

# SEPTEMBER 16 & 17

THE RACING POST

## THE ROAD CHAMPIONSHIP WEEKEND:



**THE FORT HOOD CHALLENGE: IX**

(\$20 discount on 2<sup>nd</sup> race entry till August 25th)

USAC permit 2017-2453

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SAT SEPT 16							
EVENT	START	LAPS / MILES	PURSE (PLACES)	PRICE	FIELD LIMIT	CHAMP. JERSEY	EVENT SPECIFIC NOTES
Chris Hipp Memorial P1 Championship	0710	3 / 102	\$5000 (20) Trophies (5)	\$50	75	Yes *	Minimum field 40 racers
Caleb Fuchs Memorial Cat 2 Championship	0720	3 / 102	\$1000 (10) Trophies (5)	\$50	75	Yes *	Minimum field 40 racers
Ivan Mukasa Memorial Cat 3 Championship	0730	2 / 69	\$750 (5) Trophies (5)	\$50	75	Yes *	
Megan Baab Memorial Women P, 1,2 Championship	0740	2 / 69	\$2,500 (10) Trophies (5)	\$50	75	Yes *	
Women C3 Championship	0750	2 / 69	Trophies (5)	\$50	75	Yes *	
James Bailey Memorial Cat 4 Championship	1400	2 / 69	Trophies (5)	\$50	75	Yes *	
Cat 5 Championship	1410	1 / 34	Trophies (5)	\$50	50	Yes *	Texas Residents who hold an annual USAC license ONLY (see note below)
Women Cat 4 Championship	1420	1 / 34	Trophies (5)	\$50	75	Yes *	
Women Cat 5 Championship	1430	1 / 34	Trophies (5)	\$50	75	Yes *	Texas Residents who hold an annual USAC license ONLY (see note below)
Military Open	1435	1/33	Trophies (5)	Free	50	No	Open to all serving military personnel / must have either annual or 1 day license
Open – people who just want to ride this incredible course	1435	1/33	Trophies (5)	\$50	25	No	Racer must have either a valid USAC license or purchase a 1-day on-site

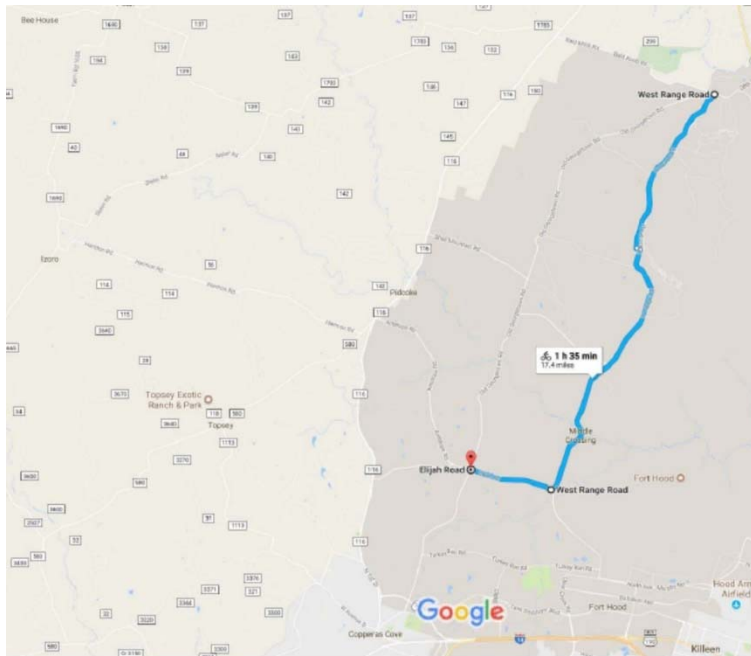


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<b>Junior Events:</b> 9 - 14 All events start at 0730 on the course the specified distance from the Finish Line							. Racers must be delivered at their respective start area by 0700 and cars moving off the course by 0715
Junior Men 9 – 12	0730	20K	Trophies (5)	\$15	Start wave can't exceed 75	Yes*	JR Rollout AFTER the race near the intersection
Junior Women 9 – 12	0730	20K	Trophies (5)	\$15	See above	Yes *	JR Rollout AFTER the race near the intersection
Junior Men 13 – 14	0730	20K	Trophies (5)	\$15	See above	Yes*	JR Rollout AFTER the race near the intersection
Junior Women 13 – 14	0730	20K	Trophies (5)	\$15	See above	Yes*	JR Rollout AFTER the race near the intersection

## IMPORTANT NOTES: (THEY'RE IN RANDOM ORDER, SO YOU SHOULD READ ALL OF THEM)

This course is different from prior years. Because of the sudden start of many military construction projects the Bridge on Old Elijah Road is deemed out of service. Therefore, we have been restricted to the pictured

