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Welcome!

To the 39th Annual Tour of the Gila

The Silver City/Grant County area would like to extend our warmest welcome to all teams, racers and their family members, and officials. If you are new to the Tour of the Gila, we hope you will enjoy your first race here. We have tried to supply enough information in this guide so that those who are unfamiliar with the courses will have some idea of what to expect. If you are among the many returning competitors then you already know about the challenges that await you. We also hope you know about the hospitality you may expect here. It is one of the reasons we get so many riders returning annually. Please pay respect to local residents, volunteers, corner marshals, technical support staff, etc.... They all donate their time to make this event happen. Don't be afraid to thank them.

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RACE COMMITTEE

Race Director	Jack Brennan
Technical Director/Consultant	Tom Simonson
Technical Director on-site	Andy McCord
Head of Competition	Michael Engleman
Race Results	AGR Technology
First Aid Director	Mike McMillan
Safety Manager	Sue Barsom
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Registration	Jack Brennan & Bob Schiowitz
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Finish Line Hydration	Mike McMillan & Lions Club
Neutral Support	Elite Racing Services
Wheel Support	Zack Horner
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Course Set-up and Signs	Liz Blancett, Gary Berg, Doug Gorthy, Steve Woolf & Tim Davis
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Stage and Set-up	Jeff Reese, Mandy Whitenburg, Ben Potts, PJ Garcia & Werner Tire Service
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RACE SERVICES

Technical Support	Elite Racing Services	Timing & Results	AGR Technology
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COMMISSAIRES

Cathleen Fives	Chief Referee	Randy Lejeune	Motor Commissaire
Lynn Taylor	Chief Judge	Kurt Kearcher	Motor Commissaire
Brent Lyons	Asst. Judge	Tracy Barclay	Commissaire
Steve David	Motor Commissaire	James Yahr	Commissaire
David Able	Motor Commissaire	Cyndi Smith	Commissaire



RACES OFFERED

5 Days of stage races:

Wednesday through Sunday, April 29 - May 3, 2026, for the following categories:

- UCI Men
- UCI Women

4 Days of Stage Races:

Thursday through Sunday; April 30 - May 3, 2026, for the following categories:

- Men 1,2 (40+ Bonus)
- Men 3 (40+ Bonus)

3 Days of Stage Races:

Friday through Sunday; May 1 - May 3, 2026, for the following categories:

- Women 1,2,3,4,5 (35+ Bonus, 45+ Bonus, 55+ Bonus)
- Men 4,5 (40+ Bonus)
- Master Men 1,2,3,4 (50+ Bonus, 60+ Bonus, 70+ Bonus)

REGISTRATION & PACKET PICK-UP

5-day Racers:

UCI Men and UCI Women: Grant County Veteran's Memorial Business & Conference Center, 3031 US-180 East, Silver City, Tuesday, April 28, 3 pm to 5 pm

4-day Racers:

Wednesday, April 29, 5 pm to 8 pm
Gila Hike & Bike, 103 E. College Ave., Silver City
No late registration at the start line - bib # pick-up only

3-day racers:

Thursday, April 30, 5 pm to 8 pm,
Gila Hike & Bike, 103 E. College Ave., Silver City
No late registration at the start line - bib # pick-up only

TOUR OF THE GILA PREVIOUS WINNERS					
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Year	Premier Men's Races	Premier Women's Race	Year	Premier Men's Race	Premier Women's Race
1987	Andy Bishop	Nancy Shipp	2006	Chris Baldwin	Kristin Armstrong
1988	Gavin O'Grady	Jane Marshall	2007	Nathan O'Neil	Mara Abbott
1989	John Lieswyn	Carolyn Donnelly	2008	Gregorio Ladino Vega	Leah Goldstein
1990	Andrew Miller	Carolyn Donnelly	2009	Levi Leipheimer	Kristin Armstrong
1991	Bjorn Backman	Laura Peycke	2010	Levi Leipheimer	Mara Abbott
1992	Kevin Livingston	Jane Gagne	2011	Francisco Mancebo	Clara Hughes
1993	Jose Robles	Martha Wavrin	2012	Rory Sutherland	Kristin Armstrong
1994	Andrew Miller	Carolyn Donnelly	2013	Philip Deignan	Mara Abbott
1995	Jonathan Vaughters	Carolyn Donnelly	2014	Carter Jones	Mara Abbott
1996	Burke Swindlehurst	Desiree Margagliano	2015	Rob Britton	Mara Abbott
1997	Bart Bowen		2016	Lachlan Morton	Mara Abbott
1998	Burke Swindlehurst	Jeanie Longo	2017	Evan Huffman	Taylor Wiles
1999	Chris Wherry	Kimberly Bruckner	2018	Rob Britton	Katie Hall
2000	Eric Wohlberg	Mari Holden	2019	James Piccoli	Brodie Chapman
2001	Scott Moninger	Genevieve Jeanson	2022	Sean Gardner	Lauren de Crescenzo
2002	Chris Wherry	Genevieve Jeanson	2023	Alex Hoehn	Austin Killips
2003	Drew Miller	Genevieve Jeanson	2024	Tyler Stites	Lauren Stephens
2004	Scott Moninger	Amber Neben	2025	Kieran Haug	Lauren Stephens
2005	Burke Swindlehurst	Kimberly Baldwin			

RACE SUMMARY

STAGE 1: THURSDAY, APRIL 30- MOGOLLON ROAD RACE P/B GILA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Begins at Gough Park, Silver City, ends near the ghost town of Mogollon

7:50 am	Men 1,2 (40+ Bonus)	72.9 mile(117.3km)
8:05 am	Men 3 (40+ Bonus)	72.9 miles(117.3km)
8:30 am	UCI Women	71.0 miles(114.3km)
9:40 am	UCI Men	92.0 miles(148.0km)

STAGE 2 (STAGE 1): FRIDAY, MAY 1 - INNER LOOP ROAD RACE P/B LYMAN COMMUNICATIONS

Begins in Pinos Altos, 7 miles (11.3km) north of Silver City, ends at Ft. Bayard

8:10 am	Men 4,5 (40+ Bonus)	61.3 miles(98.7km)
8:20 am	Master Men 1,2,3,4 (50+ Bonus, 60+ Bonus, 70+ Bonus)	61.3 miles(98.7km)
8:25 am	Women 1,2,3,4,5 (35+ Bonus, 45+ Bonus, 55+ Bonus)	61.3 miles(98.7km)

Begins and ends at Fort Bayard, 9 miles (14.5km) east of Silver City

9:00 am	UCI Men	76.2 miles(122.6km)
9:40 am	Men 3 (40+ Bonus)	75.0 miles(120.7km)
10:00 am	Men 1,2 (40+ Bonus)	75.0 miles(120.7km)
10:20 am	UCI Women	74.1 miles(119.3km)

STAGE 3 (STAGE 2): SATURDAY, MAY 2 - DOWNTOWN SILVER CITY CRITERIUM P/B LEADERS OF ENCHANTMENT

8:00 am	Men 4,5 (40+ Bonus)	16.2 miles(26.0km)	15 laps
8:45 am	Master Men 1,2,3,4 (50+ Bonus, 60+ Bonus, 70+ Bonus)	16.2 miles(26.0km)	15 laps
9:35 am	Women 1,2,3,4,5 (35+ Bonus, 45+ Bonus, 55+ Bonus)	16.2 miles(26.0km)	15 laps
10:25 am	Men 3 (40+ Bonus)	21.6 miles(34.8km)	20 laps
11:25 am	Men 1,2 (40+ Bonus)	21.6 miles(34.8km)	20 laps
12:30 pm	Citizen Races	Varies per age group	
1:30 pm	UCI Women	27.0 miles(43.5km)	25 laps
3:10 pm	UCI Men	43.2 miles(69.5km)	40 laps

STAGE 4 (STAGE 3): SUNDAY, MAY 3 - GILA MONSTER ROAD RACE P/B NEW MEXICO TRUE

Begins at Gough Park, Silver City, ends at Pinos Altos, 7 miles (11.3km) north of Silver City

7:30 am	Men 1,2 (40+ Bonus)	68.9 miles(110.9km)
7:40 am	Women 1,2,3,4,5 (35+ Bonus, 45+ Bonus, 55+ Bonus)	68.9 miles(110.9km)
8:00 am	Men 3 (40+ Bonus)	68.9 miles(110.9km)
8:20 am	Master Men 1,2,3,4 (50+ Bonus, 60+ Bonus, 70+ Bonus)	68.9 miles(110.9km)
8:50 am	Men 4,5 (40+ Bonus)	68.9 miles(110.9km)
9:45 am	UCI Men	100.6 miles(161.9km)
10:05 am	UCI Women	65.9 miles(106.1km)

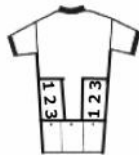
POLICIES

Rider Conduct

The Tour of the Gila depends on the good will that the race has built up within the community and the state, and the willingness of more than a hundred volunteers to contribute their efforts to the event. It is important for team riders and staff to behave in a way that reflects positively not only on their sponsors but also the race, the race sponsors and bike racing itself. Please be courteous to the volunteers. Remember that Silver City and the surrounding rural areas are not accustomed to large numbers of cyclists. Please obey traffic laws, ride safely and courteously and obstruct traffic as little as possible. Enjoy your stay in Silver City.

