

JONESBORO

BEFORE YOU SLEEP

Bag tagged and at the truck. Routes downloaded to your head unit and saved for offline. WhatsApp broadcast joined. The rider meeting covers the rest, and there are two sessions so there is no reason to miss both.

TOMORROW

Program at 8:00, ride start 8:30, A-State Stadium. 71.2 miles to Village Creek State Park. Breakfast and coffee from 6:00.

JONESBORO

Where the hills stop and the Delta begins. Jonesboro runs on healthcare, education and manufacturing: St. Bernards employs more than five thousand people, Arkansas State another three thousand. It had 155 residents in 1870. It is the largest city in northeast Arkansas and still growing. You start tomorrow at the top of Crowley’s Ridge.

MONDAY EVENING, IF YOU WANT TO GO OUT

Skinny J’s, 205 S Main · Omar’s Uptown, 301 S Main, from 4:00

ARRIVAL IN JONESBORO

12:00 PARKING OPENS	3-7 PACKET PICKUP	4:00 / 5:30 RIDER MEETINGS	5-8 MAIN STREET
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THE ONE TIME THAT MATTERS

PACKET PICKUP - 3:00 TO 7:00 PM

THE FORUM ON MAIN

LONG-TERM PARKING	Arkansas State University, Centennial Bank Arena
PICKUP + MEETINGS	The Forum, 115 E Monroe Ave
POP-UPS	Gearhead, 230 S Main St
THE PARTY	Main Street

MONDAY

TIME	WHAT	WHERE
12:00 PM	Long-term parking opens	A-State, Centennial Bank Arena
2:00 PM	Shakeout rides	Crowley's Ridge SP, or a slow roll through town
3:00–7:00 PM	Packet pickup	The Forum on Main
4:00 PM	Rider meeting, first session	The Forum
5:30 PM	Rider meeting, second session	The Forum
5:00–8:00 PM	Meet Me on Main, the opening party	Main Street
5:00–8:00 PM	Pop-ups: Delta Dirt, TC Screenprinting, Arkansas Tourism	Gearhead

IF SOMETHING GOES WRONG

Call 911 first for anything serious. UAMS is on site and can connect you to local hospital or emergency services. Course and weather updates come through the WhatsApp broadcast.

VILLAGE CREEK STATE PARK

201 County Road 754, Wynne

JONESBORO → VILLAGE CREEK



SHOWERS

BIKE WASH

MECHANIC

CHARGING

LUGGAGE

MEDICAL

THE EVENING

TIME	WHAT	WHO / WHERE
12:00 PM	Finish line opens	
3:00, 4:00, 5:00 PM	Golf cart tours of the park, one hour each	
5:00 PM	Ridge to River, first screening	AWAL Productions
5:30–7:00 PM	Dinner	Hogapalooza
6:30 PM	Ridge to River, second screening	AWAL Productions
9:00 PM	Quiet hours	

KNOW BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

Expect no usable signal at the campground on any carrier. There is Wi-Fi at the visitor center while it is open. This is the most disconnected night of the week, and most people are pretty happy about it.

TOMORROW

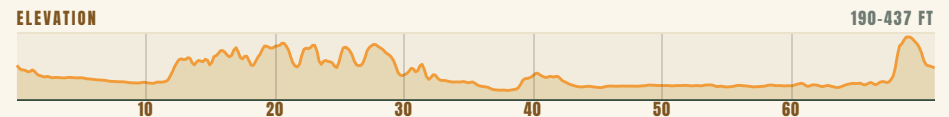
Start window 7:00 to 7:30. 55.5 miles to Mississippi River State Park. The shortest full day of the week.

71.2
MILES2,331
FEET CLIMBING70%
UNPAVED6:40
SUNSET

THE ONE TIME THAT MATTERS

PROGRAM 8:00 • RIDE START 8:30 AM

A-STATE STADIUM



MILE BY MILE

MILE	MARKER	DETAIL
0	A-State Stadium	Start
24.6	Big O's BBQ	Aid 1 • 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM
40.4	Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery	Right before Aid 2, and worth the stop
41.6	Smith Farm, Birdeye	Aid 2 • 10:00 AM to 3:30 PM • through by 3:30 Sandwich bar 10:00–3:00 • archery 10:00–2:00
71.2	Village Creek State Park	Finish

29.6 MILES FROM BIRDEYE TO CAMP WITH NOTHING MARKED ON IT

That is the longest unsupported stretch of the week. Fill everything at Aid 2.

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MISSISSIPPI RIVER STATE PARK

2955 State Highway 44, Marianna

VILLAGE CREEK → MISSISSIPPI RIVER STATE PARK



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THE EVENING

TIME	WHAT	WHO / WHERE
9:00 AM	Finish line opens	
12:00–5:00 PM	Fishing at Ranger Pond, poles provided	Park interpreters
4:00 PM	Yoga	Jackie Dean
5:30–7:00 PM	Dinner	Chuck Ligon
5:30–7:00 PM	Live music	Shag & Alpo
6:00 PM	Yoga, second session	Jackie Dean
7:00 PM	Stargazing	Park staff
9:00 PM	Quiet hours	

TOMORROW

Tomorrow starts in Marianna, not at camp. Coffee from 6:00, breakfast at First Baptist 7:00 to 9:00, start window 8:00 to 8:30. 34.4 miles to Helena, and the festival.

