



Tailwind 2006



Michigan MTB Time Trial Series

— Basic Rules & Scoring Information —

1. You will earn points for placing in each **Michigan MTB Time Trial Series** race that you enter and complete. *Your **four highest point scores** will be totaled to determine **Overall Time Trial Series position**.* Points will be earned as follows:

Participants in each class receive series points for each race finished as follows:			
1st Place .. 35 pts.	6th Place ..19 pts.	11th Place ..10 pts.	16th Place .. 5 pts.
2nd 30 pts.	7th 17 pts.	12th 9 pts.	17th 4 pts.
3rd 27 pts.	8th 15 pts.	13th 8 pts.	18th 3 pts.
4th 24 pts.	9th 13 pts.	14th 7 pts.	19th 2 pts.
5th 21 pts.	10th 11 pts.	15th 6 pts.	20th & Lower 1 pt.
<i>NOTE: ALL CATEGORIES earn points according to this table for 2006.</i>			

2. ***It is the Racer's responsibility to enter and race in the correct age category.*** Your Time Trial Series racing age for 2006 is the age that you will be on December 31, 2006. The Age Groups and Categories for the 2006 Michigan MTB Time Trial Series are as follows:

Age Groups & Categories for the Tailwind 2006 Michigan MTB Time Trial Series	
ELITE MEN:	All ages combined
EXPERT:	Women (Elite/Expert) - All ages combined Men - 18 & Under, 19-29, 30-34, 35-44, 45+
SPORT:	Women - 24 & Under, 25-39, 40+ Men - 14 & Under, 15-18, 19-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-49, 50+ Clydesdale (200 lbs +) - All Ages All ages combined
TANDEM:	All ages combined
SINGLE SPEED:	Elite/Expert - All ages combined Sport/Beginner - All ages combined
BEGINNER:	Women - 18 & Under, 19-34, 35+ All (Boys & Girls) - 10 & Under Men - 11-14, 15-18, 19-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50+ Clydesdale (200 lbs +) - All Ages combined
<i>SPECIAL NOTE: At Yankee Springs, since Age Groups for Tailwind's Time Trial series are slightly different from those used in the MMBA Championship Point Series, MMBA-CPS Categories will apply for daily awards, however, TT Series Categories will be used for Overall TT Series points tabulation.</i>	

3. Once you have started your Time Trial race, a **Re-start** may be allowed for an unofficial time only. *Request for an exception to this rule may be considered by Tailwind.*

4. **Overall Series Awards** will be presented to the top 3 finishers in each Class/Category. In the case of a tie in points within the top three places in any category, the first tie breaker is who beat who the most, and then, if needed, who beat who most recently. All points stay in the Class/Category in which they are earned.

5. **You must start** at least 3 races in your Class to be eligible for an Overall Series Award.
6. **You may race** in different categories during the season, however your points will remain in the category in which they are earned.
7. **For 2006**, each Category will have a specific block of start-times set up for their race starts. Elite Category will go first, then Expert, Sport, Beginner, and Tandem/Single Speed in that order. The *start-time blocks* used for each Category will be listed in the appropriate race flyer, and are dependent on the anticipated size of the race. *Pre-registered riders will start first*, and will be followed by the day-of registrants within the same Category start-time block. **Sign up early for the entire series and you will get an early start time within your Category at each race.** You may register and compete in an Age Group Class, and also in a Tandem or Single Speed Class at the same race.
8. Tailwind reserves the right to modify or amend these rules and conditions as is deemed necessary throughout the year. *Any comments or suggestions are welcome and appreciated!*

NOTE: The **MMBA Championship Point Series** and the Tailwind **Michigan MTB Time Trial Series** are two separate race series. The time trial at Yankee Springs (April 23) is a part of both race series, and the MMBA will tabulate their points for this event according to the CPS rules. Since Age Groups for the Time Trial Series are slightly different from those used in the MMBA-CPS, MMBA Categories will be used for Day-Of Race Awards, however TT Series Categories will be used for Overall Michigan MTB TT Series points tabulation.

NOTE: The Pontiac Lake TT (June 3) will be held under NORBA Rules as it is a part of the Tailwind 2006 NORBA State Championship XC Series. ONLY Elite & Expert racers in this TT will require an Annual NORBA License.