



TOUR DE BLOOM STAGE RACE TECH GUIDE MAY 4-6, 2018



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Wenatchee Valley

Welcome riders!

Wenatchee Valley Velo Club wants to extend a huge welcome to the 2018 Tour de Bloom Stage Race! We hope you enjoy the events and get a chance to take in other attractions and sights — including the valley's famous Apple Blossom Festival and Leavenworth's Bavarian Village.

Your participation benefits our kids' riding safety program, Lids for Kids, putting 500 bike helmets on children, and also signage for a bike route from Leavenworth to Wenatchee.

For 2018, the Stage Race will once again include a road race in the Plain/Lake Wenatchee area, a Merckx-style Time Trial, the Downtown Wenatchee Twilight Criterium, and a Waterville Road Race.

In addition to this tech guide and our website, you can find information on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/TourDeBloom>. If we can be of any help, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best regards,

Ace Bollinger
Tour de Bloom race director

GENERAL INFORMATION

The **Tour de Bloom Stage Race**, presented by **Wenatchee Valley Brewing Co.**, is a USAC-sanctioned, three-day, four-stage event held in the Wenatchee Valley and adjoining Douglas County. Categories eligible to participate are Men 1/2; Men 3; Men Masters 35+ 1-3; Men Masters 40+ 4-5, 50+ Open and 60+ Open; Women 1/2/3; Men 4/5; Women 4/5; Men Junior A/B; Women Junior A/B; Men Junior C/D; Women Junior C/D.

The four races include the Arlberg Sports Plain Road Race, which will cover some of the finest and most scenic cycling roads available in Chelan County; the Mission Ridge Time Trial; the Biosports Physical Therapy Downtown Wenatchee Twilight Criterium, featuring a unique cobbled section; and the Pro-Build Waterville Road Race.

Please like us on Facebook — <https://www.facebook.com/TourDeBloom> — as race updates and information will be posted there!

RACE COMMITTEE

Race director: Ace Bollinger, tdbace@gmail.com, (509) 679-5003

Sponsoring team: Wenatchee Valley Velo, <http://www.wenatcheevalleyvelo.com>

RACE HEADQUARTERS

Arlberg Sports
Grand Central Building
25 N. Wenatchee Ave.
Wenatchee, WA 98801

RACE HOTEL

Holiday Inn Express
1921 N. Wenatchee Ave.
Wenatchee, WA 98801

Link to get discount: https://www.hiexpress.com/redirect?path=event-facilities&brandCode=EX&localeCode=en®ionCode=1&hotelCode=WTCWA&_PMID=99801505&GPC=TDB&viewfullsite=true

RACE HOSTEL

Cross Sport Performance
501 S. Wenatchee Ave.
Wenatchee, WA 98801

RESTAURANTS

The Wenatchee Valley features dozens of restaurants and cafes. Our featured restaurants for Tour de Bloom are:

Wenatchee Valley Brewing Co.

Brew Pub at Pybus Market

7 N. Worthen St.
Wenatchee, WA 98801
(509) 888-8088
<http://wenatcheevalleybrewingco.com>

Wenatchee Valley Brewing Co.**Brewery**

108 E. Island View St.
Wenatchee, WA 98801
(509) 881-4529
<http://wenatcheevalleybrewingco.com>

Garlini's Napoletana

212 Fifth St.
Wenatchee, WA 98801
(509) 884-1707
<http://garlinisrestaurant.com/>

McGlinn's Public House

111 Orondo Ave.
Wenatchee, WA 98801
(509) 663-9073
<http://www.mcglinns.com>

Wok-About Grill

110 N. Wenatchee Ave.
Wenatchee, WA 98801
(509) 662-1154
<http://www.wokaboutgrill.com/>

Wok-About Grill

920 Front St.
Leavenworth, WA 98826
(509) 548-9652
<http://www.wokaboutgrill.com/>

Mela Coffee Roasting Co.

17 N. Wenatchee Ave.
Wenatchee, WA 98801
(509) 888-0374
<https://melacoffee.com/pages/cafe-mela>

Please frequent these restaurants! They support our race weekend!

APPLE BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

Tour de Bloom is held during the Wenatchee Valley's famous Apple Blossom Festival. For more on the festival: <https://www.appleblossom.org> or download the Apple Blossom Festival app.

