

Upper Wind Downriver race, March 22nd-23rd.

March 22nd, Saturday 1st practice run @10am, 2nd practice run @1:30pm.

March 23rd, Sunday Races start at 11am. Class (IV+ - V). 3 miles, mass start by class at Stabler Bridge to approximately 1 mile below Climax. Take out will be river right above High Bridge.

Thursday before the race we will post on pdxkayaker and pnwwhitewater if the race is still a go due to high water. If no go we will reschedule to the following weekend, all timelines and logistics will still apply.

Classes include; **kayak** (all lengths), **cataraft**, and **paddle raft** (6 paddlers or less, boats 14 feet or less in length, 3 thwarts), and **unlimited**._

- To reach the put in, drive north past Carson about 8 miles. There will be a store and a road on your left (This is Stabler). Take a left, cross over the bridge, after about 100 meters take a right, stay right, and follow that road down until it dead ends at the river. Unload quickly, park your vehicle off to the side of this short access road or park back up on the main road. This is a residential area, please be courteous and minimize traffic.
- To reach the take-out, drive north past Carson, take last left before crossing High Bridge, take first right, next right, follow all the way to river (turns into dirt road).
- Carson has gas, a small store, café, camping in the area, and cabins. Stevenson, Washington is about 6 miles away and has hotels, a supermarket, and many restaurants.
- High water cutoff is 9 feet, low water cutoff is 5.3 feet.

Schedule of activities:

1. Saturday 1st practice run, shove off time 10am. 2nd practice run shove off time 1:30pm.
2. 1:30pm cataraft time trial sprint for seeding from the put in bridge.
3. ~ 4pm Saturday; debrief , snacks and refreshments near the cabin at the put in area.
4. **8-9am** Sunday; race registration at the cabin near the put in. \$15(cash only please) per competitor which includes ACA insurance. Starting positions determined by who signs up first.
5. **10am** racers meeting at the put in area.
6. 10:15am, safety boaters and camera crews launch. Race coordinators begin boat and gear inspection.
7. 10:30am, begin staging racers. Kayaks first in line, cats, unlimited crafts, then paddle rafts.
8. **11am SHARP**. Mass start kayak race.
9. 11:10,cats.
10. 11:20, unlimited.
11. 11:30, paddle rafts.
12. 12:30pm, all racers gather in eddies and on shore at the finish for final head count. Proceed downstream once the paddlers at the finish match the number of starters.
13. 2:30pm : Begin Chili Feed and Awards Ceremony at the cabin near

the put in.

14. Easter Egg Hunt for the kiddos.

15. 4:30pm : Start headin home.

The 1st Annual Upper Wind River Race is part of the Western Whitewater Championship Series (WWCS) which is coordinated by the Oregon Rafting Team (ORT). All participants are required to be safe, have fun, paddle hard, and support river communities in any way possible.

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