

## WHITNEY CLASSIC Bike Ride

Sept. 24 – 26, 2010

The Whitney Classic 135 mile Benefit Bicycle Ride in Lone Pine is an overnight challenge for riders and workers. Radio is organized by the Sam's Radio Hams Chapter of Good Sam. Other Hams with or without RVs are welcome

*Summit Adventure* is a Christian non-profit wilderness program working with families, adults, and youths. The Whitney Classic is a major source of funds for them since the riders secure large pledges.

**General** – This ride (NOT a race) starts at 3:00 pm Saturday at Badwater in Death Valley. Riders climb two 5,000 ft. passes during the night, finishing at Whitney Portal, 8,365 ft. by Sunday Noon.

Good Sam volunteers (Sammers) check in the riders and serve them food. Hams (Hammers) relay rider numbers, times, and problems from every open Stop.

<u>SAG Stops</u>	<u>Miles</u>	<u>Rider times</u>
Start – Badwater	0.0	3:00 pm
#1 – Furnace Creek	17.5	3:50-5:00
#2 – Scotty's (Junction)	34.7	4:30-6:20
#3 – Stove Pipe Wells	42.3	4:50-7:30
#4 – Wildrose (Junction)	51.3	5:30-11:00
#5 – Towne Pass	58.9	6:30-12:30 am
#6 – Panamint Springs	72.9	7:00-1:30
#7 – Father Crowley	80.0	7:30-4:00
Repeater – Hillcrest	84.8	<i>not a stop</i>
#8 – Darwin (Junction)	90.7	8:10-6:30
#9 – Keeler	108.1	9:10-8:00
#10 – Lone Pine NCS	121.1	9:50-11:30
#11 – Switchbacks	131.2	11:00-12:20
Finish – Whitney Portal.	134.8	11:30-1:30 pm

**A CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEARS!** If you may want to help with Ham radio, even if not 100% sure, mail the form below NOW, or e-mail ALL information, any text format No assignment guarantees! Use SRHams or WhitneyNorth Yahoo Group for discussion and announcements

Tech licenses, 2-m FM rigs, 25-50 W, and gain antennas are all it takes. 440 MHz FM is optional Starting frequency is 147.51 MHz FM simplex, migrating to a 2-meter repeater and optional 440 MHz frequencies. FRS/GMRS is used within SAG Stops Ham and other frequencies will be handed out.

Net Control (NCS) in the Comfort Inn parking lot in Lone Pine tracks the ride..Riders have their own support vehicles, so we don't usually patrol.

Most cell phones do NOT work East of Lone Pine but a new site is being installed at Furnace Creek! Ask for latest.

After all riders pass and your Stop is closed, you can sleep there in your RV until daylight, if you want to.

**Details** – Be in Lone Pine Friday afternoon, or camp with early birds at Tuttle Creek Campground. Camp next to the Comfort Inn Friday. Save the row nearest the motel for Sammers with ample fire lanes between rows. Meet there at 4 PM to discuss final radio assignments. A Friday night potluck is for all Sammers and Hammers.

There is a pancake breakfast Saturday for volunteers at the VFW Hall behind McDonalds. Stay seated after for all announcements. After a group photo in our new T shirts by the motel, we can go to our assignments.

After the ride Sunday, there is an awards presentation in the Park with free pizza and sodas for participants and volunteers. The Sam's Radio Hams campout at nearby Boulder Creek RV Park follows on Sunday.

- Les Cobb, W6TEE

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**WHITNEY CLASSIC 2010 - Ham Radio Signup** - Mail form NOW to: Les Cobb, 4114 Horgan Way, Sacramento CA 95821, or, e-mail W6TEE at QSL.NET in any text format or turn in by Fri Sept 24, 4 PM meeting.  
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Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City St Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter: Sam's Radio Hams Y: \_\_\_ Other or None: \_\_\_\_\_ T Shirt size(s) \_\_\_ & \_\_\_

Call(s) \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years worked \_\_\_\_\_ RV size \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Assignment (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_ Assignment (LEAVE BLANK) \_\_\_\_\_