

# 2012 CELO PACIFIC BICYCLE RACING CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & AGREEMENT



Member USA Cycling (Club 1117)  
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**Who We Are:** Established in 1984, Celo Pacific Bicycle Racing Club is an all-volunteer, not-for-profit organization located in Carlsbad, California.

We are a club for those who enjoy and support bicycle competition. We emphasize volunteerism, teamwork, and encourage all of our members to race their bicycles – whether road, track, mountain, cyclocross, or time trial.

Celo Pacific is not an elite club. We are proud to support men, women, juniors, youth, and masters racers alike. In races, we emphasize teamwork: We don't chase down our teammates but there are no marching orders. We believe racing at our level is meant to be fun. We don't take ourselves too seriously. Club members do not have to race. A desire to support and train with a racing club is just fine.

Rather than reserve club benefits for a select few, we distribute benefits as broadly as possible. The club does not profit from membership dues, sponsor donations, race proceeds, or other income. 100% of club funds are returned to members in the form of race reimbursement, club meetings/meals, and other club support. All members are encouraged to volunteer at least ten (10) total hours per 12 month period in support of the club (mandatory to be eligible for race reimbursement.)

Each year, Celo Pacific puts on the "Mark Reynolds San Luis Rey Road Cycling Classic", normally held on the first Sunday of May. This is our signature race and has been taking place since 1986. All members are encouraged to work at least four (4) hours in support of this race (mandatory for race reimbursement). The club also has a long history of putting on quality cyclocross races as well.

We ask all members to be good Celo Pacific representatives and teammates, help run our club races, and support our sponsors. Most importantly, we do this because it's fun!

Supporting membership is available for those who do not intend to participate in the race reimbursement program. They receive all of the benefits of membership but are not eligible for race entry fee reimbursement.

**Club Purpose:** To promote, direct, support and encourage competitive amateur cycling of club members at the local, state, national and world levels. To raise funds for the benefit of the club's general membership and to support the club's racing members. To maintain a positive influence within the cycling community through volunteerism, respectable behavior, and friendly (yet still competitive) image when wearing the Celo Pacific uniform.

**Club Races:** USA Cycling requires sponsored clubs to promote at least one race per year. Celo Pacific's race has historically been the *Mark Reynolds San Luis Rey Road Cycling Classic* held in late April or early May. In recent years, the club has also promoted one or more cyclocross races in the fall. The success of these races determines how much money can be spent for member reimbursements and support. High quality events like ours require a great deal of manpower. As mentioned above, working these races before, during, or after the events is requested of each club member **and is required** in order to qualify for the club racing reimbursement program.

**Sponsors:** Our 2012 Sponsors include: Carbon Connection Cyclery, Focus Bikes, The Grand Deli in Carlsbad, C-4 Wheels, Velo Hangar, Clif Bar, and Voler Team Apparel.



**Race Reimbursement Program & Policies:** Celo Pacific has historically maintained one of the best race reimbursement policies around for amateur racers. Due to the success of our annual road race, and support of our sponsors, we are often able to reimburse 100% of race entry fee regardless of category. When funds are limited, priority goes to those with more volunteer hours consistent over a longer period of time.

**Races:** Members apply for reimbursement using the club's reimbursement form – normally on a schedule announced by the treasurer. Race entry fees over \$75 must be pre-approved by the board to ensure reimbursement. The club does not reimburse late fees or online registration fees.

**Travel:** Subject to finances, the club will reimburse \$0.12 per mile to/from races when carpooling with another racing Celo Pacific member (only one member of carpool can request the reimbursement) or for travel related to club volunteer efforts.

**Upgrades:** The club rewards racers (after volunteer requirements are met) who upgrade in category by providing a one-time bonus as shown in the below table:

Upgrade	Road	Track	MTB	Cyclocross
5 → 4	\$25	\$25	n/a	n/a
4 → 3	\$75	\$75	n/a	\$25
3 → 2	\$100	\$100	\$50	\$100
2 → 1	\$150	\$150	\$100	\$150

**Incentives & Special Consideration:** The Board of Directors is authorized to implement special reimbursement on a club-wide or individual basis. We periodically approve special reimbursements for racing members who demonstrate consistent (3+ years) of volunteerism which significantly exceed the minimum requirements. This may include travel stipends for nationals, worlds, or other financial/equipment support. Elite/Pro level members achieving high level race results are also given special consideration; however volunteerism is typically the biggest contributing factor in board approval of special requests. Submit requests for special consideration directly to the Board.

