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Town of Taos to Host Multiple Outdoor Summer Races

Runners and cyclers to flock to Taos all season long to race popular and scenic trails

(Taos, N.M.) The Town of Taos will play host to multiple running and cycling events this summer beginning with the Mountain Bike Hill Climb on Tuesday, July 17 and ending with Gran Fondo on Saturday, September 22. The races, which vary from 10k runs to 105-mile bike rides, are set among some of the most popular nature trails in Taos and Taos Ski Valley.

The Mountain Bike Hill Climb at Northside Mountain in Taos Ski Valley kicks off the cycling events, followed by the South Boundary BigRide that begins at Angel Fire Resort on Saturday, August 4, the Taos Ski Valley Road Hill Climb on Wednesday, August 22 and the final year of the Gran Fondo on its current path on Saturday, September 22. Foot races begin on Saturday, August 4 at Taos Ski Valley for the 13th Annual Up & Over Trail Run and also include the Bull of the Woods Trail Race on Saturday, September 15.

“The trails in Taos are world class and attract both runners and cyclists from near and far every year,” said Karina Armijo, Director of Marketing and Tourism for the Town of Taos. “We’re excited to once again welcome all of the racers that are making their way to Taos this summer.”

Several of the events have pre-race meals and after parties to accompany the races.

For more information on the races, visit <https://taos.org/what-to-do/horseback-llama-trekking/running-biking-races-taos/>.

Summer 2018 Race Schedule:

Mountain Bike Hill Climb at Northside

Date: Tuesday, July 17, 2018
Wednesday, September 5, 2018
Location: Taos Ski Valley at Northside Mountain Bike Trails
Times: Registration will begin at 5:30 PM, while the race starts at 6:00 PM
<https://www.facebook.com/events/177806729590912/>

13th Annual Taos Ski Valley Up & Over Trail Run

Date: Saturday, August 4, 2018

Location: Taos Ski Valley Base Area

Times: Race Day registration will begin at 7:00 AM, Race starts at 9:00 AM

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

South Boundary BigRide

Date: Saturday, August 4, 2018

Location: South Boundary Trail from Angel Fire Resort to Taos Youth and Family Center

Times: Pre-race meeting for all racers at 6:30 AM, race from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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

Taos Ski Valley Road Hill Climb!

Date: Wednesday, August 22, 2018

Location: Taos Ski Valley Canyon

Times: Registration will begin at 5:30 PM, while the race starts at 6:00 PM

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2100443953566875/>

Bull of the Woods Trail Races

Date: Saturday, September 15, 2018

Location: Northside at Taos Ski Valley

Times: The full-marathon begins at 7:00 AM, with the 10-mile and the half-marathon starting at 10:00 AM

<https://www.bullofthewoodsrun.com/>

Gran Fondo Taos-Mora-Angel-Fire

Date: Saturday, September 22, 2018

Location: Ride from Taos along scenic Hwy. 518 through Mora and Angel Fire and back

Times: The events will begin at 8:00 AM at the Taos Youth & Family Center

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

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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