



# THE ROAD CHAMPIONSHIP WEEKEND



## THE FORT HOOD CHALLENGE:



Held under USAC Permit 2009-2403

SAT OCT 10							
EVENT	START	LAPS / MILES	PURSE (PLACES)	PRICE	FIELD LIMIT	CHAMP. JERSEY	EVENT SPECIFIC NOTES
Chris Hipp Memorial P1 Championship	0800	3 / 99	\$1000 (15)	\$35	125	Yes *	
Cat 2 Championship	0800	3 / 99	Racing for P1 Purse	\$35	125	Yes *	If sponsorship improves and pre-reg numbers permit second race we will divide these two events ~ announce by 9/15/09
Cat 3 Championship	0830	2 / 66	\$500 (8)	\$35	100	Yes *	
Women P12 Championship	0845	2 / 66	\$500 (8)	\$35	100	Yes *	
Women C3 Championship	0845	2 / 66	Racing for WP12 Purse	\$35	100	Yes *	
Cat 4 Championship	0900	2 / 66	\$250	\$35	100	Yes *	
Cat 5 Championship	<b>1300</b> New time	1 / 33	Trophies (8)	\$35	50	Yes *	Open to US Citizens or Permanent Residents who are Texas Residents with an annual USAC license holders ONLY
Women Cat 4 Championship	<b>1330</b> New time	1 / 33	Trophies (8)	\$35	100	Yes *	
Military Open	<b>1345</b> New time	1 / 33	Trophies (8)	Free	50	No	Open to all serving military personnel / must have either annual or 1 day license (\$10 purchasable on-site)
Cat 5 B	<b>1345</b> New time	1 / 33	Trophies	\$35	50	No	
Cat Too (too old, too fat, too slow, too many years shaving your legs to stop now, etc.)	<b>1400</b> New time	1 / 33	None ~ but you have to at least look like you're racing!	\$35	75	Hahaha	Racer must have either a valid USAC license M 1 - 5 / W1-4 or purchase a 1-day on-site (proof of a past USAC license from within the last decade, preferred)

The course is a 33 mile loop of scenic paved roads **completely closed to traffic**. There are challenging climbs and descents. The course is entirely on Fort Hood, a US Army military base, and as such, all participants must sign a military event participation waiver and are subject to military rules and regulations. Free-range wild cattle live in the area of the event and may present themselves on the course without warning. This will be like no other Texas racing experience.

The Start line will be on the south side of Old Georgetown road near the intersection of Elijah Road. On-site registration and results will be posted in the general vicinity of the intersection of Elijah Road and Old Georgetown road. Parking will be in the large crushed rock "field" on the Southwest corner of the intersection. The Finish line will be placed on the Eastern leg of Elijah Road near the intersection. The Feed Zone will be placed between the Finish line and the corner of Elijah and Old Georgetown roads. Maps will be posted at [www.theracingpost.us](http://www.theracingpost.us)

On the morning of the event, all participants must approach the venue from Elijah Road heading east from Rt 166 so as to not cross the course. You may freely come and go from the parking area at any time during the race using this route.