**Qualification for Reimbursement:** A minimum of 10 volunteer hours per 12 month period is required to be eligible for race entry fee reimbursement. All must work a minimum of 4 hours at the club road race for eligibility unless excused by the board prior to the race, and alternative arrangements are approved. New members must complete 5 volunteer hours before becoming eligible for reimbursement (no retroactive reimbursement). It is always greatly appreciated & respected when club members volunteer their time beyond the minimum requirement for reimbursement.

List all approved volunteer activities/hours within the past 12 months on the reimbursement form.

Wearing the current Celo Pacific jersey when racing and accepting awards is also required (exceptions made for current National, State, District, or Series Leader jersey).

**Limitations:** Funds available for reimbursement are dependent on the financial success of club races and the club as a whole. The reimbursement policy may be modified at any time by the Board of Directors. Reimbursements will only be made as long as the club has sufficient funds to do so. Notification of modifications to the race reimbursement policy will be disseminated via e-mail. Supporting members are not eligible for the race reimbursement program.

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**Release Notice:** This release form is a contract of legal consequences. Read it carefully before signing. In consideration of the acceptance of my application for membership in Celo Pacific Bicycle Racing Club, I hereby freely agree to and make the following contractual representations and agreements.

I fully realize the dangers inherent to bicycle riding and fully assume the risks associated with such activity, including by way of example and not limitation, the following: the dangers of collision with pedestrians, vehicles, other riders, and fixed or moving objects; the dangers arising from surface hazards, equipment failure, inadequate safety equipment, and weather conditions; and the possibility of serious physical and/or mental trauma of injury associated with athletic cycling.

I hereby waive and hold harmless, release and discharge for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, assigns and successors in interest (hereinafter collectively "successors") any and all rights and claims which I have or which may hereafter accrue to me against Celo Pacific Racing Club, the sponsors of the Club, the United States Cycling Federation and its affiliates through or by which the activities will be held for any and all damages which may be sustained by me directly or indirectly in connection with or arising out of my participation in or association with athletic cycling.

I agree for myself and successor, that the above representations are contractually binding, and are not mere recitals, and should I or my successors assert my claim in contravention of this agreement, I or my successors shall be liable for the expenses (including legal fees) incurred by the other party or parties in defending, unless the other party or parties are finally adjudged liable on such a claim for willful and wanton negligence. This agreement may not be modified orally, and waiver of any provision shall not be construed as a modification of any other provision herein or as consent to any subsequent waiver or modification.

PARENT OR GUARDIAN of a minor: I as a parent or guardian of the above named minor, hereby give my permission for my child or ward to participate in athletic cycling, and further agree individually and on behalf of my child or ward, to the terms of the above.

As a condition of membership in Celo Pacific:

I agree to, and understand the above explanations and requirements.

I will wear a helmet when riding a bike and wearing the club jersey.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE : \_\_\_\_\_ DATE : \_\_\_\_\_

(If under 18) PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGN: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE : \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Cell): \_\_\_\_\_ (Home): \_\_\_\_\_ (Other): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Racing Categories: Road: \_\_\_\_\_ Track: \_\_\_\_\_ MTB: \_\_\_\_\_ CX: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle type of membership: Supporting Individual (\$30); Supporting Family (\$40)\*

Racing Individual (\$50); Racing Family (\$70)\*

\*Attach applications for each family member

Please briefly describe why you would like to become (or continue as) a Celo Pacific member.

Do you intend to participate in the race reimbursement program? If so, how many races do you anticipate doing in 2012?

Are you available and willing to volunteer at least 4 hours in support of the club's annual road race (tentatively scheduled for Sunday 29 April 2012)? If so, what timeframe(s) are you available? Any specific job you interested in?

Are you willing to volunteer at least 6 additional hours (10 hours per 12 month period required to qualify for race reimbursement) in support of the club? If so, how? Note: We are always interested in considering creative suggestions for members to complete their volunteer hours! Submit your ideas for approval...if you can show a benefit to more than a few club members, we will consider it.

New members only:

How did you hear about Celo Pacific?

Please list any current Celo Pacific members you know, or include other cycling reference(s) & contact info.

Briefly describe your cycling/racing background. Include previous clubs/teams you were on, significant race experience, and accomplishments if applicable. You may attach separate race resume or biography.