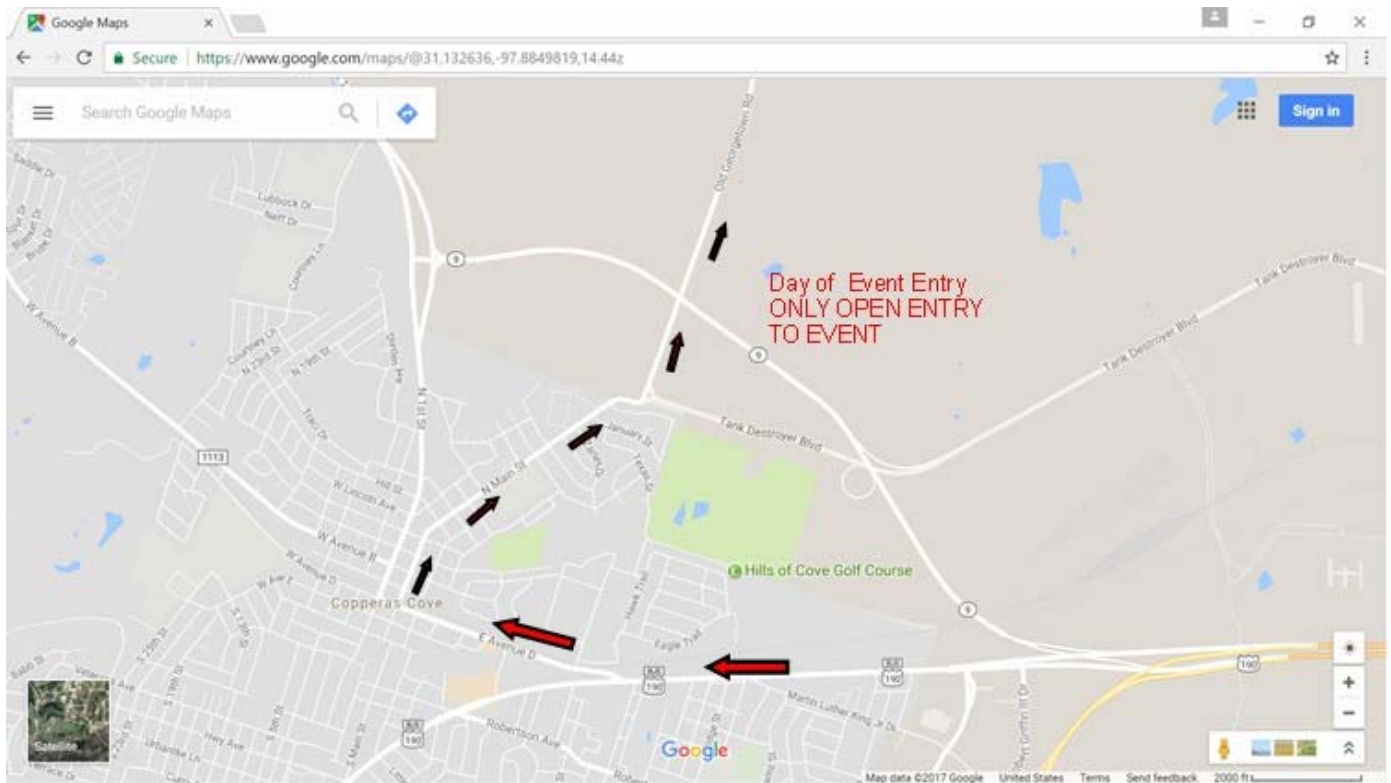


course: The course is a 34 mile out and back loop of paved roads completely closed to traffic. There are challenging climbs and descents. The course is entirely on Fort Hood, a US Army military base, and as such, is subject to military rules and regulations. Free-range wild cattle may present themselves on the course without warning. The Start line will be on the south side of Old Georgetown road near the intersection of Elijah Road. On-site registration and results will be in the general vicinity of the start. Parking will be in the large crushed rock “field” on the Southwest corner of the intersection. The Finish line will be placed on the Eastern leg of Elijah Road near the intersection. The Feed Zone will be placed just after the turn-around on Elijah Road. At Sanctioning, there is a planned neutral water hand-up site planned just after the turn around at the top of the course. More maps [www.theracingpost.us](http://www.theracingpost.us)