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<b>SUN OCT 11</b>							
<b>EVENT</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>LAPS / MILES</b>	<b>PURSE (PLACES)</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>FIELD LIMIT</b>	<b>CHAMP. JERSEY</b>	<b>EVENT SPECIFIC NOTES</b>
Men U23	0800	2 / 66	\$1000 (15)	\$35	100	Yes *	
Men 23 - 29	0800	2 / 66	Racing for U23 Purse	\$35	100	Yes *	
Men 30 - 34	0815	2 / 66	\$500 (8)	\$35	100	Yes *	
Men 35 - 39	0815	2 / 66	Racing for Men 30 - 34 Purse	\$35	100	Yes *	
Men 40 - 44	0915	2 / 66	\$350 (5)	\$35	100	Yes *	
Men 45 - 49	0915	2 / 66	Racing for M40 - 44 Purse	\$35	100	Yes *	
Women U23	0930	1 / 33	\$500 (8)	\$35	100	Yes *	
Women 23 - 29	0930	1 / 33	Racing for U23 Purse	\$35	100	Yes *	
Women 30 - 34	0930	1 / 33	Racing for U23 Purse	\$35	100	Yes *	Bonus of \$75 / \$50 / \$25 for first 3 30 - 34 riders (if more than 8 riders are pre-logged)
Junior Men 17 - 18	<b>1245</b> New time	1 / 33	Trophies (5)	\$10	100	Yes *	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
Junior Men 15 - 16	<b>1245</b> New time	1 / 33	Trophies (5)	\$10	100	Yes *	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
Men 50 - 54	<b>1300</b> New time	1 / 33	\$250 (5)	\$35	100	Yes *	
Men 55 - 59	<b>1300</b> New time	1 / 33	Racing for M50 - 54 Purse	\$35	100	Yes *	
Men 60 - 64	<b>1315</b> New time	1 / 33	Trophies (8)	\$35	100	Yes *	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
Men 65 +	<b>1315</b> New time	1 / 33	Racing for M60 - 64 trophies	\$35	100	Yes *	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
Junior Women 15 - 16	<b>1330</b> New time	1 / 33	Trophies (5)	\$10	50	Yes*	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
Junior Women 17 - 18	<b>1330</b> New time	1 / 33	Trophies (5)	\$10	100	Yes *	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
Women 35 - 44	<b>1330</b> New time	1 / 33	Trophies (8)	\$35	100	Yes *	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
Women 45 - 54	<b>1330</b> New time	1 / 33	Racing for W35 - 44 trophies	\$35	100	Yes *	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
Women 55+	<b>1330</b> New time	1 / 33	Racing for W35 - 44 trophies	\$35	100	Yes *	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
<b>Junior Events: 10 - 12</b>							All events start at 0800 on the course the specified distance from the Finish Line. Racers must be delivered at their respective start area by 0730 and cars moving off the course by 0740
Junior Men 10 - 12	0800	20K	Trophies (5)	\$10	50	Yes*	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
Junior Women 10 - 12	0800	20K	Trophies (5)	\$10	50	Yes *	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
Junior Men 13 - 14	0800	20K	Trophies (5)	\$10	50	Yes*	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter
Junior Women 13 - 14	0800	20K	Trophies (5)	\$10	50	Yes*	Must have 8 riders pre-logged to have championship jersey from promoter



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## IMPORTANT NOTES: (THEY'RE IN RANDOM ORDER, SO YOU SHOULD READ ALL OF THEM)

\* **Championship Eligibility:** Championship Jerseys and medals are for US Citizens or Permanent Residents who are Texas Residents with valid annual licenses. Others racers in these events may compete and win purses, but they are not part of the championship awards. All championship events, regardless of pre-reg participant count or promoter supplied Championship Jersey will receive USAC medals, three places deep. Those not given jerseys can purchase jerseys at promoter cost or ask TXBRA to purchase them afterwards.

The Cat 5A event is limited to those who qualify for the Championship. All other 5s must race 5B

