

# **2021 TETON OGRE ADVENTURE RACE - FRIDAY 8 HOUR**

## **FINAL PRE-RACE UPDATE 6.22.21**



Greetings 8-hour Ogres! Thank you for signing up for this beautiful, rugged, and challenging course...you are in for a real treat! Below is <u>lots</u> of important information that will provide you with all you need to know leading up to race morning, including race rules, start/finish location, and a preliminary course outline.

• YOU WILL RECEIVE A MORE-DETAILED COURSE OUTLINE AND INSTRUCTIONS ON RACE MORNING, ALONG WITH YOUR MAP! •

PLEASE READ EVERYTHING CAREFULLY and THOUROUGHLY, and show up Friday morning ready to turn in your waivers, (<u>USARA</u>, <u>USFS</u>, and <u>canoe rental</u>), pick up and study your maps, drop off your gear, and attend the pre-race meeting where we can answer any questions you still have. Can't wait to see you all soon!

#### **UPDATED COVID-19 and MASK POLICY:**

We are taking COVID-19 seriously and want to ensure that all our race participants as well as our community, are safe. We kindly ask that all *unvaccinated* participants wear a face mask whenever social distancing is not possible. This includes when checking-in, at the pre-race meeting, at transition areas, and at the post-race gathering. We really appreciate your cooperation in helping us keep our event safe for all! We will continue to monitor the local COVID situation closely and will change this requirement if necessary.

#### **RACE SCHEDULE:**

Friday, June 25th:

**<u>6:45-8:00am</u>** Gear drop, check-in, and map pick-up. You may arrive early, but please do not drop off your gear before 6:45.

8:15-8:30am SHARP! Pre-race meeting. (Mandatory for all racers).

**9:00am** SHARP! Race start.

5:00pm FINISH cut-off time.

**<u>5:30pm</u>** Awards/Food/Raffle (Please consider bringing your own plate, fork, and cup to reduce waste!)

### START/FINISH/GEAR-DROP/CHECK-IN LOCATION (See map, "Race HQ and Parking Map" below)

Bear Creek Trailhead Overflow Parking Area (approximately 1hr 15min from Driggs, 1hr 5min from Victor). See directions on the next page. If using a map app, make sure it takes you to the Bear Creek Road in Irwin, Idaho!

Race Headquarters will be on the left, marked with a big green Ogre flag. Please note that cell service is limited to non-existent at Race Headquarters. Texting will be your best bet if you need to get a hold of us (phone numbers below).

# PLEASE BE EXTRA CAREFUL WHILE DRIVING ON BEAR CREEK ROAD! THERE ARE WASHERBOARDS, BLIND CORNERS, AND STEEP DROP-OFFS!

#### **CAMPING INFORMATION:**

No racer camping in the sites surrounding the start/finish area or west of there. We need all of this space for our volunteers and race staff. As mentioned in past updates, plenty of free dispersed camping is available along the Snake River north of the Palisades Dam along Snake River Road. There is also some free dispersed camping along Bear Creek Road, before you get to the Start/Finish.

#### **PARKING INFORMATION:**

<u>PLEASE PLAN TO CARPOOL!</u> This year's race is sold out, which means parking will be tight! In order to fit everyone, we need you to carpool if possible, and park thoughtfully. We will have a volunteer available to help you park when you arrive on Friday morning. Please look at your "Race HQ and Parking Map" carefully for more detailed parking info.

**Spectator Parking:** Please inform your friends and families that parking will be tight and to carpool if possible. Share a copy of the "Race HQ and Parking Map" with them so they are aware of the parking areas. Spectators may park in the racer parking area but only after all racers have parked (after 8:00am or so).

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# GEAR DROP (Paddling gear, Biking gear, and transition bins/bags):

## Please park your car and then carry everything to the gear drop location.

Do not drive all the way in to the gear drop location.

- Before the race you'll need to stage all your team's biking gear, paddling gear, and transition bins/bags in the gear drop area. Please be tidy and consolodate your team's gear as much as possible. ONE gear bin or bag allowed per racer, in addition to your bike and your team's paddling gear (paddling and biking gear does not need to be stored in your gear bin/bag, but please make sure it's secure). All transition bins/bags must be stacked or piled up.
- If you have a canoe reserved with us, it will be ready for you to stage with your other gear, along with PFDs and paddles if you need those as well. Don't forget your <u>canoe rental waiver</u>. Every team member using the canoe must sign.
- We are not responsible for any lost or damaged gear!

#### **SEE YOU ON FRIDAY!**

Jason's Cell: 208-313-0030 Abby's Cell: 208-970-9999

### **DIRECTIONS TO OGRE RACE HEADQUARTERS**

From the junction of hwy 31 and hwy 26 in Swan Valley (near the square ice cream place/Rainey Creek gas station), head south on hwy 26 towards the Palisades Reservoir.

