

TOPAZ 400

2 Day Dual Sport or Adventure Bike Tour



Offered by

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July 17-18

Start/Finish each day at Topaz on Hwy 395 at Ca/Nv state line

- Each entry includes a ride T-shirt
- Download of GPS tracks available only at sign-in
- "GPS" Roll Charts included or Optional Full Charts with all turns
- No rider Limit, Walk-Up entries welcome
- Topaz Lodge Motel or Full Hookup RV Park
- Friday night Sign-In 8-11 PM @ Topaz Lodge, Face Mask Required
- Saturday morning Sign-In 7-8 AM

We have many all day loops plus several half day loops.

We have many serious Dual Sport loops.

We have several Adv loops that are also fast/fun easy Dual Sport

You choose the 2 you want to ride;

Mt. Patterson Loops:

There are 3 Dual Sport and 2 Adv versions. The DS Long is advisable ONLY for expert DS riders. The DS Med & Short can be done by EXPERT Adv riders. Both Adv loops are excellent for an easy fast DS ride on dirt county roads. All DS loops go over 10,700 ft. Mt. Patterson, the Adv loops go around it. Both Adv & DS long go clockwise, the DS med & short go counter clockwise.

There is a steep very loose rocky jeep road on the east side of Mt Pat, DS long goes up it, med & short go down it. There is a fun single track after the head of Desert Creek that is only on DS Long but you must go down the POS Ricky Mine trail of rocks from hell. The 1st Easy Way goes around it.

Features along the Long loop are: Ricky Mine trail, Pine Grove ghost town, site of Fletcher, Auroa cemetery, Auroa canyon, Bodie, the giant Chemung mill structure, the old Tram in Masonic, Belfort ghost town, Mt. Patterson, Lobdell lake.

DS Long is definitely a long serious full day ride. Adv Long & DS Med are easier 3/4 day rides. DS & Adv Short are 1/2 day rides.

Markleeville Loop: Lots of slow Single Track on way to Markleeville for lunch/gas then faster way back to Topaz. Skip Lunch/Gas for 39 Mi loop for even early departure home. This is a very tough ride with lots of Single Track. Not suitable for beginners or Adv Bikes.

Sonora Adv/DS & Carson Loops: Very scenic all day easy rides over the Sierra passes with significant dirt on the west side.

Smith Valley Adv/DS Loop: All county roads, easy fun Dual Sport loop that is suitable for Adventure Bikes. Mostly high desert around eh Pine Nuts to Markleeville for lunch.

For Information; call (775) 884-0399 Jerry.Counts@SBCGlobal.net

LOOPS

Mt. Patterson DS Long Loop (202 Mi, 125 Mi on gas) Clockwise up Rickey Cyn to Risue to rocky Rickey Mine trail (EW bypasses). Then out to the desert thru ghost town of Pine Grove, along the Walker River to Fletcher Jct. (EW is 25 mi. short cut bypass). Thru Aurora & Bodie to Lunch/Gas in Bridgeport. Then up thru Chemung mine/mill, Masonic Tram, & Belfort up to 10,700 ft. Mt. Patterson. Then down Wild Horse & Blackwell Cyns back to Topaz.

Mt. Patterson DS Med Loop (170 Mi, 105 Mi on gas) Counter-Clockwise up Blackwell & Wild Horse Cyns to 10,700 ft. Mt. Patterson. Down thru Belfort, Aurora, & Bodie to Lunch/Gas in Bridgeport. Then up thru Chemung mine/mill & Masonic Tram to Desert Creek road then down Risue & Rickey Cyns back to Topaz. This loop is an exact backwards version of the Long loop but bypassing Pine Grove and Ricky Mine trail.

Mt. Patterson DS Short Loop (143 Mi, 73 on gas) Same as the Med loop except skips Bodie going to Lunch/Gas in Bridgeport. You can also skip Gas/Lunch for a very short 83 Mi loop for early departure home.

