



IBA Big-As-Texas Party Ride Information

BAT 24 Hour Rally

BAT SaddleSore 1000

BAT SaddleSore 1000 Gold

REGISTRATION:

Registration for these events is now open at the ibaestore.com.

BAT 24 Hour Rally—A full-scale 24 hour rally. The rally will start and end in Allen, TX, and may be ridden between 12:01 am September 17 – 6:am September 26.

Full details will be announced in the next few weeks Registration fee: \$99.26

BAT SS1000 and BAT SS1000 Gold: Read on!! Details are here.

These rides must be completed between 12:01 am September 17 – 6:00 am September 26. Only riders who are registered to attend the BAT2026 are eligible for these rides.

Welcome to the Big As Texas Party and Rally. This year's ride event gives those who signed up an exciting opportunity to experience a taste of the famous Iron Butt Rally "The World's Toughest Motorcycle Rally"

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

The Hilton Garden Inn – Dallas/Allen, 705 Central Expressway S, Allen, TX 75 (33.0928, -96.6800) is the host hotel as well as the start/finish for the BAT Rally or BAT SS1000 rides.

Tuesday, Sep 22

- **2 PM – BAT staff arrives. Rally flags available. If you choose to start the BAT Rally before this time, [contact us](#) and we'll make special arrangements for you. (Flags are optional for the BAT SS1000).**
- **Pick up your required Rally Flag if you are attempting the BAT SS1000 Gold or the BAT Rally**
 - In the past, most riders elected to do the special ride or special Rally on Friday. Remember, each of these rides are available anytime between September 17-26. You must finish either ride or the Rally by 6:00am on Saturday, September 26 and complete scoring by noon.
 - You may ride both rides if you wish & have the time.
 - The cost of the BAT SS1000 is \$60 which includes verification, a printed certificate at the Award Ceremony, a pdf certificate emailed to you and a Texas in-state pin. The cost of the BAT SS1000 GOLD is \$65 which includes verification, a printed certificate at the Award Ceremony, a pdf certificate emailed to you, a Texas in-state pin and a Rally Flag.

Saturday, Sep 26:

- 9 am-Noon – Manual scoring for riders whose electronic scoring is incomplete. A completed Claimed Bonus form (available at scoring) is required for manual scoring. Bring your photo device with you.
- 12 Noon Cutoff - All rides for the BAT SS1000 & BAT SS1000 GOLD must be submitted by now. If doing electronic scoring, no additional action is required other than submitting payment (if necessary).



We are using some IBR bonus locations in Texas for the Gold Ride. You will have 24 hours to ride a minimum of 1,000 miles, visiting either required cities for the BAT SS1000 **OR** visiting the 6 required IBR bonus locations for the BAT SS1000 Gold.

The intent of these rides is to expose riders to either a preplanned BAT SS1000 or to the frustrating decisions that must be made in a motorcycle rally in the BAT SS1000 Gold. Rallying is more than just riding—it involves making complex decisions about routing that are often made on the spot as conditions change. For instance, one bonus has a time restriction - you will have to plan your start time so the bonus time window will be open when you arrive. Is it worth trying to get to the bonus early, realizing that if your timing is slightly off you might be waiting for them to open? Or start later, then you might be late finishing the ride and be totally disqualified? You must be finished with either ride by 6am on Saturday September 26.

There are two options of participation for this Special Certificate ride:

- **BAT SaddleSore 1000** - Point to Point - City ride, about 1018 miles: Pictures only of DBR/Odo, bonus locations pictures not required.
- **BAT SaddleSore 1000 GOLD** - Bonus photos at required location are required. Ride should be at least 1000 miles or further depending on routing. If under 1000 miles at the finish, add some miles before the final required picture. Failure to collect all the required Bonus pictures will mean your ride will be certified as a BAT SS1000 (not Gold).

The BAT SaddleSore 1000 (SS1000) is a ride that requires the rider to visit specific cities, without any time restrictions. *All you do is ride to the following cities, in order, Allen (start), Austin, Fort Stockton, Abilene & Allen (finish). Taking a photo at each stop of your DBR/Odo and ride back to the hotel.* For riders who are new to long distance **riding**, this might be the preferred course of action. To be a finisher, the rider must only prove, by way of pictures, that he/she visited the required cities and be over 1000 miles. **No Rally Flag needed**

The BAT SS1000 GOLD is a ride that requires the rider to visit 6 specific bonus sites, **with any time restrictions that might apply.** *All you do is ride to locations; XWFD, XLDG, XPMD, XAAS, XAFS, XMLO, in order, taking a photo at each stop and ride back to the hotel.* For riders who are new to long distance **rallying**, this might be the preferred course of action. To be a finisher, the rider must only prove, by way of pictures, that he/she visited the required sites and rode at least 1000 miles..

Rally Flag is required.