Special Tour of the Gila Rules

1. This race is held under USA Cycling race permit 15192; USAC rules apply.
2. **FIELD LIMIT** is 75 riders for Men 1,2; Men 3; Women 1,2,3,4,5; Master Men 1,2,3,4 and Men 4,5.
3. **LICENSE:** Riders must present their USAC license at registration.
4. **AWARDS:** Jerseys will be awarded daily. Winners' bowls for all amateur races will be given out on Sunday at a Podium Presentation near the finish line once the results become final. Award checks will be mailed to the rider, using the rider's address given on the official entry form.
5. **STAGE RACE:** This is a timed stage race.
 - Riders must finish** each stage to be eligible to compete in the next stage.
 - No time cut** will be applied.
 - Riders must sign in** for all stages.
 - Sign-in closes ten minutes before the start of the stage.
 - Failure to sign-in will be penalized as noted in the USAC rule book.
6. **RACE NUMBERS:** Only the race numbers provided by the race committee may be worn. Numbers may not be folded or trimmed.



7. **HELMETS** must be worn and securely fastened at all times

while on the bicycle from registration through the final awards ceremony.

8. **PUBLIC URINATION** is forbidden.

9. **MUSETTE BAGS:** Must be made of cloth; the use of plastic bags for hand-ups is prohibited.

10. **LITTERING** will be punished under rule 8A5(a). Riders may only discard water bottles and other materials in the feed zones, green zones marked by signs, and marshaled locations.

11. ROAD RACES

Centerline rule will be enforced. On Friday and Sunday NM15 from Pinos Altos to NM35 will be closed to non-race vehicles and both lanes are available, although riders must still be alert to the presence of vehicles.

Traffic Control: Generally the lead rider(s) will be directed through intersections. Riders behind the main field should be alert and ready to obey traffic rules.

Hill Climb Finishes: The Mogollon and Gila Monster stages are considered to be a hill climb finish, and is an exception to the final 3km mishap rule. The Race Commission will determine the applicability of this rule to particular circumstances.

12. **CRITERIUM FREE LAP RULE** is in effect in the criterium. The last time that a rider may re-enter the race after a mishap is when approaching the finish line to begin 4 laps to go. After that point riders will not re-enter, and will be given the finish time of the group that they were with when they suffered the mishap.

Protests and Penalties

Riders are responsible for knowing and obeying USAC rules. Special attention should be paid to the timeliness of protests.

TOUR SUPPORT

All categories will have neutral wheel support. We rely completely on wheels supplied by the riders. Volunteers will check in wheels prior to the start. **Please remember—at least one rider every year is unable to complete a stage and goes home early because not enough wheels were checked in.**

Wheels will be handed out as needed, not “wheel in-wheel out.” You may keep wheels checked in for the duration of the race. They are kept locked up and pressure is checked each night. Wheels are available at each start location. The check stub will have the contact information for pick-up. **Riders must return borrowed wheels immediately after the race to their support driver at the finish line.**

If wheels are not returned, the rider will forfeit his/her start and any claim for prize money.

Please be polite. Keep in mind that the volunteers are not mechanics. You are responsible for changing your own wheels.

Downtown Criterium

Elite Racing Services will provide two neutral pits: one on the finish stretch 2 blocks before the finish line (Bullard at Market) and the other just before turn 2 (College at Cooper).

SUPPORT CREWS & FEED ZONES

Feed zones for the road race locations are clearly marked on the course descriptions. Beginning and end of feed zones will be marked by signs. All feeding will take place in these designated zones; feeding outside the designated zones will subject riders and feeders to penalties (rule 3C5). Bottles, wrappers and other non-biodegradable materials should be disposed of in Green Zones only.

Directions to feed zones are in course descriptions; please follow those directions. Support crews should position and

conduct themselves in feed zones and en route to feed zones and finishes so as not to endanger other race participants or bystanders. Neutral water will be provided in all feed zones by volunteers wearing neon green shirts, and the finish lines at each road race. Check course descriptions for locations.

Only authorized official race vehicles may follow the races. Support crews en route to a feed zone frequently come upon the race ahead of the one that they are supporting. They must not interfere with those races! They may pass official race vehicles only with permission of a referee.

Failure to follow these guidelines or other instructions may result in penalties against riders, support personnel or both.

Green Zones

From 200m before each feed zone to the end of the feed zone are designated green zones for the discarding of bottles and other trash.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

We hope everyone has a safe race and stay in Silver City. However, should you require emergency medical attention during the race, paramedics will be available at various locations along the courses. Law enforcement and/or official support vehicles following the race should be able to notify paramedics if needed. At other times, in the Silver City area call 911 for emergency help. Riders requiring medical transport will be taken to:

Gila Regional Medical Center
1313 E. 32nd Street
Silver City, New Mexico 88061
phone (575) 538-4000

In extreme cases, riders may be transported outside of Grant County. For information, please contact Mike McMillan, 575-538-1259.

GILA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

1313 E. 32nd Street, Silver City, NM 88061 (575) 538-4000

The Emergency Department at Gila Regional Medical Center is proud to be serve Silver City and the surrounding area, and is dedicated to excellence in patient care. We wish all participants in the Tour of the Gila a safe time while you are here.

In the event that you require the services of our Emergency Department and Providers, there are a few things that you should be aware of in order for us to provide you with the best care possible.

Please have with you:

- proper identification
- health insurance coverage information, if applicable
- current medication list including the dose and how often taken
- a list of any adverse side effects or allergies to medications that you have experienced in the past
- information about any physical health problems
- names and contact information for your primary care provider and medical specialists

During the Tour of the Gila we may have a higher volume of patients than normal. When we are busy, patients are assigned priority based on the seriousness of the injury and the more serious problems are seen first. This may lead to longer than normal waiting times, but please understand that it is done so that all patients receive appropriate care.

PLEASE, if you are a patient here in the ED, DO NOT EAT OR DRINK ANYTHING UNTIL CLEARED BY A PROVIDER. If you require surgery, eating and drinking anything will delay your care.

PRIZES

Jerseys: General Classification leader jerseys will be awarded after each stage for all categories. The jersey must be worn during the next stage.

Criterion Bonus Sprints: The top three will receive a time bonus to deduct from his or her stage time for individual General Classification purpose only: 3 seconds for 1st, 2 seconds for 2nd, and 1 second for 3rd.

Finish Time Bonuses: The top three finishers for all categories in the Mollogon Road Race, Inner Loop Road Race, the Downtown Criterion, and Gila Monster Race will each receive a time bonus to deduct from his or her stage time for individual general classification purposes only; 10 seconds for 1st, 6 seconds for 2nd, and 4 seconds for 3rd.

Stage Finishers: For each stage there are monetary prizes for stage placings.

Individual GC: A monetary award will be given for the individual general classification. This is figured by adding a rider's stage times with fractions truncated, time bonuses and time penalties. Ties will be broken based on Rule 3H4, by applying the following tests until the tie is broken: (1) the fractions from the first time trial; (2) the sum of the stage places; (3) the place in the most recent stage.