Markleeville Loop (67 Mi) Lots of slow Single Track on way to Markleeville (35 Mi) for early Lunch/Gas then (32 Mi) back to Topaz with more single Track. Skip Lunch/Gas for a 39 Mi loop for even earlier departure home. This is a semi tough ride with lots of fun Single Track.

Carson Loop (240 Mi, 100 Mi on gas) Up Hwy 4 over 9,000 ft Ebbetts pass to Bear Reservoir for Lunch & Gas, then back over 8,500 ft Carson Pass (Hwy 88), then over 9,000 ft Forestdale Divide & Blue Lakes, back to 88, to 395, then thru Pine Nuts back to Topaz. A dawn to dusk very tough ride with lots of Single Track. Not suitable for Adventure Bikes.

Sonora Loop Adv/DS (216 Mi, 125 Mi on gas) Up over 9,000 ft Ebbetts pass (Hwy 4) to Connell on Hwy 4 for Lunch/Gas after optional gas in Bear Vly. Then down to Hwy 108 (with off route gas at Cold Springs if you can't go 125 Mi.). Then over Sonora Pass, down thru the Marine base and back to Topaz. Available as Adv Loop (10 Mi shorter w no Single Track) or Dual Sport Loop with several miles of fun Single Track plus 20 mile HW loop behind the Marine Base.

Mt. Patterson Adv Long Loop (165 Mi, 110 Mi on gas, optional 25 Mile loop to Aurora) Clockwise over Desert Creek, thru ghost towns of Masonic & Bodie, to Lunch at Virginia Lake, then Gas in Bridgeport. Suitable for all Adventure Bikes but also a fun fast Dual Sport Loop using all county roads.

Mt. Patterson Adv Short Loop (125 Mi, 80 Mi on gas) Same as above except bypasses lunch at Virginia Lake. Option to bypass Bodie and it is only 105 Mi. Obvious short half day ride.

Smith Valley Adv/DS Loop (145 Mi, 114 Mi on gas) Toward Mt Pat but then down Desert Creek and through Smith Valley around the Pine Nuts through Carson Valley to Lunch/Gas in Markleeville then back to Topaz. Suitable for all Adventure Bikes but also a fun fast Dual Sport Loop using all county roads.

2021 Topaz 400 Entry DSW

COUNTDOWN USE ONLY

Name _____
(Last) (First)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone () _____ - _____ Bike _____

In emergency, contact: _____ At event, or by phone at () _____ - _____

AMA Member: Yes # _____ No, E-Mail address _____

Check one: I will be riding alone and will be responsible for my own safety.
 I will be riding with the riders listed below and we will be responsible for each others' safety.

I understand that this self guided tour uses only state and county highways. I understand that my vehicle must be street-licensed, meet all vehicle code requirements, and comply with state liability requirements.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Circle T-Shirt size: S M L XL XXL (If none circled, you get XL)

Check the appropriate boxes:

- Mail in entry \$120 No refunds after 7/4
 Early entry discount if postmarked before 5/23 Deduct \$10
 Late Fee if if postmarked after 7/4 or Walk-Up Add \$20

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- Full Roll Charts with all turns for Loops selected. Add \$20
 Abbreviated Roll Chart with GPS instructions only.

Check the 2 loops you want to ride.

- Mt. Patterson Long DS Loop
 Mt. Patterson Med DS Loop
 Mt. Patterson Short DS Loop (1/2 day for fast riders)
 Markleeville DS 1/2 day Loop
 Sonora DS Loop
 Sonora Adv Loop
 Mt. Patterson Adv Loop
 Smith Valley Adv Loop

MAIL: Entry, Check payable to Countdown, & Business size (#10) self addressed stamped confirmation envelope

To: COUNTDOWN, 3785 Meadow Wood Rd. Carson City, NV 89703

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Make reservation NOW, this is prime season and our block of rooms at Topaz Lodge will only be held until 6/19

Topaz Lodge Motel (800) 962-0732 Mention "Dual Sport" before July 1st to get 1 of our rooms @ \$145.

Topaz Lodge RV Park (775) 266-3337

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