

Tahoe Fat Tire Festival lineup solidified

Mountain bikers from all over are expected to be at Squaw Valley Sept. 20-23 for the return of the Tahoe Fat Tire Festival.

The festival is being brought back by the Truckee Trails Foundation and Tahoe Area Mountain Biking Association in an effort to promote the Tahoe area and to create a fundraising event to support trail projects.

Presented by New Belgium Brewing, Barefoot Wines and the North Lake Tahoe Convention and Visitors Bureau, the festival will include five race events, a mountain bike stage race, group mountain bike rides, skill clinics, vendors, movies, trail work classes, and music. Squaw Valley will be opening its bike park and trail network for the four days of the festival.

The festival kicks off that Thursday night with the short track race through the Village at Squaw Valley. Friday brings the hill climb race from the village to High Camp. Saturday will be the Sierra Cup Regional Championship Series Cross Country event and the Nor-Cal State Downhill Championships. The festival wraps up on Sunday with a Super-D race featuring more than 2,000 feet of descending.

During the festival, there also will be group rides on and off-site, beginner and intermediate skill clinics, a mountain bike film festival, and trail work classes.

For more information and to register, go online.