



37th Mt. Graham Hill Climb 2016

Arizona State Hill Climb Championship

OCTOBER 16, 2016

Safford, Arizona

USA CYCLING PERMITS NUMBER 2016-2395

Race Director:

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- Located in the southeastern corner of Arizona. Mt. Graham draws riders each year to a spectacular event. The 20 mile mass-start road race starts @ mile post 115.1 across from the Federal prison [elevation 3,379 ft.] and winds up the "Swift Trail" (State Route 366) to the finish at mile post 135.1 near the Snow Flat camp ground [elevation 9,068]. The 5,689 ft. climb travels through high desert grassland, oak woodlands, and pine forest to alpine meadow
- Mt. Graham is the longest continuous bicycle race in Arizona in its 37th year & the 3rd most elevation gain one day race in the United States.



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This year event had to increase fees as USA Cycling required the event to pay \$550 for the additional insurance that the State of Arizona requires & USA Cycling increased the rider surcharge from \$3.60 to \$3.75.

Sponsoring Cycling Clubs are Presteza, Team Broadway Bikes and Javelina Chase Bicycle Race!

Race starts at 8:00 AM. It is a mass start race with all categories racing together.

First rider's finishing time will be around 9:30 am. Last rider finishing time will be around 11:00 AM. Those riders choosing to ride down the mountain will return to the parking area around 12:00 noon!

WEB PAGE ADDRESS:

<http://www.presteza.com/MtGrahamIndex.html>

On-line registration web address:

<https://www.bikereg.com/37thmtgrahamhillclimb>

ON-LINE Registration closed on October 14, 2016 at 5:00 PM Arizona Time!

Fees: CHANGE IN 2016

Before September 24, 2016

1. Juniors \$20.00
2. All other Categories \$ 50.00

After September 24, 2016

- A. Juniors \$25.00
- B. All other Categories \$ 55.00

RACE DAY October 16, 2016

- C. Juniors \$30.00
- D. All other Categories \$ 60.00

Fees include USCF \$3.75 surcharge for insurance! Promoter pays this fee to USA Cycling! That is an increase of 15 cents per rider in 2016.



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Mail in Registration

1. Nippy Feldhake 5601 East Scarlett Street Tucson, Arizona 85711
2. Make checks out to Nippy Feldhake! Send standard USA Cycling release form.
Phone (520) 747-2544

USA Cycling Licenses

1. USA Cycling annual & one-day licenses will be on sale during all registration (day before & race day!)
2. One-day USA Cycling license is now \$10.00. All riders must have a USA Cycling license to be a participant in the Mt. Graham Hill Climb.
3. USA Cycling annual license will also be available at registration if your want to buy one. Only annual licensed riders are eligible for State championship medals and State Jersey per USA Cycling rules.

Registration (Day Before) October 15, 2016:

1. In Safford at the Best Western Desert Inn Motel - Saturday 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. At Best Western Desert Inn, 1391 Thatcher Blvd. Safford, Arizona 1-800-707-2336 or 928-428-0521.

Registration (Race Day): October 16, 2016

1. At Federal Prison parking lot: Near Start on SR 366 (mile post 115) From 7:00 AM to 7:45 AM. No real early birds. Let us get set up, please!

JUNIOR RACERS: (ALL):

ALL JUNIOR RACERS AGE 16 AN UNDER MUST RACE THE 10-MILE DISTANCE ONLY. NO EXCEPTION NO MATTER WHAT CATEGORY/RANKING THE JUNIOR HOLDS.

ALL JUNIOR RACERS AGE 17 AND OLDER MUST BE A CATEGORY 3 OR ABOVE TO ENTER THE 20-MILE DISTANCE. ALL JUNIOR RACERS AGE 17 AND OLDER THAT ARE CATEGORY 4/5 MUST RACE THE 10-MILE DISTANCE. NO EXCEPTION!

ALL JUNIORS RACERS AGE 16 AN UNDER ARE HIGHLY SUGGESTED THAT THEY DO NOT RIDE FROM MILE POST 125 TO MILE POST 135. THIS IS A SAFETY CONCERN FOR THE YOUNG RIDERS!