Awards Ceremonies: For all amateur races, podiums will be held after Stage 4 for Men 1, 2 and Men 3 for the top three in all General Classification categories and Stage 3 for Men 4, 5; Women 1,2,3,4; and Master men 3,4,5 for top three in all General Classification categories..

Categories Overall General Classification and Special General Classifications:

Men 40+ in the Men 1,2 Race, Men 3 Race and Men 4,5 Race: Riders who are 40+ will be eligible for their field's monetary prizes and a separate 40+ special general classification prize.

Women 35+, 45+, 55+ in the Women 1,2,3,4 Race: Riders who are 35+ will be eligible for their field's monetary prizes and a separate 35+ special general classification prize. Riders who are 45+ will be eligible for their field's monetary prizes, the 35+ prizes and a separate 45+ special general classification prize. Riders who are 55+ will be eligible for their field's monetary prizes, the 35+ prizes, the 45+ prizes and a separate 55+ special general classification prize.

Men 50+ ,60+ and 70+ in the Master Men 1,2,3,4 Race: Riders who are 50+ will be eligible for their field's monetary prizes and a separate 50+ special general classification prize. Riders who are 60+ will be eligible for their field's monetary prizes, the 50+ prizes and a separate 60+ special general classification prize. Riders who are 70+ will be eligible for their field's monetary prizes, the 50+ prizes, the 60+ prizes and a separate 70+ special general classification prize.

**PRIZE SUMMARY
TROPHY BOWLS \$1,295
TOTAL CASH AWARDS \$6,765**

CLASSIFICATION	MEN 1,2	MEN 3	WOMEN 1,2,3,4,5	MEN 4,5	MASTER MEN 1,2,3,4
Individual Overall GC	\$830	\$830	\$655	\$655	\$655
35+			\$100		
40+	\$100	\$100		\$100	
45+			\$100		
50+					\$100
55+			\$100		
60+					\$100
70+					\$100
Primes	\$120	\$120	\$100	\$100	\$100
Stage Finish	\$400	\$400	\$300	\$300	\$300
TOTALS	\$1,450	\$1,450	\$1,355	\$1,155	\$1,355

**INDIVIDUAL PRIZE BREAKDOWN BY PLACING
GENERAL AND SPECIAL CLASSIFICATIONS
CASH AWARDS \$3,595**

CATEGORIES					
PLACE	MEN 1,2 MEN 3	WOMEN 1,2,3,4,5 MEN 4,5 MASTER MEN 1,2,3,4	MEN 1,2 40+ MEN 3 40+ MEN 4,5 40+	WOMEN 1,2,3,4,5 35+/45+/55+	MASTER MEN 1,2,3,4 50+/60+/70+
1st	\$230	\$160	\$50	\$50	\$50
2nd	\$130	\$120	\$30	\$30	\$30
3rd	\$90	\$90	\$20	\$20	\$20
4th	\$70	\$70			
5th	\$60	\$50			
6th	\$55	\$45			
7th	\$51	\$40			
8th	\$50	\$35			
9th	\$49	\$25			
10th	\$45	\$20			
TO- TAL	\$830/\$830	\$655/\$655/\$655	\$100/\$100/\$100	\$100/\$100/\$100	\$100/\$100/\$100

**INDIVIDUAL STAGE PLACINGS
CASH AWARDS \$1,700**

CATEGORY	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	STAGE TOTAL	RACE TOTAL
MEN 1,2 MEN 3	\$35	\$25	\$17	\$13	\$10	\$100	\$400/400
WOMEN 1,2,3,4,5 MEN 4,5 MASTER MEN 1,2,3,4	\$35	\$25	\$17	\$13	\$10	\$100	\$300/300/300

**CRITERIUM PRIMES
CASH AWARDS \$540**

CATEGORY	STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3	STAGE 4	STAGE TOTAL
MEN 1,2,	-	-	\$120	-	\$120
MEN 3	-	-	\$120	-	\$120
WOMEN 1,2,3,4,5	-	\$100	-	-	\$100
MEN 4,5	-	\$100	-	-	\$100
MASTER MEN 1,2,3,4	-	\$100	-	-	\$100

**TIME BONUSES
ALL CATEGORIES**

STAGE	TIME BONUSES AWARDED	
MOGOLLON	FINISH	
INNER LOOP	FINISH	
CRITERIUM	FINISH, 1 BONUS SPRINT	
GILA MONSTER	FINISH	
PLACE	FINISH TIME RECORD	CRITERIUM BONUS SPRINT
1	10 SECONDS	3 SECONDS
2	6 SECONDS	2 SECONDS
3	4 SECONDS	1 SECOND

MOGOLLON ROAD RACE

P/B GILA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

STAGE 1 - THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2026

MEN 1,2 & MEN 3

Start Time: Men 1,2 7:50 am Men 3 8:05 am

Start Procedure: 72.9 miles(117.3km). Begin at Gough Park in Silver city and end near the ghost town of Mogollon. Parking is available on the side streets near Gough Park. Sign-in near the start line. Assemble for announcements 10 minutes before your start. Race will take a 1.9 mile(3km) neutral parade through downtown Silver City and up Market St, to US 180. Port-a-potties will be placed near the start and finish line.

Stage Notes: 2 feed zones. Finish line - time bonuses for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Technical Support: Support provided by neutral, volunteer support crews. Please check your wheels in with the neutral support staff at the start line. Wheels are handed out as needed, not 'wheel in – wheel out'. After the finish, please return any wheels you may have received immediately. If for some reason a wheel exchange is missed, call the phone number on the stub given at you at wheel check-in.

Course Description: This is a 72.9 miles(117.3km) point-to-point race with 2,375 feet(724m) of climbing. After the start, take a 1.9 mile(3.0km) neutral parade through the town and then left onto US 180, a 2-lane road with wide shoulders. At 24.2 miles(38.9km) turn right onto NM 211 and enter the first feed zone area on the hill. Neutral water is provided here. Continue on NM 211 through Gila and Cliff, then turn right on US 180 at 30.5 miles(49.1km). Head on to Glenwood and enter the second feed zone area at 63.4 miles(102.0km). Neutral water is provided here, Turn right onto NM 159 at 66.2 miles(106.5km) and head toward the ghost town of Mogollon where the road narrows and climbing begins for the last 6.7 miles(10.8km).

Feed Zone Directions: There are 2 feed zones, Pick up all trash at feed zones. **Support crews must leave before race.** From the start, the race heads south, but support crews should go north on Pope Street to traffic light at US 180, then left (west) and head towards Cliff to get ahead of the race. You will have 3 minutes to pass the point where race enters on to US 180 at the top of Market street. Proceed approximately 23 miles(37km), to the intersection of US 180 and NM 211. Park on US 180, just beyond the intersection. Feed zone is on a slight hill on NM 211. Leave immediately and go 37 miles (59.5km), to the second feed zone at Glenwood. After feeding here, proceed to designated parking lot at the intersection of US 180 and NM 159. at this point, do not attempt to pass any official race vehicles. You will not be allowed at the finish area. Your riders will return to you after finish.

Finish Procedure: Only official race caravan vehicles will be allowed up to the finish area. Vehicles must have permission from an official to return to the base. This is a congested area, so drive slowly. Failure to do so will result in a penalty determined by the Race Jury. Riders' support crews are to stop at the base of the final climb, at the intersection of NM 159 and US 180. So don't hurry to the area. Riders will return to you. The finish line is 70.0 miles(112.7km) from Silver City. Bus transportation will be provided back to Silver City from the base climb at the intersection of US 180.

Returning Caravan Vehicles and Riders: Riders who have finished and caravan cars returning after the finish must exercise **great caution** on NM 159, particularly in the first few kilometers from the finish so as not to interfere with finishing groups. Cars should be prepared to pull fully off the road if encountering a field coming towards to finish.

Awards: Results will be posted on the windows of Gila Hike & Bike, and on *tourofthegila.com* by late afternoon.

