

Blockhouse Roll Racer Spotlight: Lisa Kraye



1. *What year did you race in the Blockhouse Roll?*

I've done the race on and off for about the past decade.

2. *What was your favorite part about participating in Blockhouse Roll?*

My favorite part about participating in BHR is the atmosphere. You get to spend a nice fall Saturday with a bunch of people who love mountain biking on an amazing course. And the barn! How many races do you get to ride through a barn? I love the start too... running down a bumpy field to your bike while other bikers are riding up the hill at you.

3. *What was your most memorable experience at a Blockhouse?*

My most memorable experience is trying to race BHR shortly after having a child. I decided to sign up for the expert race (should have opted for sport). I was pretty much done after the parade lap, but I knew I had to finish. I didn't make it through the creek, so my feet were wet and cold. Then my husband who had probably finished an hour ahead of me came to cheer me on. I remember him yelling, "Good job! You're gaining on him." I knew everyone had finished already so I said, "Who am I gaining on?" He told me it was the guy behind me, so I yelled back, "Ryan! That's the sweeper. His job is to follow the last racer in." It wasn't pretty, but somehow I finished. I can laugh about it now.

4. *What would you say to a first-time Blockhouse racer?*

I'd tell them they are going to have an absolute blast (and that I'd see them next year).

