



What you need to know - McDonalds Citizens 50 mile Tour May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
8:00am. College and Camino Del Rio, Durango Co

\*\* If you registered before April 15, 2018, your bib number will be mailed to you the first week of May **with the exception of zip codes 81301/81302/81303/81122/81137/81326**. Those zip codes and riders registering after April 15, 2018 will pick up your bib number Friday May 26<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 PM -7:00 PM at Buckley Park, 12<sup>th</sup> and Main, Durango.

- You can drop off a bag of clothes to be delivered to Silverton Friday May 25 3:00PM to 7:00PM at Buckley Park (12<sup>th</sup> and Main Durango) Please use labeling products provided and make it a small bag. Bag will be loaded on to truck and delivered the next morning to Silverton ahead of the riders.

**If you have a friend or family picking you up in Silverton, they must be past Purgatory Ski Area (25 miles north of Durango) by 7:45 am and proceed to Silverton before road closes.**

- Finisher gifts will be given out for tour riders in Silverton. You must have bib# to get gift.
- Prepare for the next day, put on bib # and also # on bike. Numbers must be visible on course at all times. Prepare bottles, food, spare clothes for ride. It will be cold on passes and downhill sections. Plan ahead for inclement weather and be prepared.
- In case of inclement weather on the passes we may shorten or cancel the event. That info will be posted at 7am at Tour start or on course if weather deteriorates during event.

- Tour starts are as follows: You can leave at the informal early bird start at 7am from College and Main St, or with formal start at 8:00 AM and the train whistle at the same location.
- Please make every effort to ride to start as parking in downtown Durango is limited. We have a maximum amount of time that riders can be on road. We will pull riders from road at 12:40 PM at Coal Bank Pass and 1:20 PM on Molas Pass. We must have road completely clear of cyclists by 1:30pm. Riders that are pulled will be transported by bus, bikes by truck to Silverton finish. If you do not feel you can make it in time allowed, utilize early start. The Colorado State Patrol manages removing riders from course, there are no exceptions. Plan ahead and start early if you are concerned.
- ***NO IPODS/Earbuds – they are a safety issue. If we identify riders using IPODS or other MP3 players we will remove them from course.***
- Once you are on road, keep in mind to always stay to right of road, the first 20 miles will have cars on road both directions. Additionally there will be racers who have started earlier on the course or may be coming up behind you. Also keep an eye out for hazards on the road such as potholes and debris. This is a high mountain road and things change quickly. When you reach Purgatory Ski Area the road is completely closed with exception of support and emergency vehicles. Continue to stay to right in case vehicles have to move on course. **Safety is our first priority.**
- \*\*\*\* If the weather deteriorates, emergency busses are stationed on top of Coal Bank Pass, Lime Creek Road and Molas Pass. Based on how severe weather becomes, Colorado State Patrol can stop event, direct people to busses and clear roads. Please make your way to one of those locations for safety and warmth.\*\*\*\* Additionally, there are emergency personnel along the course, ask any official vehicle, or aid station if you need assistance. All aid stations can communicate with emergency personnel.
- There are aid stations at The bottom of Shalona Hill, 10 miles north, Haviland Lake, approx 16 miles north, then at Purgatory Ski Area 25 miles up, Coal Bank Pass (30 miles), then minimal aid at Molas Pass which is top of last climb before descent into Silverton (approx 7 miles). These stations have liquids and food items. Do not rely 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 Haviland Lake, Coal Bank Pass, and Lime Creek Road \*\***

- When you arrive in Silverton you will ride down the main street to end of town and finish line.
- Upon arrival, leave the chute area and enter in Memorial Park area. There are bathrooms available in the park. If you have provided a bag to be delivered to Silverton, look for baggage area.
- If you have scheduled return transportation you should deliver your bicycle to the truck loading area, North and East of the finish line. They will ask to see your ticket (on back of jersey bib #. Make sure your bike number stays on your bike, so you can match it with your bib number when you pick up your bike. Bikes are loaded on trucks, with a blanket separating bikes. We do everything we can to take care of bikes, **we are not responsible for damage**. We have had no major issues to date, if you are concerned find another means for bike return. Take all seat packs, bottles, computers etc off bikes to ensure they do not get lost.
- There are many restaurants within Silverton, along with a few vendors selling food in Memorial Park. Silverton is a small town, it gets very crowded, expect to have a wait at restaurants, and plan accordingly if you need to catch a bus or train.
- If you have scheduled return transportation, plan accordingly. Busses begin departure for Durango at 1:30PM. And leave as they fill. We do not have a seating system, first come, first serve. Get there early! If you have chosen the train, It will leave at 1:30PM. The train station is south and east of finish line.
- Bus Riders will be returned to Durango High School in Durango on 24<sup>th</sup> and main St, busses will then proceed south towards train station for another drop off. Please plan accordingly with your own vehicles to get you back to your lodging location. Trains riders will be dropped at the Train Station in Downtown Durango.
- Bikes will be returned to Durango High School. Bike pickup will be from 2:00PM-7:00PM. All bikes must be picked up! We do not keep them

overnight. You must have bib number that matches your bike # to take your bike. Volunteers help with bike pickup, please be kind.

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- There are racing events Sunday May 27<sup>th</sup> in Downtown Durango, There will be beer gardens and cycling events. Please come down and check it out. Please join the excitement.
- Thank you for joining the tradition, we encourage all participants to take in what our area has to offer. Please keep in mind an event that has lasted this long has done so because of the outpouring of support from our participants, volunteers, sponsors, law enforcement and community. We are happy to have you here. We hope you enjoy your experience!!!
- **The IHBC contributes a portion of all entry fees to supporting the Mercy Health Foundation and other programs in our region.**