

24-Hour Race Overview

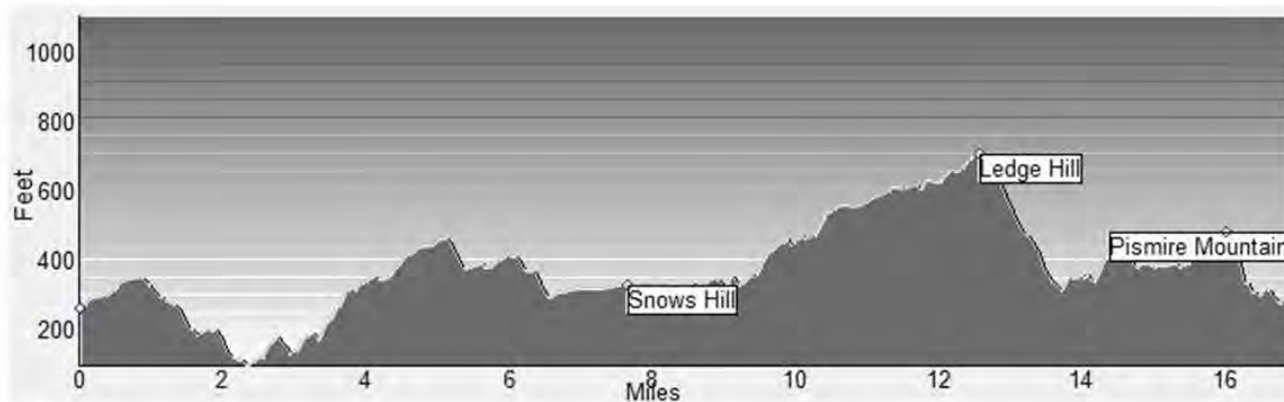


Prologue: Pineland Farms Orienteering Challenge

- Total distance: ???
- Teams will begin the race with a strategic puzzle: to spell one of the RD-specified words by visiting the corresponding checkpoints. There are many words and CPs to choose from. Which combination will prove to be the fastest???

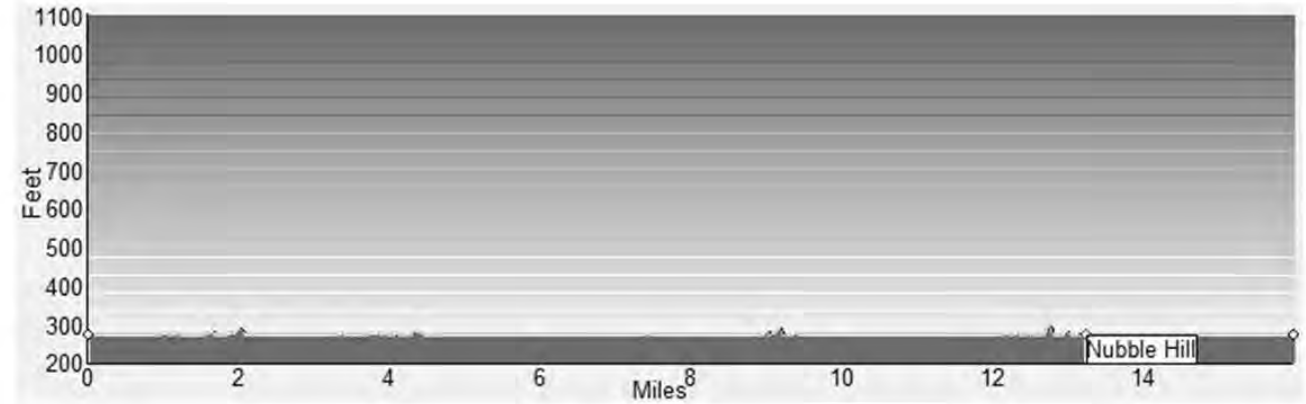
Stage 1: Pineland to Raymond Bike

- Total distance: 20 miles
 - Total gain: +1591 ft
 - Total loss: -1572 ft
- After a prologue section around Pineland Farms, teams will cruise along Maine country roads to Raymond Community Forest, where they can split up to tackle 2 single track biking and 2 foot points up Pismire Mountain, then a quick ride to TA 1.



