

Rawhide Continental Divide Tour

July 24th, 2010
Under Permit of USA Cycling

Highlands Cycling Club and Homestake Lodge ski area present a supported 35 mile ride on the Continental Divide Trail between Basin Creek Park and Homestake Pass on July 24th, 2010. Join us for a one way fun ride/tour on single track back to Homestake Lodge where entrants will be treated to a post ride barbeque as part of your entry fee.

At 7:00 a shuttle will leave from Homestake Lodge to Basin Creek. A second shuttle will leave Homestake Lodge at 9:00 AM on first come first serve basis. Bikes will be shuttled over via trailer to the starting area with the bus occupants.

The Terrain:

The ride starts with 4.5 miles general climbing (some steep) on jeep trail to reach Burton Park, at which point the CDT trail branches off for 25+ miles to the top of Homestake Pass at I-90. At Highland Campground there will be a rest station with water and a pump to recharge you before you cover 8 miles to the top of Lime Kiln Road and the start of 4.5 miles of fun general downhill to the top of Hwy 2. The climb continues after that rest through a local trail called "The Beaver Ponds" and onto the final climb up the Homestake CDT. From the top of the Homestake CDT, you finish with a 4+ mile downhill to the I-90 trailhead. The ride is mostly easy 3 miles of forest service road to Homestake Lodge where you can shower, wash your bike, eat and visit!

A complete GPS map is coming soon. At this time, snow is still preventing us from riding the full trail. You can see portions of the trail at these links:

<http://trail.motionbased.com/trail/activity/6865096>

<http://trail.motionbased.com/trail/activity/6877458>

<http://trail.motionbased.com/trail/activity/6812911>

The CDT in this area is well constructed for non-motorized use. There is plenty of climbing, great downhill, several vistas to enjoy, and of course a great place to relax, recover and enjoy the company of others. The trail difficulty is moderate to advanced for most of fitness. It is wide single track, with moderate technical sections.

Registration:

Event cost is \$50. This includes your USA cycling event registration, shuttle ride to the start area, food and beverages at the end of the day, and the barbeque at the end of the day. Registration is available at www.sportsbaseonline.com, and will be closed July 20th. **No day of event registration, as we need to plan for food and shuttle services.** If you register late, or full, you'll have to wait until next year!

Please pre-register at Sportsbaseonline.com

Accommodations:

On site lodging is available on first come first serve basis from Homestake Lodge. They have 2 available bunk rooms in which sleep 18, a yurt that sleeps 6, and camping/tenting space available, separate from the event cost. Availability and reservations are available at www.homestakelodge.com. Your family is welcome to use the trails around Homestake Lodge during the day of your return.

In town accommodations may be prone to filling up, as the same weekend Butte hosts Evel Knievel Days. Book early, or plan to camp.

Many thanks to our sponsors and supporters for this event!

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