



FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

Sunday September 14, 2025

Dear BG Participant,

Thank you for registering for the inaugural ride. This document includes information and details to help make your ride this weekend safe and enjoyable.

PRIOR TO THE RIDE:

WEATHER. Check the latest forecasts prior to the event (Erwinna, PA 18920), and dress appropriately.

EQUIPMENT SELECTION.

- Tires at least 28mm wide
- Mountain Bike/Cyclocross pedals and shoes would be best
- GPS Unit with the maps downloaded and saved in advance for "off-line" use, since some sections of the course have poor cell reception
- Cell Phone with the [RideWithGPS App](#) installed and the Maps downloaded and saved for off-line use (it never hurts to have a back-up)
- Spares & Tools; bring what you need to perform basic repairs on your specific bike

FILL YOUR BOTTLES. Please fill your bottles at home and save time by being prepared to ride.

LOCATION. The event takes place at: [Delaware Valley Volunteer Fire Company](#)
75 Headquarters Rd.
Erwinna, PA 18920

PARKING. For Details see: <https://bucksgravel.com/directions-parking/>

Parking is at: [Delaware Valley Volunteer Fire Company](#)
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Everyone must follow the directions of the parking crew in order for this to work smoothly.

PACKET PICK-UP. Each registrant must pick up their own packet in-person on Sunday September 14, 2025

Long Course: 7:45AM – 8:15AM

Medium Course: 8:15 – 8:45

Short Course & Family Ride: 8:45 – 9:15

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All riders must complete a waiver. If you digitally signed your waiver on BikeReg during the registration process, you don't need to sign a paper waiver. All riders under 18 must sign their waiver as well as have their parent or legal guardian sign their waiver.

RESTROOMS. There will be Restrooms at the following locations:

Start/Finish: inside the [Delaware Valley Volunteer Fire Company](#)

Aid Stations: Each aid station will have restrooms or porto-potties

T-SHIRT & MERCHANDISE. Each participant who registered by August 19th will receive a complimentary event t-shirt in their entry package at registration.

We will have some additional event t-shirts (along with some other merchandise) for sale, following the ride. We have segregated the pre-orders from the items that will be available for on-site sale.

RIDING THE EVENT:

REMINDER. This is a RIDE and NOT A RACE. The roads are completely open to traffic. The conditions are very challenging. Ride in a manner that obeys traffic rules, is safe for yourself, and is courteous to your fellow riders and other road/trail users.

WRISTBAND. All riders must wear their wristband. Wristbands allow access to aid station and post ride food/drink. Wristbands are in your entry packages.

START LOCATION. In the driveway of [Delaware Valley Volunteer Fire Company](#)

AT-WILL START TIME. There are no massed starts. You may depart after you check-in within the following start time windows:

Course	Start Window Opens	Start Window Closes
Long	8:00	8:30
Medium	8:30	9:00
Short	9:00	9:30
Family Ride	9:30	9:45

If you start the ride earlier than these times, be advised that course services start and finish at the below designated times, and that lunch service will not start until noon.

AID STATIONS.

Aid Station #	Location	Mile Marker			Open Time	Close Time
		Short Course	Medium Course	Long Course		
1	Beaver Valley Campground 80 Clay Ridge Rd. Ottsville, PA 18942	20.0	20.0	20.0	9:00AM	11:30AM
2	Haycock Township Community Center 1014 Old Bethlehem Rd Quakertown, PA 18951	N/A	N/A	48.1	11:00AM	12:45PM
3	Traugers Farm Market 370 Island Rd Kintnersville, PA 18930	N/A	44.6	68.9	11:15AM	2:30PM

Please Note, the Family Ride doesn't have any Aid Stations

TRASH. Please help us keep Bucks County clean by not littering. Use the trash cans/bags at the aid stations and start/finish. On the course, pocket your gels & food wrappers, dead tubes, etc. and dispose them only in proper receptacles.

MECHANICAL SUPPORT. Please make sure your bike is in working order and that you have your own spare tubes and tools. [Mr. Ed's Mobile Bike Repair](#) will be available for some support, but please be prepared to fix your own bikes. SAG drivers may be available to assist, but they are not professional mechanics. SAGs will have pumps, and a limited amount of spare 700c tubes.

SAG SUPPORT. If you are unable to finish the event for some physical or mechanical reason, call or text the event hotline at [267-894-0840](tel:267-894-0840). You will be picked up as soon as feasible and either transported to the nearest aid station, where you can arrange to have someone pick you up, or back to the finish line as required by the demands of the event. Please keep in mind that this is not a door-to-door taxi service, and there are other riders that also need to be supported. Assistance will come as soon as possible.

COURSE MARKING. The course is **NOT MARKED**. Using the provided GPS Files, Ride With GPS App, and Cue Sheets are imperative!

ROUTE MAPS, GPS FILES & CUE SHEETS. Please note Bucks County has a lot of intersections lacking street signs. The Official Cue Sheets are posted to the [BG Download Page](#). Please print your own.

Please ensure you are using the latest files. TCX & FIT files with turn warnings are posted to [BG Download Page](#). GPX & KML Files may be obtained from Ride With GPS (see Links below).