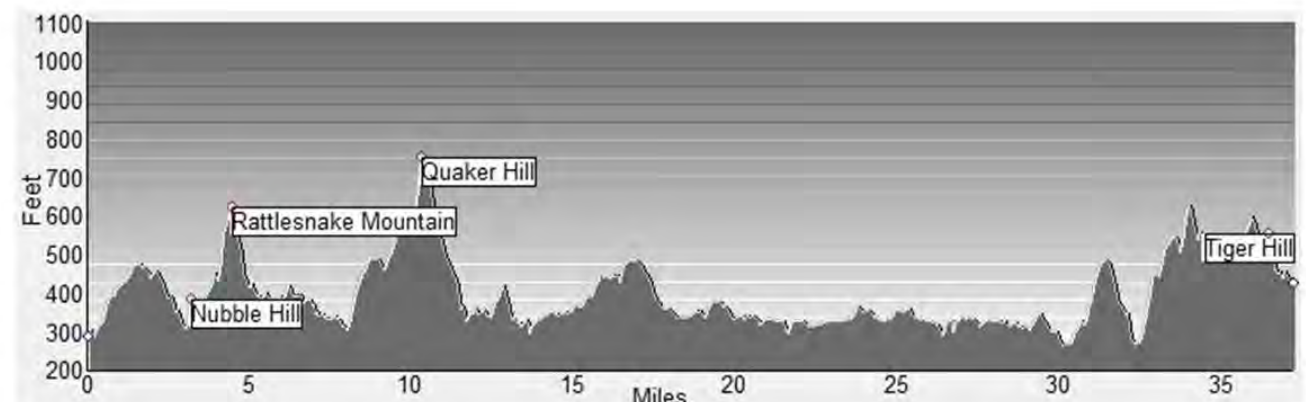
Stage 2: Crescent Lake and Panther Pond Kayak

- Total distance: 16 miles
 - Total gain: +0 ft
 - Total loss: -0 ft
- Racers now face a long paddle on two classic Maine lakes, dotted with summer camps and connected by a narrow, winding Tenny River. May the winds ever remain in their favor.



Stage 3: Rattlesnake Mountain and Jugtown Forest Bike

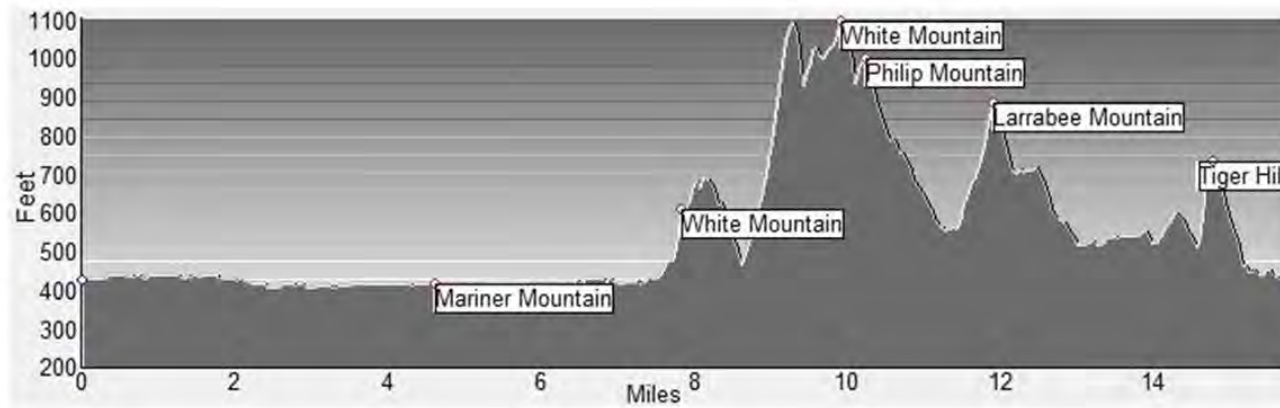
- Total distance: 38 miles
 - Total gain: +3224 ft
 - Total loss: -3085 ft
- The elevation picks up as teams ride doubletrack trails over the saddle of Rattlesnake Mountain and to the top of Hacker (aka Quaker) Hill, earning their views of Sebago Lake and the Presidential Range before descending into the Jugtown Flats maze of forest roads, then through the iconic summer town of Naples at sundown en route to TA 2.



