



METHOW VALLEY BIATHLON

PRESENTS

2012

New Year's Biathlon Blast

RACE # 1 OF THE WASHINGTON BIATHLON RACE
SERIES

January 1st - Pursuit Format

(MODIFIED)

at

The Mazama Biathlon Range

Methow Valley Biathlon
Biathlon Race Entry Form
January 1st, 2012

(Please print clearly)

NAME _____ DOB/AGE _____ / _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-MAIL _____

Please Circle: Male Female

Race Category _____ I need to use a club rifle _____

Due to insurance coverage regulations, membership in the United States Biathlon Association is required for all participants. Annual and day memberships will be available at registration if needed or at <http://biathlon.teamusa.org/membership/join-usba>

Entry fees do not include a trail pass.

Entry Fees

Junior Entry Fees (19 and under)

MVB Annual Membership (not required)

USBA membership # _____ (required)

\$25-1 day (\$35 for entries received after December 28 th)	
\$15 (\$25 for entries received after December 28 th)	
\$30-Juniors/\$40-Adults/\$55-Families (not required)	
\$10 per day for non-USBA members	

TOTAL \$

Pre-registration is strongly recommended. A LATE FEE OF \$10 WILL BE CHARGED FOR ALL ENTRIES RECEIVED AFTER DECEMBER 28TH, 2011

Please make checks payable to: **Methow Valley Biathlon**

Mail to:

P.O.Box 1063

Winthrop, WA 98862

or email registration information to: mvbiathlon@gmail.com

and pay & sign release form at race day registration

(Note: We are not able/equipped to take credit or debit cards)

METHOW VALLEY BIATHLON 2011-2012 Season Release of Liability

I recognize that biathlon, cross country skiing, running and rifle marksmanship can be hazardous sports. I acknowledge there are risks and hazards associated with involvement in the Washington Biathlon Association. The risks can include, but are not limited to, damage to property, physical injury and death. I state that I am, and those minors that I sign for are in proper physical condition to participate in strenuous activity. I acknowledge and accept the risks associated with shooting, skiing and running and I agree to release and hold harmless all members, organizers, sponsors and officers of Methow Valley Biathlon, Methow Valley Sport Trails Association, Washington Biathlon Association, Methow Valley School District, the Foster Family and Foster's Ranch, the U.S. Forest Service and all members of the staff of any venue sites involved in biathlon training, practice, or competition from any liability for any and all accidents or injuries of whatever nature, connected to or arising from or coming to or from any association function, workout or other event. I recognize that Biathlon involves the use of firearms and I certify that I am not disabled or barred from using or possessing firearms by any state or federal law or by ruling of any court. A parent or legal guardian must sign the release of liability for all participants under the age of eighteen.

Signature _____

Date _____

For (minor under eighteen) name _____

Parent or Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Race Schedule

Saturday Dec 31 1:00-3:30pm Range open for training

Sunday Jan 1 9:00am –11:00am Registration & bib pick-up

10:00 – 10:45 Rifle Zeroing 1st races

11:00 Pursuit Format Biathlon Race (Individual interval starts)

Race order: Men, Youth & Jr. men, Women, Youth & Jr. women, Sr. Boys/Girls, Jr. boys/girls, juveniles

12:00-12:45 - 2nd zero for midgets & Open rec.

1:00pm – 2nd race start order: midgets, open rec

<u>Category</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Distance</u>	<u>Shoot</u>	<u>Pursuit Course</u>
Men	21+	12.5km	PPSS	blue,blue,blue, green, green
Women	21+	10km	PPSS	blue,green,green,green,green
Junior Men	19-20	10km	PPSS	blue, green,green,green,green
Junior Women	19-20	7.5km	PPSS	green,green,green,green,green
Youth Men	17-18	10km	PPSS	blue,green,green,green,green
Youth Women	17-18	7.5km	PPSS	green,green,green,green,green
Sr Boys/Girls	15-16	5.5km	PPSS	green, red, red, red, red
Jr Boys/Girls	13-14	4.5km	PPP	green, red, red, red
Juveniles	11-12	3.4km	PPP	red, red, red, yellow
Midgets	9-10	2.4km	PPP	red, red, yellow, yellow
Open Rec mixed	19+	5km	PSP	green, green, red, red

*****Note***** Categories from Sr boy/girl & younger are listed by age for a reference point only. Biathletes under 17 years old may be placed in the appropriate skiing and shooting development category by coach's discretion.

EVENT PARTICULARS

Registration: Registration, check-in & bib pick-up will be at the Mazama Community Center, 480 Goat Creek Road, Mazama Sunday Jan 1st starting at 9am.

Trail Passes may be obtained at the Mazama Store, Winthrop Mountain Sports or check <http://www.mvsta.com/passes.html> for more information & other locations. **All skiers must have a trail pass.** Trail passes for race day can be purchased at race registration. Multiple day passes can be purchased at a discount rate.

Competition Site: The MVB Mazama Biathlon Range is a 1.5km flat ski from the Mazama Trailhead/ parking lot. If you need assistance in getting to the range, please contact biathlon@methownet.com.

Note: There is no food service at the competition site. As the races run from morning into the afternoon it is a good idea to bring something to eat and drink. There is an outhouse at the range site. The closest food service is the Mazama Store.

Eligibility: This event is open to all biathlon racers who have completed the US Biathlon or Biathlon Canada Safety Class. USBA or equivalent national membership is required. Day and annual memberships will be available at registration. Contact the Chief of Competition at biathlon@methownet.com or go to <http://biathlon.teamusa.org/membership/join-usba> for membership options.

Volunteers: Volunteers are always needed for races. This is an excellent way for those new to the sport to see a race at the closest possible vantage and to learn about how a competition functions. Score keeping is also very easy. If you would like to assist Contact the Chief of Competition at biathlon@methownet.com

Race Day Format

A modified Pursuit format with individual starts will be used. This means that the biathlete skis the age appropriate pursuit distance with 3 or 4 shooting bouts, again depending on age/development level. See below categories, distances & shooting protocol.

Rifles: Rifles will be available for those without their own. These are Izhmash Bi 7-4 and Bi 7-3 biathlon rifles. We do have left handed rifles. Please note on your entry if you need to borrow a rifle.

Lodging: The nearest lodging is at the Mazama Ranch House, Mazama Country Inn or other Mazama lodging. Winthrop is the next closest town which offers numerous choices and varied rates. Check on line at www.methowlodging.com

WASHINGTON CUP SERIES Beginning January 1st with this race sponsored by Methow Valley Biathlon (MVB), in Mazama followed by a weekend in Winthrop (MVB) and three weekends of racing at Stevens Pass Nordic, the WBA will host the Biathlon Race Series, nine races of varying length and format. A biathletes best eight finishes will determine their season point total. The International Biathlon Union season points system will be in effect and racer points will be totaled to determine the state champions by age groups as well as a ranking list. Join MVB January 1st, January 21st & 22nd and the WBA February 11th & 12th, February 25th & 26th and March 10th and 11th for exciting Biathlon competitions.

Event Cancellation: Biathlon races are almost never cancelled. We race in all types of weather. The race will be held unless the weather hampers competition to the point that it is not effective, safe or fair. Dress in layers for tough weather.

Season Points

For the 2011-2012 Washington Biathlon Association Biathlon Season, the International Biathlon Union race points system will be in effect. Points a racer receives from each of the nine races will be totaled at the end of the March races, with the poorest result thrown out and the male and female biathletes in age groups with the most points will be named WASHINGTON CUP 2012 Biathlon Champions. See www.wabiathlon.org for more information.