INNER LOOP ROAD RACE
P/B LYMAN COMMUNICATIONS
STAGE 1 - FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026
MEN 4,5; MASTER MEN 1,2,3,4 & WOMEN 1,2,3,4,5

Start Time: Men 4,5 8:10 am Master Men 1,2,3,4 8:20 am Women 1,2,3,4,5 8:25 am

Start Procedure: 61.3 miles(98.7km). Begin at Pinos Altos, 7 miles(11.3km) north of Silver City on NM 15. There is parking near the start line. Sign-in and bib # pick-up are in front of the Buckhorn Saloon & Opera house. Race is neutral for 0.6 miles(0.97km). Port-a-potties will be placed near the start and finish lines.

Stage Notes: 1 feed zone. Finish line - time bonuses for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Course hazards include railroad crossing at Hanover, 55.4 miles(89.2km); 15 cattle guard crossings between 2 and 38 miles(3.2 and 61.1km); wash crossings 17 to 38 miles(27.4km to 61.2km); very narrow curved road 0.5 to 4 miles(0.8 to 6.4km) and 15.5 to 26 miles(24.9 to 41.8km).

Technical Support: Support is provided by neutral, volunteer support crews. Please check your wheels in with the volunteer neutral support staff at the start line. Wheels are handed out as needed, not wheel in – wheel out. After the finish, please immediately return any wheels you may have received .

Course Description: This is a 61.3 mile(98.7km) point to point race starting at Pinos Altos and finishing at Fort Bayard. This course includes 4,595 feet(1,400 m) of climbing and 4,394 feet(1,339 m) of descents. Leave Pinos Altos and go 0.6 miles(.97km) to the intersection with NM 15. Go straight. Road is curved and narrow with no shoulder. **Use caution on the technical descent** from Wild Horse Mesa to Sapillo Creek, 15.3 to 18.3 miles(24.6 to 29.5km). This is a 1,000+ foot(305+m) drop with numerous sharp corners, hairpins and two switchbacks. Race turns right on NM 152 at 45.6 miles (73.4km). Feed zone is at 46.2 miles(74.4km). Neutral water is provided here. At the intersection with US 180, turn right and continue about 500 meters then turn right again into Fort Bayard. It is 0.9 miles(1.45km) to the finish. Finish sprint is straight and has a very slight rise.

Note to all: NM 15 from Pinos Altos to NM 35 will be closed to non-race vehicular traffic.
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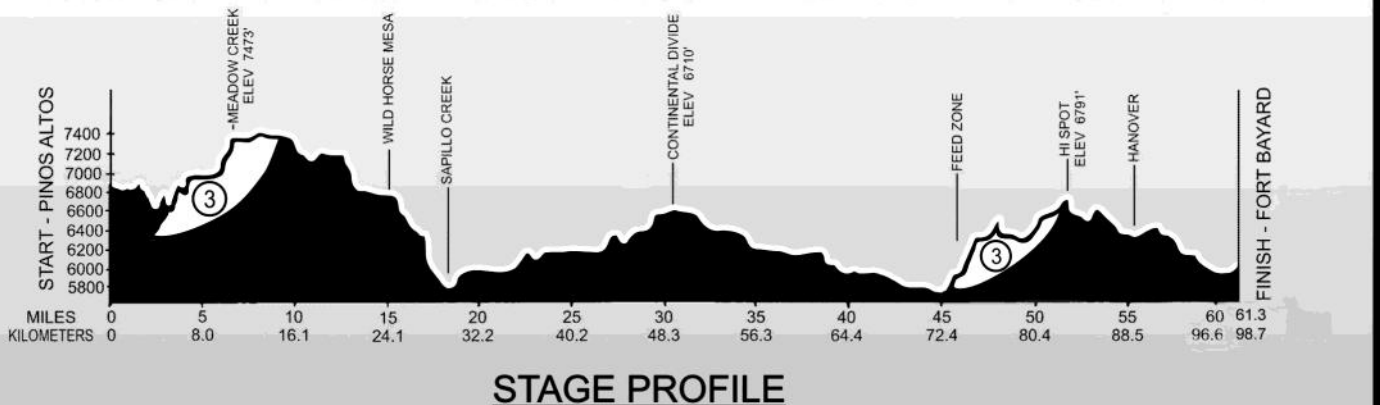
Feed Zone Directions: There is 1 feed zone. From Pinos Altos, go to Silver City and turn left on US 180 going east. Go past the light at Ft. Bayard and Santa Clara then turn left on NM 152 to Hanover. The feed zone is between mm 13 and 14 on a long climb with a wide shoulder. After feeding, proceed to finish at Ft. Bayard with caution, passing only single riders to the finish and **do not pass the race caravan.**

Overtaken by UCI Race: Riders starting from Pinos Altos who have fallen behind their fields may be overtaken by the UCI Men's race. If so, they should pull over and stop to let the race pass them. Note that after the high speed descent to Hanover the UCI field turn left, while all the amateur fields go straight, so riders must avoid being caught up in this.

Finish Procedure: After finishing, all riders who were helped by neutral support please return wheels ASAP. If for some reason an exchange is missed, call the phone number on the stub given you at wheel check-in. All riders who have finished keep off the road and course. Fruit and water are available at the finish line. There will be a bus near the finish line to shuttle riders back to Pinos Altos. **Please note: alcoholic beverages are prohibited on the Ft. Bayard Medical Center grounds.**

Awards: Results will be posted on the windows of Gila Hike & Bike, and on *tourofthegila.com* by late afternoon.

INNER LOOP ROAD RACE STAGE 1 - FRIDAY MAY 1 PINOS ALTOS - FORT BAYARD MEN 4, 5; MASTER MEN 1, 2, 3, 4 & WOMEN 1, 2, 3, 4, 5



INNER LOOP ROAD RACE

P/B LYMAN COMMUNICATIONS

STAGE 2 - FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026

MEN 1,2 & MEN 3

Start Time: Men 3 9:40 am Men 1,2 10:00 am

Directions: Ft. Bayard is located 9 miles(14.5km) east of Silver City. Proceed east along US 180, turn left at the stop signal approximately 8 miles east. You will be directed to parking area near the start/finish line.

Start Procedure: 75.0 miles(120.7km). Begin at Ft. Bayard, 9 miles(14.5km) east of Silver City on US 180. Please don't roll your bikes through the field, as the weeds can cause flats. Sign-in is near the start line. Assemble at the start line for announcements 10 minutes before start. Race is neutral for the first .9 miles(1.45km) until the head official observes all riders are safely onto US 180 heading west. Port-a-potties will be placed near the start.

Stage Notes: 2 feed zones. Finish line - time bonuses for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Course hazards include railroad crossing at Hanover, 69.1 miles(111.2km); 15 cattle guard crossings between 14 and 49 miles(22.5 and 78.9km); wash crossings 30 to 49 miles(48.3 to 78.9km); very narrow curved road between 12.5 and 16 miles(20 and 25.7km) and 27.5 to 38 miles(44.3 to 61.2km), and a steep descent between 28 and 31 miles(45 and 50km).

Technical Support: Support provided by neutral, volunteer support crews. Please check your wheels in with the neutral support staff at the start line. Wheels are handed out as needed, not wheel in – wheel out. After the finish, please return any wheels you may have received immediately.

Course Description: This is a 75.0 mile(120.7km) loop with 5,854 feet(1,784m) of climbing, starting and finishing at Fort Bayard. Leave Ft. Bayard and turn right on US 180 toward Silver City. At 6.1 miles(9.8km), turn right on the 32nd St. By-Pass. Turn right on to NM 15 at the next intersection. After the village of Pinos Altos the road narrows with no center line. **Use caution at all times.** The first feed zone will be on the climb after Signal Peak Road, 21.3 miles(34.3km). Neutral water is provided here. At 28.7 miles(46.2km), Wild Horse Mesa is the start of a very technical 1,000+ foot(305+m) drop. This 3 mile(4.8km) descent has numerous sharp corners, hairpins and two switchbacks. Turn right at the next intersection onto NM 35. Race turns right on NM 152 at 59.3 miles(95.4km). At 59.9 miles(96.4km), the second feed zone is on the hill climb. Neutral water is provided here. At the intersection with US 180, 73.7 miles(118.6km), turn right and continue about 500 meters then turn right again into Fort Bayard. It is 0.9 miles(1.45km) to the finish. Finish sprint is straight and has a very slight rise.