Route	Ride With GPS File
Short Course	https://ridewithgps.com/routes/52572605
Medium Course	https://ridewithgps.com/routes/52572497
Long Course	https://ridewithgps.com/routes/52594136
Family Ride	https://ridewithgps.com/routes/51711520

FREE GPS NAVIGATION.

With our enhanced Ride With GPS Membership, you can use their Phone App for **Free** during the event. Download the Ride With GPS App to your Smart Phone (iPhone or Android) from: <https://ridewithgps.com/app> It is also available directly from the [App Store](#) & [Google Play](#)

Your invitation for the event maps/navigation is:
<https://ridewithgps.com/events/360755-2025-bucks-gravel>

Please see the tutorial vide on how to use Ride With GPS App here: <https://support.ridewithgps.com/hc/en-us/articles/13542984123931-Event-Participants>

COMMUNICATIONS. Cell service can be spotty or completely non-existent in places. This is why you need to download the **GPS files for off-line use** (in other words useable via satellite signal and not relying on cell service for map loading or connection).

This also means that we request your assistance to relay information between the riders and the volunteers, in case someone needs assistance. We are all in this adventure together and appreciate your assistance.

CUT-OFF TIMES. In order to get you back to the finish on-time the following Cut-Off Times and suggested short cuts have been created.

Cut Off Times		
Description	Location	Action
Medium Course Cut-Off	Mile 30.5: Short & Medium/Long Course Split (Strocks Grove Rd. @ Perry Auger Rd.)	All Riders who arrive at this location after 11:15 AM are advised to make the right turn onto Perry Auger Rd and follow the Short Course in order not to finish past the course closure time.
Long Course Cut-Off	Mile 38.2 Medium & Long Course Split (PA-412 & Stony Garden Rd).	All Riders who arrive at this location after 12:00 AM are advised to follow the Medium Course by staying straight on PA-412 and turning Right on Gallows Hill Rd in order not to finish past the course closure time.
Course Closes	Delaware Valley Fire Company	All Riders still on the course after 3:30 PM are "On Their Own".

Since there are 3 courses, if your day isn't going to plan, you can switch routes where the courses split.

FINISH LINE CLOSURE/EVENT END TIME. The course officially closes at 3:30PM, and all course services will end at this time. Anyone still on course after 3:30 will be "on their own". Post ride food and beverage services will cease by 4:00PM. In order to finish by 3:30, Short & Long Course Riders will need to start by the close of their start windows and average > 12MPH, including all of your stops.

RULES OF THE ROAD. Please remember that you are on open roads during the entire ride. All cyclists must obey all traffic laws; this includes – but is not limited to – traffic lights and stop signs. Violators may be ticketed by local law enforcement. All riders are personally responsible for knowing Pennsylvania's traffic and bicycle laws: <https://www.pa.gov/agencies/penndot/traveling-in-pa/riding-a-bike/bicycle-safety-and-pennsylvania-laws>

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY. If you have-or witness—a serious crash or medical emergency, immediately call 911, and then call or text the event hotline [267-894-0840](tel:267-894-0840). Secure the area to the best of your ability, but do not put yourself or others in additional danger while you wait for emergency personnel. If there is a lack of cell service, please try to relay information via other riders and vehicles, so we can get support and responders to the proper location.

COURSE NOTES: The course contains a lot of dirt and gravel roads; this is the adventure you registered for. While all of these are public roads, they are in a wide variety of condition. Expect pot holes on most roads (paved & unpaved). Also expect mud, ruts, and loose gravel on every unpaved road.

It is important that you ride as far to the right as safely possible, and that you obey the centerline (whether it is painted or implied). If you need to step off your bike, please do so on the right side of the road or shoulder.

Please see the official cue sheet for course notes.

POT HOLES & PUDDLES: There are significant numbers of potholes out there, which may be difficult to see in a group. Since this ride takes place on many small roads, there may not be sufficient room for participants riding wider than single file to avoid holes and allow room for motor vehicles to pass safely. Remember, they won't be able to see that you have changed your line to avoid a hole...

Assume all puddles are covering deep holes; whenever possible, ride around them and not through them!

POST RIDE:

SIGN-BACK-IN. When you finish your ride, check back in; this is one way we try to keep track of who is still out on course.

POST-RIDE FESTIVITIES. After your ride, be our guest for beer provided by [18th Ward Brewing](#) and food prepared by [Lindingers](#). You'll need your wristband to get food & drinks. Lunch is for registered riders and volunteers only, along with those that have Companion Passes. Festivities start at noon and will finish no later than 4:00. Only pre-registered vegetarians (Green wristband) may get a vegetarian meal.

Depending upon the weather, there will either be seating in the outdoor picnic pavilion or within the firehouse.

GET SOCIAL. Please post your thoughts, photos, videos, etc. about the event on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram. Please tag us and where appropriate use the following hashtags:
#BucksGravel #KermesseSport #SturdyGirlCycling

THE BOTTOM LINE. Have Fun. This is what this event is all about.

We appreciate your participation in Bucks Gravel; thanks for making this event a success. We wish you a safe and fun ride!

Best Regards,
Kermesse Sport &
[Sturdy Girl Cycling](#)