WEATHER

Sunshine is the norm in early May in the Wenatchee Valley due to our location along the east slopes of the Cascades. Conditions can vary widely, however. Please be prepared for whatever Mother Nature throws at us by having access to clothing fit for any type of weather. Keep in mind, too, that the Hill Climb finishes at Mission Ridge (elevation 4,200 feet). Here is the Mission Ridge website: <http://www.missionridge.com/>

ENTRY FEES

CATEGORY	ONLINE Until 3/31/18	ONLINE 4/1/18 - 4/29/18	ONLINE 4/30/18 -5/2/18	ON SITE - Cash only
Men 1/2	\$125	\$150	\$200	\$200
Men 3	\$125	\$150	\$200	\$200
Men Masters 35+ 1-3	\$125	\$150	\$200	\$200
Men Masters 40+ 4/5	\$125	\$150	\$200	\$200
Men Masters 50+ Open	\$125	\$150	\$200	\$200
Men Masters 60+ Open	\$125	\$150	\$200	\$200
Women 1/2/3	\$125	\$150	\$200	\$200
Men 4/5	\$100	\$125	\$175	\$175
Women 4/5	\$100	\$125	\$175	\$175
Men Junior A/B	Free	Free	Free	Free
Women Junior A/B	Free	Free	Free	Free
Men Junior C/D	Free	Free	Free	Free
Women Junior C/D	Free	Free	Free	Free

Register online at <https://www.usacycling.org>.

RIDER PACKET PICKUP AND CHECK-IN — FOR STAGE RACE

Rider's licenses will be checked prior to picking up race packets, bib numbers, and other info. Everyone is required to check in at packet pickup and sign the USA Cycling Competitive Release Form. All international riders with a UCI license from another National Federation will be permitted to race. Your registration acknowledges that you have read this tech guide. Please take a screen shot of your license as cell service may not be available.

Tour de Bloom Four-Event Stage Race day-before packet pickup

Thursday, May 3, 2018

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Arlberg Sports Haus

1207 Front St.

Leavenworth, WA 98826

Tour de Bloom Four-Event Stage Race day-of packet pickup

Friday, May 4, 2018

8 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Plain Cellars
18749 Alpine Acres Road
Plain, WA 98826

Tour de Bloom Three-Event Stage Race day-before packet pickup & registration

Friday, May 4, 2018

5 to 8 p.m.

Arlberg Sports

25 N. Wenatchee Ave.

Wenatchee, WA 98801

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

See race notes for each race for tech and wheel support.

NUMBER PLACEMENT

Race bib numbers will be provided to Tour de Bloom riders. One number will be placed on the left-hand side of the rider and one on the right-hand side.

Riders must ensure that their hair does not cover the bib number. Riders with race numbers that are cut, folded, mutilated, badly positioned, or covered shall be subject to penalties outlined in USAC Rule 8A1(j) and are further subject to the following time penalties:

- 1st offense: 3 seconds
- 2nd offense: 6 seconds
- 3rd offense: 9 seconds

RESULTS

Results will be posted on location of the Plain Road Race, Downtown Twilight Criterium and Waterville Road Race. The Time Trial results will be posted at the start of the Criterium. Results also will be found at <http://gcracingllc.com>.

PROTESTS

Any protests other than on the order of finish must be submitted in writing, accompanied by \$20, and filed with the Chief Referee. Protests concerning placing or order of finish must be submitted in writing to the Chief Judge. (see page 3) Protests must be presented within the following deadlines:

- (a) Concerning placing: no later than the close of sign-in for the next stage;
- (b) Concerning an incident during the race: no later than one hour after the finish;
- (c) Concerning the final general classification: up to 15 minutes after the official announcement of posting the final GC results; It is the riders' responsibility to check results and bring any issues up to the Chief Judge immediately.

AWARDS FOR TOUR DE BLOOM STAGE RACE

Podium finishes will be recognized after each race. The schedule is as follows:

- **Arlberg Sports Plain Road Race** — 30 minutes after the Women 1/2/3 race finishes, at Plain Cellars, for all races that day.
- **Mission Ridge Time Trial** — Podiums prior to criterium start, at stage/finish area
- **Biosports Downtown Twilight Criterium** — Immediately following races, at start/finish area on Wenatchee Avenue.

