



24TH ANNUAL
GROUP HEALTH SEATTLE TO PORTLAND BICYCLE CLASSIC
July 12 - 13, 2003

What: On Saturday July 12 up to 8,000 bicyclists will leave the University of Washington in Seattle for a 200 mile bicycle ride to Portland, Oregon. The GROUP HEALTH SEATTLE TO PORTLAND BICYCLE CLASSIC (GROUP HEALTH STP), produced by the Cascade Bicycle Club, is the largest multi-day bicycle ride in the Pacific Northwest. Cyclists will start their journey from Husky Stadium Parking Lot.

Registration is open through July 11 at Packet Pick-Up. Cost is \$90 (\$80 for Cascade Bicycle Club members).

When: July 8 – 11: Packet Pick-Up / Late Registration:, noon – 7:00 PM (Seattle REI)
Saturday, July 12, 2003
Start for one-day riders: 4:45 – 5:15 AM
Start for two-day riders: 5:15 - 7:30 AM

Where: University of Washington Husky Stadium
Montlake Blvd NE and NE 45,
E-1 Parking Lot
Seattle, Washington

Highlights:

- NEW Finish Line Festival at Holladay Park in northeast Portland (near Lloyd Center)
- Riders are coming from 42 states, plus Bavaria, Canada, England and Ireland.
- About 1,200 cyclists will cycle the event in one day – a ‘double century’
- About half the riders have ridden the event previously and half are new this year
- The oldest rider is 81 years old. Ten riders are less than 10 years old. 28% are female; 72% are male
- The course passes through Washington communities of Tukwila, Kent, Algona, Pacific, Sumner, Spanaway, Yelm, Tenino, Centralia, Chehalis, Napavine, Winlock, Vader, Castle Rock and Kelso
- Group Health STP is the major fundraiser for Cascade Bicycle Club, whose activities and community programs include bicycle education and safety, bicycle advocacy, and a daily rides program offering 1,000 free public rides annually
- Sponsors include: Group Health Cooperative (first-ever title sponsor), Newsradio 710 KIRO, Whole Foods Market, REI, Clif Bar, Millstone Coffee, Nextel Communications, KIRO 7 TV, Phiten, Stretch Island Fruit, and Ultima Replenisher.

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