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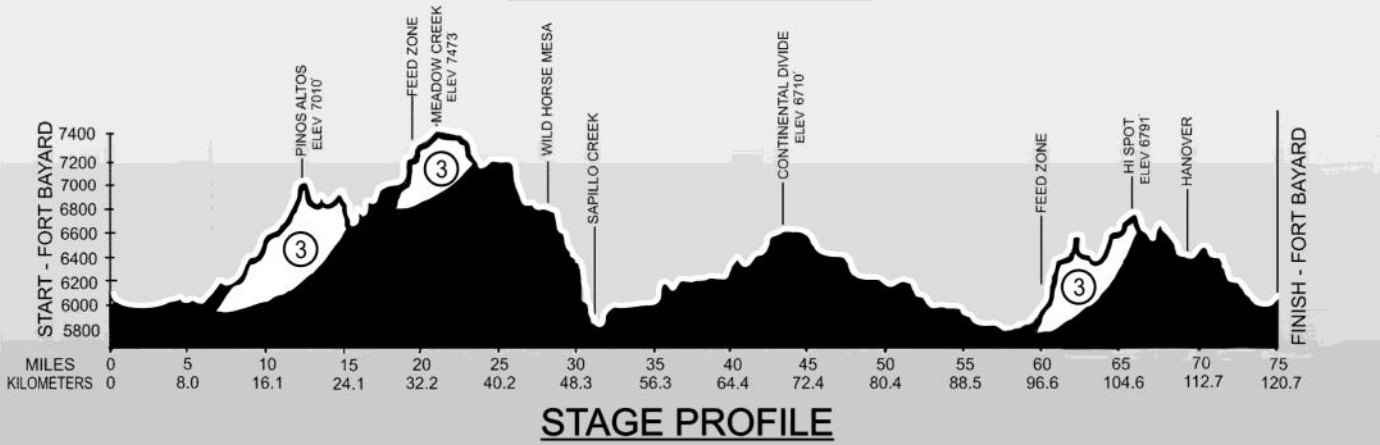
Safety Note: The UCI Women start 20 minutes after the Men 1,2 field. It is essential that amateur support crews leave the first feed zone and get back past Pinos Altos before the UCI Women arrive there.

Feed Zone Directions: There are 2 feed zones for the amateur race. Support crews for this race must leave before the race. Turn right onto US 180 and head toward Silver City. Turn right at the traffic light and follow the 32nd St By-Pass Rd to NM 15. Turn right to the Village of Pinos Altos, about 6 miles (9.7km). Here you must show your pass to continue. Go to Meadow Creek for the 1st feed zone, race mile 21.3(34.3km), between mm 14 and 15. Park on the dirt road to the right. After feeding, do not follow the race. Backtrack back past Ft. Bayard for the second feed zone. Turn left on NM 152. Feed zone is between mm 13 and 14 on the hill. Be aware of oncoming riders and pull well off the road.

Finish Procedure: After finishing, all riders who were helped by neutral support please return wheels ASAP. If for some reason an exchange is missed, call the phone number on the stub given you at wheel check-in. All riders who have finished keep off the road and course. Fruit and water are available at the finish line. **Please note: alcoholic beverages are prohibited on the Ft. Bayard Medical Center grounds.**

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INNER LOOP ROAD RACE STAGE 2 - FRIDAY MAY 1 FORT BAYARD - FORT BAYARD MEN 1, 2, & MEN 3



DOWNTOWN SILVER CITY CRITERIUM P/B LEADERS OF ENCHANTMENT STAGE 3 (STAGE 2) - SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026 ALL CATEGORIES

Start Times And Distances:

8:00 am	Men 4,5	16.2 miles(26.0km)	15 laps
8:45 am	Master Men 1,2,3,4	16.2 miles(26.0km)	15 laps
9:35 am	Women 1,2,3,4,5	16.2 miles(26.0km)	15 laps
10:25 am	Men 3	21.6 miles(34.8km)	20 laps
11:25 am	Men 1,2	21.6 miles(34.8km)	20 laps
12:30 pm	Citizens	Varies per age group	
1:30 pm	UCI Women	27.0 miles(43.5km)	25 laps
3:10 pm	UCI Men	43.2 miles(69.5km)	40 laps

Begin: Start/finish line is at Bullard St. and 6th St., downtown Silver City

Stage Notes: There are no feed zones.

- Men 4,5; Master Men 1,2,3,4; Women 1,2,3,4,5; Men 3 & Men 1,2
- Bonus sprint: one, at race mid-point, time bonus for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd
- Finish line: time bonuses for 1st, 2nd and 3rd
- Primes: Men 1,2: \$120; Men 3: \$120; Master Men 1,2,3,4: \$100; Men 4,5; Women 1,2,3,4,5: \$100

Course hazards include rough pavement and errant pedestrians.

Technical Support: *Elite Racing Services* will provide two neutral service pits: one on the finish stretch 2 blocks before the finish line (Bullard at Market) and the other just before turn 2 (College at Cooper). (see course map). Wheels checked in previously will be available by calling the number on your wheel check stub.

Start Procedures:

1. Sign in on the racer's roll sheet with USAC officials near the start line.
2. Riders assemble at Start/Finish line 5 minutes prior to scheduled start.
3. Race heads north from Start/Finish.
4. Do not warm up on the course between races until officials give permission.

Course Description: The 1.08 mile(1.74km) four-corner rectangle course is closed to traffic. The road surface is good to poor in some spots. Roads are fairly wide, especially the downhill, high-speed fourth corner. There is about 80 feet(24.4m) of climbing per lap, most of it is on slight rises between turns 2 and 3. There is a high-speed descent to turn 4.

