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General Information

Race Numbers: Competitors must wear BOTH numbers. Numbers on each **SIDE** should be pinned in the vertical, American-style. Refer to the pictures below for how it should look on EACH **SIDE**. Do not trim, fold or otherwise deface your racing number. Numbers are to be worn on the outside of clothing and may not be placed inside of pockets or behind any material that reduces their visibility. [USAC Rule 1J7 (b)]





Results: Results will be posted near the finish area, shortly following each race. ***All protests of individual race results must occur within 15 minutes of preliminary posting.*** They are handled by the Timer and Chief Judge at the finish line. The top 3 race finishers MUST be present at the Awards Ceremony (please see Awards Ceremony heading for more details).

Registration: Registration is **ONLINE** at **www.bikereg.com/hh-races-2026.**
Online Registration closes Thursday, August 27, 2026 at 11:59 PM CDT. Please register ONLINE for both days of USAC racing before online registration closes. Waivers must be signed online to race.

Number Pick-Up: Pre-registered riders can pick up their race numbers Friday at the Multi-Purpose Events Center Exhibit Hall (MPEC), Room #8, located at 1000 5th St, Wichita Falls, TX. Number pick-up for both the Crits and Road Races will be available from **1:30 PM - 8:00 PM**. ***Criterium number pick-up closes 35 minutes prior to each race's start.*** Please print your own race manual if you require one.

Awards Ceremonies: The top 3 finishers will be honored on the finish stage podium following each criterium race. The top three finishers in each category's race must attend the awards ceremony for their category wearing their team/race kit. Similar awards presentations for the road races will occur at NOON at the road race finish line stage. Saturday road race payouts will be distributed at the stage following the awards presentations at Noon.

Champion Jerseys: A champion's jersey will be awarded at the awards ceremonies to the winner of each race in the criteriums and the road races.

Criterium Payout: Payout money will be paid 30 minutes after each race at the Multi-Purpose Events Center Exhibit Hall (MPEC), Room #8, located at 1000 5th St, Wichita Falls, TX. Medals will be awarded at the Awards Ceremonies Friday on-stage. Prize money that is not picked up Friday evening will be forfeited. Prize money will **NOT** be mailed nor carried over to Saturday. You must have your race number or ID to pick up prize money; if you wish for a teammate to pick up your prize, please give them your bib number. Monetary prizes are all paid in cash. A detailed payout schedule is included on Page 14 of this race manual.

Road Race Payout: Payout money will be paid out following the Awards at NOON on the road race finish stage. Prize money that is not picked up at that time will be forfeited. Prize money will **NOT** be mailed. You must have your race number or ID to pick up prize money; if you wish for a teammate to pick up your prize, please give them your bib number. Monetary prizes are all paid in cash. A detailed payout schedule is included on Page 14 of this race manual. The top 3 finishers must report to the stage for awards or prize money is forfeited.

Omnium: An omnium is in place for the **Men's Pro/1/2** and **Women's Pro 1/2** fields. A rider MUST start both races in their category to be eligible. Omnium points will be scored 20 places deep for the criterium and for the road race. If there is a tie in points, the tie breaker will be the better place in the final results of the road race. Payouts for these two omniums will be awarded to the Top 3 overall. See Page 14 for the omnium payout. See Page 15 for the omnium points scoring table. *(Note for the Women's Open Criterium that the points are assigned to the top 20 finishers, regardless of category. If say a Cat 3 rider finishes in 3rd place, those points do not shift to the next Pro/1/2 rider.)*

Consumer Show: The consumer show is open from 3:00 PM – 8:00 PM on Thursday, 1:00 PM – 9:00 PM on Friday, and from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM on Saturday. Many of our prizes come from these vendors, so please support them.

Directions / Parking: The start/finish for Friday evening is located at the intersection of Lamar St. and 3rd St. Please utilize street parking on the outside of the course on 3rd and 4th Streets or park in MPEC designated parking. Please do NOT block driveways and follow any posted sign notations when arriving/parking.

