



2025 XC Series - Event Notice

Dates:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apr 5 - Trailforks route here 2. May 3 - Trailforks route here 3. May 31 Trailforks route here 4. Jul 26 - Trailforks route here 5. Sept 13 - Trailforks route here
Description:	<p><i>The SORCA XC series is a collection of five XC events between April and September aimed at those who enjoy pushing their limits up the climbs as much as you do, and testing their limits down world-class Squamish descents. The series supports a broad spectrum of riders, from those wanting a Saturday morning workout to experienced XC racers training for a more significant race. Each route will be roughly 15km long and utilize some of Squamish's most popular blue and light black XC trails.</i></p> <p><i>Instead of a traditional mass start format, our neutral rollout start allows riders to decide whether to start alone or alongside a group of friends/competitors. You will be given a window of time to start the course. The first four events in the series will not have any apres race component, yet the final event will include a post-series wrap-up party and awards.</i></p> <p><i>Everyone will meet (and park) at a designated staging area, collect their timing equipment, and then, at their own pace, make their way to the start of the course.</i></p>
Format:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timed Point-to-Point races (approx. 15km) • First 4 events will have a neutral start (must cross start line within a specified time window) and the last will be a mass start • E-bikes (up to 20 permitted with a specific starting window)
Courses:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All courses will be ROUGHLY 15km in length • Unless otherwise stated, all races will share the same staging area - Ecole Garibaldi Highlands Elementary (here)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> From the staging area, riders will roll to the start line and start the course within a starting window (see below) <p>We plan to have many of the routes be the same each year so that riders can compare their times to previous years or other riders.</p>
Registration/Entry:	<p>You must be a SORCA member before registering. SORCA memberships can be purchased here</p> <p>Online pre-race registration is required (same day registration will be available if we have not hit our capacity).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registration for the series opens Mar 12, 2025 at 8 am Registration per race is \$10 (plus admin fees). 150 racer cap (20 e-bike capacity) You can register for all races at the same time or as many as you can commit to. Registration closes when we have reached capacity or on Thursday (at midnight) before the race. <p>Refunds will not be permitted after you register.</p> <p>Registration link here</p> <p>Q: Can I add a race or more to my registration AFTER I have completed my initial registration?</p> <p>A: Yes, you can register the same as you did the first time. You would just choose different races this time.</p> <p>For example, if you initially registered and said yes to race 1 and race 2, which would show up in the email you received after they registered the first time. The next time in the registration (using the same registration link from the SORCA site), you will click NO to races #1 & #2, and YES to the races you would now like to register for. Refunds are NOT available for races you have already registered for</p>
Membership:	<p>A 2025 SORCA membership is required for all participants.</p> <p>Membership link here</p>
Categories and Points:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Categories will be U19, 19-44, 45+ women and open Open e-Bike; women and overall Points will be given per race for placement within your category (1st = 50 pts, 2nd 49 pts etc.) Your best four race results count for the series standings (presented at the Sept 13th apres party). As such there will only be podium presentations following the last event.

Results:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 XC Race series results are posted (here).
Event Start:	<p>All events will have the following schedule:</p> <p>Timing chip pick-up between 8:00 am - 8:45 am (at staging area)</p> <p>Mandatory pre-ride announcement - 9:20 am at the race start</p> <p>Race #5 (Sept 13) will have a mass start at 9:30 am.</p>
Timing Chip Assignment:	<p>Zone4 timing chips (fork-mounted) will be issued per rider, per event.</p> <p>Pick-up will start at 8:00 am and be closed at 8:45 am</p>
After Party Location & Time:	<p>Only the Sept 13, 2025 race will have an apres and dinner included.</p> <p>Details TBD.</p>
Awards:	<p>Series awards will be handed out at the after-party on Sept 13 (top three in each category).</p>
Volunteers:	<p>SORCA's engine is built on volunteer power. This event will require several course marshals, timers, sweeps, and other roles. All volunteers will receive a complimentary ticket to the final after-party. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering for this event, please have them contact info@sorca.ca or complete this form.</p>
Series updates	<p>SORCA Instagram - https://www.instagram.com/squamishbikes and e-newsletter</p>