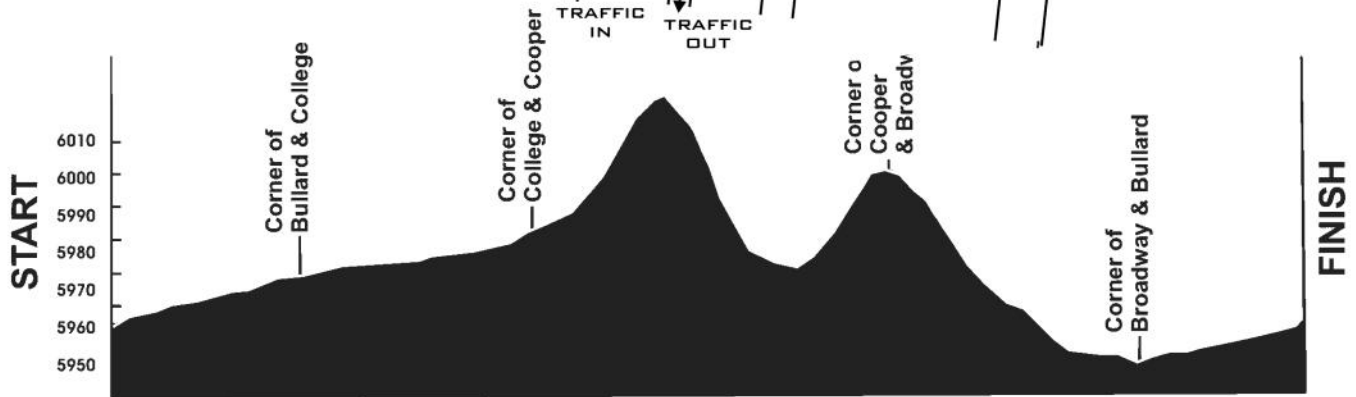
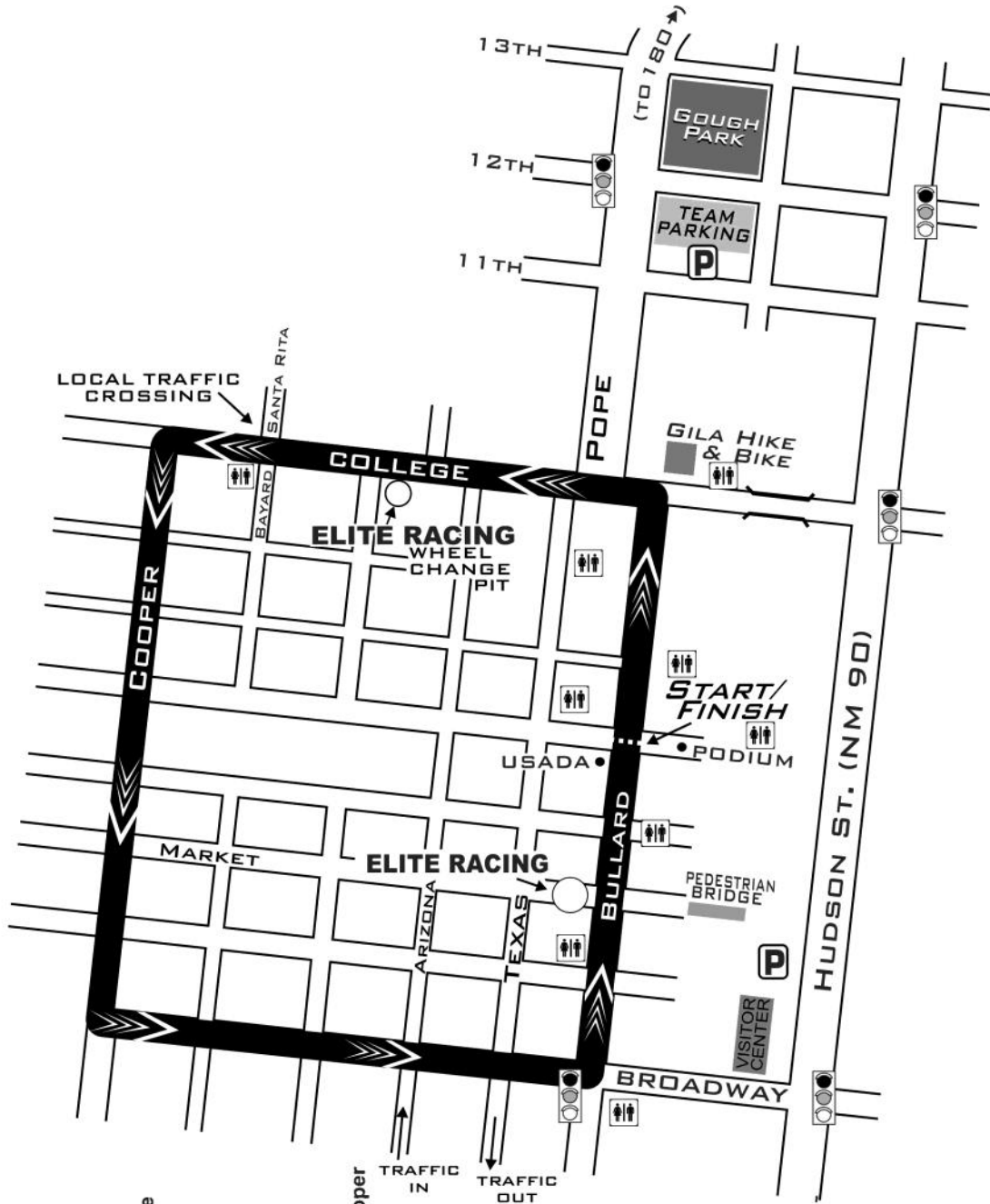
Free Lap Rule Is in effect in the criterium. The last time that a rider may re-enter the race after a mishap is when approaching the finish line to begin 4 laps to go. After that point riders will not re-enter, and will be given the time of the group that they were with when they suffered the mishap.

Finish Procedure: Keep finish area clear. Do not congregate in the pit area. Prime prizes will be distributed behind the officials' judging stand as soon as possible after each race finish.

Awards: Results will be posted on the windows of Gila Hike & Bike, and at tourofthegila.com by late afternoon.

DOWNTOWN SILVER CITY CRITERIUM

SATURDAY, MAY 2



**GILA MONSTER ROAD RACE
P/B NEW MEXICO TRUE
SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2026
STAGE 4 - MEN 1,2 & MEN 3
STAGE 3 - WOMEN 1,2,3,4,5; MASTER MEN 1,2,3,4 & MEN 4,5**

Start Times:	Men 1,2	7:30 am
	Women 1,2,3,4,5	7:40 am
	Men 3	8:00 am
	Master Men 1,2,3,4	8:20 am
	Men 4,5	8:50 am

Start Procedure: 68.9 miles(110.9km). Begin at Gough Park in Silver City, end in Pinos Altos – 7 miles(11.3km) north of Silver City. Parking is available on the side streets near Gough Park. Port-a-potties will be provided near the start and finish lines.

Stage Notes: 1 feed zone. Finish line - time bonuses for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Course hazards include railroad crossing at 12 miles (19.3km); cattle guard & wash crossings between 30.8 and 68.3 miles(48.3km and 110.0km).

Technical Support: Please check your wheels in with the volunteer neutral support staff at the start line. After the finish, please return any wheels you may have received immediately. Pick up checked-in wheels. If a wheel exchange is missed, call the number on the stub received at wheel check-in.

Course Description: This is a 68.9 mile(110.9km), point-to-point road race with 5,610 feet(1,710m) of climbing and 4,714 feet of descent. After the start, proceed out of Silver City on US 180. Race will remain neutral until clearing the last stoplight on the way out of town at 2.2 miles(3.54km). The first road of the race is a four-lane divided highway with wide shoulders. Riders stay in right lane and shoulder. At 7.8 miles(12.5km), the race will turn left onto NM 152. The race turns left onto NM 35 at 22.1 miles(35.6km). After the turn the race heads up the Mimbres Valley toward Lake Roberts. Road is narrow with little or no shoulder. The feed zone will be on NM 35 at the Continental Divide, 37.2 miles(59.9km) between mm15 and mm16. Neutral water will be provided here. After passing Lake Roberts at the junction with NM 35, turn left onto NM 15 toward Pinos Altos. Cross Sapillo Creek at 50.5 miles(81.3km) and begin the climb to Wild Horse Mesa, 53.8 miles(86.6km). At 69.3 miles(109.9km), bear right to Pinos Altos at the "Y" intersection. It is approximately 0.5 miles(0.8km) to the finish. Finish sprint is on a gradually rising grade.

Warning: Overtaken by UCI Race: There is a good chance that the Men 4,5 and Master Men 1,2,3,4 fields will be overtaken by the UCI Men along NM 35. If so, the amateur field will be pulled over and stopped completely, being restarted after the UCI race passes. It is essential that riders get completely off the road. Individual riders must also pull off the road when being overtaken.