Stage 4: Tiger Hill Packraft/Trek

- Total distance: 16 miles
- Total gain: +2210 ft
- Total loss: -2210 ft

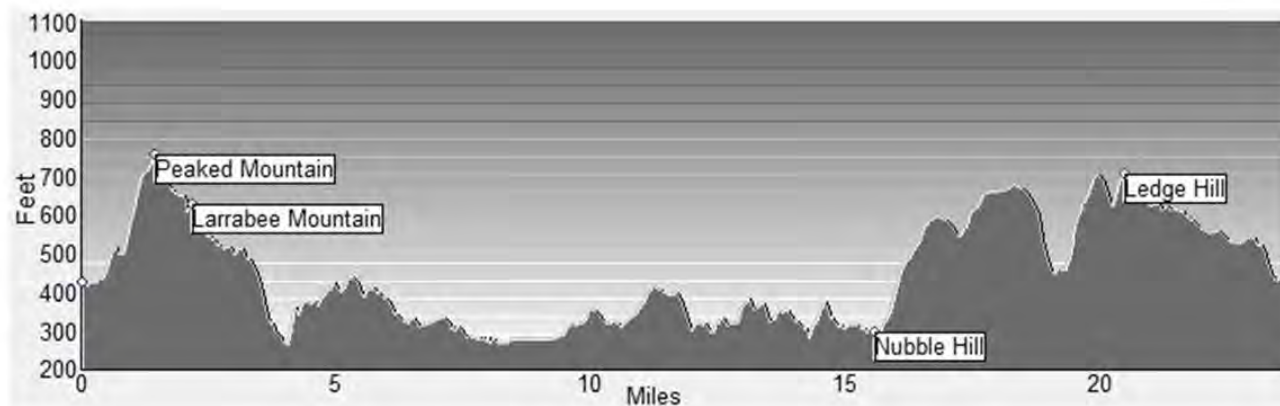
Racers will face thick vegetation and steep climbs as they strategize their approach to the challenging Tiger Hill section, where they can focus on trekking CPs 33 to 40 or add an optional packraft on the wild Northwest River for CPs 29 to 32. Teams hoping to clear this section will need to be smart, efficient, and navigate cleanly after dark.