Competition Manual / Rules: The version placed online prior to the race is subject to change until August 26; please check after then for the latest version. Communiqués may be issued by the Race Director to amend the competition manual. It is the rider's responsibility to familiarize themselves with the event and the race courses before the start of the race. Riders may not take any other route or short cut.

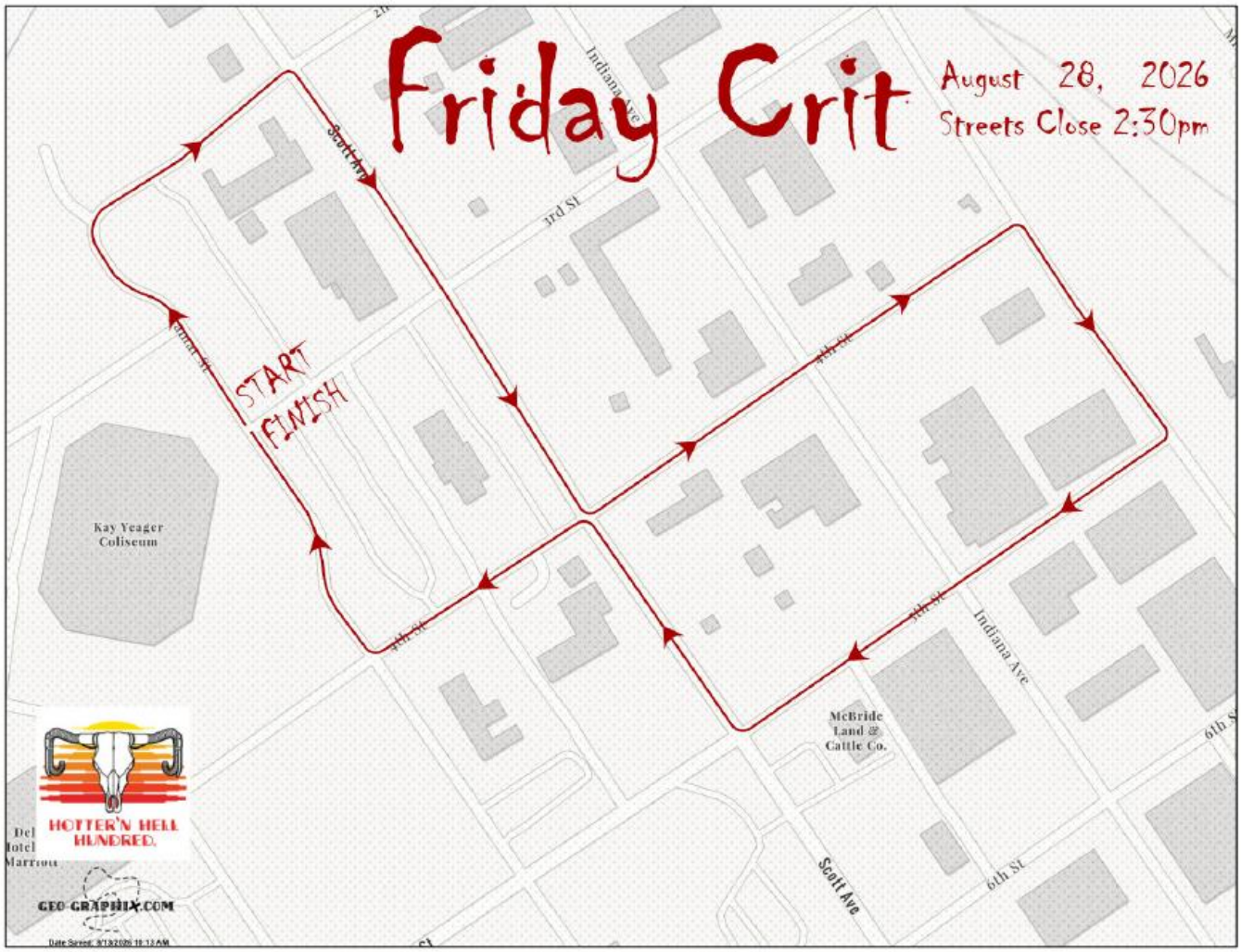
Kids Race

The U9 Kids Bike Race is a fun and friendly event designed for children under 9 years old. The course is short, safe, and allows young riders to enjoy the excitement of racing in a supportive environment. All bike types are welcome, including those with training wheels, as long as they're in safe working condition. Helmets are mandatory for all participants. Parents are encouraged to run or ride alongside the kids. Every child will receive a medal or ribbon at the finish line, and the top three will be recognized**. Please arrive at least 35 minutes early for check-in and number pickup in Room 8 of the MPEC Center.** Let's keep it safe, supportive, and all about having fun!

Special Olympics

The Special Olympics Bike Race is a fun and empowering event for athletes of all abilities. Riders will compete on a safe, well-marked course with support from volunteers throughout. All bikes, including adaptive equipment, are welcome, and helmets are required**. Please arrive at least 35 minutes early for check-in and number pickup in Room 8 of the MPEC Center.** There will be finisher medals for all participants.

Criterium Map



FRIDAY AUG 28 CRITERIUM SCHEDULE

Category	Start Time	Distance	Prizes	Field Limit	Fee
Juniors	3:00 PM	25 min	Prizes / Top 3	75	$35
Men's Cat 5/Novice	3:35 PM	30 min	Prizes / Top 3	75	$65
Men's Cat 3-4	4:15 PM	45 min	$900 / Top 3	125	$65
Special Olympics	5:10 PM	1 lap	Medals	50	$0
Kids Race Under 9	5:11 PM	1 lap	Medals	50	$0