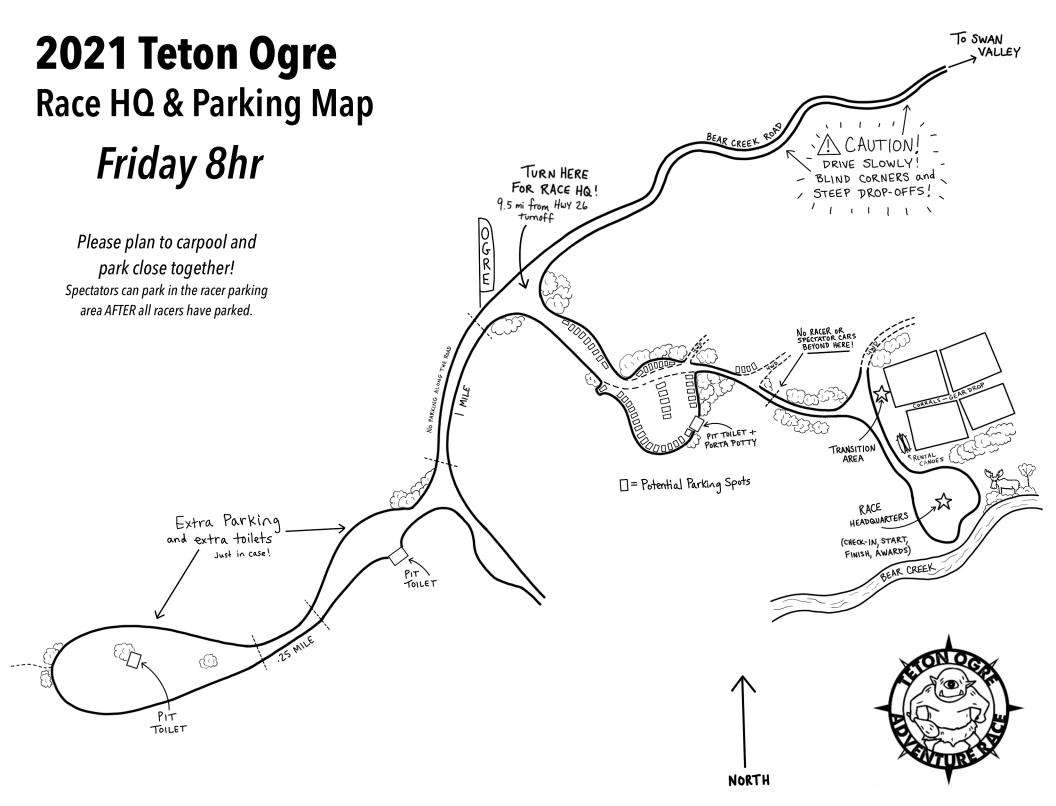
Go 10 miles and then take a right onto forest road 277, before the dam.

(If coming from the south via Alpine, WY, take your first left after you pass the dam at the north end of the reservoir)

Go .4 miles then take your first right. You will go through a campground and over the Snake River.

From the bridge over the Snake River, continue 1.6 miles on road 277 (Snake River Road), then take a left onto road 076. The road will be paved for a few miles, until you come to a stop sign.

Turn right onto the dirt road (Bear Creek Road) and continue about 5 miles until you see our big Ogre flag on the left.



# **8-HOUR PRELIMINARY COURSE OUTLINE:**

\*\*A more detailed course outline will be given to you when you pick up your race maps\*\*
Use this preliminary course outline to help you plan and pack for your race.

| LEG     | DISCIPLINE | DISTANCE   | NOTES   |
|---------|------------|--|---|
| #1      | 3          | 5 miles paddling<br>3 miles trekking<br>Flat Water<br>Trekking On & Off-Trail<br>Estimated time: 3-5 hours       | Carry all trekking gear with you. REMINDER: maps will not be waterproof. Make sure you have a way to protect your map!  |
| #2      | 30         | 8-10 miles biking ~2 miles trekking Single Track and Dirt Road Trekking On & Off-Trail Estimated time: 2-4 hours | <ul> <li>You will have access to your gear bins at the TA.</li> <li>Potable water and a few snacks will be available at the TA.</li> <li>Carry all trekking gear with you on this leg.</li> <li>Please be aware of motorbikes, ATV's, hikers, and especially horses on the trails.</li> </ul> |
| FINISH! | **         | 5:00pm cut-off time  | CONGRATS! YOU DID IT! If you rented a canoe from us, please bring it back to where you picked it up, and make sure it's in good shape for the next racers!  |