2017 Taiwan Cycling Festival

The Road to Taiwan KOM - Spring

How about a no-pressure riding experience on the world famous "Taiwan KOM Challenge" route?

As the "Taiwan KOM Challenge" has becoming more well known by cyclists worldwide, many riders are

dreaming of riding the same route as the professionals and elite amateurs do but feel daunted by the prospect

of having to compete with these experienced riders, or be willing to experience the route in a more "tourist"

style.

Thus, we present "The Road to Taiwan KOM". Come experiencing the amazing beauty of Taroko Gorge and

HeHuan mountain, and the awe-inspiring sense of achievement of riding up the very same route as in the

Taiwan KOM Challenge, and take anything up to 9 hours on a fully supported ride to do it.

From 2016, "The Road to Taiwan KOM" will be held two times a year, Spring and Summer, respectively.

"2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM - Spring", held on April 17th, will give you the opportunity to take the

"Taiwan KOM Challenge" at your own pace, and to take home the incredible experience of riding the route

of one of the hardest bike race in the world.

2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM - Spring: the journey of a lifetime!

**Directed by**: Ministry of Transportation and Communication R.O.C., Tourism Bureau MOTC R.O.C.,

HuaLien County Government, NanTou County Government.

**Organizer**: Taiwan Cyclist Federation, aka TCF.

Assistant: Directorate General of Highways R.O.C., DongShih Forest District Office.

Date: April 17th, 2017 (Monday)

**Start Line**: HuaLien Qixingtan (on the eastern Taiwan coastline of the Pacific Ocean.)

**Route**: HuaLien Qixingtan → Taroko Bridge → Taiwan No.8 Highway → TianXiang → XinBaiYang →

BiLu Sacred Tree → GuanYuan → DaYuLing → Taiwan No.14A Highway → HeHuan mountain /

WuLing.

Total: 105 kilometers. Altitude Rise: 3275 M.

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Feed Zone and Check Point: All point with water/medical/toilet services except DaYuLing

Feed Zone	XiBao	XinBaiYang	BiLu Sacred	GuanYuan	DaYuLing*	WuLing
& Check			Tree			
Point (*						
check point						
only)						
Distance/km	46.1	64.8 km	79.4 km	90.7 km	94.9 km	105 km
	km					
Altitude/m	915 m	1644 m	2150 m	2374 m	2565 m	3275 m
Event				15:00	14:00	15:00
closing time						
Feed zone	Water	Water/Food	Water/Food	Water/Lunch		Water/Food
Note		Warm keeping	Warm keeping	Warm keeping	Event	Take back
		car,	car,	car,	closing	personal
		Transportation	Transportation	Transportation	check point	supply bag,
		service	service	service		Finish medal,
			Team car feed	Lunch box,		Time chip
			zone	Team car feed		return,
				zone		deposit
						refund, Warm
						keeping car,
						Transportatio
						n service.

Team cars are only allowed to do the fixed feeding service at BiLu Sacred Tree and GuanYuan.

#### **Event Schedule:**

#### Apr. 16th, 2017(Sunday):

- 16:00 Teams and riders check in at the Astar Hotel HuaLien.
- 17:00 Riders Meeting/Pre-event briefing in the Astar Hotel HuaLien.

#### Apr. 17th, 2017 (Monday):

- 05:30 Riders sign in and hand over their day bags (for items they will need immediately at the finish line), at the HuaLien QiXingTan.
- 05:50 Opening Ceremony.
- 06:00 Event Start.
- 14:00 DaYuLing event closing time.
- 15:00 WuLing and all check points closing time. The time allowance is 9 hours after the start.

#### **Rider Qualifications:**

Riders must be 16 years old or above, and capable of finishing the route in 9 hours.

Total riders: 300

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#### **Categories:**

M16: 16 ~ 19 years old (born 1998-2001)

M20: 20 ~ 29 years old (1988-1997)

M30: 30 ~ 39 years old (1978-1987)

M40: 40 ~ 49 years old (1968-1977)

M50: 50 years old and above (born before 1967)

Women: 16 years old and above (born before 2001)

**Entry fee**: 2,000 NTD per rider.

**Entry fee covers**: Insurance fee, finishing medal, digital finishing certificate, event T-shirt, event scarf, event backpack, event handbook, feed zone supply, daily lunch.

