

# Frequently Asked Questions: Mount Diablo Challenge Sunday, September 25, 2016

## Awards & Prizes:

Medal Prizes – for both USA Sanctioned Race & Gran Fondo

- Gold, Silver, Bronze medals for podium finishers of each 5-year age category for both male and female.
- Fourth through 6<sup>th</sup> winners' ribbons for each age category

Traditional "One Hour" Finishers T Shirts (*sponsored by CA Technologies*)

- Men- all riders that finish in 1 hour or less (must be 1:00.00 or less)
- Women- 20-minute bonus. Women that ride the race in 1 hour 20 minutes or less. (must be 1:20:00 or less)

Ride your Age (*sponsored by Encina Veterinary Hospital & Propel Bike Coaching and Fitting*)

- Win a Mount Diablo Challenge Jersey
- Ride Your Age

Men:

Ride the race in the number of minutes equal to or less than the years you have been on this earth! Must ride your age or under. (i.e. – 70 year old man qualifies if finished at 1:10:00 or less; would not qualify if finished at 1:10:01)

Women:

20-minute bonus! Subtract 20 minutes from your time and Ride Your Age!

(i.e. – 70 year old woman qualifies if finished at 1:30:00 or less; would not qualify if finished at 1:30:01)

Overall Podium Winners: - Great Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> places!

- Men's Podium
- Women's Podium
- Alternative Bikes
  - Tandem Adult
  - Tandem Adult/Child
  - Mt Bike
  - Fixed Gear
  - Unicycle

## ***Awards & Prizes (continued):***

### Raffles:

- Listen for your bib number to win.

### Grand Raffle:

- Carbon Fiber Wheelset Prize!!!!
- Awarded at the conclusion Awards Ceremonies.
- Must be present to win

### Finishers Medals:

- I finished and I'm proud of it!
- Pick up your Finishers Medal at designated table

### Course Record:

This year's winning times for each 5-year category will be the benchmark going forward

## **Benefits:**

Save Mount Diablo, a 501(c)(3):

Since Save Mount Diablo's founding in 1971, preserved open space has increased from less than 7,000 acres to over 110,000 acres in more than 40 parks. Mount Diablo is still threatened by development. That could mean the loss of wildlife corridors, ecosystems and recreational opportunities. Your support will preserve these natural lands forever to safeguard our quality of life, including the quality of our air, water and views.

## **Bike Types:**

Needs to be a non-motorized bike. May be a road bike tandem adult/adult, tandem adult/child, mountain bike, fixed gear, unicycle or other "non-motorized" bike. E-Bikes are not allowed.

## **Day of Event Schedule:**

7:00 AM	Registration opens at Monte Vista High School 3131 Stone Valley Road, Danville, CA 94526
7:00 AM	VIP Registration opens at Athenian School
7:45 AM	Clothing Crew packs up first boxes to take to summit
8:00 AM	Last SMD Staff leave for the summit
8:00 AM	Clothing to the top / Riders in position in assigned wave Full announcements

**Day of Event Schedule (continued):**

8:15 AM	VIP Wave
8:30 AM	Wave 1 – USAC Cat P 1-3 Men (limit 150)
8:35 AM	Wave 2 – USAC Cat 4-5 Men; USAC Cat 1-4 Women (limit 150)
8:40 AM	Wave 3 (limit 150 riders in order of signup)
8:45 AM	Wave 4 (limit 150 riders in order of signup)
8:50 AM	Wave 5 (limit 150 riders in order of signup)
8:55 AM	Wave 6 (limit 150 riders in order of signup)
10:30 AM	Awards Ceremony begins
NOON	Finish line closes
12:15pm	MDSP takes down cyclists in FIVE groups EVERY 10 MINUTES (everyone required to go down South Gate Rd; North Gate Rd will be closed)
1:00 PM	All bicycles gone from the Summit Lots / everyone else allowed to drive Down (everyone required to go down South Gate Rd.; North Gate Rd will be closed).

**Diablo C.C.:**

**Do NOT cut through the Diablo Community. You must stay on Diablo Road/Mount Diablo Scenic Blvd. both to/from the event.**

**Earbuds/Headphones:**

Are NOT allowed during the race or on the descent.

**Elevation:**

From start line to summit of Mount Diablo is an 11.2 mile, uphill climb to 3,249 feet.

