



2011 Midwest Regional Masters Championship

July 23-24, 2011

Cleves, Ohio - North Bend, Ohio - Aurora, Indiana

USA Cycling Permit # 2011-1370

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In addition to State and National Championships, USA Cycling offers the opportunity for Regional Championships. For 2011, the Midwest Regional Masters Championship will be held on the weekend of July 23rd and 24th in Southwestern Ohio and Southeastern Indiana. This weekend will offer a Time Trial and Road Race on Saturday and Criterium on Sunday. In addition to be able to compete for championships at each discipline, riders will also be able to compete for the Stage Race Championship.

What is the Midwest Region? By USA Cycling guidelines, the Midwest Region consist of the 12 states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky. Though any rider can participate, only riders with one of these states listed on their USA Cycling License will be eligible for championship medals.

What are the ages/categories recognized for this event? USA Cycling defines a Masters rider as anyone with a racing age of 30 or older. Championships will be awarded in every 5-year age bracket. In addition, the men's 30-54 age brackets will also be separated by categories. Riders in these age brackets will be broken down into category 1/2/3, category 4 and category 5. This will create safer fields and allow more riders to participate.

Will age groups be combined for racing purposes? Yes, in order for us to keep all of the racing in one weekend, we will be combining some of the age groups, but they will be scored separately for championship purposes. The promoter reserves the right to make additional changes to the race schedule based on attendance.

Who is eligible for the Stage Race Championship? Any eligible rider who participates and finishes all three stages will be eligible for the State Race Championship. Each event will be timed, and the rider with the lowest accumulative time will be considered the winner for the age bracket/category.

How can I register? Online registration will open on May 1, 2011 and will be available through USA Cycling. Early bird registration will be \$35 per race. Registration will go up to \$50 per race starting July 1, 2011 and closes on Wednesday, July 20, 2011 at 11:59 PM EST. Day of event registration will be \$60 per race. There is no extra charge for the Stage Race Championship, and there is no discount for registering for more than one race.

Where can I stay for the weekend? There are many hotels in the area, but we are pleased to be working with the Hollywood Casino in Lawrenceburg, IN. They are conveniently located between the various race courses and will be where you can pick up your race packets on Friday evening.

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STAGE #1: Cleves, OH Time Trial **Saturday, July 23, 2011**

The Time Trial will use a 10.25-mile horseshoe shaped course that follows the Great Miami and Ohio Rivers. This is the course that has been used by the Queen City Wheels Racing Club for the past 37 years for their Tuesday Night Time Trial Series.

Course Map

<http://www.mapmyride.com/routes/view/963155>

The course has many rollers and a long straight flat section before the slight uphill finish.

Times & Starting Order

The first rider will start at 9:00 am and riders will be sent off in 30-second intervals. The starting order will be posted on www.BigDaveSports.com by 11:59 pm on Thursday, July 21st and will be based on the following order:

1. Men 30-54 Cat 1/2/3
2. Men 30-54 Cat 4
3. Men 30-54 Cat 5
4. Men 55+
5. Women

All day of event registrants will be added to the end of the list.

Registration/Check In & Parking

Parking will be available at the Miami Ave parking lot Taylor High School in North Bend, OH. The school's address is 36 East Harrison Avenue, North Bend, OH 45052. This is also where registration and rider check-in will be for both the Time Trial and Road Race. There will be signs to direct the riders to the Time Trial start and then back from the finish. Onsite registration will open at 7:30 am. Riders must be registered and/or checked in within 30 minutes of their start time.





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STAGE #2: North Bend, OH Road Race **Saturday, July 23, 2011**

The road race is a 10.75-mile loop that uses part of the time trial course including the same finish line. There is a short and steep climb in addition to a handful of climbing rollers.

Course Map

<http://www.mapmyride.com/routes/view/29833246/>

Race Schedule

Due to the anticipated attendance, the road race schedule will be split into two races.

Start	Category	Distance
1:00 PM	Men 30-44 Cat 1/2/3	64.5 miles
1:04 PM	Men 45-54 Cat 1/2/3	64.5 miles
1:08 PM	Men 30-44 Cat 4	53.75 miles
1:12 PM	Men 45-54 Cat 4	53.75 miles

Start	Category	Distance
5:00 PM	Men 30-44 Cat 5	43 miles
5:04 PM	Men 45-54 Cat 5	43 miles
5:08 PM	Men 55+	43 miles
5:12 PM	Women	43 miles

Registration/Check In & Parking

Parking will be available at the Miami Ave parking lot Taylor High School in North Bend, OH. The school's address is 36 East Harrison Avenue, North Bend, OH 45052. This is also where registration and rider check-in will be for both the Time Trial and Road Race. There will be signs to direct the riders to the Time Trial start and then back from the finish. Onsite registration will open at 10:00 am. Riders must be registered and/or checked in by 12:30 pm for the 1:00 pm races or 4:30 pm for the 5:00 pm races.

Feed Zone

There will be a Feed Zone at the Miami Twp Fire Station on Mt Nebo Rd. Support crews may park at the fire station but should not block the doors for the emergency vehicles.

Neutral Support

Each group will have its own neutral support vehicle to carry spare wheels or provide emergency mechanical support during the race.





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STAGE #3: Aurora, IN Criterium Sunday, July 24, 2011

The final stage of the weekend heads to historic downtown Aurora, IN for this short and challenging criterium.

Course Map

<http://www.mapmyride.com/routes/view/29856260>

This 6 turn .7-mile loop has one small climb, a 2 block downhill and tons of local charm.

Registration/Check In & Parking

Parking will be available at the Aurora Lions Club at 228 2nd Street, Aurora, IN 47001. Onsite registration will open at 9:30 am. Riders must be registered and/or checked in at least 30 minutes before their race.

Start	Category	Time
11:00 AM	Men 30-44 Cat 4	40 min
11:50 AM	Men 45-54 Cat 4	40 min
12:40 PM	Men 30-44 Cat 1/2/3	50 min
1:40 PM	Men 45-54 Cat 1/2/3	50 min
2:40 PM	Men 55+	30 min
3:20 PM	Women	30 min
4:00 PM	Men 45-54 Cat 5	30 min
4:40 PM	Men 30-44 Cat 5	30 min

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Awards Ceremonies

Podiums and awards ceremonies will follow each stage and then each race of the criterium. The Stage Race podiums will follow the criterium podiums for each race.

Race Numbers

Each rider will receive two bib numbers. The same numbers will be used for all 3 stages. Both bib numbers must be worn during all stages participated in. Riders who need a replacement set will be charged \$20.

Bikes To Bookbags

For each registered rider, BigDaveSports will donate \$1 to help provide school supplies to underprivileged children. Event sponsors also have the opportunity to donate, and riders can make a contribution of their own while registering.

Additional information including detailed course maps and a list of Sunday morning religious services in Aurora, IN can be found at www.BigDaveSports.com.

