eco-friendly accessory not only adds a touch of sustainability to your ride but also reflects a commitment to responsible cycling.

Don't miss this opportunity to ride with Makesi Duncan, soak in the Vermont scenery, and enjoy the camaraderie of fellow cyclists. Secure your spot for this unforgettable shakeout ride at Jay Cloud Cyclery and gear up for a cycling adventure like no other.

REGISTER: <https://www.bikereg.com/shakeout-ride-with-makesi-duncan>

Friday, April 19, 2024 - 4:00 pm

Clips & Reels, Stateside Rd, Jay, VT

SPECIALIZED PRESENTS: IN THE DIRT FILM SCREENING

IN THE DIRT is a documentary film about a group of passionate Native American cyclists who attempt to bring the sport of mountain biking to the Navajo Nation, where no bike shops exist.

In 2018, retired pro cyclist Scott Nydam and his family moved to Gallup, New Mexico to pursue a healthcare job for his wife. Soon after their arrival, Scott began meeting passionate mountain bikers across the 28,000-mile expanse of the Navajo Nation who loved the bike and wanted to bring the sport to their communities. The only problem is no bike shops existed. Through a grassroots native-led effort, this group of dedicated cyclists and their families have overcome countless odds to build a cycling culture that today has become the fastest-growing recreational sport on the Navajo Nation.

Admission is by donation only with all proceeds going to Adaptive Sports Partners.



Friday, April 19, 2024 - 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Hotel Jay, Jay, VT

WELCOME PARTY & PACKET PICKUP

Packets will include your race number bib, timing chip, zip ties, and meal/alcohol bracelet. All race bibs are to be placed flat on front of handlebar. **MUST PRESENT PHOTO ID.** No packet will be distributed without a signed waiver on file.

Friday, April 19, 2024 - 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Hotel Jay, Jay, VT

BIVO ART GALLERY

Explore Rasputitsa from varied angles through the distinctive lenses of five diverse artists, each offering a unique portrayal of this little gravel race.

Friday, April 19, 2024 - 7:00 pm

Foeger Ballroom, Hotel Jay, Jay, VT

FIVE AGAINST NONE CONCERT

Join us for an evening where every chord strikes a chord, every riff resonates, and every lyric echoes the timeless appeal of Pearl Jam. Secure your spot in the crowd and get ready to unleash your inner grunger, relive the glory days of rock, and pay homage to the legends.

Saturday, April 20, 2024 - 6:30 am

Hotel Jay, Jay, VT

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SELF-DESIGNATED RACE START TIMES

8:00 am start / 18+ mph
8:30 am start / 15-18 mph
9:00 am start / 12-15 mph
9:30 am start / 9-12 mph
10 am start / 6-9 mph

In an effort to continue to improve course safety, rider interaction and overall race experience, we will assign start waves based on similar speeds, competitiveness and anticipated pace. Timing is based on total course duration and results will reflect the overall time not the start time.

Saturday, April 20, 2024 - 11:30 am

Hotel Jay, Jay, VT

ZERO GRAVITY FINISH LINE PARTY, WHOOP RECOVERY ZONE, AND JULBO PHOTO SESSIONS

Cross the finish line with triumph, where you'll be greeted with a refreshing beer or beverage courtesy of Zero Gravity, a well-deserved treat after your exertions. Then, indulge in delicious grub provided by Jay Peak to refuel your energy reserves. Capture the moment with your friends at the Julbo photobooth, creating lasting memories of your achievement. Finally, replenish your body with a revitalizing recovery smoothie presented by Whoop, ensuring you feel rejuvenated after your endeavors.

Saturday, April 20, 2024 - 7:00 pm

Foeger Ballroom, Hotel Jay, Jay, VT

FIVE AGAINST NONE CONCERT

Step into another unforgettable night with a completely fresh setlist. Grab your favorite beverage and immerse yourself in the electrifying music of Pearl Jam. Let the rhythm carry you away as you jam out to their timeless tunes, creating memories that will last a lifetime.

Sunday, April 20, 2024 - 9:00 am

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Sunday, April 21, 2024 - 10:00 am

Jay Peak Pumphouse Waterpark, Jay, VT

FAREWELL SPLASH

Conclude your weekend on a high note with a thrilling splash at the Jay Peak Pumphouse Waterpark. Waterpark tickets can be added to your lodging package, or purchased at The Wave Shop.