**Fees:**

Early Registration \$80.00 (until midnight PST on 9/02/16)  
Late Registration- \$100.00 (9/03/16 – 9/18/16 midnight PST)

Registration fee is NON-transferable and NON-refundable!  
Registration fee is not tax deductible nor considered a donation to SMD

Registration closes at 11:59 pm (PST), Sunday, September 18, 2016

**Fees (continued):**

Limited "Day of" Registrations available at Monte Vista High School

USA Cycling Sanctioned Division – additional \$3.75 fee. USA Cycling License required. Visit USA Cycling website to purchase a license prior to registering.

Become a New Save Mount Diablo Member @ \$35 with your registration and get a \$10.00 discount on registration. Membership fee is 100% tax deductible and considered a donation to SMD.

VIP Donation - \$100. Donation is 100% tax deductible and considered a donation to SMD. VIP Donation Includes the following:

- Ride in the VIP Wave – 15 minutes before USA Cycling racers
  - Preferred parking at Athenian School (all others must park at MVHS)
  - VIP racing chip & package pick up at Athenian School (all others at MVHS)
- \*\*\* Must pay separately for registration and if applicable the USA Cycling Sanctioned Division fees.

Event T-Shirt - \$20 (50% is tax deductible/donation to SMD). Must order by the early registration date (9/2/16) to guarantee a shirt/size. Sorry, no XS sizes available.

Event Jersey – you must purchase via Jakroo. This is non-tax deductible/not a donation to SMD.

**Food:** BBQ included with registration (*sponsored Slow Hand BBQ*)

**Jersey:** Event Jersey - you must purchase via Jakroo. This is non-tax deductible/not a donation to SMD.

**Helmet:** All riders, including tandem riders, must wear bicycle helmets at all times when on their bicycles. No helmet – no participation!

**Leave Early:** No, you may not leave early. The Mount Diablo State Park District requires controlled descents. The first descent will begin at approx. 12:15 pm. Total 5 waves every 5 minutes.

**Limits:** The ride is limited to 1,000 riders. Online registrations will not work after the limit is reached. Any mail-in applications received after the limit will be returned.

**Miles:** 11.2 miles, uphill climb up Southgate Road 3,249 feet to the summit of Mount Diablo. Upon finishing, cyclists will drop down to the lower summit parking lot (Expo Area)

**Minors:**

Children under the age of 18 must have an adult accompany the minor at all times.  
Tandem Riders Adult/Child – only require one registration fee

**Parking:**

All cyclists, except for VIP Cyclists (see FAQ VIP section) are to park at Monte Vista High School, 3131 Stone Valley Road, Danville, CA 94526 and take a short ride/warm up to the start area by Athenian School.

**Photography, Images & Materials Publications:**

By participating in our event you are providing consent & permission to giving irrevocable consent and permission to Save Mount Diablo and their respective successors and assigns, sponsors, licensees, affiliates, and employees for the following and without expectation of compensation or other remuneration:

- A) To film, photograph, tape or otherwise record a video or audio
- B) Use your name, image and visual or audio recordings (regardless of the medium in which your name, image or statement appear, including audio recordings, video recordings, photographs, electronic images and the like from the Internet via social media sites), original materials created by you in connection with the Event;
- C) To use, reproduce, publish, exhibit, distribute and transmit, in perpetuity, the Materials, in whole or in part, in any print, broadcast or electronic media not know or hereafter developed, including the Internet and social media, (1) for education and awareness campaigns, fundraising, in connection with the promotion of Save Mount Diablo or programs and/or for any other legitimate purpose, (ii) to create composite or computer-manipulated materials from the Materials (iii) without compensation.
- D) Save Mount Diablo will not share your personal contact information to any third party outside of registration purposes, including USA Cycling for the sanctioned component of the race.

**Questions:**

Please contact Save Mount Diablo at 925-947-3535

\*\*\* do not call to ask:

Refunds – there are no refunds

Transfers – there are no transfers

Wait Lists – there are no wait lists

Missed Late Registration – there will be “day of registration” if not sold out.

**Refunds:**

Registration fee is non-transferable & non-refundable. Registration fee is not tax deductible nor considered a donation to Save Mount Diablo.

**Registration:**

Must have an ID & a bike helmet to pick up your bib & packet. Bib pick up will be by last name.

Registration for all cyclists, except for VIPs will be at the Monte Vista High School parking lot. It will be a short warm-up ride from MVHS to the start line at Athenian School. **Do NOT cut through the Diablo Community. Please stay on Diablo Road/Mount Diablo Scenic Blvd. both to/from the event.**

VIP donation includes registration & parking at Athenian School. See VIP section.

**Registration Confirmation:**

If you register online, you will receive email confirmation from the online system.

If you register by mail, we will enter the information via the online registration software and you will receive a registration confirmation.

