

# ***The Return of MADERA:***

*And we may have it again if enough riders enter. Encourage your teammates to enter*

# 31<sup>st</sup> MADERA COUNTY STAGE RACE

**MMM Stage Race: Madera/Mariposa/Merced Counties**

**new TT course! (same as Athlone TT Districts in 2018)**

Part of the 2019 NCNCA Women's Race Series for Women 35+ and 55+ AND, the Chowchilla Criterium stage includes a Category 5 training clinic, race and debriefing. See below\*\*

**March 1-3, 2019, Madera County, CA**

**Note: Cat 1/2/Pro & 45+ 1/2/3 Start on the 1<sup>st</sup> with the Ben Hur Hillclimb; all others on the 2<sup>nd</sup>**

## ***NO RACE DAY ENTRY***

**Road Race start/finish and parking may change; check website**

Bike Reg online entry: <https://www.bikereg.com/madera-county-stage-race>



# MMM STAGE RACE



Presented by Velo Promo & Golden Chain Cyclists; Under USAC Rules & Permit 2019-616

This is a stage race of 3 days, four races for Cat 1/2/Pro and 45+ 1/2/3, and **2 days, 3 races for all other riders** listed below Category 3 start at Stage 2, the Athlone TT, not at criterium. Any category's race may be cancelled mid-event if too many road violations. **Be Sure to pick up the race bible at registration: it includes further information and possible changes of stages, prizes, laps, etc.**

**This is a Timed stage race FOR ALL CATEGORIES; riders must complete each stage to go on to the next stage**

**Registration: Cat 1/2/Pro and 45+ 1/2/3** (10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Friday March 1 at Chowchilla River crossing on Road 613, just north of Raymond, CA (35020 Road 613, Raymond, CA 93653) and **Category 3:** (8:15 a.m. to 9:00 a.m), Saturday March 2, ; 9878 East Harvey Pettit Road, LeGrand, CA. This is a tiny piece of Harvey Pettit on the WEST side of Freeway 99. LeGrand itself is on the east side of the Freeway, several miles away.

see Directions) **All other categories** (including Wm 1/2/Pro): Saturday March 2, 7 a.m. to 30 minutes before their scheduled criterium start, IN CHOWCHILLA: At the corner of Montgomery Lake and Genoa Lake, on the east side of Hwy 99 at Ave 26/Robertson, just behind the Save Mart.

**Directions: Category 1/2/Pro:** (Stage 1) Take Avenue 20/20 1/2 exit from Hwy 99 between Madera and Chowchilla, head east, and turn within 1/2 mile onto 20 1/2 - this becomes Avenue 21 and then Road 600 all the way to the town of Raymond. In Raymond, turn left on Road 613 - at County public works yard - and head out 6 miles to the river: park in parking lots before bridge. (35020 Road 613, Raymond, CA 93653) **Category 3:**

Stage 3/Reg: ; 9878 East Harvey Pettit Road, LeGrand, CA. **Directions:** From Hwy 99 between Merced and Chowchilla, take the Plainsburg/Sandy Mush exit and turn west,. Turn immediately left onto road going back to the frontage road (Kahlon Rd). Turn right on Kahlon to parking

**For all other categories** (including Wm 1/2/Pro): Stage 2/Reg:) IN CHOWCHILLA: At the corner of Montgomery Lake and Genoa Lake, on the east side of Hwy 99 at Ave 26/Robertson, just behind the Save Mart.

**Stage One: Ben Hur Hillclimb Time Trial Cat 1/2/pro and 45+ 1/2/3 Only.** Friday March 1. 10 mile hillclimb TT, using Ben Hur Road from the Madera/Mariposa county line to the top, at Silver Bar Road. One minute starts, course is rolling for 6 miles, and steep climb for 4 more. First rider at 12 noon. Start is ½ mile west of the parking area, at the Mariposa County line.

**Stages Two and Three: Madera Criterium and Sharon Time Trial,** Saturday March 2. Races held concurrently; be sure to be at the right site at the right time. **Criterium course** was new in 2016: **Chowchilla** Criterium: A 0.9 mile loop of flat city streets in an yet-unbuilt subdivision: New course: Triangle shape with two long straights and a series of chicanes (R-L-R, R-L-R), clockwise. Good to Excellent pavement, some botts dots/reflectors. Streets: Montgomery Lake, Genoa Lake, Mission, Vente, Conadria, Verdona, Kadota, Fig Tree and Montgomery Lake. **Athlone Time Trial is the same as the 2018 District TT course (but shorter), in Merced County just north of Chowchilla. A 15 mile (7 ½ out and back) piece of Kahlon Road, flat, straight and wide with one small hill.**

**Criterium Schedule:**

**TT Schedule\***

Category 4 45 minutes: 7:30 a.m.	Category 3 1st rider: 9:00 a.m.
Category 5** 40 minutes: 8:20	Cat 1/2/Pro 1st rider 9:45 a.m.
Wm 4/5 & 35+ 40 minutes: 9:10	Mst 45+1/2/3 1st rider: 10:30 a.m.*
Wm 1/2/P, & 3 45 minutes: 9:50	Category 4 1st rider: 12 noon.*
Mstr 35+ 4/5 40 minutes: 10:40	Category 5 1st rider: 12:40 p.m.*
Mstr 45+ 4/5 & 55+ 40 minutes:11:30	Women 1st rider: 1:10*
Mstr 35+ 1/2/3 40 minutes: 12:50	Mstr 35+ 4/5 1st rider: 2:50*
Category 3 60 minutes: 1:40	Mstr 45+ 4/5 1st rider 3:40 *
Cat. 1/2/Pro 70 minutes: 2:40	Mst 55+ 1st rider: 4:30*
Mstr 45+ 1/2/3 40 minutes: 4:00	Mst 35+ 1/2/3 1st rider: 5:00*

\*Note: Start times for TT after 1/2/Pro may be changed; check at criterium registration for into.

