

Terrible Two 2022

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Two years after the 2020 pandemic and the classic Terrible Two route and the “Terrific” 200K were back. Great weather, great riders, great volunteers!

We had 55 starters for the 200 mile event, rolling out at either 5:00 AM or 5:30 AM, and 20 for the 200K who rolled at 7:30 AM. Mild weather with highs in the 70s/low 80s, some of the best EVER for a TT, got 43 full TT and 19 200K riders back to the finish. That is a 78% finishing rate for the full TT and 95% for the 200K. Seven of the TT riders completed the Bad Little Brother, great training for this ride!

Of the 43 TT finishers, 41 made it in by the 18 hour limit for California Triple Crown credit and 27 “Beat the Clock,” finishing in 17 hours of less. Seven riders succeeded in the “Terrible Me,” beating their predicted finishing time. We also had 10 riders complete their first Terrible Two. Four women finished both the full TT and the 200K.

Our amazing volunteers at the start/finish, rest stops, water stops, and on SAG duty provided truly amazing support throughout the day. (check back later for a full list of ALL the amazing volunteers)

Panera sandwiches were served at the Warm Springs Dam for lunch with custom-made sandwiches for the 200K riders at Rancheria. Hammer Nutrition provided a variety of products, which were very appreciated. For the first time, we had a Hammer-sponsored athlete, Christine Sublett, participate in the ride. We were back at West County High School (aka Analy) with a dinner of burritos and tamales with our traditional Costco cake and watermelon for dessert. Seismic Brewing provided a coupon for a complimentary beer at their brewery after the event.

Now for the stats for the 200 mile event:

- Tied for first 1st were club members Marc Moons and Brayton Bailey at 12:18.
- The rest of the top 5 includes: Tim Page (2), Gary Swanson (3), Sakae Wada (4) and Brian Frink & Nicole Steinmetz (5).
- Club member and intrepid ride leader Joyce Chang now holds the honor of being the oldest woman to finish the TT!

Speaking of remarkable women, Nicole Steinmetz, who last year was the youngest female to finish the TT in under 18 hours, cut 4 ½ hours off her time from last year. Wow! Keep an eye out for great things from her. Her mom finished the 200K as well!



We also had a father-son duo finish this year: Carlos Sanchez Jr and Sr. They first attempted the TT in 2020, but this year they succeeded!

Now for the 200K, it was three locals taking the three top spots: Shawn Daly in first place at 7:46; Jay Bretz (2), Jady Palko (3), followed by Matthew Thompson (4) and Thomas Benvenuto (5).

This was the 46th running of the TT, an epic event, one of the hardest double centuries in the country, supported by countless volunteers in the past. A real "premiere" event for SRCC. We will need a dedicated crew for 2023 - interested? Let us know, please! We are looking at some new features for 2023 - stay tuned!



More information on the event can be found at these links:

TT website: <https://srcctt.webflow.io>

2022 Courses: <https://ridewithgps.com/events/171661-terrible-two-2022>

History: <https://srcc.wildapricot.org/History-of-TT-&-FAQ>

About the California Triple Crown: <http://www.caltriplecrown.com>