

## Ready, Set, Wet

This year's Fat Tire Triathlon presented by Framed Bikes, held at Sliverthorn Park in Seeley, WI, will certainly go down as the wettest on record as three inches of rain fell on race day. While individuals completed a swim, mountain bike and trail run, family and friends enjoyed teaming up for the relay category. Most of us consider these conditions dreadful -- this crowd embraced it. Why not? It's a triathlon, and after the swim, you're wet anyway.

Overall winners of the Olympic race were elite cross country skier Chris Pappathopoulos of Sun Prairie, WI for the men and Dawn Kittleson of White Bear Lake, MN for the women's division. Scott Brown of Minneapolis won the men's Sprint event; Jenny Swift of Hayward repeated as women's winner.

Attendance grew 50% this year introducing many new people to the off-road trail amenities in the area. Many thanks to supporting sponsors New Moon Ski and Bike for providing onsite technical support and Big Water Coffee Roasters for roasting a special batch of Pedal Pusher just for these adventure-seeking athletes. Community involvement was again an integral part of the event with donations going to the Hayward Nordic Ski Team and Hayward Comp Mountain Bike Team for their volunteer support. Next year's event is Saturday, August 25th.

Photos and results at [FatTireTri.com/Results](http://FatTireTri.com/Results).

