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New Mexico State Parks Hosts Triathlons *Billy the Kid Triathlon Kicks Off Series*

SANTA FE, N.M. – The New Mexico State Parks is hosting a series of triathlons at state parks through the summer and into September. The Billy the Kid Tombstone Triathlon at Sumner Lake State Park on June 9, 2012 will be the first of the seven New Mexico Open Water Tri Series Events, sponsored by Chasing 3 Race Productions.

“State Parks is proud to host these events,” said Tommy Mutz, Director of New Mexico State Parks. “Not only are they exciting challenges, they also promote fitness and fun outdoor activity.”

The Billy the Kid Tombstone Triathlon

This event will be held at Sumner Lake State Park near Fort Sumner, NM and will include: an Olympic distance component, with a one mile swim, a 22 mile bike ride, and a 6.2 mile run; and a sprint distance component, with a quarter mile swim, 16 mile bike ride, and 3.1 mile run.

This race is USA Triathlon sanctioned and will be fully supported with aid stations manned by student athletes from the Fort Sumner Municipal Schools. Online registration for this event is available at newmexicosportsonline.com/events. For more information, contact Patricia Miller at patriciam@gmail.com or at 575.355.9611.

Future Events

The following events will be held at state parks and there will be over \$8,000 in cash and gift certificates for the overall winners and top age group finishers in the Series.

Storrie Lake State Park, June 24 – Triathlon - sprint and Olympic distance races.

Elephant Butte Lake State Park

- July 21 – “Damsite Duathlon,” youth duathlon; “XTERRA Dread Mon Triathlon,” off-road event.
- July 22 – “Dam it Man Sprint,” distance triathlon.
- September 29 – “Elephant Kidz Triathlon,” youth event.
- September 30 – “Elephant Man Triathlon,” featuring Olympic and long course triathlons.

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