

Please join us for an epic, new OFF-Road DU.

Solo—Team Relay & Student Divisions

Choose your partner or suffer solo on these beautiful, private trails for the inaugural Granogue Games DU.

We'll start early to beat the afternoon heat.

The Venue: A 550 acre private Estate that is **NOT** open to the public except on race day. This is a private residence, any participants trespassing before the event will not be permitted to race. Please be respectful of the privilege we have to race here as we'd like to be invited back. You will enjoy the views on high of pastureland, ponds, water towers, a greenhouse, rolling hillsides that all overlook the Brandywine valley. The pictures do not lie, check out our facebook page!

The Event: Traditional off road DU format of 'Run-Bike-Run'. This is a non-sanctioned event. Professionally chip timed. Bring the family to cheer you on, and then cheer your kids on in our mini DU, (11 & Under on a course of their own). We'll note details in the promoter emails and the Granogue Games fB page, (Race day registration available for Mini DU - kids only).

Parking: Is in a field, on grass at the first crossroads off Montchanin Road. Signs will be there to direct you. The main drive from the parking entry point up to the transition area will be closed to cars and open to pedestrians only. Some estate residents vehicles will need passage thru on race day. Please be aware.

Registration / **Packet Pickup:** The estate opens at 6:30 am Saturday, August 21st. Registration opens at 7:00 am. Pick up your Race Packet which includes a general raffle ticket and other goodies. <u>Registration Check In closes at 8:10 am.</u> Event starts promptly at 8:30 am.

Courses: The courses are a mix of pavement, grass, gravel, packed dirt single track, roots, off-cambres, log overs, bridges, rocks, a tunnel, all technical bits to keep you entertained. And the views...don't forget to check them out as you catch your breath at the tops of climbs! The most technical parts are excluded. It's a tamer version of the mountain bike races held here, and you definitely need a Mountain Bike to race! You will receive details in the promoter emails, if we can schedule a pre-view day of the courses. *Still TBD*.

- ** Adult Course will be approx. 2.6 mile Run, Bike 2 laps (10+ miles) & finish with 2.0+ mile Run
- ** Student Course is approx 2.6 mile Run, then 5 mile Bike (1 lap only)

Note: It's recommended that students have mountain bike race experience.

Registration: Race Solo or part of a Team. Relay teams consist of 2 persons, each team member must register separately. All pre-registrations include swag bag with 1 General Raffle Ticket. T-Shirts are included ONLY if registered by July 30th.

*Note-Student Divisions are for ages 12-17. If your Student wants to "Race Up" and do 2 run sectors and 2 bike laps there is an option in registration with age restrictions. Contact the Promoter with questions.

<u>There are no refunds. This event is rain or shine.</u> IF we have dangerous, extreme weather, we will postpone the event and reschedule. (Think tornado, tropical storm, as some examples of severe weather.)

Fees: Solo Male / Female - \$60 if registered by July 16^{th.} (Early bird prices will increase, see registration.)

Mixed Team Relay, All Female Team, All Male Team - \$50 per member if reg. by July16th

Student Solo Male / Female (ages 12-17) - \$35 if registered by August 15th. **Student Team Relay** (ages 12-17) - \$30 per member, if registered by August 15th.

Kid's Mini Du – (ages 11 & under) – Free- Registration on Race Day. Shirt not included. Parents need to sign a release & register their child.

Awards: Podium Awards Ceremony to be held immediately following conclusion of racing.

Solo Divisions – 1st Overall Male & 1st Overall Female, Top 3 M/F in the following Age Groups, 14-17, 18 & 29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69 and 70 plus.

Team Relay Divisions - Top 3 Teams in each division.

Student Solo - 1st Overall Boy & 1st Overall Girl, Top 3 M/F in following age Groups: 12-14 & 15 -17 Student Relay Teams - Top 3 Teams Overall

Online Race registration only. No Race Day Registration available.

<u>For More Details</u> on our event including Online Registration, check in at: https://www.bikereg.com/granoguegames-off-road-duathlon

Optional Online Registration Available at

https://www.pretzelcitysports.com/online-registration/

(Nominal service fee applies, closes at midnight, Sunday Aug. 15th)

Staging: Solo & Relay Team starters will present to the start grid 15 minutes prior to start time. Solo Male/ Female racers will be staged in the grid first as these waves start first. Team Relay starters, followed by the Student Division, Solo Boys / Girls & Team starters. See registration for start times.

Transition Area: The transition (or pit) will be arranged at the top, crossroads in a flat, grass area. This is also the finish line area. A detailed map of the transition, start, finish, individual courses & pertinent landmarks will be posted on the Granogue Games fB page and the Promoter emails.

Water Stops: We'll have a neutral water stop during the run legs. The cyclist must carry their own water bottles/hydration packs. Although, we'll have water at the transition area for refills.

<u>Raffles -</u> We will be raffling off some great gear/prizes, thanks to our generous sponsors. You must be present to win. Raffle drawings will be held throughout the Awards Ceremony. You may purchase additional raffle tickets as you register and at packet pick-up on race day. The more raffle chances you buy the better your chances. Anyone donating to support NICA team DE Dirt Destroyers, and helping us get more kids on bikes receives additional raffle tickets as noted. Don't miss out on our "Featured Raffle" - <u>La Sportiva</u> Trail Running Shoes Raffle, a \$200 value – separate \$5 ticket for this raffle.

Race updates, course maps, rules and Covid guidelines will be posted to:

https://www.facebook.com/granogue.cross/

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Questions email the promoters, Diane - justpedal@aol.com or Lisa -fixielisa@gmail.com