



Adventure Team Challenge

Colorado Multi-Sport Wilderness Adventure
September 15-17, 2017



The **2017 Adventure Team Challenge** from national non-profit World T.E.A.M. Sports is a unique and powerful team event in west central Colorado's rugged Gore Range, northwest of Vail. In this secluded wilderness of deep, forbidding canyons and craggy granite peaks, envision an injured military veteran rappelling off a precipitous cliff, a paraplegic cranking a hand cycle down a steep rocky trail, or a team of athletes bouncing through rapids in a rubber raft. This is the Challenge, an inclusive, three-day multisport adventure race teaming athletes with disabilities with those who are able-bodied. Team members work together to successfully complete stages, while navigating unforgiving alpine terrain. The competing teams in the **2017 Challenge** will be comprised of five athletes, two having disabilities - one being a wheelchair user. For each participant, the Challenge is the ultimate team adventure that will change their life.

In its 11th year of competition, the **2017 Challenge** course will feature thrilling stages in this secluded and beautiful environment. Seasoned adventure athletes, weekend warriors and desk jockeys desiring outdoor adventure will all be tested through various sporting activities, from off-road cycling to rafting to rock climbing and orienteering. Teammates join together to innovate and solve problems through tackling physical challenges and digging deep within their mind, body and spirit to compete. Participants build camaraderie and celebrate diversity, cheering each other as they successfully negotiate each obstacle. Magnificent high mountain terrain, forbidding canyons, icy rivers and inspiring competitors create an unforgettable experience.

Challenge Schedule

(Dates and locations are tentative and are subject to change)

Thursday, September 14

2 p.m. Athlete check-in begins in Eagle, Colorado.
7 p.m. Challenge banquet in Eagle, Colorado.

Friday, September 15

10 a.m. Timberline Tours Boathouse, Eagle, Colorado. Gear check, orientation, safety training, and race brief. **1 p.m.** Rancho del Rio camp setup, gear check. **3 p.m.** Prologue. **7 p.m.** Group dinner.

Saturday, September 16

7 a.m. Race Day 1 – Rancho del Rio, Bond, Colorado. Group breakfast, Stage 1 Race Start. **7 p.m.** Group dinner

Sunday, September 17

7 a.m. Race Day 2 – Rancho del Rio, Bond, Colorado. Group breakfast, Stage 2 Race. **1 p.m.** Race Finish, awards, lunch celebration and event close.

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Reaching the Challenge

Eagle, Colorado is served by a regional commercial airport, EGE. Denver International Airport (DEN) is three hours travel to the east via Interstate Highway 70. Rancho del Rio is a rustic fishing resort on the Colorado River 45 minutes northeast of Eagle.

Team Registration/Sponsor Fees

Teams: Military/Non-Profit/Corporate \$10,000

In-Kind Sponsorship: Products or services

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Sponsorship funding and support are applied to the following:

- Operating a safe event in an isolated, wilderness environment. The event features challenging disciplines like a high rappel, off-road mountain biking and river rafting.
- Providing funding assistance for participation by disabled athletes, including military servicemen and women.
- Helping support future **World T.E.A.M. Sports** events which include teams of disabled and able bodied participants coming together to demonstrate what is possible when we work together. **World T.E.A.M. Sports** is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization headquartered in Holbrook, NY. Support comes primarily from individual and corporate donations and sponsorships.

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