

Tierra Bella Finish Line 2025
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On Friday, at the church, we inflated 140 balloons for the arch and put them in the big truck for delivery to CHP on Saturday morning. We ran into a problem with the holders that Dave designed so this step took more time than expected. 4 volunteers 2 hours.

Saturday morning we assembled the arch and set up all the decorations. Logistics team was a big help as well as a few of Dave's friends who volunteered in his memory so we really had plenty of help. 6 volunteers 1:30 hours.

We deputized bystanders to add to our bell ringing crew and a fun time was had by all. Plenty of happy riders crossing the finish line with big smiles!

We started the tear down about 4:30 leaving the arch for the very end. Logistics team plus 4 FL volunteers 1 hour.

Finish line placement problem

1. We need to make the alley narrower by placing the cones on the black pavement, like Melanie did before I moved them, easy to fix.
2. There is a huge safety problem where the riders enter CHP. Cars and riders are entering and exiting all at the same time and in the same space. We solved the problem by placing a volunteer to direct traffic, but it was a problem all day. **This is a very dangerous situation.**
3. Cars were parked in the handicapped spots inside the finish line alley. This was a problem until the baseball game was over, about 1:00.
4. If we stick with the same entrance for riders, we need signage directing riders and cars in addition to a **safety volunteer from 12-4.**

Things for improvement for next year.

1. Sand off the rough edges on the balloon holders or buy the old type clips.
2. We need to buy 150 balloons, this year we used leftovers.
3. We need 4 sandbags to anchor the photo banner.
4. Our photo banner is looking tired and faded and we should probably buy a new one.

I will not be returning as finish Line Captain.