Men's 40+ Masters Cat 1-4	5:35 PM	45 min	$900 / Top 3	125	$65
Women's Open	6:30 PM	50 min	$3,600 / Top 7	75	$65
Men's Pro/Cat 1-2	7:30 PM	60 min	$3,600 / Top 7	125	$65
Traditional HHH Friday Figure 8 Criterium Course with Start/Finish at 3rd & Lamar					

NOTE: **Fee's increase $10 on 8/15/26 from listed. Onsite/Day-of Fee's are $20 more than listed.**

Staging: Staging will begin behind the start/finish area 10 minutes prior to or immediately following the prior race. **Call-ups** may be made for distinguished riders in the field. Do not enter the course until the Chief Referee has given the okay to do so.

Primes: Cash or merchandise primes might occur throughout. All criterium primes can be picked up at the finish stage Friday night. Prime prizes not claimed by 8:45 pm Friday evening are forfeit.

Prizes / Payout: Payout for the criterium race will be available at number pick-up located at the Multi-Purpose Events Center Exhibit Hall (MPEC), Room #8, located at 1000 5th St, Wichita Falls, TX after each race. Prizes MUST be picked up by 9:00 pm Friday evening. Prizes not claimed by 9:00 pm Friday evening are forfeit.

Podiums: The Top 3 on the race for each category MUST report to the stage for podiums immediately following their race to receive a medal. Women's podiums are held just after the men's race begins, and men's podiums immediately after their race.

Wheel Pit: Event Support Services will provide neutral support for Criteriums. If you have specific needs for your wheel size, rotors and cassette check with neutral support prior to the start of your race.

Free Lap: There will be a free lap given to riders involved in eligible **mishaps ***. Eligibility for a free lap is the sole decision of the race Official Commissaire present in the pit. Announcers' or neutral support personnel's word is not authoritative. Riders must ride or run in the direction of the race or dismount and run backwards safely just off the course to enter the pit.

