

# 9/22 - 9/24 Salsa Fargo Sub 48 weekend details

We hope y'all are doing well and as excited as we are for our upcoming adventure by bike weekend. The following pages contain all the details, so you know how to plan and what to expect. One thing for sure is we're gonna be riding bikes with amazing scenery and a great crew of people. Come prepared to have a great weekend with lots of laughs and leave with new friends. This year's route offers a variety of mixed surfaces, lots of great scenery, bodies of water and of course a watering hole towards the end of day one's route. Two suggestions we have for you: Ride a bike with at least 45 cc tires, as there will be some sandy spots along the route. We also recommend you **take your time** and enjoy the ride!! There's no hurry to get from point A to point B. Just pedal, take in the scenery, and enjoy the ride, the views, and the company of those you'll pedal with throughout the weekend.

## Friday 9/22/23 Check-in & Camp Site: Twin Oaks Campground

Friday's rider check-in and camping are at Twin Oaks Campground

Address: Moss Rd, Wellston, MI 49689

Phone: (231)-848-4124 Google Maps Location Campground website

- > Follow Sub 48 signs into the campground for rider check in.
- ➤ 5 PM 10 PM: Packet pick-up/rider check-in at tents & trailer. Riders will receive a swag bag including Paper route map, Sub-48 t-shirt, and some sponsor products. You'll also receive any pre-ordered merch when you check in.
- ➤ There's Plenty of room for tents and trees for hammocks. We'll provide directions on our available sites. Please plan to stay withing our rented area at the campground and if you show up late, please DO NOT park randomly! Look for our signs and group set up camping.
- > Cars will stay parked for the weekend at your chosen campsite.
- > Bathrooms with restrooms, showers and sinks are located close to our camp.
- We'll have plenty of firewood for the evening campsite fires.
- ➤ 6 PM 10 PM: Socially time and bonfires. We'll provide cans of assorted beer/seltzer & single serve snacks, as well as soda and water. You're welcome to bring your own spirits or favorite drink.
- New for this edition!! Yum Pouch will be providing a "fiesta bar" from 6-8pm Friday evening. This will include their Trail Blazin' Fiesta rice, tortillas, chips and all the fixings for tacos/nachos. Their fiesta rice is vegan/vegetarian friendly but filling and delicious for the carnivores out there.

### Saturday 9/23:

- > 7 9 AM: Late packet pick up / rider check-in
- > 7:30 AM: Coffee
- ➤ 8 9:15 AM: Chris's Cakes Breakfast; coffee; pancakes (all you can eat-keep your plate), sausages, Tang, butter, syrup.... We'll also have bananas and some granola bars
- We will have water, Infinit Nutrition for filling bottles/hydration packs and GU chews for your ride.
- > 9:05 AM: Gather for quick riders meeting.
- > 9:15 AM: Adventure ride departure (if you think you need additional time to finish the ride, you're welcome to leave early).
- ➤ The only coordinated aid station is a lunch stop located on 6 Mile Bridge Road 24 miles into the ride. Look for the Sub-48 sign.
  - We'll be on hand from **Noon 2:00 PM** serving pizza (meat & veggie), apples and dessert. We'll also have water, Infinit Nutrition and GU products for you to take on the go.
- > Everyone must check in with John when you arrive for lunch so we're all accounted for!
- > Review the paper map for restroom, gas station and party store locations along the ride.
- At mile 31 we invite you to stop at The Hof bar & Grill for a Happy Hour beverage a la carte.

  Address: 3220 E Free Soil Rd, Free Soil, MI 49411 (approx. 11 miles from Saturday camp)

#### Saturday Night camp:

# **Timber Surf Camping Resort**

Address: 6575 E Dewey Rd, Fountain, MI 49410

Phone: (231)-462-3468 Campground website:

- ➤ 4PM Rider check-in and camp set-up. If you get to camp before John, please let him know you've arrived once he's there. When you arrive at Timber Surf, look for the Sub 48 signs & trailer for our camp sites.
- We have reserved camping space, and we'll direct you to our camp options at check-in.
- Camp is cozy and has some trees to accommodate hammocks. They also have restrooms and showers.
- ➤ 4 5 PM: Post-ride free time, set up your camp, snacks and socialize.
- > 5 PM: beer and snacks served, bonfires with provided wood.
- ➤ 5:30 7:30 PM: Dinner by Q Smoke House; Pork BBQ, Vegetarian Jack fruit BBQ, Mac n Cheese, coleslaw, Baked Beans, Assorted pies for dessert.
- > 8 PM: Bonfires, Beverages, snacks, and laughs