Riding Down-THE RACE IS UP THE MOUNTAIN NOT DOWN!!!

1. Riding down on bikes is allowed BUT extreme care must be taken. Helmets are required. The race is up the mountain NOT DOWN! All past accidents happened down the mountain! Rides in vehicles are possible ask at start before race OR AT THE FINISH!



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<u>CATEGORIES</u>	<u>DISTANCE</u>	
1. Senior Men Category 1	20 MILES	
2. Senior Men Category 2	20 MILES	
3. Under 23 (Espoires)	20 MILES	
4. Senior Men Category 3	20 MILES	
5. Senior Men Category 4	20 MILES	
6. Senior Men Category 5	20 MILES	
7. Senior Women Category 1	20 MILES	
8. Senior Women Category 2	20 MILES	
9. Senior Women Category 3	20 MILES	
10. Senior Women Category 4	20 MILES	
11. Master Men 30 to 34	20 MILES	
12. Master Men 35 to 39	20 MILES	
13. Master Men 40 to 44	20 MILES	
14. Master Men 45 to 49	20 MILES	
15. Master Men 50 to 54	20 MILES	
16. Master Men 55 to 59	20 MILES	
17. Master Men 60 to 64	10 OR 20 MILES	
18. Master Men 65 to 69	10 OR 20 MILES	
19. Master Men 70 to 74	10 OR 20 MILES	
20. Master Men 75 + (into 5yr age group)	10 OR 20 MILES	
21. Master Woman 30 to 34	20 MILES	
22. Master Woman 35 to 39	20 MILES	
23. Master Woman 40 to 44	20 MILES	
24. Master Woman 45 to 49	20 MILES	
25. Master Woman 50 to 54	10 OR 20 MILES	
26. Master Woman 55 to 59	10 OR 20 MILES	
27. Master Woman 60 to 64	10 OR 20 MILES	
28. Master Woman 65 to 69	10 OR 20 MILES	
29. Master Woman 70 + (into 5yr age group)	10 OR 20 MILES	
30. Tandem Men 70 Plus	20 MILES	
31. Tandem Men Elite Under 70	20 MILES	
32. Tandem Men 90 Plus	20 MILES	
33. Tandem Men 120 Plus	20 MILES	
34. Tandem Mixed 70 Plus	20 MILES	
35. Tandem Mixed 90 Plus	20 MILES	
36. Tandem Mixed 120 Plus	20 MILES	
37. Tandem Women Elite Under 70	20 MILES	
38. Tandem Woman 70 Plus	20 MILES	
39. Tandem Woman 90 Plus	20 MILES	
40. Tandem Woman 120 Plus	20 MILES	
41. Juniors 10 to 12(Men or Woman)	10 MILES ONLY	See Note previous Page
42. Juniors 13 to 14 (Men or Woman)	10 MILES ONLY	See Note previous Page
43. Juniors 15 to 16 (Men or Woman)	10 MILES ONLY	See Note previous Page
44. Juniors 17 to 18 (Men or Woman)	10 OR 20 MILES	See Note previous Page



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Host Hotel:

Best Western Desert Inn

1391 Thatcher Blvd. Safford, Arizona

1-800-707-2336 or (928) 428-0521 or fax (928) 428-7653

Ask for the Mt. Graham Hill Climb Special!!

PRICE IS THE SAME AS IT WAS IN 2015!

Please note that due to increased mining activity in Safford that the town is fairly busy and reservations need to be made as soon as possible.

Continental breakfast included. No sleeping in bathtub!

ROOM RATES: \$70.00 + 14.05% tax for Mt. Graham Hill Climb 1 King or 1 Queen Bed or for Two Queen Beds.

ALSO LATE CHECK OUT for all riders is at 1:00 PM. Just let the front desk know when you check in you are with the bike race!

Camping:

1. ROPER STATE PARK: Park is 2 miles from start line. Amenities: Showers, indoor toilets, RV hookups, Ramada's. FOR COSTS CALL (928) 428-6760 FOR RATES. Follow brown colored state park signage off Hwy 191! Address 101 E. Roper Lake Road Safford, Arizona 85546.
2. Web page is <http://azstateparks.com/Parks/ROLA/index.html>

Other Camping! Camping on Mt. Graham!