- **Pro-Build Waterville Road Race** — A half-hour after each race finishes, at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Waterville. Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the event on Sunday.

PRIZE MONEY PAY-OUT OPTIONS

Prize money will be handed directly to participants. All prize money not picked up will be mailed within 10 business days. Racers must contact the race director to provide a mailing address. Merchandise will be distributed at the conclusion of event. No merchandise will be shipped so you must be present to collect.

PRIZE PURSE

(NOTE: The following is based on registered racers at 9 p.m. PST, April 29, 2018.)

Purse split by stages (four event, three day)

PURSE SPLIT	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH
Arlberg Sports Plain Road Race: 10 percent of the purse	50 %	30 %	20 %	—	—
Mission Ridge Time Trial: 10 percent of the purse	50 %	30 %	20 %	—	—
Biosports Twilight Criterium: 10 percent of the purse	50 %	30 %	20 %	—	—
Pro-Build Waterville Road Race: 10 percent of the purse	50 %	30 %	20 %	—	—
Cash prizes at Criterium: 20 percent of the purse					
G.C.: 40 percent of the purse	40 %	30 %	15 %	10 %	5 %

Purse split by stages (three event, two day)

PURSE SPLIT	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH
Mission Ridge Time Trial: 10 percent of the purse	50 %	30 %	20 %	—	—
Biosports Twilight Criterium: 10 percent of the purse	50 %	30 %	20 %	—	—
Pro-Build Waterville Road Race: 10 percent of the purse	50 %	30 %	20 %	—	—
Cash prizes at Criterium: 20 percent of the purse					
G.C.: 50 percent of the purse	40 %	30 %	15 %	10 %	5 %

Payout schedule by categories and registered racers

Category	0-49 racers	50	51-74	75	76-99	100
Men 1/2	\$20 per	\$2,000	\$40 per	\$3,000	\$60 per	\$4,500
Women 1/2/3	\$20 per	\$2,000	\$40 per	\$3,000	\$60 per	\$4,500
Men Masters 35+ 1-3	\$10 per	\$1,000	\$20 per	\$1,500	\$40 per	\$2,500
Men Masters 40+ 4/5 50+ Open 60+ Open	\$10 per	\$1,000	\$20 per	\$1,500	\$40 per	\$2,500
Men 3	\$10 per	\$1,000	\$20 per	\$1,500	\$40 per	\$2,500
Men 4/5	None	\$500	\$20 per	\$1,000		
Women 4/5	None	\$500	\$20 per	\$1,000		
M & W Junior A/B	None	Prizes	Prizes	Prizes	Prizes	Prizes
M & W Junior C/D	None	Prizes	Prizes	Prizes	Prizes	Prizes

NOTE: Each category must reach 50 racers (except juniors) by 9 p.m. PST, April 29, 2018, or Tour de Bloom race director reserves the right to alter prize payouts, and combine or omit classes, based on registration numbers. This can be changed at the race director's discretion.

2018 TOUR DE BLOOM STAGE RACE

STAGE 1: ARLBERG SPORTS PLAIN ROAD RACE

The Plain Road Race will start and finish near Plain Cellars in the bustling village of Plain. This year's edition will utilize roads north and west of Plain, including some along the north shore of scenic Lake Wenatchee. The finish line will be near the top of Beaver Hill. (For a course map, see below.)

DATE

Friday, May 4, 2018

RIDER SIGN-IN

On the table at Plain Cellars, 18749 Alpine Acres Road. Posted by 10 a.m. Sign-in must be completed at least 30 minutes before your race.

LOCATION (START/FINISH)

Plain Cellars, 18749 Alpine Acres Road, Plain, WA 98826

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

Plain is located off Highway 2 just a short distance from Coles Corner. From the Seattle area, Plain is reached by Highway 2. Off Highway 2, take Highway 207 to the Plain area. From the Spokane area, Tri-Cities and Oregon, you take the Quincy/Wenatchee exit off Interstate-90 and then take Highway 28 to Wenatchee, where you can then get on Highway 2 to Leavenworth. From Leavenworth, follow Chumstick Canyon Road to Plain. From British Columbia's Okanagan Valley, take Highway 97 south to Wenatchee and then get on Highway 2 to Leavenworth, then take a right turn onto the Chumstick Canyon Road to Plain.

