



Need to know - McDonalds Citizens 50 mile Tour May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 8:00am. 30th Street and East 2nd Ave Durango.

-If you registered on or before May 19th you will receive your bib number in the mail. If you registered after May 19, you will pick up your bib number at Animas City Park located at 32nd Street and East 2nd Ave in Durango from 4p to 8p on Friday May 28th. This is a drive through pickup, please stay in your car. If you have a registration question, please contact [registration@ironhorsebicycleclassic.com](mailto:registration@ironhorsebicycleclassic.com) as soon as possible.

- You can drop off a bag of clothes to be delivered to Silverton Friday May 28th 4PM to 8PM (Animas City Park 32nd Street and East 2nd Ave). Look for the BAG DROP sign and truck. Please use the labeling products provided and make it a small bag. Bags will be loaded onto the truck and delivered the next morning to Silverton ahead of the riders.

- Your ride starts at 8:00am. Please be there 10 minutes earlier for staging. Given COVID related challenges and protocols we encourage Tour riders to start from their home, lodging location etc.. versus coming to the start area. The road will be ready for you as you roll out towards Silverton. Many riders start early each year.

**If you have friends or family picking you up in Silverton, please have them leave Durango by 7:30am and proceed to Silverton.**

- Finisher gifts will be given out for tour riders in Silverton just past the finish line on the left as you exit the shoot. You must have a bib# to get a gift. This year's gifts are a set of front and rear blinky lights.
- To prepare for the next day, put you bib # on your jersey. Numbers must be visible on the

course at all times. There are adequate aid stations on the ride but if in doubt, prepare and have a bit of extra water/bottles, food, spare clothes and long gloves for the ride. It will be cold on the passes and downhill sections. Plan ahead for inclement weather and be prepared. You will be riding through an austere mountain environment in May. Check the weather forecast ahead of time.

- In case of inclement weather on the passes we may shorten or cancel the event. That information will be posted no later than 7am at the start.- Please make every effort to ride to the start as parking in downtown Durango is limited. We have a maximum amount of time that riders can be on the road. **We will pull riders from the road at 12:40 PM at Coal Bank Pass and 1:20 PM on Molas Pass.** We must have the road completely clear of cyclists by 1:30pm as that is when we must open the highway up for a large amount of return traffic out of Silverton and there is a big risk to riders descending at that time who may think the road is still closed. Riders that are pulled will be transported by bus, bikes and truck to the Silverton finish. You can meet up with your bike there near the finish line. **If you do not feel you can make it over the passes in the time allowed, utilize early start.** The Colorado State Patrol manages removing riders from the course, and there are no exceptions. Plan ahead and start early if you are concerned. Please do not try to persuade CSP to let you keep riding. They allow us to close the road so please respect their role and help in our event.
- NO IPODS/EARBUDS – they are a safety issue.
- **Crossing the yellow center line is not allowed. The road will narrow 10 miles north of Town at the Hermosa Creek Bridge and riders will go from the width of two lanes to the width of just under one lane for approximately 1 mile as you cross over the train tracks. Please slow down and be careful in that section.**
- Always stay to the right hand side of the road throughout the course. The first 25 miles will have cars on the road in both directions up to Purgatory Ski Resort. **Even though half of the course is closed, there is potential for ambulances and Colorado State Patrol to be coming in the opposite direction, stay in your lane and do not cross the yellow line.** There will be riders of varying pace around you at all times. Keep an eye out for hazards on the road such as potholes and debris, especially at the start when you are in a large group or descending. Safety is our first priority.
- We make every effort prior to the event start regarding weather and a shortened or cancelled event. However, if you are on the course and the weather deteriorates, emergency busses are stationed on top of Coal Bank Pass, Lime Creek Road and Molas Pass. Based on how severe the weather becomes, Colorado State Patrol can stop

events and direct people to busses or aid stations for assistance and communication. Please make your way to one of those locations for safety and warmth as needed or directed. Additionally, there are emergency personnel, Ham radio operators, official vehicles and aid stations along the course. Ask any personnel if you need assistance. All aid stations and Ham radio operators can communicate with emergency personnel.

- There are aid stations at the bottom of Shalona Hill (10 miles north), Haviland Lake, (approx 16 miles north), Purgatory Nordic Center, and Coal Bank Pass. The stations have liquids and food items. Do not rely solely only on the aid stations, take a supply of items on your own. We do not provide mechanical support. Please bring your own repair provisions **\*\*There are porta potties at the start line. Bottom of Shalona, Haviland Lake, Purgatory Nordic Center, Coal Bank Pass, Lime Creek Road, Molas Pass, finish line in Silverton. \*\*There is a course map under each event tab for each event on our website.**
- When you arrive in Silverton you will ride down the main street to the end of town and the finish line. Please stay in the middle of the road in the coned off bike lane as you ride through Silverton. The main street is still open to traffic on either side of you but it will be minimal.
- Upon arrival under the finishing truss and chute, clear the finish line and enter the Memorial Park area to your left. There are bathrooms available on the north end of the park just after the finish line on your left as you go up the hill. If you have provided a bag to be delivered to Silverton, look for baggage area as you enter the park on the left of the finishing chute.
- There are many restaurants within Silverton, please patronize these businesses as they help make the race possible.
- Thank you for joining our event, we hope you have a great ride and a nice experience in our area.

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