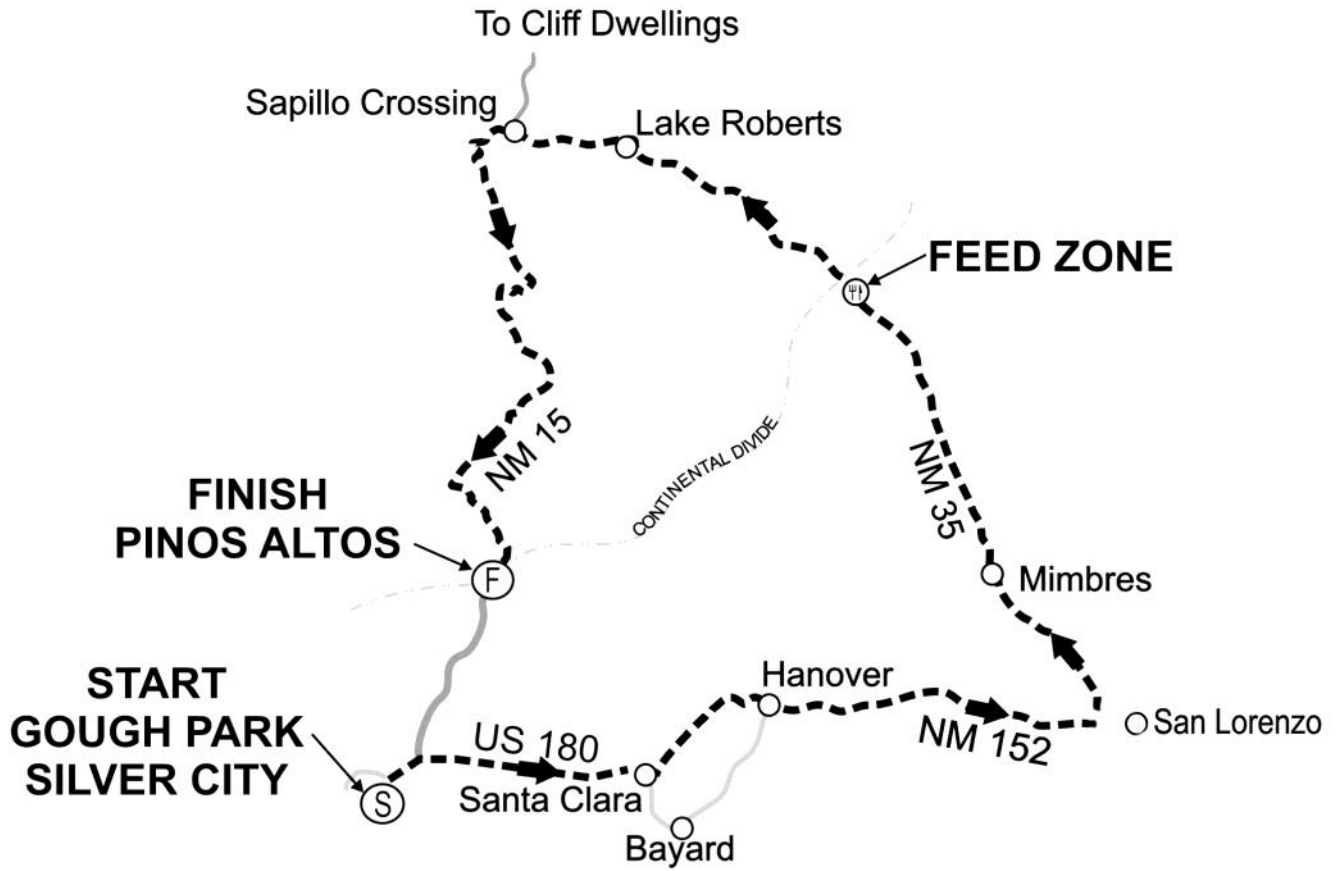
Feed Zone Directions: From Silver City's Gough Park, **leave before** your racer's start time. Follow US 180 east toward Santa Clara and turn left at Junction to NM 152. Continue on NM 152 about 16 miles (25.km) toward the Mimbres Valley. Turn left onto NM 35. Proceed northwest on NM 35 about 14 miles(22.5km), between mm15 and mm16, to the feed zone near the Continental Divide. Park along the dirt road. After feeding, do not pass the race caravan. Backtrack your way to Silver City and then up to Pinos Altos for the finish. Remember, you have 42 miles(67.6km) to drive to Pinos Altos, while the riders have 29 miles(46.7km) to go with some climbs to slow them down.

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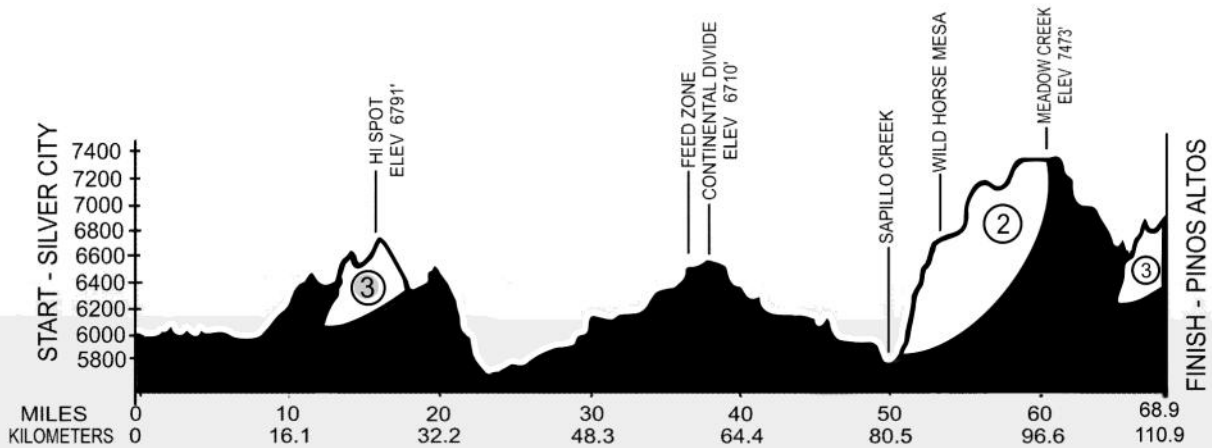
Finish Procedure: Riders finish on a 0.5 mile(0.8km) hill with the last 150 meters closed to traffic. Those who received wheels from support crews, please exchange them ASAP. Keep finish line clear. Collect all checked-in wheels as quickly as possible from your lead support vehicle. **All non-official vehicles must exit race course left onto Spring St.—200 meters before the finish.**

Awards: The day's race results and overall results will be posted next to the finish line. **You have 15 minutes to check results. This is your only chance to protest. After 15 minutes, all results are final. RESULTS CANNOT BE CHANGED.** Podiums will be held near the finish line for the top three in all the **General Classification Categories.**

**GILA MONSTER ROAD RACE
 SUNDAY MAY 3
 SILVER CITY - PINOS ALTOS
 STAGE 4 - MEN 1, 2 & MEN 3
 STAGE 3 - WOMEN 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; MASTER MEN 1, 2, 3, 4 & MEN 4, 5**

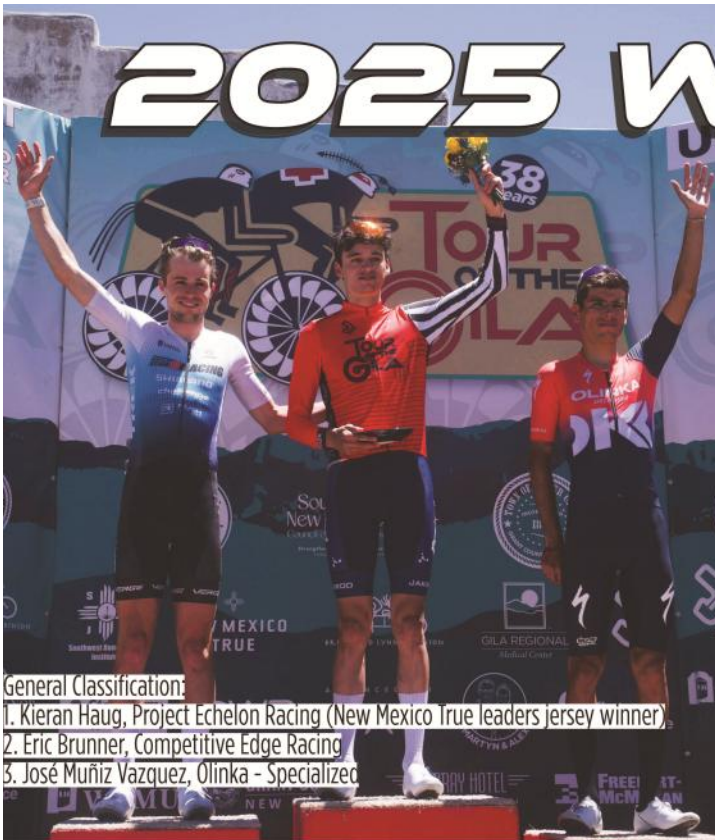


RACE COURSE MAP



STAGE PROFILE

2025 WINNERS



General Classification:
 1. Kieran Haug, Project Echelon Racing (New Mexico True leaders jersey)
 2. Eric Brunner, Competitive Edge Racing
 3. José Muñiz Vazquez, Olinka - Specialized



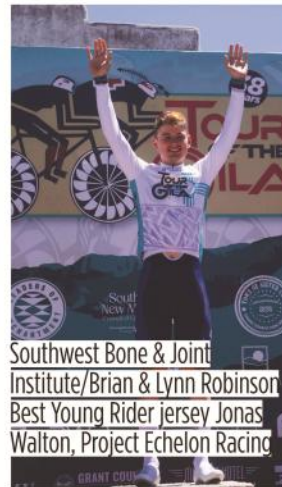
General Classification:
 1. Lauren Stephens, Aegis Cycling Mixed Team
 2. Sidney Swierenga, Tag Cycling Race Team
 3. Emma Langley, Aegis Cycling Mixed Team