PARKING

There is ample off-street parking at Plain Cellars, 18749 Alpine Acres Road, Plain, 98826

START TIMES

These are the start times for Friday, May 4, 2018. If changed, the new times will be posted at Plain Cellars by 8 a.m., Friday, May 4.

CATEGORY	START	LENGTH	LAPS
Men 1/2	11 a.m.	74 miles	3
Men 3	11:03 a.m.	50 miles	2
Men Masters 35+ 1-3	11:06 a.m.	50 miles	2

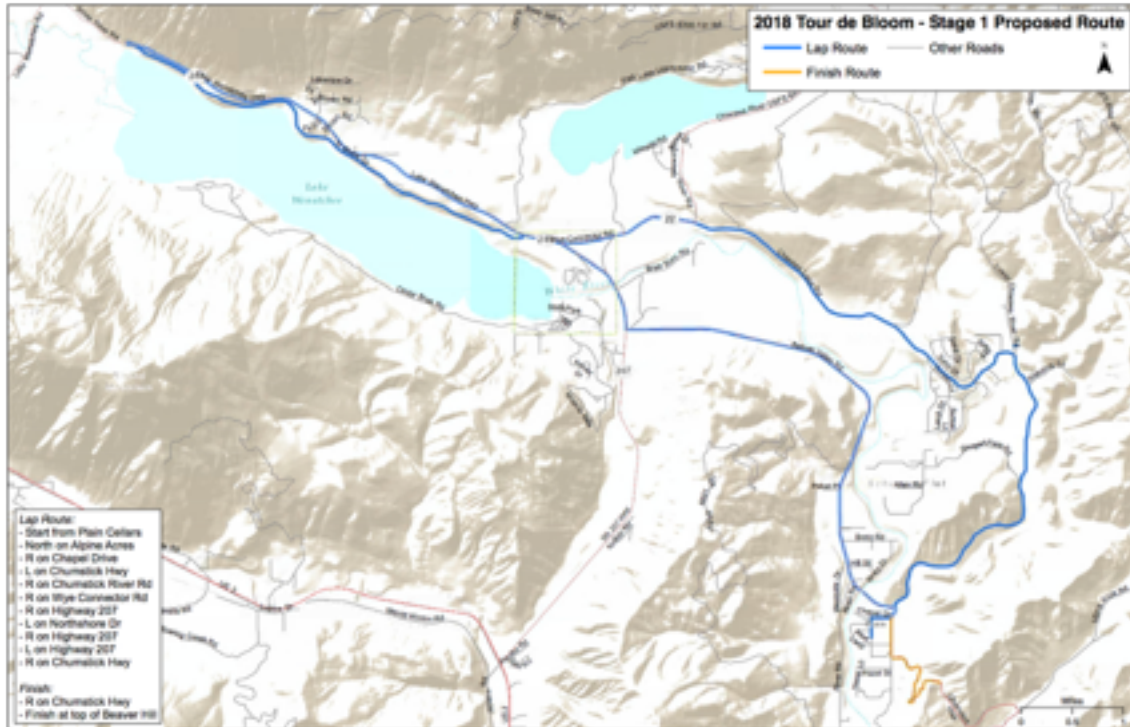
Men Masters 40+ 4-5 50+ Open 60+ Open	11:09 a.m.	50 miles	2
Women 1/2/3	11:12 a.m.	50 miles	2

NOTE: Podium to follow at Plain Cellars; podium will start 30 minutes after the Women 1/2/3 race finishes.

RACE NOTES

- Centerline rule will be strictly enforced.
- At Chief Ref and Race Directors discretion, a time may be given to riders pulled from the race.
- Absolutely no vehicles will be allowed at the finish line. Folks will have to walk/ride to the finish area.
- Athlete parking in Plain will be at Plain Cellars.
- Racers are not allowed to park in front of any of the Plain businesses.
- If a racer is dropped from the peloton, they are to follow the rules of the road.
- Finish bonuses are: 1st — 15 seconds; 2nd — 10 seconds; 3rd — 5 seconds.
- A wheel car will be provided for each race. Wheels are wheels in, wheels out, unless changed to neutral wheels by race referee.
- First aid tent will be at Plain Cellars.
- Race doctor will be mobile on course.
- Junior roll out will be at finish line. Racers are responsible to report to chief judge within two minutes of finish.