- **Mishaps:** A recognized mishap shall be considered a legitimate fall, a puncture, or the breakage of an essential part of the bicycle. All other incidents are considered unrecognized mishaps. *(This includes dropped chains, seat posts, etc.* Language in italics is not part of the rule.)

Pulled Riders: The Chief Commissaire may ask a rider who is out of contention to withdraw. The decision to pull riders off the back of the field is at the Chief Commissaire's discretion and will happen AT the finish line. Pulled riders will be placed. Pulling oneself results in a DNF.

Extreme Conditions: The Chief Commissaire may alter the duration of or cancel the race due to extreme conditions, including but not limited to extreme heat, flooding, lightning, or dangerously high winds. There will be no feeds in the criteriums.

Road Race Maps

160 km Route *(approx)*

Men's Pro/Cat 1-2

Women's Pro/Cat 1-2

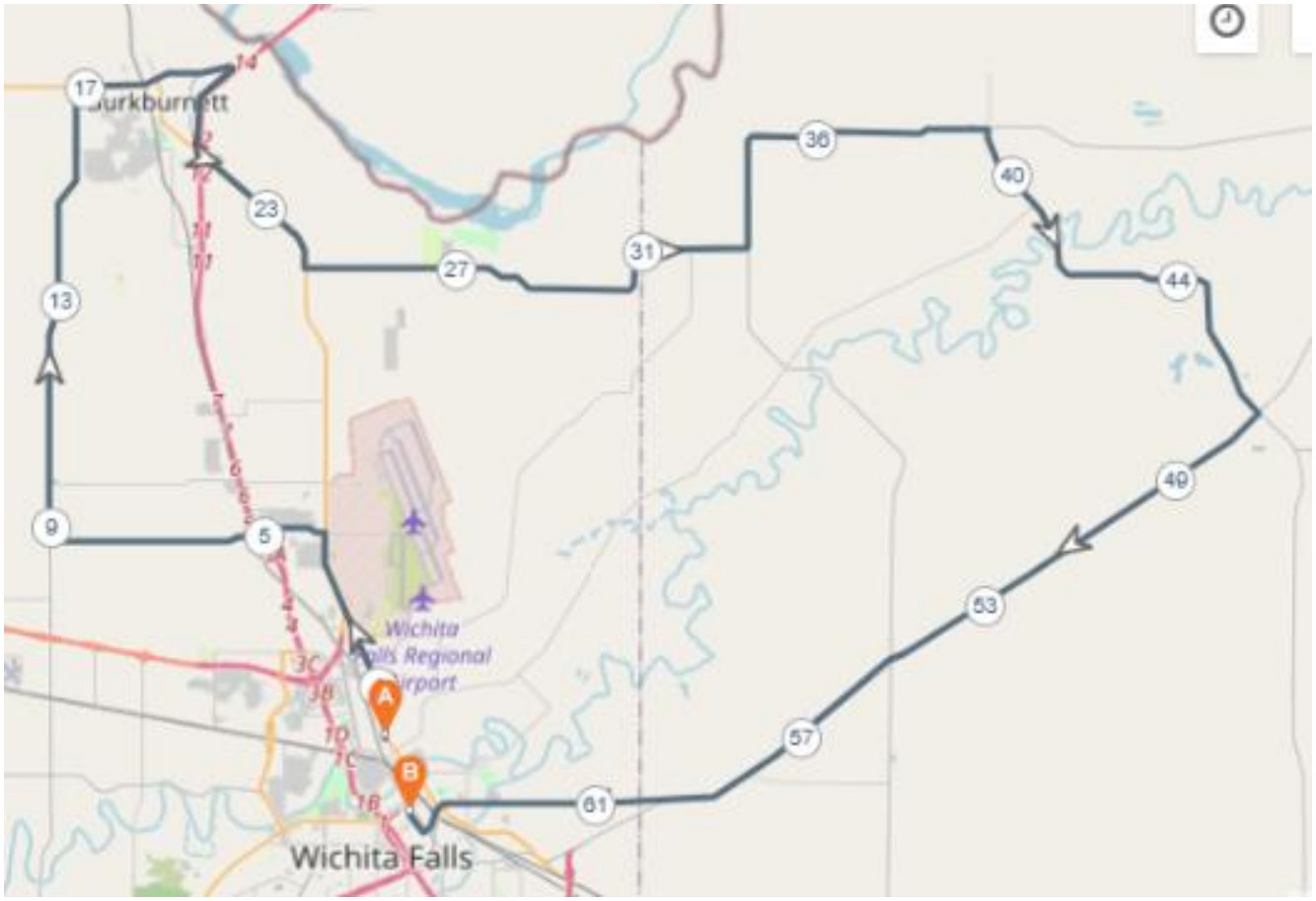


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100 km Route ***(approx)***

Men's 40+ Masters Cat 1-4
Men's Cat 3-4
Men's Cat 5/Novice
Women's Cat 3-5/Novice

