

Cycling event has something for all riding levels

The fifth annual Alta Alpina Challenge: Riding the Wild Sierra is June 29. It is for cyclists of all abilities.

How long is the ride? For those looking for some family fun with the kids there are 15- and 20-mile routes in scenic Diamond Valley. For those cyclist wanting more, there are other options, all starting in Turtle Rock Park in Markleeville.

The Wild Sierra Metric is 64 miles with 5,000 feet of climbing. Wild Sierra Century is 110 miles and 11,000 feet of climbing. The 5 Pass Challenge has 135 miles and 16,000 feet.

To really get your heart pumping, there is “The World’s Toughest Double Century” with 198 miles and 20,300 feet of climbing.

There is also the option to “Build Your Own Ride” by selecting your own route.

Included in the ride are ample, well-stocked rest stops with lots of goodies. Sag support, lunch and a post-ride dinner are provided, along with a frame-ready rider number “bib” that documents your accomplishment with a colorful sticker for each pass completed.

Alta Alpina Cycling Club is sponsoring the event.

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