COURSE MAP



STAGE 2: MISSION RIDGE TIME TRIAL

DATE

Saturday May 5, 2018

LOCATION (START AND RIDER SIGN-IN)

Table at start line at Malaga-Alcoa Highway
 Sign in: At start, 15 minutes prior to start time.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

To avoid heavy traffic congestion from the Apple Blossom Parade in downtown Wenatchee, riders should get on Highway 28 in East Wenatchee, cross the George Sellar Bridge, then take a left onto Mission Street. Continue south on Mission Street for a quarter mile, take a left onto Crawford Street. Go a block and take a right on Wenatchee Avenue. After a short distance, Wenatchee Avenue becomes the Malaga-Alcoa Highway. Continue about 9 miles to the Time Trial start area at the old Alcoa plant.

PARKING

There is ample off-street parking at the Alcoa plant. Use the upper parking lot.

START TIMES

These are the approximate start times for Saturday, May 5, 2018. Start times will be posted at Plain Cellars on Friday and at Arlberg Sports on Friday night.

CATEGORY	START	LENGTH
Men 1/2	10:30 a.m.	9.2 miles

Men 3	10:30 a.m.	9.2 miles
Men Masters 35+ 1, 2, 3	9:15 a.m.	9.2 miles
Men 4/5 M Junior A/B	7:30 a.m.	9.2 miles
Men Masters 40+ 4-5 50+ Open 60+ Open	8:15 a.m.	9.2 miles
Women 1/2/3	8:45 a.m.	9.2 miles
Women 4/5 W Junior A/B	7 a.m.	9.2 miles
M Junior C/D W Junior C/D	7 a.m.	9.2 miles

NOTE: Podiums will take place prior to the start of the criterium at the stage/finish area.

RACE NOTES

- This is an open road with normal traffic, the centerline rule will be strictly enforced.
- First aid is at start line.
- Junior roll out is 30 seconds after the finish at the start line.
- Merckx-style mass start bike, no aero helmets.

STAGE 3: BIOSPORTS PHYSICAL THERAPY DOWNTOWN TWILIGHT CRITERIUM

The Biosports Downtown Twilight Criterium takes place in the heart of historic Wenatchee over a six-block loop, and right after the Apple Blossom Festival Grand Parade concludes. The start and finish is on Wenatchee Avenue, between Palouse and First streets. A large beer garden near the finish line attracts hundreds of spectators.

DATE

Saturday May 5, 2018

LOCATION (START, FINISH AND RIDER SIGN-IN)

Table by the announcer's spot on Wenatchee Avenue. Closes 15 minutes prior.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

From race headquarters (25 N. Wenatchee Ave. Wenatchee): None. You are right there!

PARKING

There is ample off-street parking at lots along Columbia Street, a block east of the criterium course.

START TIMES

Start times are based on racer numbers as of 9 p.m. on Sunday, April 29. Races start at 2:30 p.m. Start times will be posted on Monday, April 30.

CATEGORY	TIME
Men & Women Junior C/D	15 minutes
Women 4/5 Women Junior A/B	30 minutes
Men 4/5 Men Junior A/B	45 minutes
Men Masters 40+ 4-5 50+ Open 60+ Open	45 minutes
Men Masters 35+ 1-3	50 minutes
Women 1/2/3	50 minutes
Community Race	20 minutes
Podiums	10 minutes
Men 3	50 minutes
Men 1/2	60 minutes