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- Pre-Registration is at BikeReg ... [www.bikereg.com](http://www.bikereg.com) where their registration charges are additional to race fees on the flyer. **THERE IS A \$20 SECOND RACE DISCOUNT TILL OCTOBER 1<sup>st</sup> !!!!**
  - **On-Site Registration Fee** - \$10 additional (one-time charge) and no second event discount.
  - We will announce race week the location of the pre-race packet pick-up for Friday night.
  - Assume numbers on the left and back ~ don't crinkle them.
  - A separate Cat 2 race will be announced if we have enough Cat 1s and/or get some more sponsorship to make the race reasonable for both. We will announce by 9/15/2009 both on the TXBRA forum and [www.theracingpost.us](http://www.theracingpost.us)
  - All USAC rules in effect / Event held no matter what the precipitation condition is.
  - NO PRIVATE VEHICLES ARE ALLOWED ON THE COURSE FOR ANY REASON, except Sunday morning for Junior Racer delivery.
  - Wheels in / Wheels out unless promoter / officials deem there are enough for neutral wheels
  - There is NO Junior 10 – 12 or 13 - 14 Registration on Sunday
  - **For Junior Men 10 – 12 / 13- 14 and for Women 10 – 12 / 13 - 14, there are special mileage restrictions.** With the course being closed it would be impossible to have them start at the Start Line and finish out on the course while ensuring them a safe and quick return. So, we will start them 20K from the finish line, out on the course and have them race to the Finish Line. The 20K Start area will be on a map available on [www.theracingpost.us](http://www.theracingpost.us) and will be marked by large Ductape Stripes (what else) across the road. Those delivering the juniors may drive the opposite direction on the course but, in any case, must deliver them by 0730 on Sunday morning and depart within 10 minutes to be completely off the course by 0800. There will be no facilities at these special start areas so we're reminding you to bring everything you will need. (Rollouts at the finish) There will be two volunteers at each start location so the children will be appropriately supervised. This event will have an official and a follow vehicle as well. They'll be okay.
  - Promoter may combine, change or adjust payouts for events with fewer than 20 pre-regged participants.
  - There will be a neutral water feed area on the far side of the course manned by Copperas Cove volunteers on a best effort basis. They will feed from the right. There will be signs for this 200 meters in advance. IF you want to participate in this feed area, you must be there before 0715 and stay the entire racing day.
  - There will be follow / Sag vehicles for all events and several will sweep the course during the day. If you are in distress, please signal passing vehicles. Riders standing by the side of the road will be deemed tired but capable of finishing under their own power. We will have roving Sags to pick up those in distress.
  - Riders out of contention for an event must yield to approaching packs by going neutral and moving to the (safest) extreme edge of the road. You may not work with any event except the one in which you're registered.
  - There are no facilities at the venue past Portapotties. Bring everything you'll need. You can warm up on the South leg of Old Georgetown Road from the start line to the Police Check Point which should provide miles of fun and a few interesting hills.

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- Things that are not ready to be announced (if they ever will be) at sanctioning
  - Hot Spots for Sunday
  - Primes for Lap Winners in various events.
  - Flag raising or Posting of the Colors ceremony and the National Anthem. Figure Saturday dawn at the start line. Please observe suitable decorum during this short ceremony.
  - Sunday Dawn Prayer – away from the central area – 1 verse, 1 song, 1 prayer. In & out in 10 minutes. More info at [www.theracingpost.us](http://www.theracingpost.us)
- This is a new venue. Things are bound to get a bit confusing till we figure out where to put the Registration Tents, the results, and all the stuff we take for granted on a venue we've used before. Please have a sense of humor on race morning(s).
- There is no scheduled military training during our visit. There should be no military or non-military vehicles on/near the course whatsoever. If you do see some, assume they don't/can't see you and make it your responsibility to avoid contact. There should be no live fire during our visit (no artillery, no small arms – friendly or foreign). IF there is any incursion to our venue by any vehicles, military or not, Officials and Promotion staff will contact the authorities. IF there is any change to the race status, we'll let everyone know fast.
- Please remember we're guests on a military reservation during wartime; an invitation which we had to work hard to get. If anyone who even remotely looks like an authority figure addresses you ~ even during Race Face Preparation and transformation from normal human to "Roadie" ~ please be overtly polite and completely responsive. Find me, not the registration volunteers, nor the officials, to sort out any such problems and I promise to give you the needed attention as soon as I can. I have asked the Security Officials to work with me first on any non-life-threatening or non-security breach issues. Okay, what this means is that even if you're off the back, don't go exploring the Mock Iraqi village or the Simulated Down-town Bagdad training facilities (both of which are along the course).
- If at any time you see something that looks like it might be an artillery shell, hand grenade, anything that might go "boom," snake, Gila Monster or anything that looks like it eats other things ~ don't touch it, keep riding ~ We will sweep the course for such items the night before and the morning of the race. (The cattle are not tame.)