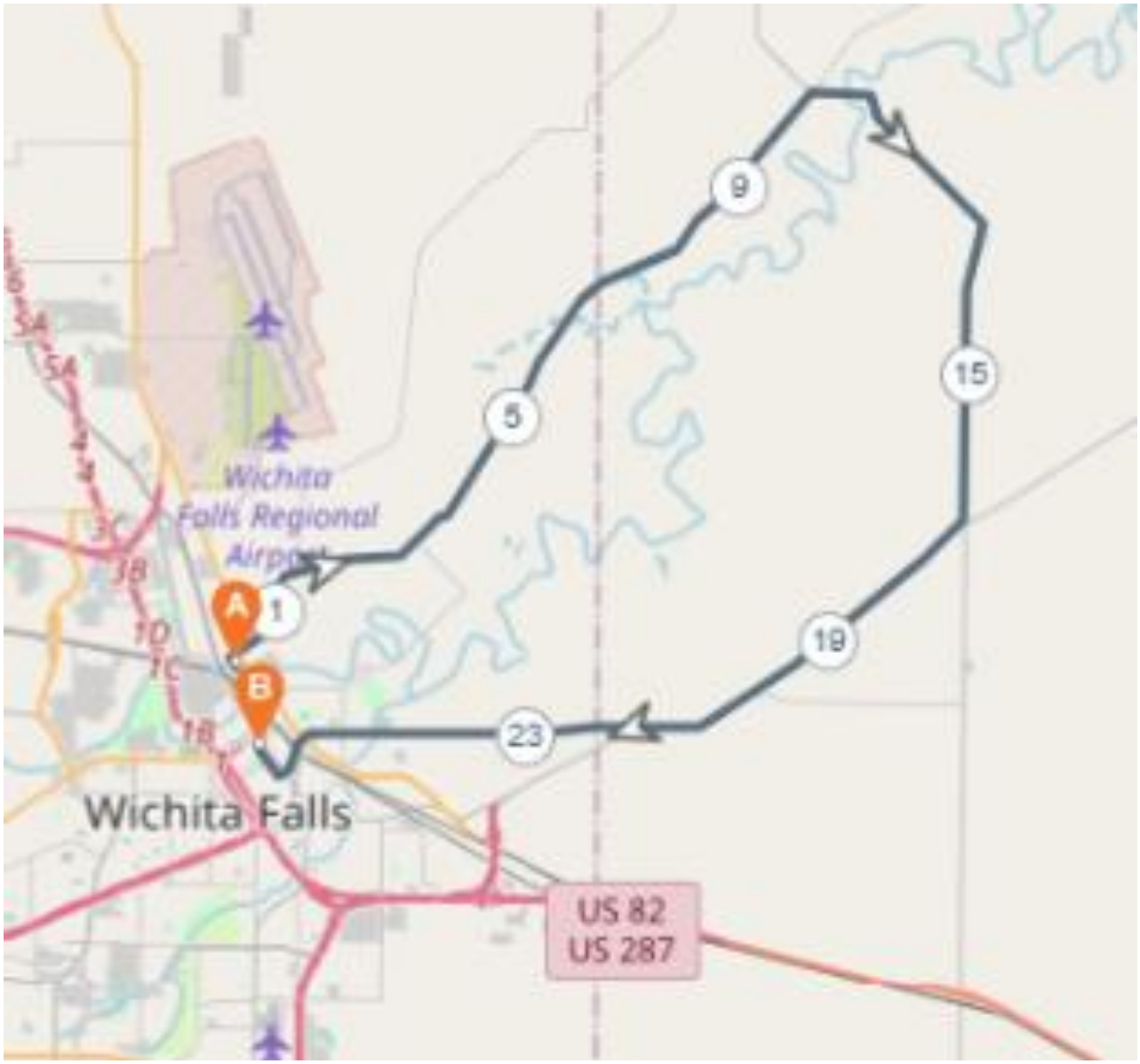


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40 km Route ***(approx)***