RACE NOTES

- The Pit will be located south of the start-finish line.
- Wheel pit is neutral. Teams will be required to provide at least one set of wheels for the pit.
- First aid tent is at intersection of Wenatchee Avenue and Palouse Street.
- Riders can never ride backwards on the course to reach the pit or they will be disqualified from the Criterium.
- Lapped riders may be pulled as determined by the chief referee's discretion. Riders who withdraw on their own will not be placed and will be scored as DNF. Riders who withdraw from the race on their own should notify an official so can be tracked. This is for safety as much as it is for scoring.
- Primes in the race will be for cash, swag and time bonuses. The exact number of each will be determined at race time.
- Two sprint bonus and one finish bonus for four-event ride. Bonuses: 1st — 15 seconds; 2nd — 10 seconds; 3rd — 5 seconds.
- One sprint bonus and one finish bonus for three-event ride. Bonuses: 1st — 15 seconds; 2nd — 10 seconds; 3rd — 5 seconds.
- Team tents are encouraged on the outside of the course. The intersections of Wenatchee Avenue and First Street, Wenatchee Avenue and Palouse Street, and Wenatchee Avenue and Orondo Avenue are prime spots.

- Junior roll out is in between neutral pit and announcer's tower. Racers may take one cool down lap and then must report to chief judge.

STAGE 4: PRO-BUILD WATERVILLE ROAD RACE

The Pro-Build Waterville Road Race incorporates roads located in the classic Waterville wheat country. This course is flat with rollers, but don't be deceived into thinking it's an easy task. The wind just may play a role in the outcome. Please note that the roads used for this stage are open to traffic. (For a course map, see below.)

DATE

Sunday May 6, 2018

LOCATION (START, FINISH AND RIDER SIGN-IN)

Douglas County Fairgrounds, 601 N. Monroe St., Waterville, WA

Sign in: At start line, 15 minutes prior to the start of the race.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

From race headquarters (25 N. Wenatchee Ave. Wenatchee): Get on Wenatchee Avenue and head north for 3 miles before getting on Highway 2/97 heading east. Continue for about two miles, crossing the Columbia River on the Odabashian Bridge. At the intersection of Highway 28 (Sunset Highway), take a left and continue north on

Highway 2/97. Drive about 11 miles before taking the Highway 2/Waterville exit. Continue for 9.5 miles until reaching the town of Waterville. Drive into town and get on Central Avenue. From there, take the following streets to reach the Douglas County Fairgrounds: Right on Locust Street, left on to Chelan Avenue, right on E. Third St., left onto Monroe Street. The address is 601 N. Monroe St.

PARKING

There is ample off-street parking across from the Douglas County Fairgrounds, 601 N. Monroe St, Waterville, 98858. Overnight camping is allowed. There will be no parking allowed within 200 yards before or after the finish line.

START TIMES

CATEGORY	START	FINISH	MILES	LAPS
Men 4/5 Men Junior A/B	9 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	34	1
Men Masters 40+ 4-5 50+ Open 60+ Open	9:05 a.m.	10:35 a.m.	34	1
Women 1/2/3	9:10 a.m.	10:40 a.m.	34	1
Women 4/5 Women Junior A/B	9:15 a.m.	10:45 a.m.	34	1
Men Junior C/D Women Junior C/D	9:20 a.m.	10 a.m.	11	—
Men 1/2	11 a.m.	1:35 p.m.	68	2
Men 3	11:05 a.m.	1:53 p.m.	68	2
Men Masters 35+ 1-3	11:10 a.m.	2 p.m.	68	2

NOTE: Podiums to be 30 minutes after first place crosses the line.

RACE NOTES

- Please bring an extra set of wheels. Wheels are wheels in/out unless declared neutral by race official.
- Centerline rule will be strictly enforced.
- Staging for the road race will be on the road in front of the entrance to the fairgrounds.
- The feed zone will be at the Juniors turnaround area. Feed is on second lap only.
- Road will be open from 1 kilometer to finish.
- Sprint bonus at finish line. For two lap events, plus finish bonus. 1st — 15 seconds; 2nd — 10 seconds; 3rd — 5 seconds.
- Finish bonus for one lap. 1st — 15 seconds; 2nd — 10 seconds; 3rd — 5 seconds.

- Roll out for juniors is at finish. It is racer's responsibility to check in with chief judge two minutes after finish.

NOTE: As a matter of safety, health and well-being of the riders, if the temperatures exceeds 80 degrees and at the discretion of the Chief Referee or Race Director, riders may be able to get water hand-ups from the race caravan. Race day weather will dictate.

COURSE MAP