EVENT RULES

Be a good human. Our dedication lies in cultivating an inclusive environment where every individual is embraced and empowered. We firmly denounce any form of harassment or discrimination rooted in race, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, identity, age, military status, socioeconomic background, religion, or country of origin. This stance is non-negotiable for all participants, volunteers, spectators, and sponsors alike. Together, let's uphold the values of respect, equality, and compassion, and strive to be exemplary human beings.

Do Not Litter. The landscapes that host our endeavor are not ours to mar. Littering is not just discouraged; it's against the very respect we owe to nature and the communities that welcome us. Leave no trace, and carry your respect for the environment as you do your determination to finish.

Helmets required. Helmets are not optional. They are a testament to your commitment to safety and a requirement at all Rasputitsa cycling events. Your helmet is your ally against the unforeseen, a non-negotiable guardian in our shared adventure.

No support crews. While the journey is yours, the experience is shared. External support crews or family are to join only within designated feedzones, yet the spirit of camaraderie thrives on mutual assistance among participants. Whether offering a tool for a quick fix, guiding a fellow rider, or sharing food, your generosity strengthens the fabric of our cycling community.

Roads are open to traffic. Your vigilance on the road is paramount. As the pathways we traverse are shared with other travelers, your awareness and obedience to traffic regulations protect not only your well-being but that of others. You are the face of cycling—let your conduct on the road exemplify the best of our sport. For your safety, please be constantly aware of your surroundings AND ABIDE BY NORMAL TRAFFIC RULES. Cyclists must obey all traffic signals, stop signs, and yield signs, stopping at red lights and stop signs, and following the rules of right-of-way. Always be aware of your surroundings. Avoid using headphones or anything that could distract you from traffic, road conditions, and other potential hazards.

Sheriff & ADA Traffic Control. You are required to stop at all intersections. Both the Sheriff Department and ADA Traffic control have been hired to make sure riders cross intersections safely, however it is the participants responsibility to stop when those signs are present.

Respect public and private property. The route meanders through varied terrains, each with its own custodians. Honor both public passages and private lands with discretion and respect. Nature calls should be answered with the utmost respect for privacy and the environment.

COURSE

For the 2024 edition, every participant will navigate a singular route which is an estimated 50 miles and 4500 feet of climbing. In alignment with the preferences of the host towns, the GPS files for the course will be unveiled on Friday, April 19th. Rest assured, the route will be clearly delineated through comprehensive signage to guide your journey. Strategically positioned feed zones at approximately miles 15 and 35 will offer sustenance, though we encourage riders to come equipped with their essentials to stay fueled and hydrated. Additionally, a sweep vehicle, or "broom wagon," will trail the event, offering support to any rider who chooses to withdraw. You'll have the option to retire from the race at any point and secure transportation with one of the support vehicles stationed along the course.

JAY PEAK RESTAURANTS HOURS OF OPERATION

The Foundry Pub

- Daily 8a – 9p

Provisions General Store

- Thursday 8a – 6p
- Friday & Saturday 7:30a – 7p
- Sunday 7:30a – 6p

Mountain Dicks Pizzeria

- Thursday 4p – 9p
- Friday – Sunday 11a – 9p

Tower Bar

- Thursday – Saturday 11a – 9p

Miso Hungry (outside of the Foundry)

- Thursday 11a – 4p
- Friday & Saturday 11a – 5p

Sessions Food Truck (on Alice's patio near the tram)

- Thursday & Friday 9a – 2p
- Saturday 9a – 3p
- Sunday 9a – 2p

The Warming Shelter & The Drink (inside the Waterpark)

- Follows the waterpark schedule
 - Friday & Saturday 10a-8p
 - Sunday 10a – 6p

Howie's

- Saturday & Sunday – breakfast only starting at 6:30a

PARKING AND OVERNIGHT BIKE STORAGE

Overnight car camping is available near the Clubhouse Suites off of Clubhouse Road. Please follow signs. Electricity and sewage are NOT provided. No fires or public defecation allowed. There will be a portapotty on-site.

Overnight locked bike storage is available in the International Room. Rasputitsa is not responsible for any loss or damage.