



# Cherry Pie Road Race



Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Corvallis, Oregon

**General Information-** This year's Cherry Pie has had some recipe changes to make the first road race of the year an even sweeter way to open the road season in Oregon!! The course is located just north/west of Albany (same as '07) with a generous helping of rolling hills to break up the fields. In an attempt to reduce visits to the local emergency rooms, the finish will be uphill. Check out [www.willamettevalleycycling.com](http://www.willamettevalleycycling.com) for more info. **NEW for '08** – Registration and Start will be at Valley Catering, across from Adair County Park.

**Detailed Course Description-**Check out the course map and profile online. There will be a neutral roll-out from the staging area at Valley Catering to Independence Hwy. Once you turn left (north) onto Independence Hwy, racing will commence. Fields will do one or two laps (~25 mi ea). The course includes smooth pavement which rolls through the hills north of Corvallis & Albany. There are a few 90-degree turns, some short rollers and significant flat stretches to test your early season legs and tactics.

**Feed Zones-**Given the time of the year and the course length, there will be no feed/water zones.

**Wheels will be neutral.**

**Parking-**Please park as directed by the signs/volunteers. There should be plenty of space, but we need to be mindful of staging needs. Remember, the Cherry Pie generally has full fields and we'll need room to stage fields of 100 and we had almost 500 riders last year!!

**Fees(same as '07) and Registration:**

- **Entry: Adults (\$20), Tandems (\$30), Juniors (\$10). \$5 race day reg fee.** If by mail, entry must be postmarked by Monday, Feb 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008. If by web, then registration will close Saturday, Feb 16<sup>th</sup> by 5pm.
- **Race day registration** will be at Valley Catering (see maps) from **8am until 30 minutes before start of your race.** If you race in the AM, get there early. Crowds will be big.
- **Mail checks** (payable to Flying Puppy Racing) and Cherry Pie entry and release to: Flying Puppy Racing, 7805 NW Hope Dr., Corvallis, OR 97330.
- OBRA one-day licenses will be available for \$5. This can be included with your entry (payable to FPR).
- Do NOT include payment for your OBRA Annual license. Buy it ahead of time from OBRA or wait and buy it at the race.

Start Time	Field	Distance (mi)	Laps
10:00	Tandem	26.9	1
10:05	Men 5 (Group 1)	26.9	1
10:10	Master Men 4/5 (40+ & 60+)*	26.9	1
10:15	Juniors (13-15)* & (16-18)*	26.9	1
10:20	Women-- 4*, Master (40+ & 50+)*	26.9	1
10:25	Men 5 (Group 2 if needed)	26.9	1
12:30	Men 1/2	52.2	2
12:40	Men 3	52.2	2
12:45	Master Men 40+	52.2	2
12:50	Men 4	52.2	2
12:55	Master Men 50+	52.2	2
13:00	Women 1/2*& 3*	52.2	2

### **Prizes and Awards**

- We will be providing cool customized medals for 1<sup>st</sup> -3<sup>rd</sup> in every field\*.
- Prizes are being generously donated by [FullCycles.com](http://FullCycles.com) in the form of gift certificates to the top 3 in every field\*(1<sup>st</sup> = \$40, 2<sup>nd</sup> = \$30, 3<sup>rd</sup> = \$20). Master women 50+ and men 4/5 60+ were added late and will be scored but not prized this year.
- Awards will be presented at Adair Park as soon as possible after results are posted (also ASAP after the conclusion of each race). We'll shoot for results for top 15 posted 15 minutes after the end of each race.
- Fields marked with "\*" will be scored and prized individually provided there are > 5 racers in that field.

**Facilities**-There will be portable toilets at registration and at the finish. Water (and toilets) will still be shut down for winter, so don't bother trying the doors on the restrooms. We will have water in coolers/jugs. We'll be mostly outdoors, so dress accordingly.

### **Special Information**

- Pin your OBRA numbers on your right side and left hip. Start by pinning the appropriate corner of the bib in the armpit and work from there. If we cannot read your number, you will not be scored. Those with long hair, please braid it, put it in your jersey, flip it to the opposite side when you finish or just cut it. It'll grow back. Our goal is to score everyone. Help make it easier for us.
- If you wear a jacket, wear a clear one. Mesh vest over your number makes it difficult to read.
- **OBRA licenses** will be required, and will be sold (one day and annual) at the event. We **STRONGLY** urge racers to get their licenses as early as possible from OBRA. If you haven't bought your license by late Jan, then wait and get it at the Cherry Pie. "It's in the mail" is a pain to deal with on race day.
- Riders off the back will need to adhere to the usual rules of the road. Ride single file and stop for all stop signs.
- Centerline rule will be enforced. Officials will be encouraged to relegate or DQ centerline violators at will. This is your first and final warning. Helmets required anytime you are on your bike.
- Littering will not be tolerated. If you feel it necessary to toss an empty bottle, gel packet, etc...DON'T! Roll back and hand it to the official (on the driver side) if you can't get it into your pockets.
- There are train tracks across the neutral start. Do not barge them if a train is coming. The lead vehicle will stop and allow the peleton to regroup after the train passes.

### **Driving directions from:**

**Monmouth/Hwy 99W** – Drive south on 99W for 30 miles. In Adair, turn left (east) on NE Arnold. After ½ mile or so. Reg/Start is at Valley Catering across from Adair County Park.

**Corvallis/Hwy 99W** – From downtown Corvallis (Hwy 99W & Hwy 20), head north on Hwy 99W for 8.4 miles. In Adair, turn right (east) on NE Arnold.

**Portland/I-5 (south bound)** – Drive south on I-5 to Albany. Take exit 234A west. Follow Hwy 20 west towards Corvallis. 4 miles after crossing the Willamette river (leaving Albany), turn right (north) onto Independence Hwy. After 2.4 miles, turn left (west) onto Ryals Ave. You're now on the course, so watch for bikes. Ryals turns into NE Arnold in Adair. Start/Reg is directly across from Adair County Park. I-5 to Staging: 27 mi.

**Eugene/I-5 (north bound)** – Drive north on I-5 to Albany. Take exit 233/Hwy 20 west. Once in Albany, follow directions above for *I-5 south bound*. I-5 to Staging: 27 mi.

**Parking** – You may park in Adair County Park, along Arnold Ave and in the Santiam Christian High School parking lot. Follow signs and volunteer directions. Please, do NOT park at Valley Catering or Prince of Peace Church.

**Information**-Contact Jim Fischer, 541.990.8979, Heather Paris, 541.990.8980, e-mail [cherrypie@willamettevalleycycling.com](mailto:cherrypie@willamettevalleycycling.com), or visit [www.willamettevalleycycling.com](http://www.willamettevalleycycling.com)

