



Welcome to the 2020 Papago 6 Hour MTB Race.

Here we go -- kicking off the mountain bike race season with awesome base miles! If this race doesn't test your endurance riding abilities, nothing will.

We're seriously fortunate to get to ride some fantastic single track in Papago Park, right in the middle of the Valley of the Sun. Where else can you log anywhere from 7 to 100 miles on single track in the middle of a killer city like Tempe?

This course is challenging for sure, but not so bad that the average guy or gal can't navigate it too. We've even thrown in a couple miles of canal riding so you can open it up and let'er rip. And In 2020, we are riding in reverse of the traditional direction - same direction as Papago 6 2019. And we've added a climb or two!

Your event registration includes a custom 2020 event shirt and to make your day we will have the Awesome Sauce Food Truck on-site from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM providing food **for purchase**. HAMMER Nutrition will be on-hand for fueling during your effort, post-race massage is available for \$1/minute, and Papago 6 Hour is just a whole lot of fun!

Important details follow - please read completely.

As a reminder, the Park is open to the public - always be aware of your surroundings - particularly hikers, equestrians, and other Park users.

Thank you for racing with us.

Best Regards,

The Papago Crew



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Event Schedule Saturday, January 4, 2020

6:00 AM – Venue open for setup - **please do not arrive any earlier!**

6:00 AM - 8:55 AM – Packet Pickup (and really last-minute registration - bring your ID!)

8:50 AM – Staging for the start.

8:55 AM – National Anthem.

9:00 AM – TEAMS START.

9:05 AM - SOLO START.

2:59:59 PM – Last rider allowed to begin a lap out on course.

3:45PM – Awards Ceremony.

Parking

Access to the venue is off Curry, via Lakeview. You can enter from either the west of Mill (by Marquee Theater) or east of Mill. Parking will be first come, first serve, in the lots on Lakeview, with overflow under the 202 parking area west of Mill. ***Do not park in Marquee Parking lot*.**

Registration and Packet Pickup

ONLY available Saturday morning before the race - pick up your packet or register on-site at the VERY last- minute. Each rider will receive a bike number plate, and event tee.

TEAM RIDERS - know your Division and Team Name please!!

Divisions

- Solo (1) - race by yourself, dudes/gals, single speed.
- Duo (2) - race with a friend (or foe), male, female or co-ed.
- QUAD (4) - race with a couple of friends - male, female or coed.
- Juniors (ages 12-15) - Duo teams of two.

Team and Solo Day-Camp Setups

You can begin setting up your day camps at 6:00 AM and space will be available on a first-come-first-serve basis. Solo Alley will be on both sides of the course, under the bridge on Lakeview. Team camps will be on the left (west) side Lakeview Drive, heading up the hill.



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Mass Start by category

This race will be mass start by category. TEAMS first, then 5 minutes later SOLOS. The start will be on Lakeview Dr. and you will be headed uphill about 100 yards on pavement before getting out on the course. First lap will proceed along the canal, thereafter laps will head onto the course through the single track.

Chip Timing

The race is chip timed. When you collect your race number plate at packet pickup the timing chip will be affixed to the back of your plate. ALL RIDERS Solo or relay - must have your race number on your bike the entire day. Relay teams will share one assigned number for the team but will each have their own plate with timing chip. Relay team riders MUST High-5-Tag-off a teammate in the designated Rider Relay Zone near the finish line for a rider change for the next lap.

Laps

Here's the deal. All we care about is how many total laps you and/or your team does. We don't care who rides which lap, in what order, etc. Just ride and complete laps. One exception/rule: For Coed teams each member must complete at least one (1) lap.

Food

AwesomeSauce Food Truck will be open 11:00am - 4pm - lunch items - **THERE IS NO EARLY MORNING COFFEE ON-SITE.** Bring cash/credit card for purchase. Spectators are welcome to purchase food items as well!

Buenas Noches

When this party is over, please clean up all your trash. We are lucky enough to have this beautiful course right in the middle of Tempe, so please just respect it and leave it the way you found it. You will need to remove your own trash!

Event Rules

- Helmets must be worn on the bike, and your chin strap must be buckled.
- You MUST HAVE your race plate on the front of your bicycle at all times.
- **Dismount your ride before entering the tunnel.** (Mandatory). All riders are required to dismount before the tunnel and walk your bike through the tunnel. 30-minute time penalty for those who do not.
- Dismount your ride before tagging your teammate. (Mandatory).
- Unsportsmanlike conduct – is grounds for disqualification. NO exceptions.
- Abandonment – no garbage, clothing etc. shall be thrown on the course, etc.
- DNFs – must be reported to timing.