Stage 5: Songo Lock Bike

- Total distance: 24 miles
- Total gain: +2231 ft
- Total loss: -2177 ft

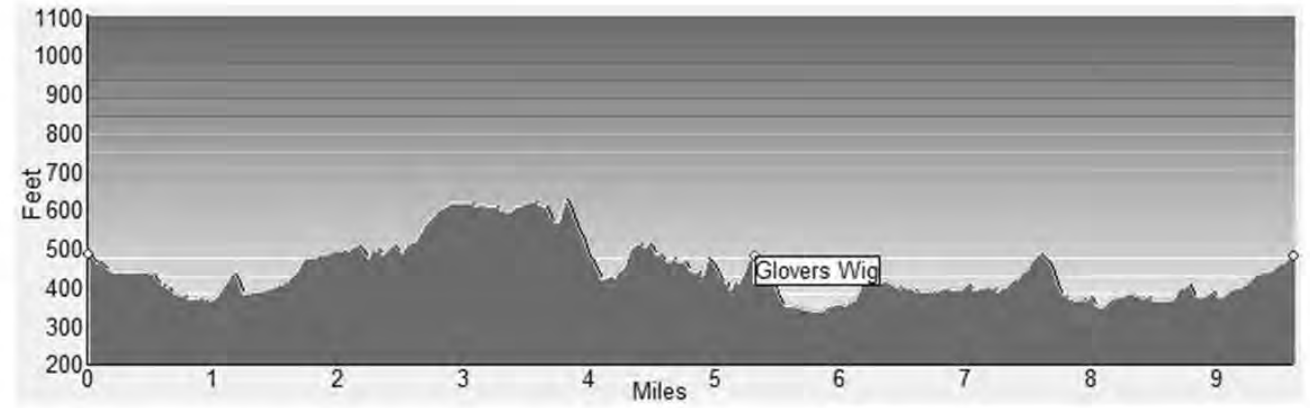
Out of the woods at last, teams can enjoy a (relatively) quick ride across the Songo Lock swing bridge (circa 1901) to traverse back east, visiting some familiar sites along the way as they enter the Morgan Meadow Wilderness Management Area (WMA) and TA 3.



Stage 6: Morgan Meadow Trek

- Total distance: 10 miles
- Total gain: +1250 ft
- Total loss: -1250 ft

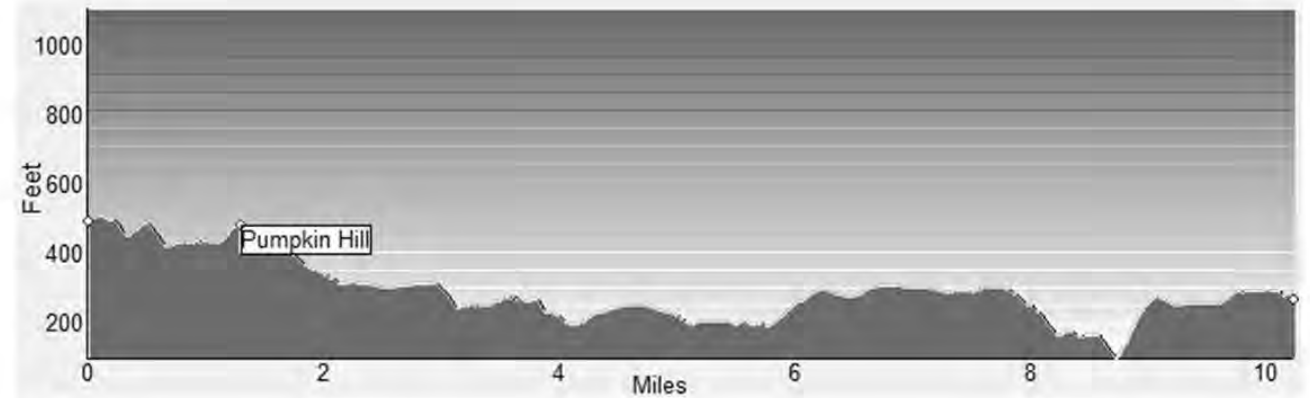
These are the thick and marshy Maine woods that this race is known for. Racers will navigate through a mish-mash of active and defunct trails, granite cliffs and glacial erratics, and tempting - though treacherous! - swamp crossings to get as many CPs as they can before hustling to the finish.



Stage 7: Mayall Mills Bike

- Total distance: 10 miles
- Total gain: +753 ft
- Total loss: -977 ft

The finish line is in sight, but the clock is ticking. One final CP at the Mayall Mills ruin - a wool mill active from 1791 to 1901 with a fascinating history - then a final ode to Maine country roads as teams dash back to Pineland Farms to bask in their glory and attack the breakfast buffet.



Course Totals

- Distance: 134 miles
- Gain/Loss: 11,259 ft

