



9 to 5 Race Day Mountain Bike Marathon Series

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9 to 5 Race Day Series Announces Dates & Venues

USA's Most Entertaining New Mountain Bike Series Gears Up for January Launch

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MIAMI – After bursting onto the scene with a \$16,000 cash sponsorship of the NORBA series finals in 2003, Mountain Bike TV takes great pleasure in announcing all five venues for the eagerly-awaited 9 to 5 Race Day Mountain Bike Marathon Series.

Joe Stone, executive producer at Mountain Bike TV, and mastermind of the series, said: “After a thorough search for the best of Florida’s mountain bike trails, we are delighted with this selection of courses, which test the whole range of mountain biking skills. What people who are not from here don’t realize is that there are a lot of really cool trails in Florida, and by competing in our series these folks will have the opportunity to find out about one of the best-kept secrets in American mountain biking. Not to mention some warm-weather racing in winter – with cash prizes for the pros.”

The following is a rundown of the dates, locations, and opportunities offered by the venues. Check www.mtbtv.com for online registration information.

9 TO 5 RACE DAY #1, Job Interview / Blue Monday, 1/24/2004, QUIET WATERS PARK, Deerfield Beach
South-east Florida. These single-track trails are probably the most scenic of the parks in South Florida. The majority of the bike trails are tree lined and protected from the heat of the South Florida sun. At one time, this park was mined as a rock quarry leaving large crater-like holes that filled with rainwater to become the lakes we see today. Other park amenities include a small beach and water park, towrope water skiing, camping and large picnic and concert areas.

9 TO 5 RACE DAY #2, Idle Tuesday, 2/21/2004, K. A. HANNA, Jacksonville
North-east Florida. This is the park for everyone. Lots of single-track through dense salt-marsh woods. A mixture of technical, rooted sections, and fast flowing sections. Also, there is a dunes section taking riders to the ocean’s edge. Close to Jacksonville and abundant additional recreational activities.

9 TO 5 RACE DAY #3, Hump-Day Wednesday, 3/6/2004, SPIRIT OF THE SUWANNEE PARK, Live Oak
North Florida. A private park only 30 miles from the Georgia border. Mountain bike trails are being designed and developed specifically for this series by experienced mountain bike course setters. A wide range of amenities includes camping, a restaurant, swimming pool, horse riding, a dinner raft ride, craft village, canoeing, and more. See website at www.musicliveshere.com

9 TO 5 RACE DAY #4, Almost There Thursday, 4/3/2004, ALAFIA RIVER STATE PARK, Lithia
Central-west Florida, south-east of Tampa. A newer park that has only hosted a few races, the unique topography at Alafia offers some of the most radical elevation changes in Florida. The off-road bicycling trails are the most challenging in the area. Thoughtful touches throughout (such as wooden bridges and gravel beds at creek crossings) add to the pleasure of riding here. This place is a blast, especially the second section of rollercoaster and moonscape. The last couple of miles of moonscape are on very technical terrain.

9 TO 5 RACE DAY #5, Payday Friday / Employee of the Year, 6/5/2004* OLETA RIVER SRA, North Miami Beach
South-east Florida. At 1043 acres, Oleta is the largest urban park in the state. A little bit of everything: tight turns, drops, steep descents, climbs, rocks, roots, and bridges, altogether adds up to a really fun ride!. Visitors have a wide choice of additional outdoor activities including fishing, hiking, picnicking, swimming, and canoeing. In addition, Oleta is only minutes from the recreational hotspots of Miami and Ft Lauderdale, and the world-renowned nightlife of South Beach. **Date to be confirmed.*

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