

Announcing
The JPL Running Club's
First (and, hopefully, Annual)

MAY MADNESS MEDLEY MATCH RACE TOURNAMENT

Date: Friday, May 20, 1983

Time: 12:00 sharp* (Women's Division*)
12:10 sharp* (Men's Division*)

Distance: 3 miles total, but see below

Place: Arroyo Seco course*

Start: same as for this year's Arroyo Seco Microthon*

It's three races in one! First you run a tough 1-mile uphill race, then an easy 1.5 miles mostly downhill, and, for a finale, a half mile on the level. And you race against different people in each of the three races!

The whole idea is to conduct a three-round tournament of 'match' races, with only a handful of runners (2, 3, or 4, depending on turnout) contesting each race. First-round matchups are determined randomly, and matchups in succeeding rounds are determined by the outcomes of the earlier races (winners run against other winners, losers against losers, etc.). Everyone runs three races, and overall rankings are determined tournament-style.*

There's just one unusual twist to the normal tournament concept. You don't get to rest between successive rounds, because each race begins as soon as possible after the previous round's race is over! So you'd better think twice about using up all your energy in the 1st round.

Medals will be awarded to all double winners (runners who win two of their three matches), and the tournament champion in each division will receive a championship plaque. Ribbons go to all participants.

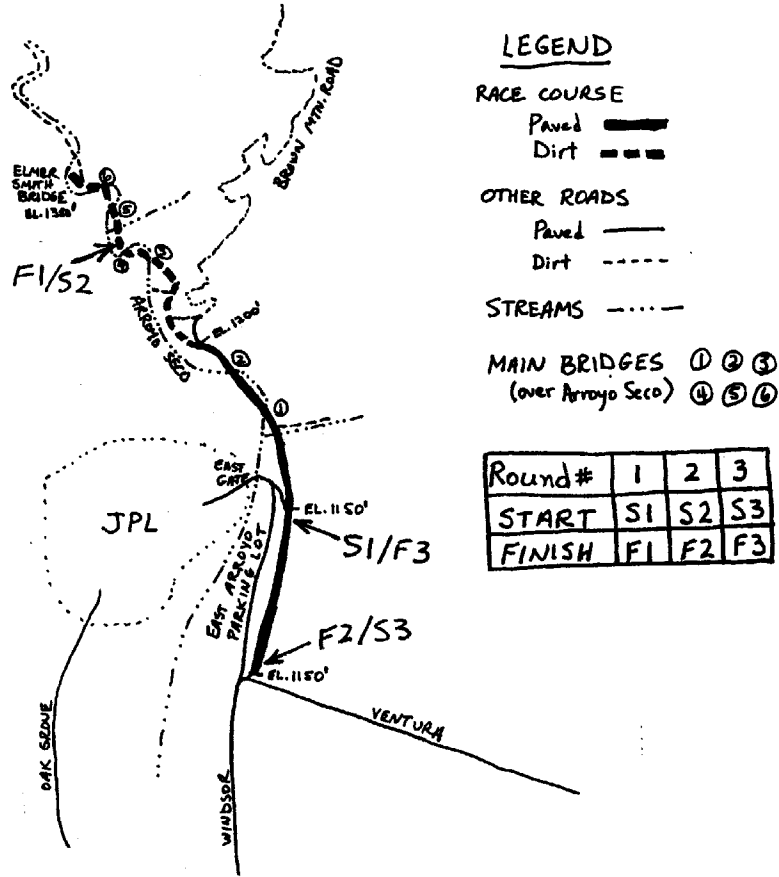
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*SEE IMPORTANT NOTES ON REVERSE SIDE.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. Because of the three-round tournament format, there must be a minimum of 8 entrants in each division. If either the men's or women's division has fewer than 8 entrants, the two divisions will be combined into one.
2. For this race, you must be prompt. Due to the complexity of scheduling all the different matches, latecomers cannot be accommodated in any way.
3. Every runner will wear a scorecard throughout the race, on which race officials will record the race outcomes. Please wear an appropriate shirt to which your scorecard can be pinned.
4. The race starts on the Forest Service road above the JPL East Arroyo Parking Lot, near the JPL East Gate (see S1 on map).
5. The 1st-round course goes 1 mile up Arroyo Seco Canyon along the Forest Service road, ending approximately halfway between the Brown Mountain Road junction and the Elmer Smith Bridge. The 2nd-round course retraces the 1st-round course down Arroyo Seco Canyon and continues another half-mile along the Forest Service road, almost to Ventura and Windsor streets. The 3rd-round course retraces the last half-mile of the 2nd-round course, ending at the original start.

6. Overall rankings within each division are determined as follows:
 - (1) the tournament champion
 - (2) all double winners
 - (3) all single winners
 - (4) all non-winners
 Within each category, relative rankings are computed according to the regular single-elimination tournament conventions (all 1st-round winners ahead of all 1st-round losers, etc.).



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