## **Sunday 9/24:**

- > 7:30 9:00 AM: Chris's Cakes Breakfast; Coffee, Tang, eggs, hash browns and bacon and granola bars.
- We will have water, Infinit Nutrition for filling bottles/hydration packs, bars and GU products for your ride.
- > You are welcome to start riding back to camp #1 at any time. There are no aid stations on Sunday but there is a convenience store located at mile 23. The route is 28 miles.
- Once again, please check in with John when you arrive back to your cars at Twin Oaks Campground so everyone is accounted for.
- > \*\*\*IF YOU GET TO THE CAMPGROUND BEFORE JOHN, PLEASE TEXT HIM YOUR NAME at 616-550-2186

## **Course and Navigation:** \*The course will not be marked\*.

We will provide printed maps at rider check- in, but the GPS routes will be the primary form of navigation. Review the paper map for restroom, gas station and party store locations along the ride.

SAG Support: If you have health or bike issues; contact; John (616)550-2186 or Tenner (616)292-2395

#### Routes: \*\* Download GPX files to your Garmin/GPS Device\*\*

You can access the day 1 and 2 route files through the following Google or Strava links. Note if you download through Strava, you need to be logged into your account to access and download the GPX file. Google link to GPX:

Strava Day 1 Route:

Strava Day 2 Route:

<u>Day 1</u> will be about 42 miles and around 2,000' of elevation gain. We encourage you to take your time and enjoy the beautiful scenery. We'll start out the day by crossing the Pine River and passing through the town of Dublin (stop in the store and stock up on fresh Jerky!). From there we'll take a series of seasonal roads which may be sandy at times but very scenic to Big M recreation area. You'll encounter some tame singletrack through the hardwood forest and pass through the trailhead which has vault toilets. From there we'll take more seasonal roads and eventually get to the Little Manistee River on 6 mile Bridge Rd. where we'll have lunch waiting at mile 24. After lunch we'll hit more "proper" gravel roads and paved country lanes before passing by The Hof which is a great spot for Happy Hour at mile 31. From there we've kept it scenic and tame with 11 miles of mostly paved country roads and a splash of dirt for good measure.

<u>Day 2</u> will be about 28 miles and around 1,000' of elevation gain. The first few miles are paved to get the legs moving and then we hit the gravel roads and begin traversing the forest. You'll cross many scenic creeks and pocket ponds on your way back north. It will get more hilly the closer we get to Twin Oaks campground and at mile 23 we'll pass the Dublin Store and a gas station if you need any fuel to wrap the ride up. The day will be primarily gravel and dirt with just a bit of pavement to break things up!

**Special food diet:** If you have a special diet and need to bring your own food, we will make arrangements to carry it for you if needed. Please mark your bag / cooler with your name

## What to bring-checklist:

- Cash, Credit card (for gas station or the Laughing Horse Saloon stop)
- Sleeping gear; tent, sleeping bag, sleeping pad or hammock with rain fly
- Bike with 45 cc or larger to help get you through sandy sections
- Bike packs / bags
- GPS unit with route files downloaded (we'll also provide printed maps)
- Bike, helmet, spare tubes, tools, hand pump...
- Bike blinky tail light for low light or inclement weather
- Hydration pack or water bottles and snacks for the ride
- Head lamp or flash light
- Watch the latest forecast (Wellston, MI 49689) for optimal clothes for riding and camping
- Jacket if it's cold for after ride (puffy down is light and warm) and extra layers
- Street shoes or sandals
- Swim suit, towel
- Bath supplies, sunscreen, bug spray
- Rain gear ( watch weather and bring just in case )

We think that should cover it. If you have any questions, shoot us an email: barryroubaix1@gmail.com

Looking forward to seeing everyone and adventuring by bike for the weekend!!

Cheers,

Tenner & Marn, Matt & Jenny, Losey and Wheeler