Gila Regional Medical Center sprinter jersey: Fausto Esparza Martinez, Olinka-Specialized



Freeport McMoran Climber jersey: Robinson Fabian Lopez Rivera, GW Erco Shimano



Southwest Bone & Joint Institute/Brian & Lynn Robinson Best Young Rider jersey Jonas Walton, Project Echelon Racing



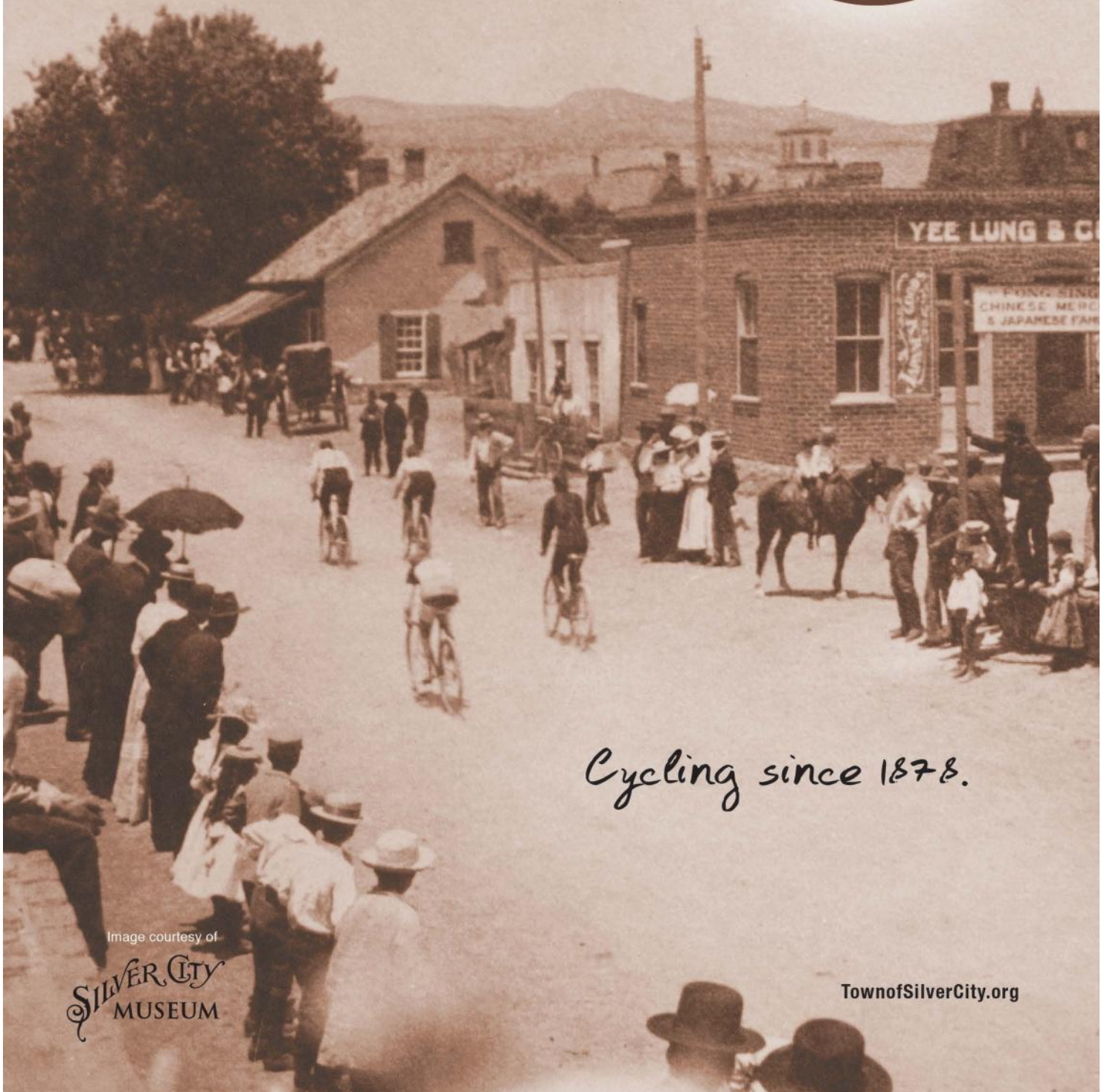
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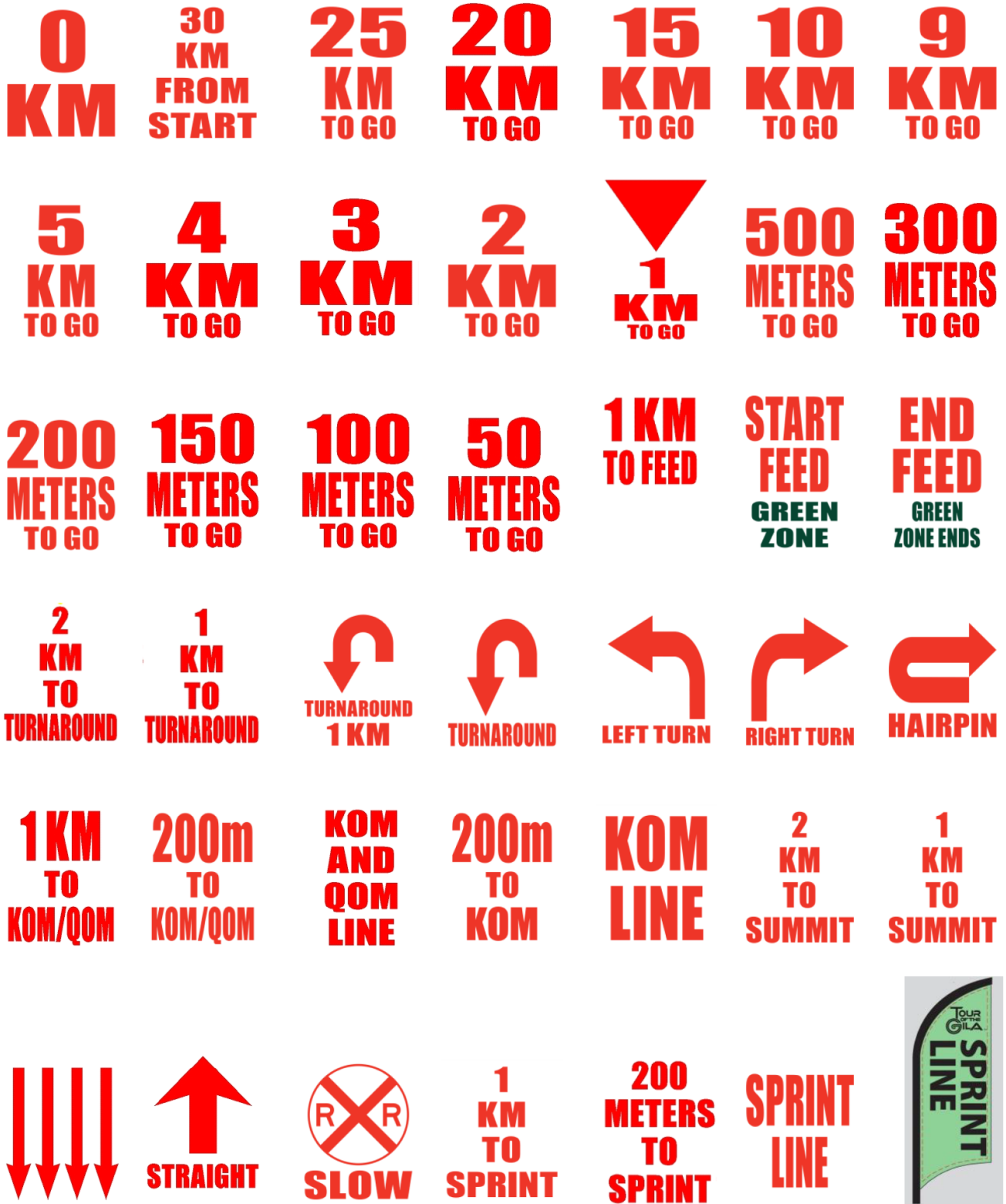
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