



2008 Supported Team Recruitment

The Phoenix Triathlon Club is currently accepting applications for its 2008 Supported Team. Applications should be completed and e-mailed to John Lierle at: JohnLierle@earthlink.net no later than Wednesday, October 31, 2007. In the subject line enter: 2008 Supported Team Application

P.T.C. Mission Statement: The Phoenix Triathlon Club provides information, resources, and camaraderie to support members of all abilities in achieving their multi-sport goals.

P.T.C. Vision: The Phoenix Triathlon Club is a growing community of friendly and cohesive triathletes. Together our members are motivated through pride and team spirit. We are the benchmark multi-sport club, striving to provide excellence in member experience.

The Phoenix Triathlon Club (PTC) Supported Team is a collection of six club members who:

- Have been club members in good standing for a minimum of the previous 12 months.
- Consistently place well in the races in which they compete.
- Provide leadership within the club by attending club events, club races, and club workouts.
- Wear club apparel, and make use of PTC sponsor products and provide consistent feedback on improvements and usefulness of that product.
- Are viewed by club members and sponsors as ambassadors of the club as well as the sport of triathlon, and help fellow PTC members maintain focus on achieving the mission of the Phoenix Triathlon Club.

In 2008 we will be looking for three sets of two team members, with each set focused on different triathlon formats and/or distances. The three team sets we will be seeking are:

- Sprint and Olympic distance specialties.
- Half and full Iron distance specialties.
- X-Terra and off road specialties.

This is the preferred format for 2008, with hopes that it will expose members to a wider variety of multi-sport events. We will also develop training plans for each race format for member use. While this is ideally what the club is seeking, the criteria listed at the top of this notice will take precedence in the determination of the supported team.

Applications shall consist of one letter that contains the following items:

1. A short personal biography with information about who you are, tenure with the PTC, and your experiences within the triathlon community.
2. A listing of the races and events you've competed in over the last two seasons, what your placing was overall and within your division, and the number of people with whom you competed overall and in your division.
3. A short statement expressing your commitment to meeting the expectations for supported team members. The expectations are noted below. The statement should also list any concerns you have with regard to being able to meet these commitments, and any possible plans you may have for relocating, or other life changing events that may affect your commitment to the PTC Supported Team.

4. Two photos of you. One should be taken during a race or training event wearing PTC clothing. The other should be a photo that expresses your personality outside of triathlon. These photos will be used on the club website.
5. A phone number where you can be contacted to discuss your biography, and be informed of the outcome of the selection process.

Expectations of Supported Team Members

- Ø Team members are expected to wear PTC apparel and sponsor related equipment during PTC training events and during all races. This includes, but is not limited to, PTC clothing, eyewear, helmets, running shoes, hydration packs, among others.
- Ø Team members are expected to consistently update the Supported Team coordinator with a race schedule and with race results as they occur. This is to be done on a proactive basis by the team member.
- Ø Team members are expected to race in as many of the "PTC Club Races" as possible during the year. These races are chosen by the PTC board and will be posted on the PTC web site in January. The "PTC Club Races" are also eligible for the race reimbursement program. For 2007, the club races were: Desert Classic Duathlon; 70.3 Ironman California; Ironman Arizona; Lake Saguaro X-Terra; Tribute to Armed Forces; Tempe International, Temecula, CA Xterra, Deuces Wild in Show Low (both road and XTerra), Tucson Firecracker; Ironman Austria; Mountain Man; Vineman 70.3; Snow Valley Xterra; Ogden Xterra; Nautica Malibu; Timex; Mountain to Fountain; SOMA.
- Ø There are 3-4 races each year that are required races for the PTC Supported Team. These races are chosen by the PTC board and will be posted on the PTC web site in January. For 2007 the supported team required races were: Desert Classic Duathlon, Deuces Wild, Nautica Malibu
- Ø Team members are expected to attend each monthly club meeting held in metro Phoenix.
- Ø Team members are expected to lead at least one monthly training event.
- Ø Team members are expected to attend at least two monthly training events.
- Ø Team members are expected to contribute at least one race story that will be placed on the PTC website.

Benefits to Supported Team Members

- Ø Team members will be provided, free of charge, PTC clothing, and various other sponsor items such as eyewear, bike helmet, running shoes, hydration packs, nutrition items such as gels and bars, and other miscellaneous support. The bulk of the support equipment will be made available early in 2008.
- Ø Other support will continue during your tenure as a Supported Team member.
- Ø Supported Team members receive deep discounts from various PTC sponsors beyond the level of most PTC members. In 2007 these discounts included "Pro Pricing" (cost +10%) at Trisports.com and Bicycle Showcase. 2008 Supported Team discounts are anticipated to be similar.
- Ø You will have the honor of representing the club in a way that most members never get a chance to.

Applications are due to John Lierle no later than midnight, Wednesday, October 31, 2007. Applications received after this time will not be considered. PTC board members, directors, and event leaders will evaluate the applications during the month of November. (Applicants who also serve on the PTC board, PTC directors and ride leaders will not be involved in the application review process.) All applicants will be notified of the 2008 Supported Team decision prior to a general announcement of the team. The PTC Supported Team will be formally announced at the December 11th, 2007 PTC end-of-year Christmas Party.

Questions: Direct questions to John Lierle at:

- Ø e-mail: JohnLierle@earthlink.net
- Ø Office Phone: (602) 788-7720
- Ø Cell Phone: (602) 625-1695

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