2007 Whitney Classic Recap:



The Lord continues to bless Summit Adventure through the Whitney Classic, and this year's ride was once again a great success. Thirty-eight riders safely participated in the 2007 Whitney Classic. Ten rode as individuals, and twenty-eight more were spread over eight teams. This year riders were treated to unusually mild temperatures at the start with a high of only 89°F. The ride out of Death Valley was spectacular as the riders had a nearly full moon to illuminate the scenery. With lots of effort and team work over 135 miles, eight individuals and six teams completed the ride by Sunday morning.

The main function of the Whitney Classic is to help support the ministries of Summit Adventure. As of October 8th, the Top Individual Fundraiser was Mike Rollinson with \$12,815. The Top Team Fundraisers were Team Bulldog, with \$17,576. To date, over \$82,413 has been raised to help the ministry of Summit Adventure. With post ride pledges coming in until November 1st, we hope to reach our 2007 goal of \$100,000. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you for supporting Summit Adventure through your contributions and participation in the Whitney Classic.

First, we want to thank God for another safe event and the life given through his son Jesus Christ. Thank You to all of the riders, volunteers, and sponsors of the 2007 Whitney Classic. The Whitney Classic would not be possible without your investment of time, energy, and financial resources. Thanks to the Summit staff, volunteers, friends and family who put in time before, after and during the ride. Once again we would like to extend a special thanks to Dick and Lucy Huddy for organizing the Good Sam and Radio Ham volunteers; year after year we are blessed by your presence! Thanks to the Good Sam and Radio Ham volunteers. Your time, energy and efforts allow for a safe, fun and successful event.

Each year the God, Guts, and Gears Award is awarded to the person(s) who exhibits the most faith, fortitude, fellowship, and perseverance throughout the ride. As always the decision for this year's award was difficult. This year's award goes to Ken Rey who persevered even after taking a nasty crash early in the ride. Congratulations, Ken!!

The 2008 Whitney Classic will take place next year on September 27th – 28th, 2008. Make plans to join us in Lone Pine for this amazing event and spread the word to others who might like to join us. Look for more news on the Whitney Classic in the next MountainEar.

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#	Name	Individual/Team	Time
20	Team Storm	Rick Wallace, Bill Fish, Patrick Furtaw, Mark Lavan, Ron Allin, Gary Scott, Ken Neumeyer	8:33
90	Team Bulldog	Jair Drooger, Spinner Allen, Tom Smith, Jeff Frykholm	10:20
50	Team Honeymooners	Chris and Meggie Inouye	12:20
80	Team BOB	Leslie Mitchell, Leigh Nottingham, Corinna Clymer, Jamie Breckenridge	12:28
9	John Pyjar	Individual	12:52
5	Randy O'Connell	Individual	12:52
8	Ken Rey	Individual	13:25
60	Team Dinosaur	Greg Parker, Dave Bedell, Bobi-Ane Kupfer	13:25
7	Mike Rollinson	Individual	14:04
3	Stephen Seccombe	Individual	14:04
13	Chip Combs	Individual	14:18
10	Team Flatlanders	Casey Cobel, Matt Combs, Marty Combs, Tim Turnquist	14:18
2	Tony DiLorenzo	Individual	16:44
4	Glen Villanueva	Individual	19:08
30	Team 3GA	Steve and Michael Atkins	DNF
6	Dave Mulkey	Individual	DNF
40	Team Ottley	Graham and John Ottley	DNF

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1	Greg Wondra	Individual	DNF