

2014 Manhattan Beach Grand Prix

To All SOUTH BAY WHEELMEN

The Big July 6th, 2014 MBGP Race is almost here. By this time you will have blown up all of your fireworks and will be looking for more excitement. We had so much fun last year that we hope you will come out again. If you haven't decided on how you want to help, there are still plenty of opportunities.

This is only easy if everyone pitches in to help. Please don't leave it to the few to do the work. We need EVERYONE! Helping once a year is not too much to ask.

Course Set-up and Teardown:

We will be meeting at the start/finish line at Five AM SHARP (or before if you want coffee and pastry) to start putting up the fence and the many banners. There will be plenty for everyone to do. Gloves are helpful for those of you wanting to protect your digits so that they can continue caressing the expensive Campagnolo. If tossing fence does not fit your idea of your job description there are plenty of banners to put on the fence. A cable cutter will be helpful to cut off the loose ends of the zip-ties on the banners. We have to have this completed by 7 AM before the first race.

For Course Tear-down, we will need to start removing the fencing immediately after the last rider goes by on the last lap. Our meeting place will again be at turn 3 where we will meet the truck. We are required to free up the streets, except where the community races will be held by the start/finish straight, as soon as possible. A small cable cutter will be helpful to remove the zip-ties holding the banners. We also need help cleaning up the area by picking up trash so that the city doesn't charge the club.

During the day, it is also requested that you assist with the course marshalling. It is a good way to watch the races. Again, when everyone pitches in to help, the more free time everyone has. There will be someone at the SBW tent to direct you in your volunteer quest at the race. This is an all-day event and there will always be additional duties. Who do you think replaces the toilet paper?

If anyone would like to offer additional time before the race day or volunteer to learn what needs to be done in any of the lead positions please call me. Call anytime with any questions or suggestions. I hope to see all of the membership there.

Best Regards,

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