



## KONOCTI CHALLENGE

**October 5, 2013**

The Lakeport Rotary Club would like to welcome you to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Konocti Challenge cycling event! We hope that you enjoy the ride, the beautiful scenery, the yummy food and the fellowship of the day. Please note that **100%** of all the proceeds from this ride support our Club's local and international Rotary projects such as building parks, athletic fields, youth exchanges, youth scholarships, senior centers, and a long list of other worthwhile programs. The 2012 Rest Stop Competition was a HUGE hit with the cyclists and the non-profit organizations operating the stops. We gave **\$5,500 (one of our nice cyclists added another \$500 to the pool!)** to 7 worthwhile organizations and they are all planning their strategies for the 2013 event! We are thankful for your support and additional donations are always greatly appreciated!

Lake County is a breathtakingly beautiful place and we are very proud of the fact that we have the cleanest air in California many years running now so take a big gulp of that fresh, clean air. And did you know that Clear Lake is the largest natural lake in California? Another tid bit of trivia! But you'll be seeing all of that on your ride.

This ride is challenging, so get an early start! The 100 mile riders can take part in a mass start at 7AM and the 65 mile riders at 7:30AM. We do ask that you leave the Yacht Club by no later than 8:30AM! The 40-mile riders must depart between 8:00AM and 10:00AM. The 20 mile Family Fun ride was a HUGE success last year and we're sure to see many more kids and families involved. The departure time for that ride is 10:00AM. The end of the ride meal will start around noon and end promptly at 6:00PM. You will need to check in at the Yacht Club at the end of the ride and your wristband is required for a meal. The route maps are available on our website and they are also downloadable to your GPS!

We have plenty of helpful SAG support. If you need assistance, the signal is to point to the ground if you want the SAG to stop. The vehicles are clearly marked. You are required to obey all traffic laws and report of accidents. You must wear a helmet. If there is an emergency, call 911. Cell phone coverage in Lake County is limited, so you may need to find the nearest phone or send someone to the nearest rest stop. All of the rest stops have radios and/or cell service for communication. Remember, my cell number is on your map and on your wristband so don't hesitate to call me.

Please, it is very important that you check in at the Yacht Club at the end of the ride and fill out the end-of-the-ride voting card. Not only do we need your feedback, but our rest stops are, once again, graciously being manned by other community service organizations and they are competing for your vote! The winning stop receives not only bragging rights, but also a cash donation to their organization, so remember your favorite one and mark your ballots accordingly. As I mentioned before - \$5,000 prize pool at stake! They all get something but 1<sup>st</sup> place is vying for \$2000!

Finally, we have the **SUNDAY WINE ADVENTURE** in place! If you want to talk to some of the folks that came last year, let me know. It was very successful and something you definitely don't want to miss this year! Check out our website for more information and a schedule. Space will be limited so you may want to sign up when you register!

**I hope you enjoy the ride and if you need anything at all, please give me a call on my cell at 707-349-0815 or find any of our Ride Staff members in the bright red t-shirts.**

Happy Cycling!  
Jennifer Strong ~ Ride Director