

FINDING TRACTION 5K WINTER SERIES

Dates: December 19th, January 23rd, February 13th at 10AM

Event Description: Winter is coming!! For the first time ever Blue Mountain Resort is offering a 5K winter series on the East side of our mountain. This 5K series will include three races held on December 19th, January 23rd and February 13th and will use our new cross-country network as well as our bike trails and Blue Burn hiking trail. Bundle up and join the fun, whether you are a new runner or an experienced runner these races are for you!

Registration: Preregistration will be \$25 and registration will close the Friday before each event. Day of registration will be available for \$30. Bib pick up and day of registration begin at 9AM at the Valley Lodge. Race will begin on service road behind Tubing Lodge.

Awards: Awards will be given to the first place male, female and non-binary racers. There will be series awards for the first place male, female and non-binary racers. Series age group awards will be given to top male and female in ages:

18 and under 19-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60+

Series Points: All points are based on overall gender finishes. Top 3 positions are separated by 5 points for podium placement. From 4th and below, points are separated by 1 points only. From 15th and below, 1 point will be awarded for racing.

 $1^{st} - 30$ $2^{nd} - 25$ $3^{rd} - 20$ $4^{th} - 15$ $5^{th} - 14$ 6th - 13

Etc...

You will get points based on the races you attend. You do not need to attend all three races to end up winning the series, if the points happen to work out that way. The top male, female and nonbinary athletes will be awarded prizes at the end of the series. All tie breakers will go to the runner who has attended the most races. If there is still a tie after this, the tie will go to whoever has the best average points per race.

Points Tracking: Click here: <u>https://skibluemt-my.sharepoint.com/:x:/p/akohler/EZlvKi-EgOFBjMoHa-YqQ98BpMC5fOP2EgjcF8CUMYrrWQ?e=HXGgMG</u>

Sponsors: Gossamer Gear, Keystone Running Store, Athletic Brewing Company, North Summit Climbing Gym

Environmental/Social Cause: This event we are partnering up with Soles4Souls. Soles4Souls is a non-profit that accepts sneaker donations to upcycle and repair at no cost to you or me. They take old sneakers, repair them, and provide them to homeless and inneed children all over the world. We are so excited to give back in this small way and partner with this AWESOME organization. There will be donation bins at each race event for you to bring your old sneakers. Additionally, our sponsor, North Summit Climbing Gym will always have a sneaker donation box available starting December 1st.

Zero Carbon Event: This event will be our first zero-carbon event. Each racer will add \$2 onto their registration to purchase a carbon offset for transportation to the event. A carbon offset is a reduction in emissions of carbon dioxide made in order to compensate for an emission made elsewhere.

FUN: Mug exchange!! At each event in the series, we will be doing a mug exchange. If you would like to participate, please bring a mug to give. Those who give a mug for the exchange will get a ticket that after the race they can redeem to take a mug! This is a cupless event, however, we will have plant based hot chocolate and coffee for after the run. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN REUSABLE MUG! \Box

We are looking forward to holding a fun and safe winter series for the first time this year. Thank you for your support! See YOU on the trails!

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