⚠ This route has restricted usage or private roads.  
↑ 778 ft • ↓ 594 ft



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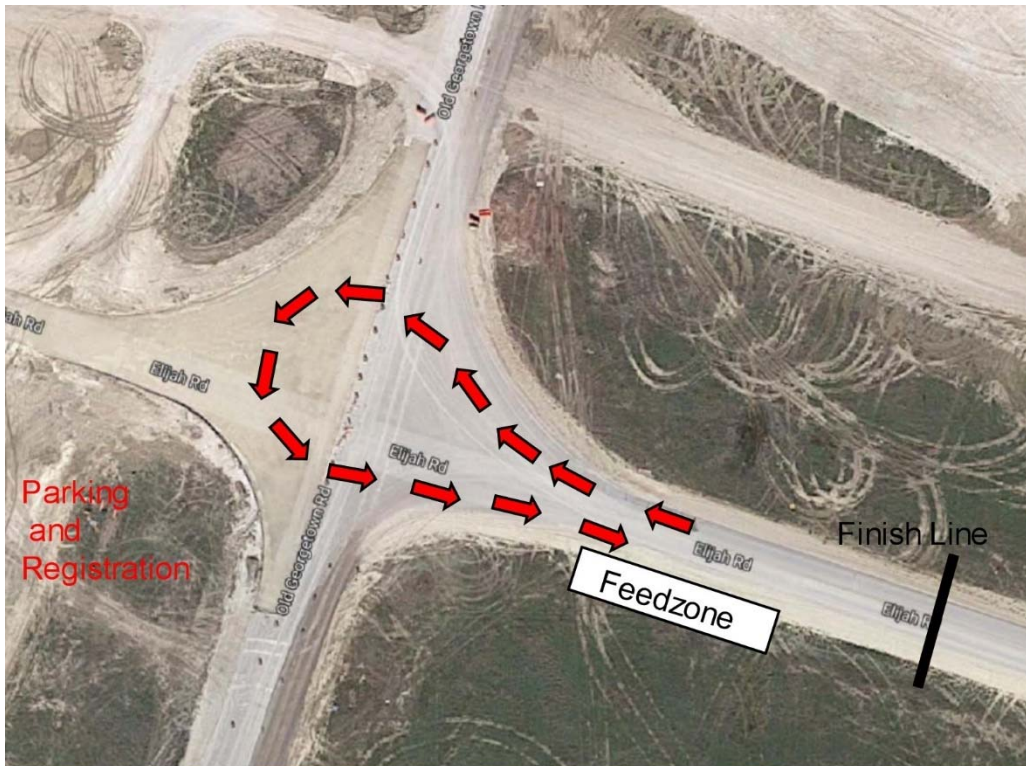


**On the morning of the event, all participants must approach the venue from Old Georgetown Road heading NORTH from Main Street Off of Ave D in Copperas Cove so as to not cross the course.** You may freely come and go from the parking area at any time during the race using this route. Attempting to enter the venue from any other “Entry” will – a minimum be blocked (closed course) or subject to Military Investigation.



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With the Bridge Out we are restricted to out and back. (all these issues came up and were negotiated during June). The Turn-arounds are noted below:



Top of Course:





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**Championship Eligibility:** Championship Jerseys and medals are for US Citizens or Permanent Residents who are Texas Residents **with valid annual licenses**. Others racers in these events may compete and win purses, but they are not part of the championship awards.

All championship events, regardless of pre-reg participant count or promoter supplied Championship Jersey will receive USAC medals, three places deep.

**Cat 5s: Only those who meet the Championship Eligibility as stated above may ENTER the Cat 5 Championship event. Others may participate in the Open category.**

**Championship Jersey:** A “Yes\*” on the flyer indicates that the promoter will provide a TXBRA State Championship jersey to the race winner (subject to the above) at no additional cost as long as there are **Six (6)** pre-registered entrants in that category. Races with fewer than 6 – You will receive your jersey, but are asked to voluntarily donate \$45 to the race as compensation for the jersey.

**Serving Military** – Race free in any category – period – Contact promoter.

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**Pe-Registration is at BikeReg** ... [www.bikereg.com](http://www.bikereg.com) where their registration charges are additional to race fees on the flyer. **THERE IS A \$20 SECOND RACE DISCOUNT TILL August 30th !!!!**

- Texas Cup points for 40+ and 50+ are recorded and purse paid regardless of eligibility for State Championship. However, to be awarded State Championship medals and jersey, you must be age qualified.
- If 70+ has more than 12 Pre-Reg entries, every effort will be made to have them run separate from 60+ (sag, official, etc.)
- On-Site Registration Fee - **\$15 additional** (one-time charge) and no second event discount.
- We will announce race week the location of the pre-race packet pick-up for Friday night – assume Host Hotel.
- Assume numbers on the left and back ~ don't crinkle them.
- All USAC rules in effect / Event held rain or shine. (HAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHA! 'cause we've had both)
- **NO PRIVATE VEHICLES ARE ALLOWED ON THE COURSE FOR ANY REASON, except Sunday morning for Junior Racer delivery.**
- Wheels in / Wheels out unless officials deem there are enough for neutral wheels
- There is NO Junior 10 – 12 or 13 - 14 Registration on Sunday
- Podium Ceremony times will be announced in further communications. They will be scheduled as soon as possible to when results become final. Purse payouts and Trophies will be only available at these ceremonies. No mailed checks/trophies whatsoever!!!
- Promoter may combine, change or adjust payouts for events with fewer than 35 pre-regged participants.
- There will be wheel vehicles for all events but these usually don't have facilities for rider pick-up. We will continually sweep the course during the morning and afternoon. If you are in distress, please signal passing vehicles. Riders standing by the side of the road will be deemed tired, but capable of finishing under their own power.
- Riders off the back of the main field, must stay to the RIGHT side of the road, and may not work with any other riders except those riders you started the race with.

