



Saalfelden Leogang: Come on, bike season 2017!

Saalfelden Leogang in Salzburger Land, Austria, April 25, 2017 – Which European mountain biker doesn't know the bike region Saalfelden Leogang? No matter if you are a flow lover, a downhill crack, in favor of e-biking or a bike rookie – everybody heads to Saalfelden Leogang with the same goal: to have fun! The „Opening Weekend“ at Bikepark Leogang on May 12-14 is one of many reasons to get your bike prepared for the new season.

Finally! After the winter break, every mountain biker can look forward to action, adrenaline and airtime. Everybody who cannot wait to get back on the bike, should add the "Opening Weekend" (May 12-14) to their calendar. Thanks to head shaper Reini Leitner and his team, it is bound to be a „bike-tastic“ start to the season: For weeks, the shaping team has been preparing, building and cleaning. Adrenaline junkies will be able to shred like mad – and take advantage of a 15% discount on day tickets and multiple day tickets at Bikepark Leogang (season tickets excluded). Check out the new, one and only GoPro Lounge which will welcome guests at the Asitz valley station from day one. More reasons to visit Bikepark Leogang are the flow trail "HOT SHOTS – fired by GoPro", which opened last summer, as well as the "Rider's Playground", the world's largest bike park for beginners. But also outside of the bike park, mountain bikers will get their money's worth: at the beginning of June, the new 1,5 kilometers / 0.9 miles long single trail "Matzalm-Trail" will be available. The beautiful trail with rooty sections and several narrow turns leads past the Matzalm and Embachalm and guarantees a stunning view.

Only two weeks after the "Opening Weekend", it's time for female mountain bikers: even though shredding in mixed groups can be a lot of fun, sometimes women and girls prefer to stay amongst themselves when working on certain techniques. The ladies' bike park camp "Girls shred, too" from May 25-27 is a riding technique workshop aimed at women and girls. At this workshop, female bikers have the opportunity to optimize their skills without any pressure, test their limits and have a great time with other "gravity girls". More information can be found under [Girls shred, too](#).

Having been an essential part of Saalfelden Leogang's bike year for over a decade, the one of a kind "Out of Bounds Festival" marks a special highlight: this event is so unique, because during one weekend, the world's best athletes from downhill and slopestyle come together to make sure the audience watches in awe due to the high level of performance. It will get serious at Bikepark Leogang from June 8-11, when the top downhill racers fight for seconds during the UCI Mountain Bike World Cup and the slopestyle elite will battle for points during FMB World Tour Gold Event 26TRIX. Will Rachel Atherton and Aaron Gwin achieve the impossible and celebrate





on top of the World Cup podium for the third time in a row? And which slopestyler will stun the crowd with his unbelievable tricks? More information can be found here: www.mtb-weltcup.at

Which event would be suited better for welcoming the autumn accordingly than the [Biketember Festival](#)? From September 15-17, the Cross Country Europacup (XCO C1), iXS European Downhill Cup and the SCOTT Junior Trophy will be taking place at Saalfelden Leogang in order to celebrate the mountain bike sport. No matter whether grown-up or kid, amateur or pro – all the diversity makes the Biketember Festival so special.

To make your biking holiday absolutely perfect, special bike hotels such as Salzburger Hof, Rupertus, Bacher, Riederalm, Ritzenhof, Puradies, Mama Thresl and competent bike shops such as Sport Mitterer or Sport 2000 Simon are at your service: <http://www.saalfelden-leogang.com/de/unterkuenfte/unterkunftsliste/>

More information about news, schedules of Bikepark Leogang can be found at: www.bikepark-leogang.com or www.facebook.com/BikeparkLeogang

News and information about Saalfelden Leogang can be found on: www.saalfelden-leogang.com/en/ or www.facebook.com/SaalfeldenLeogang

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About the region Saalfelden Leogang

The Saalfelden Leogang region is situated in the heart of Salzburger Land, amongst the beautiful mountain ranges "Steinernes Meer" and "Leoganger Steinberge". The towns of Saalfelden and Leogang have partnered up to create a dynamic tourism region. Their cooperation is very successful as it was seen during the commendable hosting of the UCI Mountain Bike & Trials World Championships in 2012. The diversity of over 720km of mountain bike trails attracts thousands of bike visitors every year. Bikepark Leogang, as the beating bike heart of the region, is well respected as one of the best bike parks throughout Europe. Moreover, Bikepark Leogang is one of only sixteen, carefully selected GraVity Bikeparks in Europe. In 2020, Saalfelden Leogang will be hosting the UCI Mountain Bike Downhill World Championships.