**Requirements:**

To register for the 2016 Mount Diablo Challenge, all cyclists MUST fill out an official registration form (online acceptable), sign the SMD liability release form (online acceptable), must sign the hard copy USA Cycling waiver form and pay the fees.

**Responsibility:**

Riders must wear bicycle helmets at all times when on their bicycles.

Riders are responsible to ensure that their bicycles are in superb mechanical condition.

Riders should carry a spare tube, patch kit, pump, a water bottle, money & identification.

Please be courteous to other road users. Though MDSP will be closed to the public, there will be authorized vehicles/motorcycles on the road between the start/finish areas and at the expo area.

During the descent, cyclists are required to stay to the right side of the road as there may be cyclists still ascending the climb, and/or authorized vehicles/motorcycles will be on the road.

North Gate entrance to the park will be closed during the entire event, including on the descent ride.

**SAG Vehicles:**

SAG vehicles will be available to help you if they can & will take you to the summit. SAG drivers will carry minimal spare equipment and you will be asked to pay for any supplies used; carry some cash.

**Sanctioned Race Division:**

Must hold a valid annual or one-day license. One day license may be purchased through Event registration.

**Spectators:**

Due to limited parking/space at the Upper & Lower Summits, spectators will not be allowed on the bike route.

See Volunteer section, if would like to help.

**Sweat Check:**

Trainers may be dropped off at the Athenian school, no earlier than 6am. You will be asked to drop off the trainer at the corner of Diablo Rd. & Mount Diablo Scenic Blvd. You will be re-directed to turn around and head back to MVHS to park unless you are a VIP Cyclist and on the authorized list to park at Athenian School. We are not responsible for your personal belongings.

At Athenian School, there will be two sweat check areas:

1) Staying at Athenian:

Items are to be placed on the tarp by the Soccer Field. This sweat check is for items staying down at Athenian! There will be a volunteer in that area till about 1pm. We are not responsible for your personal belongings.

2) Going up to the Expo Area prior to start of race:

Boxes by the start line (on the street). These boxes will be driven up to the top at 7:45 am, prior to the start of the race. Your belongings will be waiting for you at the Expo Area in the Lower Summit parking lot. You MUST have your items in the boxes no later than 8am to guarantee they make it to the expo area before the cyclists start the race. We are not responsible for personal belongings.

**T-Shirt:**

Event T-Shirt is \$20 (50% is tax deductible/donation to SMD). Must order by the early registration date to guarantee a shirt/size. Sorry, no XS sizes available.

**Tandem:**

Adult/Adult – must pay for two registrations

Adult/Child – only need to pay for one registration

**Tax Donation:**

## Non-Taxable:

Registration Fee – not tax deductible nor considered a donation to SMD  
USA Sanctioned Fee – not tax deductible/ fees to USA Cycling  
Event Jersey – not tax deductible/fees to Jakroo

## Taxable:

VIP Donation – 100% tax deductible/donation to SMD  
SMD Membership – 100% tax deductible/donation to SMD  
Event T-Shirt – 50% tax deductible/donation to SMD

**Timing Chips/Bibs:**

You will be assigned a helmet timing chip AND a body bib. The body bib is to be pinned on the back torso area. Your time starts when you cross the start line.

**Trainers:**

Trainers may be dropped off at the Athenian school, no earlier than 6am. You will be asked to drop off the trainer and turn back and park at MVHS (unless you are a VIP cyclists). We are not responsible for your personal belongings.

There will be a “sweat check” area by the soccer field to drop off personal items during the event. We are not responsible for your personal belongings.

**Transfers:**

Registration fee is non-transferable & non-refundable. Registration fee is not tax deductible nor considered a donation to Save Mount Diablo.

**Trash:**

Cyclists are to not litter the roads with any trash, including wrappers!

**USA Cycling:**

Sanctioned Race Division is through USA Cycling. Cyclists must hold a valid annual or one-day license. One day license must be purchased via USA Cycling website.

**Vendor Booths:**

There will be several vendor booths at the Expo Area (Lower Summit Parking Lot). Please bring your cash!

**VIP Sponsor:**

Includes the following:

- Ride in the VIP Wave – 15 minutes before USA Cycling racers
- Preferred parking at Athenian School (all others must park at MVHS)
- VIP racing chip and package pick up at Athenian School (all others at MVHS)



**Volunteers:**

If you would like to volunteer to help with the Mount Diablo Challenge, you may visit our sign up page via <http://signup.com/go/HcXA2v>

**Waiting List:**

We will no longer offer a waiting list once we sell out in each group. Your time starts when you cross the start line.

You may purchase the VIP Donation if you would like to start 15 minutes ahead of the USA Cycling racers.