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Riders racing multiple laps, who are deemed out of contention by the chief referee, may be pulled from the race at the finish line and have their place recorded.

- For Junior Men 10 – 12 / 13- 14 and for Women 10 – 12 / 13 - 14, there are special mileage restrictions. With the course being closed it would be impossible to have them start at the Start Line and finish out on the course while ensuring them a safe and quick return. So, we will start them 20K from the finish line, out on the course and have them race to the Finish Line. The 20K Start area will be on a map available on [www.theracingpost.us](http://www.theracingpost.us) and will be marked by large Ductape Stripes (what else) across the road. Those delivering the juniors may drive the opposite direction on the course but, in any case, must deliver them by 0700 on Sunday morning and depart within 10 minutes to be completely off the course by 0730. There will be no facilities at this start location - so we're reminding you to bring everything you will need. (Rollouts at the finish) There will be two volunteers at each start location so the children will be appropriately supervised. This event will have an official and a follow vehicle as well. (*They'll be okay.*)
- There are no facilities at the venue past Portapotties. There is no electricity or running water. Bring everything you'll need. You can warm-up on the South leg of Old Georgetown Road from the start line to the Police Check Point which should provide miles of fun and a few interesting hills.
- The National Anthem. Figure Saturday and Sunday dawn at the start line. Please observe suitable decorum during this short ceremony. Sunday we'll have Amazing Grace as well. !:
- There is no scheduled military training during our visit. There should be no military or non-military vehicles on/near the course whatsoever. If you do see some, assume they don't/can't see you and **make it your responsibility to avoid contact.** There should be no live fire during our visit (no artillery, no small arms – friendly or foreign). IF there is any incursion to our venue by any vehicles, military or not, Officials and Promotion staff will contact the authorities. IF there is any change to the race status, we'll let everyone know fast. Sometimes the military does have stuff happening that take priority – if they won't bother us too much, we'll work around them and they us.
- **Please remember we're guests on a military reservation during wartime.** This venue took years to get. If anyone who even remotely looks like an authority figure addresses you ~ even during Race Face Preparation and transformation from normal human to "Roadie" ~ please be overtly polite and completely responsive. Find me, not the registration volunteers, nor the officials, to sort out any such problems and I promise to give you the needed attention as soon as I can. I have asked the Security Officials to work with me first on any non-life-threatening or non-security breach issues. Okay, what this means is that even if you're off the back, don't go exploring the mock Iraqi village or the Simulated Down-town Bagdad training facilities (both of which are along the course).
- If at any time you see something that looks like it might be an artillery shell, hand grenade, anything that might go "boom," OR any Cougar, Bobcat, Coyote, snake, Gila Monster or anything that looks like it eats other things ~ **don't touch it, keep riding** ~ We will sweep the course for such items the night before and the morning of the race. (The cattle are not tame and if there is a "pond" near the S/F it is NOT safe to go swimming or wading in. Please keep your children from going "exploring" or swimming.)



Payout:

| Purse                 | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | 5 <sup>th</sup> | 6 <sup>th</sup> | 7 <sup>th</sup> | 8 <sup>th</sup> | 9 <sup>th</sup> | 10   | 11 <sup>th</sup><br>Through<br>20 <sup>th</sup> |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------|-------------------------------------------------|
| P1<br>\$5,000         | \$1,500         | \$1,000         | \$750           | \$500           | \$200           | \$145           | \$120           | \$110           | \$100           | \$75 | \$50                                            |
| W P12<br>\$2,500      | \$1000          | \$700           | \$300           | \$150           | \$100           | \$50            | \$50            | \$50            | \$50            | \$50 |                                                 |
| M2 &<br>U23<br>\$1000 | \$325           | \$200           | \$100           | \$75            | \$50            | \$50            | \$50            | \$50            | \$50            | \$50 |                                                 |
| M3<br>\$725           | \$300           | \$200           | \$100           | \$75            | \$50            |                 |                 |                 |                 |      |                                                 |

Very simply put: This race is run as a way to say “thank you “for those who served. From the beginning to now and the future.