



Vail Lacrosse Shootout

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2018 Vail Lacrosse Shootout

If you play or follow the sport of lacrosse, you've probably heard of the Vail Lacrosse Shootout. The Shootout, now celebrating its 46th anniversary, remains one of the premier lacrosse tournaments in the country. While the popularity of lacrosse has exploded over the past several years, you might say the Vail Lacrosse Shootout was not only ahead of its time, but was a contributing factor to the growth and popularity of this great sport. The scenic mountain resort of Vail, Colo. hosts the Vail Lacrosse Shootout, where this summer about 2,000 lacrosse players from the ages of 17 to 60 will compete in eight divisions over eleven days, once again bringing exciting and competitive lacrosse action to the Colorado mountains.

The U19 High School Boys and Girls teams take to the fields on June 24 and will crown a champion on June 27. Talented high school players from across the country, many of whom will play Division I college lacrosse next year, will be competing.

The Men's Elite Division is the headliner, bringing fast-paced, exciting lacrosse action to the field. Collegiate and post-collegiate club players, as well as a few professionals, will gather in Vail to battle for the championship starting on July 1 and continuing through July 4. This year, we're excited to include a Men's Elite team from Japan and a team from Hawaii.

This year the Vail Lacrosse Shootout is excited to partner with two new tournament sponsors. Both are lacrosse non-profit organizations – the Casey Powell World Lacrosse Foundation and Lacrosse The Nations. The Casey Powell World Lacrosse Foundation offers support to severely sick or injured lacrosse players and their families. Casey Powell's organization will offer a fun lacrosse activity in Vail during the Shootout, letting kids try their hand at lacrosse, learn about the sport and have fun! They will also be present at the tournament as a vendor, offering souvenir

Vail Lacrosse Shootout apparel. Learn more about the Casey Powell World Lacrosse Foundation at www.worldlacrosse.org.

Lacrosse The Nations uses the game of lacrosse as a platform to reach out to underprivileged children, teach them life skills, promote education and bring joy to their lives. They have programs in Nicaragua, Costa Rica and in the U.S. They would love to have you visit their booth at Ford Field during the Shootout to learn more about their efforts to help children. Learn more about Lacrosse The Nations at www.lacrossethenations.org.

The 2018 Shootout will again offer live streaming by tournament sponsor Scorebreak of semi-finals and finals in many of our tournament divisions. To watch games live, go to the tournament website, www.vaillacrosse.com, or to vail.scorebreak.io.

Off the field, there are many other benefits to visiting Vail in the summer, including enjoying the spectacular scenery, outdoor concerts, exceptional dining and the many activities the Vail area offers such as white-water rafting, hiking, mountain bike riding, gondola rides, golf, horseback riding or an adventurous ATV tour.

Vail Shootout Quick Facts

Dates of Play: June 24 – July 4, 2018

Free Admission

Field venues located in Vail, Edwards and Eagle/Vail.

For up to date information, including field locations, teams and schedules, please visit the tournament website at www.vaillacrosse.com

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About Vail Mountain

Under blue skies more than 300 days each year, Vail is an extraordinary mountain resort destination. The vacation experience is exceptional, from the awe-inspiring terrain and natural beauty of the surrounding Gore and Sawatch Ranges to world-class events, activities and festivals, shops and spas, and the abundant culinary experiences and luxurious accommodations that line the pedestrian-friendly streets of Vail Village and Lionshead. Vail is where outdoor pursuits meet village sophistication. Offering more than 5,200 acres of developed ski and snowboard terrain including seven legendary Back Bowls in winter, and flourishing with new summer activities in preparation for the debut of Epic Discovery in 2016, the options for year-round adventure are endless. Coupled with the vision inherent in the spirit of Vail's founders, and a modern day commitment to excellence in all aspects of guest service and operations, Vail is a mountain resort like nothing on earth.