\*\* **Note:** NCNCA BRP **Category 5 training clinic** begins at 7:30; race includes a debriefing immediately following. To enter solely the clinic/race at Chowchilla, and not the stage race, contact [velopro1@sonnet.com](mailto:velopro1@sonnet.com). All entrants in the Cat 5 stage race can participate in the clinic and debriefing, no extra charge.

**Stage Four: Daulton Road Race** Sunday March 3. Same start/ finish & parking area as last 14 years, but check website for changes or at race registration on Saturday). Current reg site on Hensley Road just north of Road 603, east of course loop. Directions and info in Race Bible (**pick up copy at race registration**)

First Flight:

Category 1/2/Pro	85 miles	5 laps	8:00
Mst 35+ 1/2/3	68 miles	4 laps	8:05
Mst 45+ 1/2/3	68 miles	4 laps	8:10
Category 4	68 miles	4 laps	8:15
Mst 55	51 miles	3 laps	8:20
Women 35+/55+*	51 miles	3 laps	8:30

Second Flight: **NOTE later races may start early if small numbers; check at Criterium reg desk**

Category 3	68 miles	4 laps	11:00
Category 5	51 miles	3 laps	11:05
Women 1/2/P	68 miles	4 laps	11:10
Women 3	68 miles	4 laps	11:15
Mst 35+ 4/5	51 miles	3 laps	11:20
Mst 45+ 4/5	51 miles	3 laps	11:25
Women 4/5	51 miles	3 laps	11:30

\*Women 55+ will be picked out for NCNCA Women's Series Points

**Course:** 17 mile mostly flat loop with a series of short hills on one side. Mostly good pavement except 2 1/2 mile rough pavement section). 2/5 of course is closed to traffic.: Open sections are one-lane racing required!!! Finish Line is at the top of the next to last climb, NE corner of the course, near Lake Hensley. Road Loop: Road 600, Ave 21, Road 28 1/2, Road 602, Road 603, Road 600, All northeast of Madera and East of Chowchilla. Parking and Check in at Lazy E Ranch, below the Hensley Lake Dam, on Road 407, just north of Road 603, Raymond, CA 93653, More info in race bible at registration. Be sure to pick one up!

<u>Events</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Prize value</u>	<u>places</u>	<u>limit</u>
Category 4	\$100	\$100	6	75
Women 3	\$100	\$100	6	50
Mst 35+1/2/3	\$100	\$200	6	75
Category 5	\$90	0	6	50
Category 3	\$100	\$200	6	75
Mst 35+ 4/5	\$100	\$100	6	75
Mst 45+ 4/5	\$100	\$100	6	75
Wm 35+/55+		\$100 \$100	6	50
Wm 1/2/Pro	\$100	\$499	10	50
Women 4/5	\$90	\$100	6	50
Mst 45+1/2/3	\$100	\$200	6	75
Mst 55+	\$100	\$100	6	50
Category 1/2/Pro	\$100	\$499	10	75

**How to Enter:** **NO RACE DAY ENTRY; No entry after Wednesday 2/27**

---via **On-line** at [www.bikereg.com](http://www.bikereg.com), from now to February 24 2019 for above fees plus on-line surcharge. From Feb 25-Feb 27, the fee is \$10 additional. **No entry of any kind after 11:59 pm February 27 (no matter whether your field is full or not)**. You'll need to sign and date your entry form/release at race registration desk.

---**By Mail:** You may still enter by mail, but if a group is filling, go on-line. By mail, send standard USAC entry form/release along with fee above (if Postmarked by Friday February 22 to Velo Promo/Madera, 19780 Soulsbyville Road, Soulsbyville, CA 95372. **No post entry**. Note: indicate what category you are entering on check or form. Entries for several races in one envelope ok, but be sure to list race names on the outside. Envelopes without names of races on the outside may go to the wrong race. Mail in entries will not be processed until after the opening of online reg.

---**At Race:** **No entry at the race**, this is a pre-entry race only.

2019 USAC license required (available at race). One day licenses are available only for Cat 5 or Women 5 . Entry fees include \$1 NCNCA and \$4.00 USAC per day insurance surcharges. Numbers will be provided.

**Credits:** Credit for another VP race will be given if we are notified at [tech@bikereg.com](mailto:tech@bikereg.com) by 5 pm PST Wednesday 2/27 that you can't compete. No credit issued if you plan to enter another race instead; no cash refunds. No substitutions for cancellations (you can't have another rider replace you for your entry). **Send e-mail for credit to [tech@bikereg.com](mailto:tech@bikereg.com)**

**Champion Discounts:** Champions pay normal fees up front; Current NorCal/Nevada District Road Race Champions and National Road Champions will get a refund at the reg desk of all but \$4/day USAC surcharges per day if 1) their entry is received by the deadline above and 2) they ride in the category they won the championship in (Master Champions may ride down in age, and ride for USAC surcharges, and Juniors may ride up. District jersey is not required

**Rules/Notes:** Free lap in criterium; bring wheels. Timed stage race for all categories. Road Race is mostly half of roadway; disqualification &/or event halt for centerline violations. **Follow Vehicles and course marshals needed: Get an entry discount (partial refund at race req) for providing same.**  
**Contact [velopro1@sonnet.com](mailto:velopro1@sonnet.com) for info**

**More Information:** May be available at (209) 533-4996 Email (best) : [velopro1@sonnet.com](mailto:velopro1@sonnet.com)

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