Juniors



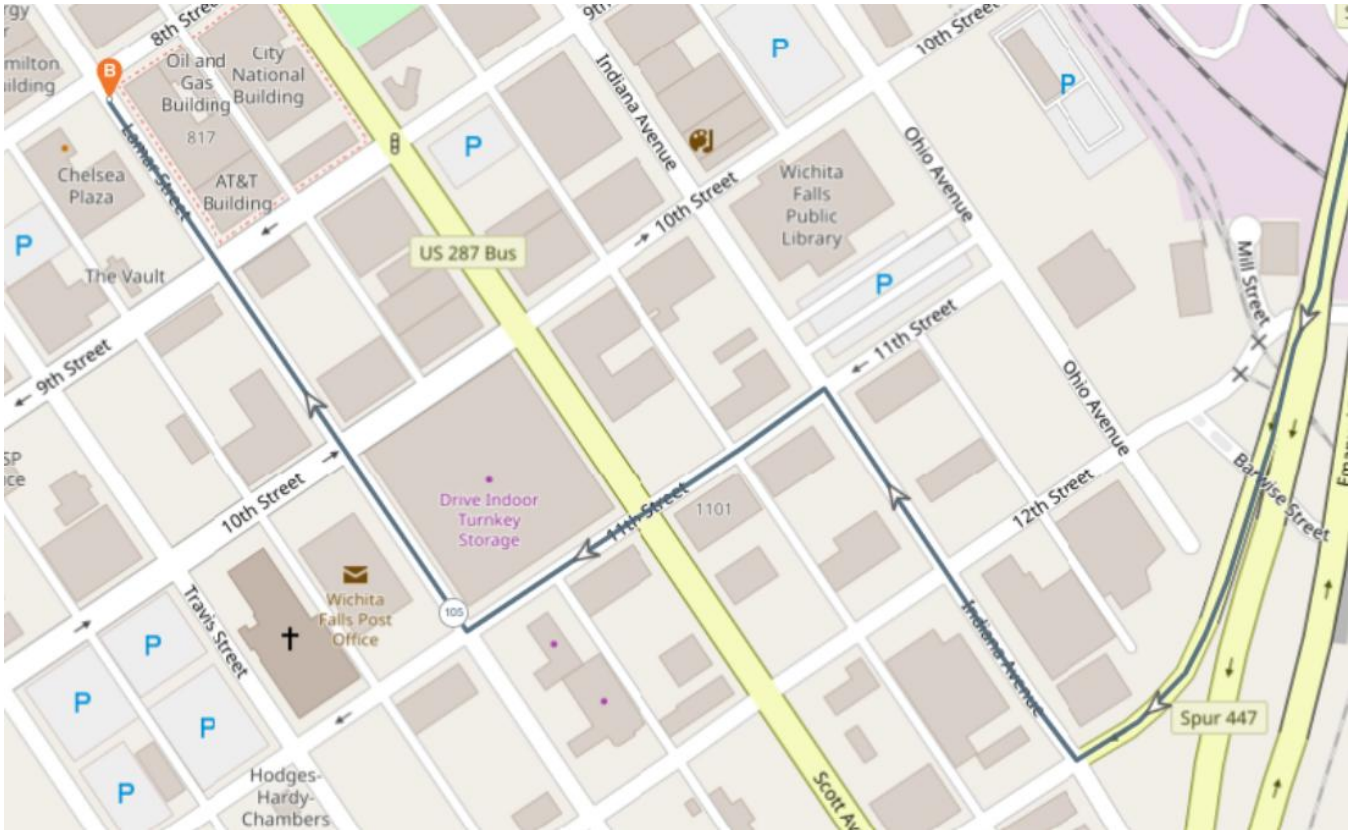
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Start Area:



