

NORCAL RACES & ACCOMODATIONS (so far...)

Book Your Accommodations Today.

Some of the race venues have limited options. And its fun to be mostly in the same hotel / location. On the other hand some riders like to be removed from the hubbub and anxiety that a lively social evening the night before can create. Ask your rider if they have a preference.

Below is where coaches, myself and many teammates will be. I've also provided some other recommended options.

At the hotels, ask if there is a NorCal League Rate.

Luckily at least two of the venues have camping accommodations which are less costly (and unfortunately less comfy) and the commute to the racecourse is short to zero (at Six Sigma we camp in the middle of the race circuit).

More details about 2024 Race Season Events will be posted on the [NorCal League Website](#) before the events. Flyers with FAC's and figures will be published. We'll let you know when they are available. Downloading and printing these before you leave home can really help. Most of the venues have limited or no cell service - at least: don't count on it.

And remember — this year — **you** register your rider for the races. We may remind you, but its your responsibility to do that thru the [NICA Pit Zone](#) (same place you register your rider with our league, NorCal, and our national organization, [NICA](#)). Registration for Championships will happen later - not all riders from all teams qualify. But many if not a majority of AW rider probably will.

THE RACES:

RACE 01 : FORT ORD

Saturday MARCH 2

Fort Ord Day Camp Cycling Area, East Garrison, CA

(the [Giggling Road Entrance](#) is often preferred)

Pre-ride approx 3:00 Friday March 1

Book Hotel for Friday March 1

Team Hotel : [Los Laureles Lodge](#)

Its small and actually a 25 min drive from the Fort Ord Public Lands race venue, but quaint.

Other options:

Anything in Monterey, Seaside or Pacific Grove.

I recommend historic [Asilomar Hotel & Conference Grounds](#)

They have reasonable accommodation small rooms perfect for one rider and one parent. And rooms and buildings with real wood burning fireplaces. And you can take a dip in the pacific at 5:00 am before coming to the race (you scoff... it'll wake you up, which is hard)

RACE 02 : EXCHEQUER

Saturday APRIL 6

[Exchequer Mountain Bike Park](#), La Grange, CA

Pre-ride approx 3:00 Friday, April 5

Book a CAMPSITE for Friday April 5 (at least...)

Team Campground : [Barret Cove Campground](#)

[MID \(Merced Irrigation District\)](#)

[Campsite Reservations](#). Loop G, is often preferred.

When Barret Cove sells out we will ask parents who got a reservation to see who might have room to double-up. Perfectly reasonable for 1 nite. So if you are friends with another family already, you might start that way.

Other options:

Other MID Camgrounds:

[McClure Point](#) IS an option, but there are no direct roads between Exchequer & McClure point, its a 45 min out-around-and back to the lake. It is quieter, but you have to get up and out earlier Saturday. Consider booking two nights if you don't want to break camp at 6:00 am

Hotels ?

Modesto is about an hour drive to the venue.

There's hardly anything closer

RACE 03 : GRANITE BAY

Saturday APRIL 27

[Granite Bay Recreation Area, Roseville, CA](#)

Pre-ride approx 3:00 Friday April 26

Book Hotel for Friday April 26

Team Hotel : Best Western Orchid Hotel and Suites (and Inn)

Decent place, close to the venue entry road & to the freeway. They have courtyards that work for casual bring-your-own dinner the night before.

Other options:

Anything near Douglas Blvd & Rt-80 at Roseville, CA
(sometimes called Roseville Crossing)

RACE_04 : (VENUE being FINALIZED) Saturday MAY 4

NorCal (our 'state' league) is trying to secure a venue close to the North Bay

Pre-ride approx 3:00 Friday May 3

It is possible you may be able to return home after the race on Saturday...

... *Please Stand By, for Upcoming Info!!*

NORCAL CHAMPIONSHIPS : SIX SIGMA RANCH Saturday MAY 18

[Six Sigma Ranch & Winery, Lower Lake, CA](#)

Pre-ride approx 3:00 Friday May 17

Recommended Accommodations for Friday May 17:

Free Camping Onsite in the valley at Six Sigma Ranch.

We set up camp surrounding the team trailer in the center of the race loop. We cook dinner together and live with our riders and then they race. Its the best venue for spectators.

And its a functioning winery with options for hiking in the vineyards and adult wine-tasting at their tasting room about 5 mins down the road from the Start/Finish Line.

The majority of families and almost all coaches do this. Its a blast!

Other options:

There are Inns and hotels and cabins in and around Lower Lake, CA. But not many are very close.

If you are not up for camping but are OK with an early morning drive, some families have stayed near Santa Rosa and driven to the race Saturday morning. Its ~1-½ hours, so means an early morning (but a comfy bed).