

# Century Road Club Association

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[www.CRCA.net](http://www.CRCA.net)



2008 Season

Dear Cyclist,

The Century Road Club Association (CRCA) is a bicycle racing club founded in 1898. We have a wide range of racing experience among our riders and offer the beginning cyclist many opportunities to improve his or her skills. The ages of active racers in our club range from 15 to 70. We welcome both sexes.

We hold club races many Saturday mornings in Central Park March through November. **We expect to offer about 20 races in 2008. You can check the race schedule on our website.** Our races are divided into A, B and C fields. The most experienced and fastest riders race in the A field. In the C field are the slower and least experienced. Entry fee for each club race is \$10. We often have a separate women's field. To all riders with a U.S. Cycling Federation (USCF) license, we offer free coaching from April through September. We promote up to three open races a year.

There are two basic categories of membership: Racing and Associate. For legal and insurance reasons, Racing members must also be members of the U.S. Cycling Federation (USCF). Racing members may race in club events, participate in coaching sessions and must marshal at races up to three times a year. Associates have no marshal duties and cannot race in club events. Associates may participate in coaching sessions if they provide a signed CRCA release and a photocopy of a valid USCF license. All other club privileges extend to both categories: monthly newsletter, discounts at some bicycle stores and voting for club officers.

There are two levels within the Racing category, **Regular** and **Donor**. For a premium fee, donors will have all race entry fees prepaid – Dinosaur – and will have their marshaling obligations taken care of by the club.

If you are interested in joining CRCA as a racing member, you will need to apply for a road racing license from USA Cycling ([www.usacycling.org](http://www.usacycling.org)). If you are already a USCF member and affiliated with another club, you must get your affiliation changed to Century Road Club Assoc. through the USCF District Representative. **Before being assigned a CRCA racing number, we must have a photocopy of your USCF license. You can send this with your membership application, or give it to us later — but we must have it before you race or before you take part in coaching.**

CRCA has been working with New York City Parks Dept. to promote safety. Safety is a big concern and the club has established an aggressive race marshal program. **New racing members must marshal once before racing and will be assigned to marshal up to two more times in 2008. Typically, renewing members are asked to marshal only two times each season.** You can do your first marshaling date before becoming a member. (This may help you decide whether you want to join.)

Please fill out the accompanying forms fully and return to us the appropriate amount by check or money order. The racing membership fee (except for subteam applicants) includes one CRCA jersey. You must wear a yellow CRCA cycling jersey (or your subteam jersey) and a helmet at club and at open races. Club jerseys can be picked up at club races or, in special cases, can be mailed.

Mail your application in the enclosed envelope. If you have questions please e-mail me at [membership@crca.net](mailto:membership@crca.net).

Sincerely,

Christian Forsyth  
Membership Director

## 2008 - Member Categories – 2008

I am applying for membership/renewal in the Century Road Club Association for 2008 in the following category:

**RACING** (A photocopy of your USCF license should accompany this application.)

Not on a subteam – cost includes club jersey and coaching.

- \$600 Donor** (In addition to above, all club race entry fees prepaid – Dinosaur – and club assumes all responsibility for marshaling.)
- \$103 Regular** (\$58 plus \$45 for a jersey)
- \$70 Student** (\$25 plus \$45 for a jersey. Under 25, photocopy of student ID.)
- 0 Junior** (18 or younger in 2008)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Please indicate your jersey size: S, M, L, XL or XXL**

On a subteam – cost includes coaching. No club jersey.

- \$600 Donor** (In addition, all club race entry fees prepaid – Dinosaur – and club assumes all responsibility for marshaling.)
  - \$58 Regular**
  - \$25 Student** (Under 25, photocopy of student ID.)
  - 0 Junior** (18 or younger in 2008)
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- \$100 Dinosaur** - Pre-paid Race fees for 2008 (in addition to regular membership dues, included in Donor Membership)

**ASSOCIATE** (Non-racing)

- \$58 Regular**

**For Associates who wish to take part in coaching sessions only and all Racing Members:**

- I have enclosed a photocopy of my valid USCF license.
- I have read and signed the Athlete's Release Form on the other side of the questionnaire.

**For All Associates:**

- I have read and signed the Athlete's Release Form on the other side of the questionnaire.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature & date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature/Parent or Guardian (if applying as Junior)

I have enclosed a check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ **Add \$15 if you have no e-mail and will receive newsletter via U.S. Post Office.** ( Make out check or money order to CRCA.)

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**Century Road Club Association**  
2008 New Member Questionnaire 2008

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

(If you know your ZIP+4 number, please include it.)