Finish Area:



SATURDAY AUG 29 ROAD RACE SCHEDULE

Category	Start Time	Distance	Prizes	Field Limit	Fee
Men's Pro/Cat 1-2 RR	6:45 AM	~160 km	$3,600 / Top 7	125	$75
Women's Pro/Cat 1-2 RR	6:45 AM	~160 km	$3,600 / Top 7	75	$75
Men's 40+ Masters Cat 1-4 RR	6:50 AM	~100 km	$900 / Top 3	125	$75
Men's Cat 3-4 RR	6:55 AM	~100 km	$900 / Top 3	125	$75
Men's Cat 5/Novice RR	7:00 AM	~100 km	Prizes / Top 3	75	$75
Women's Cat 3-5/Novice RR	7:05 AM	~100 km	Prizes / Top 3	75	$75
Juniors RR	7:10 AM	~40 km	Prizes / Top 3	75	$50

NOTE: **Fee's increase $10 on 8/15/26 from listed. Onsite/Day-of Fee's are $20 more than listed.**

Number Pick-Up: Pre-registered riders can pick up their race numbers Friday at the Multi-Purpose Events Center Exhibit Hall (MPEC), Room #8, located at 1000 5th St, Wichita Falls, TX. Number pick-up for both the Crits and Road Races will be available **Friday** from **1:30 PM - 8:00 PM** . Numbers MUST be picked up at the MPEC. They will not be at the start so please plan accordingly with your time. Waivers must be signed online to race.

Race Starts: See the staging map on Page 11 for the exact location of the Road Race start. Please make sure that you arrive in plenty of time for your race as approximately 10,000 tour riders are also expected. Traffic troubles are not a suitable excuse for missing your start or failing to sign your waiver.

Directions/Road Race Parking: Approach the road race start area by 6:15 a.m. from the north or east, using State Highway 240. Some parking is available at 502 Wichita St. as well as on Burkburnett Road south of Jefferson St. Do not attempt to use Scott Avenue between 10th St and Wichita Steet. You can cross to Highway 240 from the northwest on Jefferson St/Old Iowa Park Road, or from the southwest from Spur 447.

Road Race Wheel Support: A wheel truck - supported by volunteers - will be provided for each race. It is wheels in/wheels out. There is NO neutral wheel support. The truck priority is the potential winning group. The rider is responsible for conducting the wheel change and other mechanical support. Cars will not pace riders back to the field. Motor pacing will result in disqualification. Bring wheels to the support vehicle at the staging area no later than 15 minutes before each of the race starts. Wheels will be returned to the finish area. Neither the race, event, its sponsors, its directors, nor any of its personnel are responsible for the riders' wheels.

Centerline Rule: Each of the races will take place using the centerline rule. Once a rider is passed by the Official Commissaire's vehicle all other traffic laws apply - it is "rules of the road." Riders must always use common sense and exercise caution and also obey the Official Commissaires and public safety personnel at all times. Failure to follow Official Commissaire's directions/instructions given at the start or on the road may result in being disqualified.