You can successfully complete either ride by doing 'point to point' navigation, or preplanning the complete route & inputting it into a GPS unit.

Spotwalla is recommended but not required.

BAT SS1000 & BAT SS1000 GOLD Staff Emergency Contact:

Howard Entman – 901-230-0922

Scott Durham – 828-789-9668

ELECTRONIC SCORING INSTRUCTION: Use your smart phone to take pictures of the required DBR/ODO or Bonuses.

Starting Odometer Photo: Obtain a computer-generated **Dated Business Receipt** (DBR) clearly showing the date and time, plus Allen, TX. All riders must take a picture of their motorcycle starting ODOMETER mileage with their DBR in the photo and immediately email it to ibapremiercertification@gmail.com. Please include your full name and odometer reading in the subject line of the email. This is the start of your 24-hour time period. Also include your year, make and model of motorcycle being ridden in the body of the email.

SS1000 Photos: To prove you visited a required city, you must take a picture of a DBR/Odo in that city (any DBR works, it does not have to be for fuel). Email DBR/Odo photos to ibapremiercertification@gmail.com with your full name and city name in the subject line.

SS1000 Gold Bonus Photos: To score a bonus you must take a picture of the location object clearly visible in the photo, during the bonus location availability with your rally flag clearly visible. CAUTION: Read the bonus task carefully as some require taking the photo from a specific vantage point (For example; LGD site listed below). Maximum of three photos per location, please. **Immediately** email photos after taking them to ibapremiercertification@gmail.com In addition to the photo meta data, we use email time to help substantiate your bonus location arrival time. Email bonus with your full name, rally flag number and bonus code in the subject line.

Finish Odometer Photo: Obtain a computer-generated Dated Business Receipt (DBR) clearly showing the date and time and Allen, TX. Take a photo of the DBR with your finishing motorcycle ODOMETER mileage and email with your full name and odometer reading in the subject line to ibapremiercertification@gmail.com. Ensure the date/time/city/state and your motorcycle odometer number are clearly visible in the photo. You must have travelled at least 1000 miles since your start photo. Include your spotwalla link if you used spotwalla.

BONUS LOCATIONS FOR THE BAT SS1000 GOLD - Rally Flag must be visible in the pictures

XWFD

Truck Yard

5624 Sears

Dallas, TX

32.8145, -96.7711

24 Hours

Take a photo of one or more of the Tango Frogs atop the Truck Yard from the parking lot. Note: You must take this photo from the parking lot.



According to artist Bob "Daddy-O" Wade, the Tango Frogs -- so named because they originally stood on the roof of the Tango nightclub in Dallas -- were inspired by a set of similar real frogs, shellacked in Mexico, and brought to Bob by a friend. Please note, the location of these Frogs has moved since the 2017 IBR.

XLGD

Dallas Zoo

S.

Lancaster

Av

Dallas,

TX

32.7438, -96.8144

Daylight Hours Only

*Take a photo of the giraffe statue from the zoo entry side.
Photos taken from the freeway
shoulder or frontage road will not be
accepted.*



This 67½-foot-tall giraffe was installed at the Dallas Zoo in 1997. It is the tallest statue in the state of Texas. It was created by St. Louis artist Bob Cassilly. The statue's metal base is built to withstand 100-mph winds

XPMD

Waco Mammoth

National Monument

6220 Steinbeck Bend

Dr

Waco,

TX

31.6060, -97.1743

0900-1700



There is a \$6 fee required to access the dig shelter (or National Park Pass, no charge).

Take a photo of the mammoth dig site inside the building with the herd mural in the background.

The Waco Mammoth Site became a unit of the National Park System in July of 2015. This paleontological site represents the nation's only recorded discovery of a nursery herd of Columbian mammoths. Visitors can view "in situ" fossils including female mammoths, a bull mammoth, and a camel that lived approximately 67,000 years ago.

XAAS

Arachophilla
the Spider

Berkman
Dr/Manor Rd
Austin, TX

30.2894, -97.6993

24 Hours

Take a photo of the giant spider.

This twenty-three foot high giant spider is named Arachophilla. It was created by sculptor Dixie Friend Gay.



XAFS

Paisano Pete the Roadrunner
E Dickenson Blvd
and N Main St Fort
Stockton, TX

30.8930, -102.8788

24 Hours

Take a photo of Paisano Pete the roadrunner.

Paisano Pete was erected in 1980 in the center of Fort Stockton. It was declared the largest roadrunner in the world at the time. Paisano Pete no longer holds that title but its 11 foot height and 22 foot length are still impressive.



XMLO

Abilene Convention and
Vistors Bureau Everman
Park, N 1st St
Abilene,
TX

32.4492, -99.7334

24 hours

Take a photo of the Lorax sculpture

Installed in 2012-13, six bronze sculptures of Dr. Seuss characters (by sculptor Leo Rijn) are part of



Abilene's Storybook Sculpture Project.

