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Pulaski MTN-X Unveils Three Challenging Courses for September Event

30, 50, and 102 Mile Options Feature Elevation and Timed Segments

Pulaski County, Virginia (July 8, 2026) - Pulaski County Sports & Entertainment, the organizers of the inaugural **Pulaski MTN-X gravel bike race**, have announced the three course options that will challenge riders of all experience levels during the inaugural edition of the event on **Saturday, September 26, 2026**.

Designed to showcase the picturesque beauty and challenging terrain of southwest Virginia, Pulaski MTN-X will offer three unique routes: a **30-mile recreational ride**, a **50-mile amateur course**, and a **102-mile endurance course** with a \$20,000 cash purse for pro riders, distributed equally between the men's and women's fields. Each race will start in downtown Pulaski at Great Wilderness Brewing Company, then travel through the counties of Pulaski, Wythe, Bland, and Giles, before returning back to Pulaski for the finish.

"Very excited for this!", said New Zealand Pro **Cam Jones**, 2025 Life Time Grand Prix and Unbound 200 Champion. "My adopted home roads are some of the best in the world."

All three routes begin by heading west from downtown Pulaski, climbing over **Case Knife Ridge**, and making their way up Miller's Creek Road before splitting into unique course experiences. The 30-milers will continue through **Gatewood Park** and make their way back downtown. The 50-milers will tackle **Cove Mountain** and **Bloomer's Mountain** before returning to the finish. And the 102-milers will climb **Big Walker Mountain**, tackle the remote and rugged terrain of the **George Washington & Jefferson National Forest**, including No Business Creek Road, crossing over **Flat Top** and **Sugar Run Mountains**, descending past **Dismal Falls**, and continuing through some of the most challenging sections of the course before climbing back over Big Walker Mountain a second time towards the final climb of Bloomer's Mountain.

All three courses feature challenging terrain, neutral aid stations, and a mix of pavement, gravel, and pavé, which is somewhere in between the two! The 50- and 102-mile courses feature three and six timed segments, respectively, designed to enhance safety and add to the strategy of the race. Maps of all three courses are available for viewing and download at www.pulaskimtnx.com.

"Pulaski MTN-X was created to showcase downtown Pulaski and the incredible gravel riding opportunities throughout Pulaski County and the neighboring counties of Wythe, Bland, and Giles," said Tim Miller, Executive Director of Pulaski County Sports & Entertainment. "Whether riders are looking for their first gravel challenge or a true endurance test, each course provides a memorable experience through some of the most scenic and challenging terrain in the region."

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Following the race, riders, families, and spectators will be able to gather at Great Wilderness Brewing Company for the Pulaski MTN-X Finish Festival featuring food, craft beer, live music, and awards celebrating the accomplishments of riders across all three distances.

For more information about Pulaski MTN-X, to sign up for updates, or to register for the event, visit www.pulaskimtnx.com or follow Pulaski MTN-X on Facebook and Instagram.

About the Pulaski County Sports & Entertainment Authority

The Pulaski County Sports & Entertainment Authority was created by the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors in 2024 in order to oversee a growing list of County facilities, including historic Calfee Park, the Pulaski County Motorsports Park, and the new Pulaski County Sportsplex, and to establish Pulaski County as a premier destination for sports and entertainment events, where world-class assets, outdoor recreation and adventure, and rich culture combine to help create memorable experiences that drive economic growth.