



2010 HYDRO-TURF APBA WATERCROSS NATIONALS COMMON QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

AUGUST 16, 2010 - With the 2010 HYDRO-TURF APBA Watercross Nationals only 3 weeks away we have been getting many emails and phone calls about the event. To help with the questions we have made a list of the common questions with the answers below.

WHY WAS NASHVILLE REDUCED TO 2 DAYS OF RACING?

There are several reasons why the APBA Watercross Nationals in Nashville was reduced to two days instead of three.

- Classes in the past that have went it heats in the past like Novice Ski Limited, Pro-Am Ski Stock and Junior classes have seen a drop in participation all over the country and will most likely be two motos and not go into heats. Some classes have had virtually zero participation. This will cut many races that will need to be run over the event.
- Several classes were dropped including Vintage classes and Beginner classes from the Nationals due to poor participation in the past.
- Due to the economy, two National Tours, two sanctioning bodies, high gas prices, regions with few or no closed course races we predict a smaller participation in Nashville for 2010. Racer participation at all US events has been down this year – both APBA and IJSBA and Closed Course and Endurance.
- Due to there not being National Highpoint awards this year there is no need to be done early on Saturday. While there still will be a ton of trophies and awards given away at Nashville we will be able to have one awards ceremony for all classes this year on Sunday.
- For the reasons above we anticipate fewer races to be run, no need to be done early on Saturday and by offering Friday evening and Saturday evening practice sessions we will be able to start earlier on race days. **Reducing the event to two days will save the racers money as well as the cost to put on the event. It will not change at all the number of laps the racers will receive in their classes or the quality of the event. Plan on running lots of laps as this in the National Championship.**

DO YOU EXCEPT IJSBA MEMBERSHIPS?

It is an APBA rule and condition of the insurance program that all racers that race at an APBA event MUST be an APBA member. Because of this we can not accept IJSBA memberships. Buying two memberships is unfortunate and extra expense for the racer. **While we can not accept IJSBA memberships, to help the racers we will offer racers that have a current IJSBA membership a \$20 discount on their entry.** When you come to the race you can show your valid IJSBA membership card and fill out the \$20 single event APBA membership application. You will pay your normal entry fee if you pre-register and your single event membership fee will be paid.

RV PARKING AND CAMPING AT NASHVILLE SHORES FEES

One of the best things about Nashville is that you can camp right on site, hang out with the other racers, and practice and tune to late hours of the night. Please note that this is the ONLY event that Nashville Shores allows camping at. No other event that they host is it allowed or do they allow the general public to camp at Nashville Shores during the year. The camping fees are charged to pay for the increased staff and security required to keep the park open 24 hours to accommodate the racers/campers.

Because the event has been reduced to two days of racing, Nashville Shores has accommodated us with the RV and camping fees. **THE RV/TOTERHOME PARKING FEE IS \$30 per night with NO minimum fee this year.** If you are pitching a tent the fee is \$18.50 per night. To Reserve an RV or Tenting Camping spot call (615) 889-7050 and ask for TRICIA ext 220. You must ask for Tricia at extension 220 to reserve a camping/RV spot. If you do not ask for TRICIA at extension 220 the summer help will tell you the park does not allow camping. If she does not answer please leave her a message with your name and number and that you want to reserve a spot.

Nashville Shores in the past required a minimal stay because of the tremendous number of racers that would lie about how many days they were staying. So please be honest with Nashville Shores, pay your fees so that this benefit does not get ruined for others.

I DID NOT ATTEND AN APBA RACE THIS YEAR AS THERE WE NO RACES IN MY REGION OR MY PROMOTER IN MY REGION WAS IJSBA BUT I WANT TO ATTEND NASHVILLE. CAN I COME?

The HYDRO-TURF APBA Watercross Nationals is an open event and open to all racers – both APBA and IJSBA. Since 2001 Nashville has site and host been the US National Championship. There is no qualifying necessary and you did not have to attend an APBA race to qualify or attend. See above about membership information.

WHEN CAN I GET THERE?

While the event has been reduced to two days of racing you can still arrive early to tune, practice and hang out in Nashville beginning on Thursday morning. If you plan on coming earlier please contact Patrick Mell at 56-598-2856.

I WILL NEED EXTRA WATERPARK PASSES, CAN I GET THEM AT A DISCOUNTED RATE?

Each racer will be given 3 one-day waterpark passes. He can use them for him/herself or give them away to family or friends. If you need additional passes you can get them when you check in at a discounted rate.

WHAT DAYS IS THE WATERPARK OPEN?

Like always the waterpark will be open on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

WILL YOU OFFER A SPORT SPEC JUNIOR 13-15 CLASS?

As long as there are at least 5 Competitors for the classes we will offer it as a separate class. If there are NOT 5 Junior Sport Spec riders we will allow the racers to race in the regular Sport Spec class as long as they raced at least one time during the season in the class.

WHAT DAY DOES MY CLASS RACE?

The 2010 Competition Guide has a list of what days each class runs.

WHERE WILL WE BE PARKING?

Like the first few years in Nashville we will be parking all on the left side of the park where the RV spots are located and we will use the beach on the left for the pits. Nashville Shores will first fill up the RV and concrete parking areas then allow parking on the point. The overflow parking area we used in the past is now a 3 million dollar wave pool and lazy river and the waterpark has doubled in size. We will not have to go to the other side of the park to enter the pits. You will enter at the south side of the RV parking area by the point.

HOW FAR ARE THE HOTELS TO THE RACE SITE?

The 3 family hotels are only a mile from the race site. Rates start at only \$42.99 for those hotels. The upscale Springhill Suites by Marriott is about 4 miles from the race site and offers a special rate of \$74.99 to the racers.

HOW FAR IS THE AIRPORT TO THE RACE SITE?

The Nashville Airport is only 4 miles from Nashville Shores. A cab ride from the airport to Nashville Shores is about \$20.