2025 Horsey Hundred Final News to Use May 21, 2025

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This is our final News to Use leading up to the 2025 Horsey Hundred – And it is very long! Please take time to read the whole thing because it includes important stuff you need to know.

As you join us this weekend, please keep in mind that every single person interacting with you at check in, rest stops, parking, SAG, at our BCC store, and providing directions is a volunteer, so be kind to them. Things will inevitably happen that annoy or frustrate you because we are all human and that's how humans are – please don't take your annoyance or frustration out on one of our volunteers – if something is seriously wrong, please find a member of our management team and give us an opportunity to make it right – if we can, we will.

Important Updates!

- There will be no 21-mile route on Sunday —a bridge on that route was damaged by the recent severe weather and we are no longer able to offer that option.
- The enhanced rest stop at the Jack Jouett house on Saturday will provide enhanced offerings for the 100 and 80 mile routes our prior newsletter incorrectly stated that the metric century route stops at Jack Jouett and it does not.
- We had some last minute food truck changes on Friday What's Crackin' will no longer be joining us, however we've added Shawarma Lex, providing Mediterranean food and Little Hibachi Japanese Kitchen, providing Hibachi and fried rice.

Check in and Merchandise Pick Up Instructions

Check-in is in the Barn along with the Vendor Expo (See #3 on the map below). Check-in hours are:

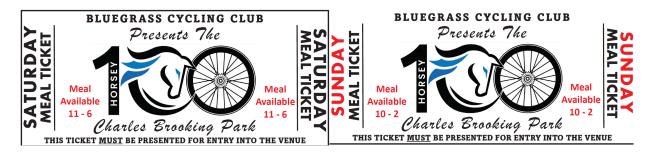
- Friday 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM
- Saturday 6:15 AM to 10:15 AM
- Sunday 6:15 AM to 9:15 AM

For the fastest service, have your confirmation email with the QR code for us to scan. Check-in volunteers will provide registrants with:

- Wrist band
- Meal tickets (required for post ride meals)
- Horsey Hundred socks if you registered in time to qualify
- Preordered merchandise

A Reminder about meal tickets and where to purchase tickets for non-riders

You will receive two meal tickets when you check in - One for Saturday and one for Sunday. PLEASE keep track of your meal tickets as you will need them to get your post-ride meal! If you have a non-riding companion with you who would like to join you for the meals, meal tickets can be purchased at the BCC store for \$12 each. NOTE: If you are volunteering, you will receive a special volunteer meal ticket. PLEASE make sure to turn in your ticket as we use them to help in future planning!



The Weather

We've been watching the weather closely and we're sure you have been too. Based on the current forecast, the weather for Saturday looks pretty good with a high of 70 and a very slight chance for rain. The forecast for Sunday has a slightly higher chance for rain, but still under 50%, so overall, a good forecast for us! Please be sure to check the weather before you come and bring appropriate clothing!

Preordered Merchandise – What if you cannot pick your stuff up?

If you do not pick up your items we can ship them after the event, but only if you pay in advance for shipping Venmo or Zelle preferred as payment method, although you can also mail a check — priority shipping within the US runs between \$12-\$14 and to Canada is over \$30 so it is really in your best interest to pick your stuff up! If for some reason you can't make it yourself, a friend can pick it up for you.

Entertainment at the Park

Friday May 23rd from 4:00pm until 8:00pm

Music with Mo Bell

Born in the '70s and discovering a love of music in the '80s and '90s, the Mo Bell Experience pays tribute to the songs of his youthful days of listening to his parents' records, radio, and collection of cassettes. With a bit of Blues, R & B, and Rock and Roll, there's hopefully something for everyone to enjoy (even those who grew up with digital downloads and streaming!)

Sunday May 25th from 11:30am to 2:30pm

Music with Bryce Ernest Taylor

Bryce Ernest Taylor delights audiences with his talent, energy, and insight. He is making his home in Versailles, KY. At the Horsey Hundred, he will play unique versions of covers from Simon & Garfunkel, James Taylor, The Beatles, CSN&Y, Bill Withers, etc, to more contemporary artists such as The Avette Bros., Jack Johnson, Jason Mraz, Ray Lamontagne, Damien Rice, Passenger, & Jason Isbell. A few original songs may also find their way into sets to spice things up a bit. His latest album was listed in the top 20 albums in October 2022 on the FAI Folk Radio Chart and ranked in both the Folk Alliance International and Roots Music Charts. See you there! https://www.brycetaylormusic.com/.

Free Horsey Hundred Photos

The Horsey Hundred has hired a couple of photographers to take photos along the routes on Saturday. These photos will be posted on the <u>Horsey Hundred photo sharing site</u> and you will be able to download them at no cost to you.

