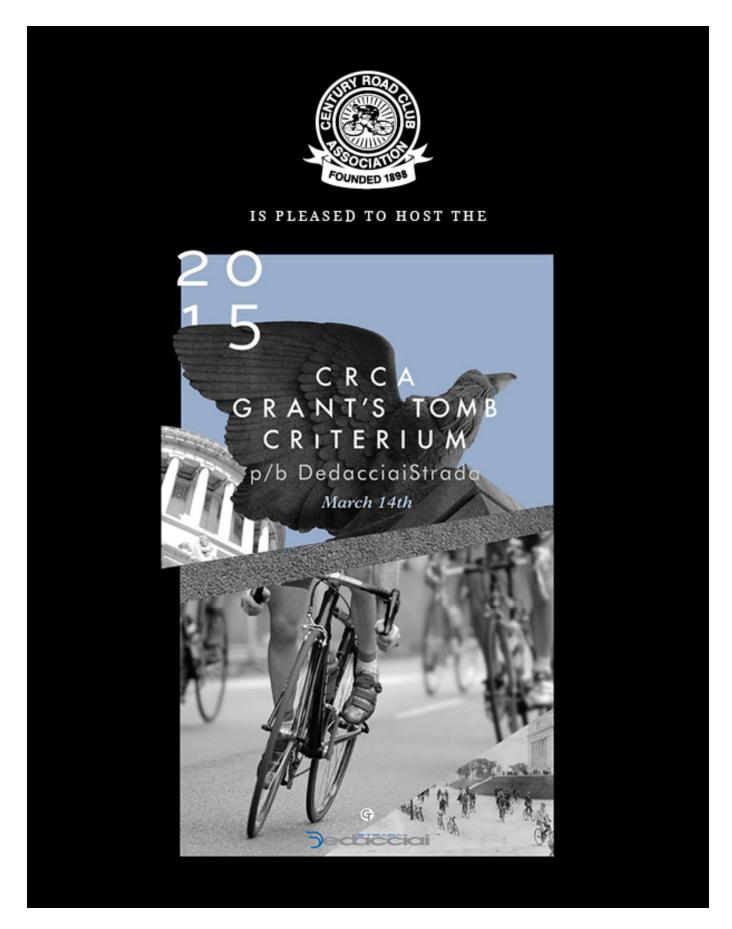


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Grant's Tomb Criterium

RACE TECHNICAL GUIDE

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RACE MERCHANDISE AND TITLE SPONSOR

- <u>Dedacciai Strada</u> is sponsoring this year's Grant's Tomb Crit and providing a frame (\$2200 value) for the winner of the Elite Men's Field.
- <u>Dedacciai Strada</u> is also offering all CRCA members 10% off of any of their frames. Please enter code "CRCA2015" at checkout. 5% of all CRCA member purchases will benefit <u>CRCA Junior Development</u>.
- Event posters (high quality 11x17) are available for purchase via <u>BikeReg</u>. Proceeds will benefit <u>CRCA Junior Development</u>.