#### **Downhill Transportation service:**

1500 NTD per rider (one rider, one bike): WuLing to Kadda Hotel HuaLien.

• Rider without a team/support car for the post-event transportation must purchase the official downhill transportation service. Please check the "Note" in this information.

#### Timing chips:

The Road to Taiwan KOM event will use the Japan J-Chip system to do rider time recording. Riders are required to deposit 1000 NTD for the sensor chip which will be refunded in WuLing once the chip is returned. In case of a lost sensor chip, the 1000 NTD will not be returned as a penalty. So please keep the sensor chip during riding.

#### **Registration:**

Please check the "On Line Registration" on <a href="www.cyclist.org.tw">www.cyclist.org.tw</a>. The registration period is open from Feb.9<sup>th</sup> until Mar.20<sup>th</sup>. Registration will be closed automatically when the entry application limit of 300 riders is fully booked. For registration questions please email to: <a href="mailto:service@cyclist.org.tw">service@cyclist.org.tw</a>.

**Accommodation & Transportation service:** Please check the registration website. Riders must prepare their team/support cars, or order the official downhill transportation service.

#### Awards:

All riders who finish the event within the time limit will be awarded with a finishing medal and a digital finishing record certificate. Riders not pass finish line on event closing time will be awarded a stage digital finish record certificate.

#### Notice:

- 1. Riders' finish time within 7.5 hours are qualified for the entry of the "2017 Taiwan KOM challenge".
- 2. This event strictly prohibits participants from riding down the hill after the event by bicycle. The organizer is not responsible for any accident after participants cross the finish line. Riders please access by team car or other support vehicle. For riders without support vehicles, the organizer provides downhill shuttle service (please tick in the event registration webpage).
- 3. Riders must hand over the day bag offered by the organizer (included in the entry fee) to the organizer before the event start. Organizer will convey these bags to the WuLing finish area, for riders to take back for immediate use when arriving WuLing. Please remember to pack personal warm-keeping stuff.
- 4. Falling rocks in Taroko Gorge are potential hazard. Riders are requested to consider these risks when deciding whether to participate in this event. Riders will be required to sign a consensual risk form before taking part in the event.
- 5. The finish line is situated at an altitude of 3275M, which can cause altitude sickness and we expect that each rider finish the event in good physical condition. If riders feel the onset of the symptoms of altitude sickness or any other unhealthy feeling during the ride, they are strongly advised to stop riding immediately and seek medical attention/support.

- 6. There is a certain degree of difficulty involved with this cycling event. Attendee should consider the risk of riding this event and evaluate his/her own health condition to decide if entry is appropriate. Any rider with any health issues, or history of health issues such as hypertension, cardiovascular disease, heart disease, diabetes, epilepsy and asthma, is not allowed to participate in this cycling race/event. The event organizer will not be responsible for any accident caused by these health issues.
- 7. In high altitude mountain area, temperature and weather can change very fast. Riders are requested to prepare warm-keeping clothing at the finishing area. Event backpack with post-event stuff are required to be handed over at the start, and it will be carried to the finish area by the organizer.
- 8. The Organizer has the right to terminate or pause the event if there is deemed to be any risk to the rider's health and/or route safety. Riders and any other attendees must abide by this decision.
- 9. All riders must ride standard road bike or flat bar road bike fitted with a full braking system front and rear. Both front and rear lights MUST also be mounted for riding through tunnels (some of which are without illumination) and foggy area. Jerseys cannot be sleeveless. Cycling helmets are mandatory.
- 10. Riders must ride on the right side of road at ALL time. Riding against the flow of traffic on the left side is prohibited and will result in immediate disqualification.
- 11. All riders are responsible for the effective and safe working condition of their bicycles. Any rider on a bicycle deemed unsafe by the organizer will not be allowed to start the event.
- 12. Riders pass the finish line in WuLing must follow the following procedure: Receive the finishing medal, take personal bag back, refund time chip, take team car or pre-ordered official transportation car. The official transportation car will go back to Kadda Hotel HuaLien.
- 13. Riders must prepare their own team cars or order the official transportation service for downhill transportation. The transportation buses (also used for warm-keeping) will depart on 15:00.
- 14. Riders should carry their health insurance card during the event. If any rider crashed and injured when riding, please seek medical care immediately and keep the receipt and diagnosis certificate for latter insurance claims.
- 15. The insurance for this event (participants) is 5-million NTD "Public Liability Insurance" which is for accident payments caused by organizer responsibility only. That means, based on the law, the insurance only covers the race or event accident payments that is caused by the organizer's liability. Please refer to the event insurance policy website (click here) of "Public Liability Insurance" for the coverage details of the event insurance. The organizer is only responsible for the indemnity amount with the maximum price per person as the insurance policies offers. Do not register for the event if you do not agree with the coverage, items, and indemnity amount of insurance policy. Any personal health issues during the event