1. There is camping on Mt. Graham! One is at milepost 124.5 at the U. S. Forest Service Camp Ground Arcadia. It is around 10 miles up the mountain and the other is 21 miles up the mountain about ½ miles past the finish and Snow Flats! Fee-Around \$10 per day per campsite.

Support

1. Neutral Support for all riders. Water and encouragement all 20 miles! FREE food at rest area past the finish line!
2. There WILL be a race support vehicle that will take any and all riders gear (extra clothes) for the ride down! Place item in bag and label with race name and number!

SPECIAL THANKS:

1. A very special thanks to the following, they make this race possible> All Nippy's family! ADOT, Graham County Supervisors, Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS), Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), City of Safford, US Forest Service, Federal Prison, Eastern Arizona Courier, AZ Police Traffic Services, Al Hopper, Missy Russum and Jay Schreiber – the web page master!



36th Mt. Graham Hill Climb 2015 Arizona State Hill Climb Championship

AWARDS

1. This is official Arizona State USA Cycling Hill Climb Championship race. Each category and age group will receive the Arizona State Championship. The jersey is paid for by the race director.
2. USA Cycling State medals will also be given out to the first three in each category & age group for each state represented. They are Gold, Silver & Bronze medals. If you are from a different state other than Arizona & your state does not have a “Hill Climb” Championship then you are eligible for a medal.
3. Per the USA Cycling rulebook only those riders that have an ANNUAL license are eligible for the state championship title! ONE-DAY LICENSE RIDERS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE STATE JERSEY OR MEDAL!
4. Only Arizona State Annual licensed riders are eligible for the Arizona State Championship Jersey.
5. Break a Mt. Graham record and receive an “Official Mt. Graham Record”!
6. **AWARDS WILL BE HELD AT the Graham County General Services Building. The building is located at 921 Thatcher Blvd., Safford, Arizona 85546. The entrance to the heated and air conditioned room is in the behind the main building.**

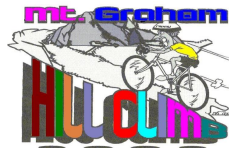
BIKE SHOPS!

PIMA STREET BICYCLE	BROADWAY BIKES	TRISPORTS.COM
5247 East Pima Street Tucson, Arizona 85712 (520) 326-4044	140 S Sarnoff Drive Tucson, Arizona 85710 (520) 296-7819	4495 S Coach Drive Tucson, Arizona 85714 (520) 884-8743

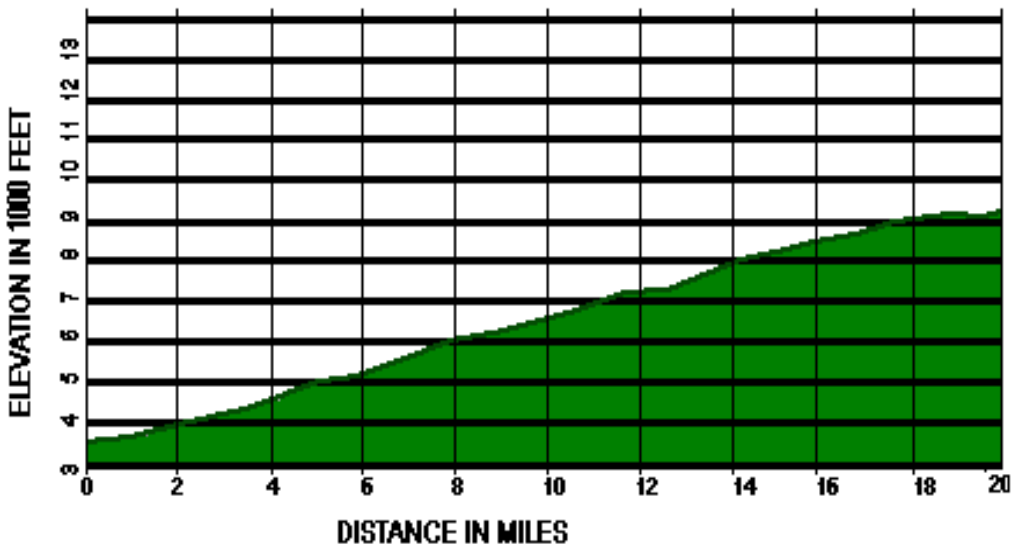
MOST INSPIRATION CYCLIST!