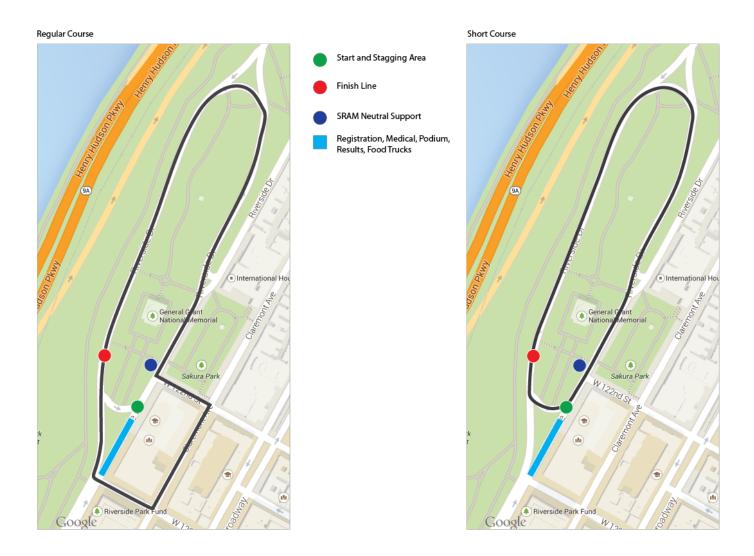
IMPORTANT RACE NOTES

- A lot of work has gone into hosting a race at the Grant's Tomb site and we hope to continue the tradition this race. In order to do so we emphasize that all race participants and spectators must be be respectful of visitors to Grant's Tomb National Memorial, Riverside Church, Riverside Park, and Sakura Park throughout the day.
- Do not interfere with the activities of users of these facilities and be respectful of, and cooperate fully with, any directions from law enforcement officers and race staff.
- Cyclists are NOT ALLOWED to use the restrooms or otherwise enter Riverside Church. There will be port-o-johns available on-site at the North and South ends of the race course on southbound Riverside Drive.
- Cyclists are NOT ALLOWED to use Grant's Tomb National Memorial as a changing area. DO NOT enter the memorial during the race.
- Please utilize garbage bags and garbage cans, or take your garbage with you. Do not litter.
- No day-of registration for the race. All registration must be completed in advance on <u>Bikereg</u>. If you have questions about registration please contact <u>bikereg@crca.net</u>.
- Results will be published shortly following the conclusion of each race and riders will have a 15 minute protest period. After the protest period, results are final.
- Neutral support will be provided by SRAM. Officials will provide information on free laps prior to the start. Familiarize yourself with USAC rule 3D4 regarding free laps.
- Due to the course distance, it is possible that a break could lap the field. Please be aware of the lead moto if a break laps the field and familiarize yourself with corresponding USAC rules 3D3 and 3D4.
- Officials will give instructions regarding pulled riders during staging. Given the distance of the course, riders are likely to get pulled, so please listen and look out for instructions.

- Officials will time the opening laps of each field and provide a lap count based on those times. The lap counter is located at the finish line.
- Numbers must be pinned on the Right side and back.

COURSE NOTES

 We will be running two courses throughout the day, similar to 2014, to accommodate the surrounding community. The Race Clinic, Juniors, Mens 5 and Womens 4 will run on a shorter course. All other fields will run on the regular course.



- While riding to/from the race OBEY ALL TRAFFIC LAWS. Follow all traffic lights and DO NOT RIDE ON SIDEWALKS. Ticketing may occur for violations. Treat pedestrians with respect.
- Due to Riverside Church requirements, races from 1-3:30pm (Clinic, W4, M5, Juniors) will be run on a short course. During this time W120th St, Claremont and W122nd St will be **OPEN TO TRAFFIC**. Please use caution on these streets and obey all traffic laws.

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- All riders and spectators are asked to please CROSS THE COURSE AT WEST 120th AND RIVERSIDE. Extra marshals will be staffed at this location to assist with course crossings.
- Registration will be held on northbound Riverside Drive just north of West 120th Street. Results will also be posted at this location.
- Staging will be just north of registration. Please note that fields will begin staging at least 10 minutes prior to the race start. Fields will start **IMMEDIATELY** following the finish of the prior field. Please listen for announcements, be in staging early and don't miss your start!
- SRAM neutral support will be located on the West side of northbound Riverside Drive at West 122th Street.
- While waiting for registration/staging please stay off the sidewalk in front of the church.

RACE SCHEDULE

- Due to time constraints racers for will be staged prior to the finish of the previous field. Be familiar with the course map for staging location, listen for announcements and know the race schedule.
- Sign-in/Number pick-up closes 10 minutes to field start. If you have not signed-in and picked up your number, your spot will be given to a waitlist rider.
- WAITLIST will be cleared in order of registration. If you do not get cleared from the waitlist you will be refunded in cash (must be in attendance to receive refund).

Field	Start	Time	Finish	Field limit
Men 4/5	8:00:00 AM	40min	8:40:00 AM	75
Women 3/4	8:45:00 AM	40min	9:25:00 AM	75
Men 4	9:30:00 AM	40min	10:10:00 AM	125
Men 3/4	10:15:00 AM	50min	11:05:00 AM	125
Masters 40+ (1-4)	11:10:00 AM	40min	11:50:00 AM	125
Men 2/3	11:55:00 AM	60min	12:55:00 PM	125
Race Clinic	1:00:00 PM	30min	1:30:00 PM	75
Juniors	1:35:00 PM	30min	2:05:00 PM	50
Men 5	2:10:00 PM	30min	2:40:00 PM	75
Women 4	2:45:00 PM	30min	3:15:00 PM	75
Elite Women (1/2/3)	3:30:00 PM	60min	4:30:00 PM	125
Elite Men (1/2/3)	4:35:00 PM	75min	5:50:00 PM	125

- We are offering a combined Men's and Women's Criterium race clinic. The goal is to provide helpful skills and tips racing criteriums, including riding in a pack, drafting, cornering, attacking, and sprinting. The schedule is set up to allow all M5 and W4 racers attend the clinic then apply what they have learned during their race shortly afterwards.
- Juniors will race as a single field but will be scored separately by age group as follows: 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18.

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RACE LOCATION, TRANSPORTATION, FOOD AND HOST HOUSING

- The Grant's Tomb Criterium course is located on Riverside Drive between 120th Street and Tiemann Place. See Course Map.
- The course is accessible via bike, car, and subway.
- Parking is available on Riverside Drive north of the Grant's Tomb course on the viaduct.
- If you are taking the subway, one option is to take the 1 train to the 116th Street Columbia University station. Please see www.mta.info for additional information.
- <u>The Steel Cart</u> food truck will be on-site providing food and beverages throughout the day. Please pay them a visit!
- We have limited Host Housing available. Please visit http://www.crca.net/racing/crca-host-housing/ for more information and to sign up.