TRI TEAM CHALLENGE!
Compete for thousands of dollars in prizes including $500 cash for the 1st place team!

Rally your teammates for the Tri Team Challenge at the 2023 Whaling City Tri and Du**!** Designed to build team spirit, facilitate bonding and generate some friendly competition among teams, the Tri Team Challenge invites clubs to come together and compete to win some terrific prizes including $500 cash to the first place team.

Here's how it works...

Teams enter 10 or more members into the triathlon race with a minimum of 3 females to qualify as an official team in the Tri Team Challenge (entries in the duathlon or splash & dash are not eligible). Team members race as individuals (this is not a relay competition), receive their overall time and split times and are eligible for

category awards (i.e. Elite, Age Group, Athena, Clydesdale). A Team Time will be calculated for each team based on the cumulative time of the team's 3 fastest females followed by the next 7 fastest team member times regardless of gender – fastest overall Team Time wins! See page 3 of this document for examples of how Team Times are calculated. **Benefits of participation include: (1) Team members racked together in transition, (2) an early swim wave exclusively for your team, (3) a pre-race team photo taken at the swim start (4) a VIP parking pass (for the person saddled with bringing the team tent** 😊 **and (5) a chance to win prizes including $500 cash!**

About the Whaling City Triathlon

A production of Sun Multisport Events, the 14th annual Whaling City Tri & Du returns to historic Fort Taber Park in New Bedford, MA on **Sunday, July 16, 2023**. This sprint distance race features a 0.25 mile swim in Buzzards Bay, a 11.4 mile bike and a 3.1 mile run. **The bike and run courses are CLOSED to traffic** and situated along the coastline of Buzzard's Bay and Clark's Cove offering athletes gorgeous views throughout the event. Plus, the course layout features multiple opportunities to see athletes on the swim, bike and run making it one of New England's most spectator friendly multisport events!

PRIZES

1st Place
- $500 cash
- $250 in Sun Multisport Events race credits redeemable for race entries; entries must be redeemed by 10/31/24
- Gear and product from sponsors to be announced

2nd Place
- $150 in Sun Multisport Events race credits redeemable for race entries; entries must be redeemed by 10/31/24
- Gear and product from sponsors to be announced

3rd Place
- $100 in Sun Multisport Events race credits redeemable for race entries; entries must be redeemed by 10/31/24
- Gear and product from sponsors to be announced

RULES

- Official Team Definition: A minimum of 10 members from a team must register for the triathlon to qualify as an official team and at least 3 of those registered members must be female
- All team members register individually online and must include their team name in the question that specifically asks for "Multisport Club or Team Name"
- Team members register to race in their category of choice (i.e. Elite, Age Group, Clydesdale, Athena or Beginner; **the Duathlon, Relay Team and Splash 'n Dash categories are <u>excluded</u> from the Team Challenge competition**); all Team Members will receive their individual overall and split times and will be eligible for standard category awards (e.g. Age Group, Athena, Clydesdale, Elite/Open).
- A Team Time will be determined by combining the times of the 3 fastest females on the Team with the next 7 fastest times of Team Members regardless of gender (i.e. the next 7 fastest member times can be all men, all women or a mix of men and women); the team with the fastest Team Time based on this calculation will be awarded 1st place in the Team Challenge competition; the Team with the second fastest Team Time will be awarded 2nd place; the Team with the third fastest Team Time will be awarded 3rd place. See page 3 of this document for examples of Team Time calculations.
- Each Team must designate a Team Captain to be a liaison with Event Management; **the Team Captain is responsible for verifying the team's roster in coordination with Event Management by <u>Wednesday, July 12, 2023</u>; NO CHANGES TO TEAM ROSTERS WILL BE PERMITTED ONCE ALL ROSTERS ARE VERIFIED AND SUBMITTED TO THE EVENT TIMER**; if an official team with just 10 members loses a team member due to injury or unforeseen circumstances after rosters have been submitted to the Event Timer, Event Management will consider allowing adding one additional member to the Team roster.
- A Team that registers 10 or more member but has fewer than 10 members complete the race will be disqualified from the competition.
- Any penalties assessed by USAT officials will result in a time penalty added to the individual receiving the penalty; that individual's adjusted time (i.e. their actual time + the time penalty) will be that Team Member's time.
- **TIE BREAKER**: In the event there is a tie between Team Times, the tie will be broken by the Team with the fastest team member time (e.g. if Team A and Team B finish with an identical Team Time and the fastest team member time on Team A is 1:00:00 and the fastest team member time on Team B is 0:59:00, Team B will be declared the winner based on this tie breaker).

TEAM TIME CALCULATIONS: Examples

Example #1: Team Y

Name/Category/Time
1. Mark/Male Elite/1:00:00
2. Lisa/Female age group/1:01:00
3. Alex/ Male age group/1:02:00
4. Jack/ Male age group/1:03:00
5. John/ Male age group/1:04:00
6. Dan/Male age group/1:05:00
7. Larry/Male age group/1:06:00
8. Frank/Clydesdale age group/1:07:00
9. Jeff/Male age group/1:08:00
10. Mike/ Male age group/1:09:00
11. Bob/Male age group/1:10:00
12. Laurie/Female age group/1:11:00
13. Dennis/ Male age group/1:12:00
14. Alice/Athena age group/1:13:00

In the scenario above, Team Y has 14 members complete the race -- 3 women, 11 men. The Team Time is based on the cumulative time of the 3 fastest women on the Team followed by the next 7 fastest times by Team Members. Therefore, the Team Y Team Time would be the time of the Team's 3 fastest females (Lisa, Laurie and Alice; 3:25:00) and the next 7 fastest times of Team Members (i.e. Mark, Alex, Jack, John, Dan, Larry and Frank; 7:27:00) for a Team Time of 10:52:00.

Example #2: Team Z

Name/Category/Time
1. Mark/Male Elite/1:00:00
2. Heather/Female Elite/1:01:00
3. Alex/ Male age group/1:02:00
4. Mary/Female Elite/1:02:00
5. Jack/ Male age group/1:03:00
6. Alice/Female age group/1:03:00
7. John/ Male age group/1:04:00
8. Dan/Male age group/1:05:00
9. Marie/Athena age group/1:05:00
10. Larry/Male age group/1:06:00
11. Frank/Clydesdale age group/1:07:00
12. Bob/Male age group/1:10:00

In this scenario Team Z has 12 members complete the race -- 8 men, 4 women. The Team Time is based on the cumulative time of the 3 fastest women on the Team followed by the next 7 fastest times by Team Members. Therefore, the Team Z Team Time would be the time of the Team's 3 fastest females (Heather, Mary and Alice; 3:06:00) and the next 7 fastest times of Team Members (i.e. Mark, Alex, Jack, John, Dan, Marie and Larry; 7:25:00) for a Team Time of 10:31:00.