1. Each year a cyclist is chosen as the Most Inspirational Cyclist! Who will it be in 2016? Attended the awards ceremony and find out!
2. If you know someone who deserves this award e-mail Nippy at nippy-mr-smarty-pants@juno.com.
3. Past recipients!

1999	Al Hopper	2000 Vern Roberts
2001	Jeannie Longo & Don Melhado	2002 Scott Price
2003	Rebecca Cooke & Ken Stamm	2004 Steve Walters (In Memory)
2005	Herb Johnson & Adrienna Brian	2006 Maggie Williams & Dave Deichman
2007	Marlene Zuhl & Dwight Nelson	2008 Christina Carbone & Kerry Farrell
2009	Tammy Lamb & Jesus Lamb	
2010	Jay Schreiber & Colleen Whealdon-Haught (In Memory)	
2011	Franz Hammer & Catherine Dickerson	2012 Reg Dowell & Martha Stedman
2013	Alisha Welch & Darien Newman	2014 Luis Chacon & Joanna Roberts
2015		2016



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PROFILE



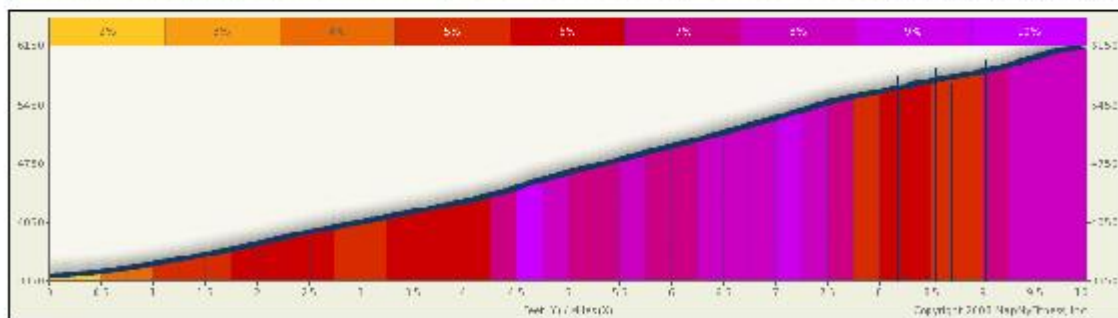
MAPS 10 mile event



Mt. Graham Hill Climb 10 Mile Event

Starts in Safford, Arizona

10.00 miles



Description
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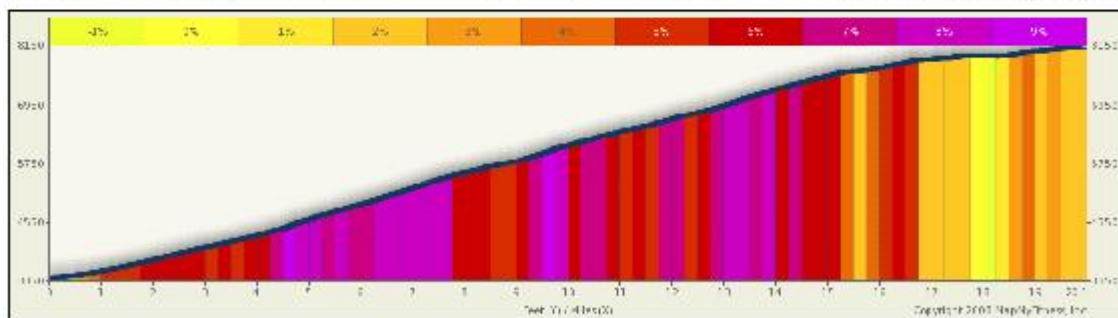
MAP 20 mile event



Mt. Graham Hill Climb 20 Mile Event

Starts in Safford, Arizona

20.00 miles



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