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Feel Like Racing? Then Grab a Bike, Sneakers, and Head to Taos This Summer

(Taos, N.M.) If racing on foot or on bike is your “thing”, then you will want to head up to Taos this summer. The Town of Taos is announcing several racing events for runners and bikers of all skill-levels, starting with the Taos Pueblo Fun Run/Walk on Saturday, July 8 and ending with the Bull of the Woods Trail Races, on Saturday, September 16. The full line-up of races provides a mix of running and bicycling events that range from a 3K run to a 105-mile bicycling course.

Other races include the South Boundary Big Ride, Gran Fondo Taos-Mora-Angel-Fire, and the Taos Ski Valley Up & Over 10k Trail Run. All of the events will be sure to provide a stunning backdrop to visitors and participants, from the alpine forests of Taos Ski Valley to the pristine highlands of the Sangre de Cristo chain of the Rocky Mountains.

“We’re hoping to see families, kids, athletes and newcomers this summer,” said Karina Armijo, Director of Marketing and Tourism for the Town of Taos. “Even if you are new to racing, there will still be something for you, here! Taoseños love to celebrate our high mountain country and beautiful weather by getting out, and getting active. Come join us!”

The Town of Taos is also home to many post-race watering holes, battery-recharging restaurants, and pampering spas. For more information on lodging and other local activities, go to <http://taos.org/>.

Summer 2017 Race Schedule:

Taos Pueblo Pow Wow Fun Run/Walk

Date: Saturday, July 8

Location: Taos Pueblo Pow Wow Grounds

Times: Registration will be starting at 7:30 am in the H&CS Hospitality Tent. 5k starting at 8:00 am, 3k starting @ 8:15 am.

<http://www.taospueblopowwow.com>

South Boundary BigRide

Date: Saturday, July 22

Location: Angel Fire Resort

Times: 7:00 am – 3:00 pm

<http://ziarides.com/event-register/south-boundary-bigride/>

Gran Fondo Taos-Mora-Angel Fire

Date: Saturday, August 5, 2017

Location: Taos Youth & Family Center

Times: Start at 7:00 am

<http://taosportsalliance.com/events/bicycling/>

Taos Ski Valley Up & Over 10k Trail Run

Date: Saturday, August 15

Location: Taos Ski Valley

Times: Registration starts at 7:00 am. 10k starting at 9:00 am, 12:00 pm awards ceremony and after-party.

<http://www.taosskivalley.com/trailrun/>

Bull of the Woods Trail Races

Date: Saturday, September 16, 2017

Location: Taos Ski Valley, Northside Trails

Times: ½ marathon starting at 8:00 am, 8-mile race starting at 9:00 am

<https://www.bullofthewoodsrun.com/about-the-land>

For more information on the line-up of summer racing events coming to Taos, please visit

<http://taos.org/what-to-do/bike-hike-trek-climb/running-biking-races-taos>.

More about the Town of Taos...

Located just 135 miles from Albuquerque's International Sunport and a short, 90-minute drive from Santa Fe, Taos is home to the country's oldest continuously-inhabited pueblo community, the state's newest national monument, and the highest peak in New Mexico. World-class skiing, hiking, camping, whitewater rafting, kayaking, fishing, and mountain biking can all be found nearby. Motorists enjoy the region's celebrated scenic drives, including the Enchanted Circle and the High Road from Santa Fe to Taos. The area also boasts ample four-wheeling and off road trails that crisscross the backcountry. Golf Digest's four-star-rated Taos Country Club championship golf course offers players spectacular scenery and panoramic mountain views. Other hidden Taos travel gems include cultural sites like the San Francisco de Asis Church, the downtown plaza, "El Corazon de Taos," as well as museums and galleries, weekend music and art festivals, and even llama trekking adventures. Finally, most Taos travelers find that their getaways are not complete without indulging in the local New Mexico cuisine and its famous red and green chile options that infiltrate everything from breakfast burritos to pizza. To learn more, go to www.taos.org.

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