55.5

MILES

1,819

FEET CLIMBING

48%

UNPAVED

6:39

SUNSET

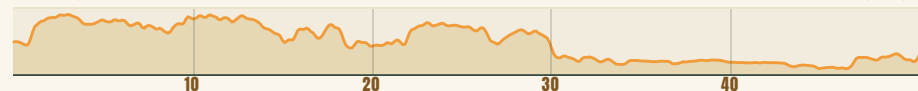
THE ONE TIME THAT MATTERS

START WINDOW - 7:00 TO 7:30 AM

VILLAGE CREEK STATE PARK

ELEVATION

176-425 FT



MILE BY MILE

MILE	MARKER	DETAIL
0	Village Creek State Park	Start
18.8	Delta Q & Deli, Forrest City	Aid 1 · 7:30 to 10:30 AM
34.3	Levee Aid	Aid 2 · 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM Sandwich bar
47.3	Off the Square Cafe	Marianna
55.5	Mississippi River State Park	Finish

THE SHORTEST FULL DAY

1,819 feet over 55.5 miles and under half of it unpaved. There is no reason to hurry through Marianna.

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STORM CREEK, HELENA

MARIANNA → HELENA



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LUGGAGE

MEDICAL

THE AFTERNOON

TIME	WHAT	WHO
9:30 AM	Finish line opens	
10:00 AM–2:00 PM	Half-Grav packet pickup	Day-Use Area
10:00 AM–3:00 PM	Horners' Neck Lake, shuttled, on the hour	
11:00 AM–3:00 PM	Lunch	Delta Que & Brew
12:00 PM	Yoga	Jackie Dean
9:00 PM	Quiet hours	Storm Creek

KING BISCUIT BLUES FESTIVAL • 3:00 TO 9:00 PM

Your festival ticket and your meal voucher are in your packet. Dinner Thursday is at the festival. Shuttles run from Storm Creek and back on the same interval, fourteen riders per run.

RUN	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	RUN	DEPARTS	ARRIVES
1	1:30 PM	2:00 PM	5	2:30 PM	3:00 PM
2	1:45 PM	2:15 PM	6	2:45 PM	3:15 PM
3	2:00 PM	2:30 PM	7	3:00 PM	3:30 PM
4	2:15 PM	2:45 PM	8	3:15 PM	3:45 PM

TOMORROW

Start window 7:00 to 7:30, with a gospel choir at the start. 86.7 miles to Stuttgart. Riders are moved up to Aid 1 at 7:30 for anyone who wants it.

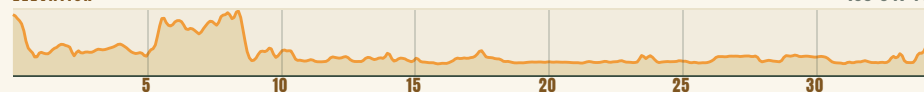
34.4
MILES1,009
FEET CLIMBING70%
UNPAVED6:37
SUNSET

THE ONE TIME THAT MATTERS

START WINDOW • 8:00 TO 8:30 AM

MARIANNA – NOT AT CAMP

ELEVATION



MILE BY MILE

MILE	MARKER	DETAIL
0.1	Mississippi River State Park	Start
2.9	Breakfast, First Baptist	Marianna
20	Confluence	Aid 1 • 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM
28	Elaine Massacre Memorial	0.3 mi off route
28.2	Delta Dirt Distillery	Open for us. Worth the stop
28.3	Delta Cultural Center	On-course stop
34.4	Storm Creek	Finish

THE SHORTEST DAY OF THE WEEK, AND THE BIGGEST NIGHT

Dinner Thursday is at the King Biscuit Blues Festival. Your ticket and meal voucher are in your packet — the back of this card has the shuttle times.

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OPEN SEASON

2307 S Main St, Stuttgart

HELENA → STUTTGART



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THE EVENING

TIME	WHAT
10:45 AM	Finish line opens
1:00–5:00 PM	Post-ride snacks, duck calling and fishing
5:30–7:00 PM	Dinner
5:30–7:00 PM	Live music and the duck calling contest
9:00 PM	Quiet hours

TOMORROW

Start window 7:00 to 7:30. 99.5 miles to Arkansas City, the longest day of the week. Sunset is 6:38 — take the 7:00 end of the window. Riders are moved up to Aid 1 at 7:30.

