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CHAMPION BICYCLISTS, STUDENTS FROM THROUGHOUT STATE COMPETE IN 4TH ANNUAL USD PRO/AM BIKE RACE

Professional cyclists and hundreds of California college students will compete in the University of San Diego Associated Students' Fourth Annual Grand Prix Bicycle Race on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 9 and 10.

The event begins at 8 a.m. each day and runs until 4:30 p.m. throughout Alcalá Park, the picturesque 180-acre USD campus located atop a majestic hill on the west end of Mission Valley with a breathtaking view of Mission Bay, San Diego Harbor and Tecolote Canyon.

All races are sanctioned by the U.S. Cycling Federation. Each day's premier professional race will take place at 2:30 p.m.

Professionals and amateurs will compete for a \$5,000 purse. Collegiate cyclists will compete for medals and points towards their school standing within the Western Collegiate Cycling Conference (WCCC).

Cyclists must register at least 30 minutes before their intended event; registration on both Saturday and Sunday begins at 7 a.m. Spectators are welcome at no charge.

Radio Station 91X-FM returns as a co-sponsor for the third consecutive year. Apple Computer Co. will contribute a Macintosh computer to be used as first prize for a special USD student race on Saturday just before the top pro race at 2:30 p.m.



University of San Diego

The field of competitors will include former Olympic medalists, world champions and cyclists who have raced in the Tour de France and other major international competitions. U.S. professional and amateur teams expected to compete include Subaru-Montgomery, American Commerce, Coors Light and Spago as well as teams from the 22 universities within the WCCC.

For more information, contact race director Chris Steeb at 260-6827.

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