or any riding injury caused by a personal health problem will not be included in the insurance. Riders that have personal health problems should not attend this event.

- 16. All entry information provided by the rider must be correct. The rider is responsible for all results caused by incorrect registration information.
- 17. If the weather on the event day is bad, the organizer will announce the new event policy at the Riders' Meeting on April 16<sup>th</sup>. For example, the organizer may cut short the riding time limit or shorten the riding distance...etc.
- 18. In case of extreme weather conditions or a local government suspension of traffic on HeHuan Mountain, the Organizer retains the right to delay, to terminate or to postpone the event, change the time limit of check point, to alter the route at any time. In the event of such cases, all information will be forthcoming at the appropriate time.
- 19. The Organizer has the right to publish or share all event-related videos, photos, event results on media, internet, galleries etc. Attendee and riders must agree to the right of the Organizer to use all materials for promotion.
- 20. Cherishing the natural environment, riders are forbidden to litter all the way of riding route. Anyone doing so will be immediately disqualified from the event.
- 21. Please continue to visit the TCF website, Taiwan KOM website and TCF Facebook page periodically for any additional information. Any updates, alterations and general information will be posted there.
- 22. Travelling Services: Please order in registration webpage.

Transportation: Downhill transportation service is by VW T5 minivan, 4 persons + 4 bikes per van (On Apr. 17<sup>th</sup>, the loading capacity per van may be adjusted according to the actually needs.)

4/17(Mon.) 15:00 WuLing → Kadda Hotel HuaLien: 1,500 NTD.

Accommodation: Please check the registration webpage.

4/16(Sun.) One night stay in Kadda Hotel HuaLien.

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## **Route Map**



### **Route Profile**



## **Climb Details**



## **Last Kilometers**



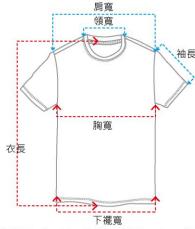
◆ 2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM-Spring\_Event T-Shirt

# 2017 登山王之路-春季 紀念衫

### [ 樣式設計圖 ]



圓領T-Shirt尺寸丈量方式(平放)



若您未確定選擇何種尺碼,建議您嘗試測量您已擁有且適合您體型的圓領T-Shirt,然後將這些尺寸與下方的尺碼表進行比對。注意:本表內所有測量值皆為生產近似值。

尺寸 cm 測量部位	xs	s	М	L	XL	2XL
衣長-後領中至下擺	65	67	69	71	73	75
胸寬-左右腋下直量	45.5	48	50.5	53	55.5	58
袖長-肩點至袖口	19	20	21	22	23	24
領寬	15	16	17	18	19	20
肩寬	40	42	44	46	48	50
下襬寬	45.5	48	50.5	53	55.5	58

◆ 2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM-Spring\_Finishing Medal

## [ 樣式設計圖 ]



◆ 2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM-Spring\_Option\_KOM Teddy Bear



◆ 2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM-Spring\_Event Scarf

## 2017 登山王之路-春季 紀念頭巾

[ 樣式設計圖 ]



◆ 2017The Road to Taiwan KOM-Spring\_Event Backpack

## 2017 登山王之路-春季 紀念雙繩束口袋

[ 樣式設計圖 ]