Feed Zones: The first feed zone is approximately 25 miles into the race following the left turn from TX-240 onto FM 1177. The second feed zone (for 160 km racers) is located at the intersection of Lone Star Rd. and FM1197 (approximately mile 62). The third feed zone (second feed zone for the 100 km racers) will be located at the Petrolia Post office off Belmont and Highway 79. This is at approximately mile 87 for the 160 km route and approximately mile 47.5 for the 100 km racers. Volunteers will be at all feed zones handing out water. Neutral water is not being handled by professionals. Be mindful of the tremendous help these volunteers are for those that do not have designated staff from their teams in the feed zones. Please exercise caution. Teams or individuals are encouraged to send their own feeders to care for their riders' hydration & nutritional needs in the designated feed zones. Feeding is not allowed outside of the designated feed zones and can result in disqualification. When traveling from one feed zone to another, please follow the directions on the next page. Please see the maps for more details. **Disposal of trash outside the feed zone is a class C misdemeanor and WILL result in a State of Texas littering fine of $500, plus disqualification, and potential USAC suspension. Please keep our roads clean!**





Finishing Straight: From TX 79, riders turn right onto Harding St and proceed straight down Harding St approximately 4 miles to an overpass. Coming down off the overpass, racers will take a right onto Indiana Ave, go 2 blocks and take a left onto 11th St, go 2 more blocks and take a right onto Lamar for roughly 3 blocks to the finish. The finish line will be on the corner of Lamar and 8th Street. Take note that the street will taper down to the maximum finish camera width of 30 feet. If you move outside the cones, you will be relegated.

Neutralization: If a field overtakes another, the slower field will be neutralized until the passing field is a minimum of 30 seconds up the road. Riders from different fields may not mix. Dropped riders out of contention may work together for the sake of getting to the finish line.

Following Races/ Caravan: There will be no caravan. Private vehicles may not follow any of the races or attempt to aid racers. Failure to comply will result in fines and/or disqualification of the rider or team involved.

Podiums: The Top 3 of each category MUST report to the ceremony stage for podiums at NOON at the road race finish stage. Failing to appear for podiums will forfeit payout.

Payout: Payouts will be done at the awards ceremony podium held at Noon at the road race finish line stage. You must be present to pick up your payout. See Page 14 for the payout schedule.

Payout Schedules

Criterium & Road Race

	M P/1/2
Place	Prize
1	$1,000
2	$800
3	$600
4	$500
5	$400
6	$200
7	$100
Total	**$3,600**

	Criterium	RoadRace
	W Open	W P/1/2
Place	Prize	Prize
1	$1,000	$1,000
2	$800	$800
3	$600	$600
4	$500	$500
5	$400	$400
6	$200	$200
7	$100	$100
Total	**$3,600**	**$3,600**

Omnium Payout

	M P/1/2	W P/1/2
Place	Prize	Prize
1	$1,000	$1,000
2	$750	$750
3	$500	$500
Total	**$2,250**	**$2,250**

Criterium & Road Race

	M 40+ (1-4)	M 3/4
Place	Prize	Prize
1	$500	$500
2	$300	$300
3	$100	$100
Total	**$900**	**$900**

Prime Payouts

(Crit Only!)	
Category	Total
M P/1/2	$1,000
W Open	$1,000
M 40+ 1-4	$250
M 3/4	$250
Total	$2,500

Total $ Prizes

Category	Total
M P/1/2	$10,450
W Open	$10,450
M 40+ 1-4	$2,050
M 3/4	$2,050
Total	**$25,000**

Omnium
Points Scoring

Place	Points
1	30
2	28
3	26
4	24
5	22
6	20
7	18
8	16
9	14
10	12
11	10
12	9
13	8
14	7
15	6
16	5
17	4
18	3
19	2
20	1

This applies to the Men's Pro/Cat 1-2 Criterium & Road Race and Women's Open Criterium & Women's Pro/Cat 1-2 Road Race races only.

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