

## 51st Annual Ute Cup

## Rider Information August 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 LaGarita, CO



Welcome riders, please read and abide by the following:

We are holding this event on National Forest land under a special use permit. We are allowed to ride off the trail only on the two days of the Ute Cup. There will be NO SECTION RIDING before or after the event.

- 1. **COVID-19:** Hopefully this will not be an issue this year; however, in response to the COVID-19 epidemic we will be complying with current guidelines to prevent the spread of the disease. Plan on practicing social distancing and bring a face covering and enough sanitizer to get through the weekend. If you're sick or think you may have been in contact with someone with the virus, please stay home.
- 2. <u>Site Location</u>: This is a very remote location approximately 20 miles off pavement, in the Rio Grande National Forrest 11,000 feet above sea level. The site is accessible by any two-wheel-drive vehicle and most RVs; however, smaller is better as the road is steep with sharp turns and parking is going to be limited. There will not be any concessions, drinking water, gas, or garbage collection available at the site. You will need to take out what you bring in. Portable toilets will be provided.
- 3. <u>Camping/Lodging:</u> There is primitive camping available at the trials site and developed camping and hotels in and around the towns of Del Norte and South Fork. We anticipate most competitors will be camping at the trials site.
- 4. <u>Practice area:</u> There are numerous trail systems around the area; however, most require you stay on the trail. If you arrive early and want a place to practice, the area north of Howard, CO known as Turkey Rock is open to trials practice. This site is where we have staged many nationals.
- 5. <u>Tech Inspection:</u> You will need to go through tech inspection before Registration/Sign up. There are the usual things plus all **bikes must be clean** to prevent introducing unwanted things like whirling disease, Chytrid Fungus, and noxious weeds. You will need to have a Colorado **OHV sticker** on your bike for this event and for any other riding you do while you're in Colorado. These permits can be obtained in any Colorado motorcycle shop, any retail location selling hunting and fishing licenses, or online at Shop CPW (OHV stickers may also be available at checkin for \$25). You will also be required to have a US Forest Service approved **spark arrestor** on your exhaust at the start and for the duration of the event. If you are found riding without a spark arrestor you will be disqualified for the entire event.
- 6. Registration/Sign up: This is an AMA sanctioned event and all Riders must be a member of the AMA. We will have sign up on Friday starting at 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM and Saturday morning from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM. Please avoid the rush on Saturday morning and sign up Friday.

- 7. **Start times:** There will be a random drawing to determine starting times for Saturday. The start times on Sunday will be in reverse order. The first rider leaves at 9:00 AM Saturday and Sunday.
- 8. <u>The Trial:</u> The sections are set at the advanced intermediate level with no splits or gates for different classes—everyone rides the same line. There will be approximately 20 sections along a loop trail 20 to 30 miles long that will be ridden twice each day. Each day will have different sections and loop.
- 9. **Fuel:** There will be no fuel stops along the route, only in the pit area, so if you require extra gas, we encourage you to carry it on your bike. Be sure to bring enough gas to ride 40 to 60 miles each day.
- 10. **Speed:** We no longer recognize the fastest rider and are not encouraging fast riding at any time. There will be a cut-off time however.
- 11. <u>Safety:</u> This event is on single-track, two-track and Forrest Service roads. We share these routes with cars, hikers, mountain bikers, and people on horseback. Please share the trail and be courteous. There will be a number of riders and event people who are EMTs. The difficulty in evacuation of an injured person from most locations along the trail will be very difficult at best. If you come upon someone who is injured please assist in any way possible.
- 12. <u>Awards:</u> The ceremony will be held late Sunday afternoon at the score table as soon as results are available.
- 13. Additional information: Contact Scott Jordan at 228-669-5220 or checkitouthi@bellsouth.net

Thank you for competing in the 51st Annual Ute Cup Trial!