Phone/Home ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Work ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Sex (Circle one.): F M

Membership (Circle one): Junior/Student Regular Donor Supporter

Membership type (Circle one.): Racing Associate Newsletter

Registered USCF Rider (Circle one): Yes No Pro Rider

*(You should include with this application a photocopy of your USCF license – we must have a photocopy before you race – and it must show CRCA affiliation.*

*Please sign Release form on back.)*

USCF License Number: \_\_\_\_\_ or, PRO license number \_\_\_\_\_

USCF Category (Circle one.) Road: 1 2 3 4 5

(Circle one.) Track 1 2 3 4 5

Age Category (Circle one.): Junior Senior Master: 35+ 45+ 55+

If you are a member of a CRCA subteam, team name: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation or field of work: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact, Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Medical Information: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# 2008 – USA Cycling and CRCA Standard Entry Blank and Release Form - 2008

Please accept my entry in Century Road Club Association (CRCA) club races and participation in CRCA training rides. Approximately 20 races will be held in Central Park, New York City, and the same number of training rides in Central Park and the surrounding metropolitan area on dates between March 1, 2008 and November 30, 2008.

**I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT, I AM RELEASING USA CYCLING (USAC), THE UNITED STATES CYCLING FEDERATION (USCF), CRCA AND NEW YORK CITY DEPT. OF PARKS AND RECREATION AND THEIR RESPECTIVE AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, MEMBERS, SPONSORS, PROMOTERS AND AFFILIATES (COLLECTIVELY “RELEASEES”) FROM LIABILITY. THIS ENTRY BLANK AND RELEASE IS A CONTRACT WITH LEGAL CONSEQUENCES AND I HAVE BEEN ADVISED TO READ IT CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.**

In consideration of the acceptance of my application for entry/participation in the above CRCA club events, I freely agree to and make the following contractual representations and agreements.

I acknowledge that cycling is an inherently dangerous sport and fully realize the dangers of participating in a bicycle race and **FULLY ASSUME THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH SUCH PARTICIPATION INCLUDING**, by way of example and not limitation, the following: the dangers of collision with pedestrians, vehicles, other racers, and fixed or moving objects; the dangers arising from surface hazards, equipment failure, inadequate safety equipment, **THE RELEASEES’ OWN NEGLIGENCE**, and weather conditions, and the possibility of serious physical and/or mental trauma or injury associated with athletic cycling competition.

For myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, assignees, and successors in interest (collectively “Successors”). **I HEREBY WAIVE, RELEASE, DISCHARGE, HOLD HARMLESS, AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE** and indemnify the Releasees and the sponsors of this event, the organizer and any promoting organizations, property owners, law enforcement agencies, all public entities, special districts and properties and their

respective agents, officials, and employees through or by which the events will be held (the foregoing are also collectively deemed to be Releasees), **FROM ANY** and all rights and **CLAIMS INCLUDING CLAIMS ARISING FROM THE RELEASEES’ OWN NEGLIGENCE**, which I have or which may hereafter accrue to me and from any and all damages which may be sustained by me directly or indirectly in connection with, or arising out of, my participation in or association with the event, or travel to or return from the event.

I agree it is my sole responsibility to be familiar with the race course, the Releasee’s rules, and any special regulations for the event. I understand and agree that situations may arise during the race, which may be beyond the immediate control of the race officials or organizers, and I must continually ride so as to neither endanger myself nor others. I accept responsibility for the condition and adequacy of my competition equipment. I will compete wearing a helmet that satisfies the requirements of the Releasee’s racing rules or regulations and that can protect against serious head injury, and assume all responsibility and liability for the selection of such a helmet. I have no physical or medical condition that to my knowledge would endanger myself or others if I participate in this event, or would interfere with my ability to participate in this event.

I agree, for myself and my successors, that the above representations are contractually binding, and are not mere recitals, and that should I or my successors assert my claim in contravention of this agreement, the asserting party shall liable for the expenses (including legal fees) incurred by the other party or parties in defending, unless the other party or parties are finally adjudged liable on such claim for willful and wanton negligence. This agreement may not be modified orally, and a waiver of any provision shall not be construed as a modification of any other provision herein or as a consent to any other provision herein or as a consent to any subsequent waiver or modification.

Every term and provision of this agreement is intended to be severable. If any one of more of them is found to be unenforceable or invalid, that shall not affect the other terms and provisions, which shall remain binding and enforceable.

Print name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## CONSENT AND RELEASE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

I am the parent or guardian of the person under 18 listed below (Child). My Child is fit for CRCA club races and I consent to my Child’s participation. **I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE ATHLETE’S RELEASE AGREEMENT.** In consideration of allowing my Child to participate, I consent to it and agree that **ITS TERMS SHALL LIKEWISE BIND ME, MY CHILD,** my heirs, legal representatives, and assignees. **I HEREBY RELEASE AND SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE RELEASEES FROM EVERY CLAIM AND ANY LIABILITY** that I or my Child may allege against the Releasees (including reasonable attorney’s fees or costs) as a direct result of injury to me or to my Child because of my Child’s participation in the above CRCA club race **WHETHER CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES** or others. **I PROMISE NOT TO SUE RELEASEES** on my behalf or on behalf of my Child regarding any claim arising from my Child’s participation in the above CRCA club race.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Child

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print name of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