86.7 MILES

1,277 FEET
CLIMBING

39% UNPAVED

6:38 SUNSET

ELEVATION

155-382 FT



MILE BY MILE · WC IS RESTROOMS

MILE	MARKER	THROUGH BY	WC
0	Helena	Start 7:00–7:30	
16.1	Delta Heritage Trail SP · optional	10:00 AM	2
23.9	Trans American Trail Shop · optional		✓
30.3	AID 1 · Levon Helm's boyhood home, Marvell Elm and Carruth, across from City Hall. The house is public.	11:30 AM	0
52	AID 2 · G and G Gas and Go	2:00 PM	1
53	City Museum · optional		
73.6	AID 3 · Scott Petroleum, Almyra Small grocery, full kitchen and seating · sandwich bar · last stop of the day	5:00 PM	4
86.7	Open Season, Stuttgart	Finish	

THE LAST RIDE TO THE FINISH LEAVES SCOTT PETROLEUM AT 5:30 PM

It is fourteen miles to Open Season from there and the evening is waiting at the other end.

AID 1 AT MARVELL HAS NO RESTROOMS

Delta Heritage Trail at 16.1 and the Trans American Trail Shop at 23.9 are the two before it. Scott Petroleum has four.

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ARKANSAS CITY

Main Street, off the levee

STUTTGART → ARKANSAS CITY



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THE EVENING

TIME	WHAT	WHO / WHERE
11:30 AM	Finish line opens	Main Street
2:00–9:00 PM	Finish line party	Main Street
2:30–5:00 PM	DJ	Main Street
3:00–7:00 PM	Dinner • Hoot's	Main Street
5:30–7:00 PM	Live music, first set	Main Street
7:00 PM	Bonfire	Mama Carol's
7:00–9:00 PM	Karaoke	Mama Carol's
7:30–9:00 PM	Live music, second set	Main Street
9:00 PM	Quiet hours, camping on the courthouse lawn	

TOMORROW

Coffee and breakfast 6:00 to 8:00 at the Arkansas City Baptist Church. Buses leave at 9:00 — Helena for Half-Grav, Jonesboro for the full week.

99.5 MILES

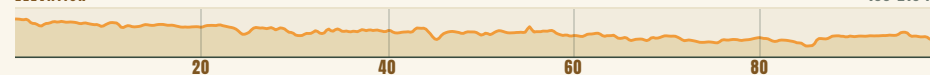
1,125 FEET CLIMBING

61% UNPAVED

6:38 SUNSET

ELEVATION

133-218 FT



MILE BY MILE • WC IS RESTROOMS

MILE	MARKER	THROUGH BY	WC
0	Stuttgart	Start 7:00–7:30	
26.6	AID 1 • Lumsden Century Farm The century sign	11:00 AM	0
53.8	AID 2 • Three Rivers RV	1:00 PM	0
70.4	Yancopin • optional		2
75	WATSON • supplemental aid Sandwich bar		1
84.4	AID 3 • Rohwer Memorial 0.1 mi off route	4:30 PM	1
99.5	Main Street off the levee	Finish	

NO VEHICLE CAN REACH YOU FROM MILE 59 TO 64, OR FROM MILE 67 TO 84

That is most of the distance between Three Rivers RV and Rohwer. Leave Aid 2 at 53.8 carrying everything you need for thirty miles, and if something is wrong with you or the bike, deal with it there rather than after.

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Through Rohwer by 4:30 leaves fifteen miles and two hours of daylight. The party on Main Street has been going since 2:00.

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THE WEEK

WHAT YOU JUST RODE

DAY	ROUTE	MILES	CLIMB
1	Jonesboro → Village Creek SP	71.2	2,331 ft
2	Village Creek → Mississippi River SP	55.5	1,819 ft
3	Marianna → Helena	34.4	1,009 ft
4	Helena → Stuttgart	86.7	1,277 ft
5	Stuttgart → Arkansas City	99.5	1,125 ft
Total		343	7,553 ft

JONESBORO	WYNNE	MARIANNA	HELENA	STUTTGART	ARKANSAS CITY
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Five days, six towns, and several hundred people who did not know each other on Monday.

Thank you for coming. The route moves to a different part of Arkansas next time, and we would like to tell you where.

WE WILL TELL YOU WHERE IT GOES NEXT

Stay tuned. We already have your contact information, so there is nothing for you to sign up for — you will hear where the 2027 route goes before anybody else.

DAY 6 · SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

GOING HOME

THE ONE TIME THAT MATTERS

BUSES DEPART 9:00 AM

HELENA FOR HALF-GRAV · JONESBORO FOR THE FULL WEEK

SUNDAY

TIME	WHAT	WHO / WHERE
6:00–8:00 AM	Coffee, Arkansas City	Pork Belly
6:00–8:00 AM	Breakfast, Arkansas City	Arkansas City Baptist Church
9:00 AM	Buses depart	Helena · Jonesboro

BEFORE YOU GET ON

Bag to the truck. Bike to the rack. Walk the campsite once for anything that is yours.

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