****eMTB's are not allowed to compete in this race.***



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Extra Stuff to Know

General Information

- You **MUST HAVE** a photo ID to pick up your race number.
- **NO** racing license is required for this event.
- You **CANNOT** pick up a packet for your friends, although this sure is nice, we need to see their pearly whites too!
- Horses – Papago Stables, who use these trails every day, will be onsite with horseback riders. Please respect them, stop and/or dismount so as not to spook the horses. This won't cost you or your team a placing, we promise.
- As a reminder: The Park is open to the public - always be aware of your surroundings - particularly hikers, equestrians, and other Park users.
- The race starts at 9:00 AM Saturday, January 4.
- Awards start at approximately 3:45 PM earlier if we can!
- Awards are 3 deep per category/division.
- Solo Alley is primarily for solos...TEAMS please share the space. **No vehicles** are allowed.
- Results will be displayed periodically through the day.
- Bring cash/credit card for purchase of any food/beverage during or after the race. Support the food vendor! Bring your own coffee. NO early morning food service.
- Massage will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for \$1/minute. Cash or credit card only.



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Give thanks!

This event is not possible without the help of MANY people. Their support, time and flat out hard work enable us to put on fun, safe, memorable events. Be sure to visit with them, check out their gear, or just say THANKS. Your gratitude goes along way.

- The Volunteers, and there are lots of them out there all day!
- Riders...thanks for coming out and supporting the sport!
- The City of Tempe.

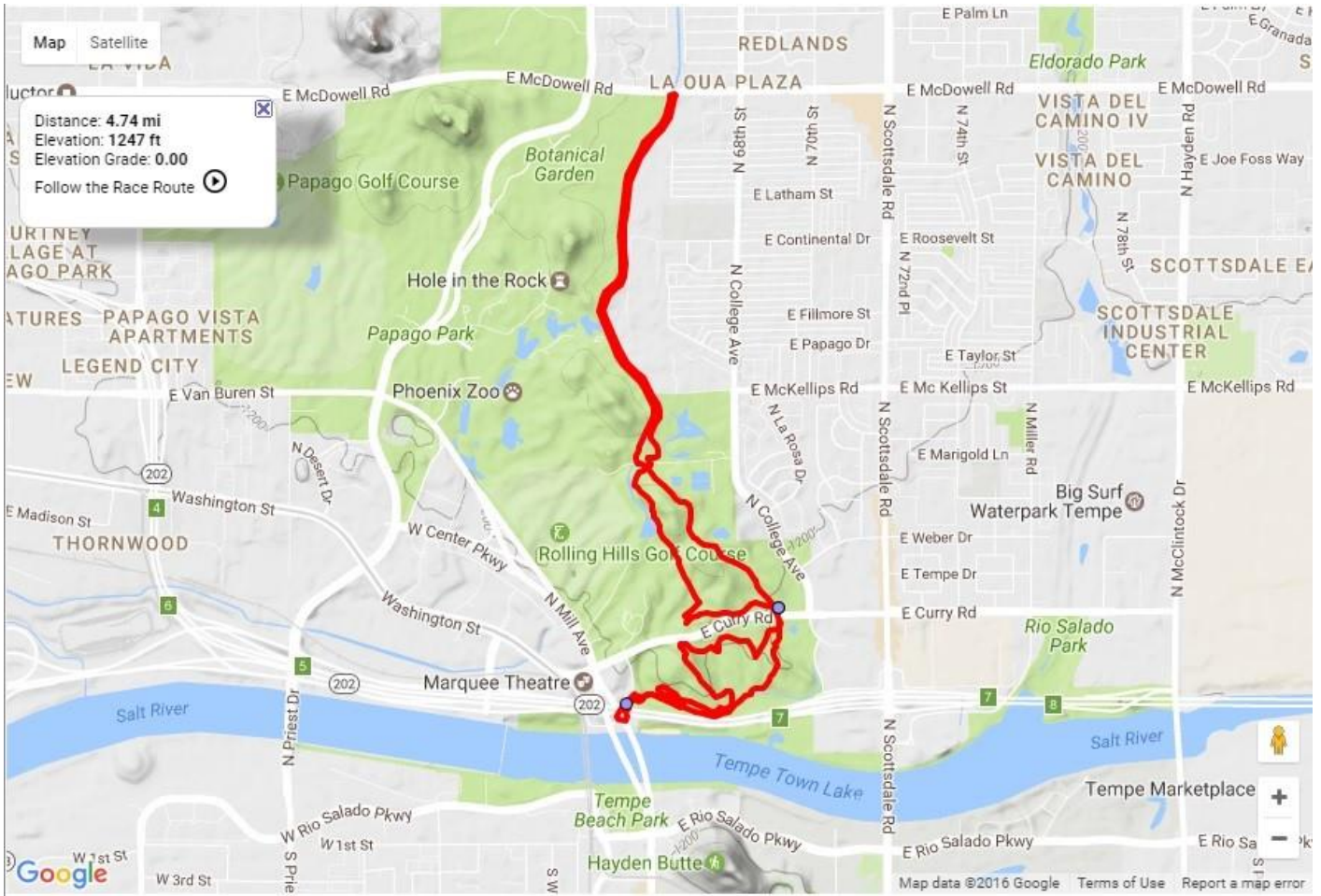
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2020 TENTATIVE Course Map*



*final course will be marked (BLUE ARROWS) by 2pm on Friday January 3, 2020.



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