We will take as many photos as we can, but we know we cannot get photos of everyone. Our goal is to get the photos posted within a couple of weeks of the end of the event. We will send an email to all registered participants when the photos are available along with instructions on how to download them.

Horsey Hundred Social Media

Are you a fan of Instagram, or Facebook? We think these are great ways to share your experiences. We will be posting to both these sites throughout the weekend starting on Friday. You can follow us on:

- Facebook: Horsey Hundred BCC https://www.facebook.com/HorseyHundred/
- Instagram: horseyhundredbcc https://www.instagram.com/horseyhundredbcc/

And when you post from the Horsey Hundred, we ask that you include the hashtag: #horseyhundred!

Courtesy and kindness – Paceline Etiquette – PLEASE HELP!!!

The Horsey Hundred is not a race but we know that some of you will be riding in faster, larger groups in a single or double pace line. Please keep in mind if this is your plan, that most of our participants won't be riding like you. **PLEASE** try to keep groups manageable – 12 -14 riders max and **PLEASE** do not join a group out on the road that is already this large. Many of our roads are narrow and windy and it simply isn't safe with so many riders on the road for groups to be larger than this.

Everyone can enjoy themselves and have a great time regardless of their riding style and goals if we all remember that the Horsey Hundred is the one weekend of the year when thousands of cyclists are all on their bikes together in Central Kentucky and everyone is out there to have fun. As you ride, please extend these common courtesies to each other:

• If you are a faster group approaching slower riders and want to pass, announce the group when you're still behind by saying "on your left – large group" or something similar so the people you're passing know what to expect. **PLEASE** always provide verbal notice – doing so is considerate because it really is startling when a big group just blows by other riders unannounced.

- Provide plenty of room between your group and the people you are passing. Single up when passing if you're in a double line and the road is narrow.
- Likewise, if you are in a slower group and about to be passed, single up if you are riding two abreast and if you're toward the center of the road, move closer to the right if you have some room.
- Please try to pass on straight stretches where sight lines are good if you can yes it may slow you down a bit, but the safety of everyone is more important than you passing in an unsafe place.
- If you plan to ride a faster pace with a group, consider starting early in the day so you have fewer people to pass along the route. It will be more enjoyable for your group as well as the people you don't have to pass.
- For the past several years, the most negative comments we've received in our survey responses relate to this issue this is an issue that we as an organization cannot control, but you as individuals can so please help us make 2025 different!

Horsey Hundred Safety

Our local area police departments, various county sheriff's departments, emergency medical services and emergency management personnel have been working hard again this year planning for the Horsey Hundred.

We will have law enforcement officers stationed at major intersections, additional officers and EMS patrolling the routes, numerous electronic message boards alerting motorists to be aware of cyclists, and to share the road ... As always, your safety is our biggest concern. Roads are not closed to vehicles and we cannot stop traffic so please be aware and alert and just as we asked vehicular traffic to do . . . Share the Road like a good citizen.

During our planning meetings this year, several officers reported cyclists running traffic lights at some pretty busy intersections last year. We would like to remind you that, **as a cyclist, you still must obey all traffic laws, signs, and signals**. Most of the traffic signals along the route are magnetic/pressure sensitive, so please be patient, this is not a race.

Please remember to heed our road markings and pay attention when we tell you to go slow or use caution - warnings, potholes, and other information other than directional arrows are marked using white paint. Large areas of rough road may be marked with large white circles. Please slow down in these areas and if you are riding with a group leave plenty of room between riders so everyone can see. The safety crew of the Horsey Hundred Planning Committee hopes that you enjoy our beautiful Bluegrass State. Please be careful and remember always Share the Road.

Event Survey

Every year, we send a short survey to all registered riders after the event. We read every response and value your feedback! In the past, your suggestions have helped us make improvements like providing an enhanced rest stop for those doing the longer routes. This year, we'd love to hear your thoughts again. Taking the survey is quick and easy. Be on the lookout for our survey in an email shortly after the event.

Visit Downtown Georgetown

Indulge in Downtown Georgetown! Step into the heart of Georgetown, where history meets modern indulgence. Our historic downtown district is bustling with over a dozen dining spots within just six blocks, offering everything from gourmet bites to comforting classics. Shop to your heart's content at local boutiques, discover antiques, or explore exquisite custom crafts like stained glass and local artworks. Make your visit memorable by taking a piece of Georgetown home with you. For a comprehensive shopping guide and more, visit our website, www.georgetownky.com.

Park Map

We've marked important areas in and around the park to help with navigation. The legend below corresponds with the numbers on the map.

- 1. Start/ Finish Line
- 2. Volunteer Parking
- 3. Registration Check-In/ Vendor Expo
- 4. Food Trucks on Friday
- 5. RV Camping

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- 6. Tent Camping
- 7. School Parking

