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Welcome to the 1. Trinational Cycle Messenger Championships.
Welcome to the City of Basel in the so called "Three Country
Corner" where the borders of Germany, France and Switzerland
meet and where the TriCMC unites the German (DMFK), French
(FCMC) and Swiss (SUICMC) Championships.

At the end of the TriCMC we will know who the best messenger of each country in each discipline is!

Whilst the Swiss celebrated their first SUICMC in 1993 (Basel), the Germans started their tradition of DMFK's (also known as GCMC or DMK) in 2001 (Wiesbaden). Since then national championships have been hosted every year in various cities. Bicycle messenger community in France is still young. While Paris hosted last years pre-event of the ECMC and organised the first official Paris Cycle Messenger Championships, the TriCMC has the honour to hold the first FCMC in history!

MEO (Messenger Event Organization) Basel is therefore proud to host another great international championship after the ECMC of 2005. At this point we would like to thank all sponsors and partners who helped us making this great championship happen! We are looking forward to three days of thrilling competitions and a gathering of the international bicycle messenger community. Our passion for this unique profession and commitment to the community unites us beyond any borders. Enjoy and ride hard to make it a memorable championship!

Basel

Basel is very bicycle-friendly. There are no steep hills and you can reach every corner of the city as well as the French and German border in about 15 minutes. The city has two bicycle messenger companies with about 115 active messengers. MEO (Messenger Event Organization) as the joined force of active and former bicycle messengers exists since 1999 and has organised many events and championships in the last 10 years.

Places to hang out in Basel

Basel is a small city, which makes it easy for you to check out the city before and after the competitions. For cooling off after an exhausting competition or to get rid of the dust of last night's party, there's the Rhine (Rhein), the one and only place to go for a nice swim. A good place lies between the "Mittlere Brücke" and the "Johanniter Brücke" in the so called "Kleinbasel". On the other side of the Rhine ("Grossbasel") try out the "Birschöpfli" (next to the "Schwarzwaldbrücke"). For messengers who need some intellectual input: Basel has a multitude of esteemed museums (Kunstmuseum, Beyeler Museum, Tinguely Museum, etc.).

Food & Drinks

You don't need to buy water. Tap water and the water coming out of fountains are potable. If you want to shop at really favourable prices, go to France or Germany. The shops in Switzerland close between 6.30–7pm on week days, and between 5–6pm on Saturday. They are closed on Sundays. At the train station (Bahnhof SBB and Badischer Bahnhof) the shops are open 7 days a week until 10pm.

Police

At night, you should have your lights on! Swiss law requires two functioning brakes! If you don't want to spend your honestly earned money on fines equip your bike accordingly!!! In any case try to stay friendly – it usually helps.

MAIN RACE 4

Sunday, 9th of August, 9am–5pm, Dreispitz Areal

The main event of the TriCMC is a pretty complex bicycle race! It consists of three gruelling hours of navigation through multiple checkpoints. Racers determine the fastest and most efficient route to collect and drop packages – simulating the real-life world of the urban bicycle messenger.

RACECOURSE

The racecourse is on a closed course on the “Dreispitz Areal”. This old industrial area with its railway tracks, ramps, bumpy roads and even a multi storey car park is perfect for a challenging mainrace.

QUALIFICATION

Qualification will be time critical. Ride as fast as you can while choosing the shortest route to pick up and drop your packages! Riders will start one at a time. Each country will be given a quota of fastest messengers qualifying for the finals. There will also be an open quota for all messengers coming from other countries.

FINALS

The start will be in the style of “le mans”. The race will be timed – do as many jobs as you can in exactly three hours! Each delay in reaching the finish area leads to penalties on the final board! With each job you earn a certain amount of final-race-cash. You will have to set up the best strategy and choose between different jobs on one manifest. The winner will be the one with the most money earned during the final race.

MAIN RACE RULES 5

Only riders wearing a helmet are allowed to the mainrace!

Attach your race number clearly visible on to your bike!

For obvious reasons, don't forget to put your race number and name on the manifest!

One-way traffic is prevalent on the whole distance. The only exception is for people who have lost their consignment or their manifest. In that case, park your bike at the side of the of the racing track and retrieve your stuff on foot!

Those who are not taking part in the race must keep clear of the race course!

Please be polite and respectful towards the helpers. They work voluntarily and make this possible. The same applies for the checkpoints!

Lock your bike at the indicated checkpoints!

Any disregarding of the rules above will lead to disqualification!

CHECKPOINTS 6

Kurierzentrale GmbH Basel

Celebrates this year its 20th anniversary! Currently over 80 part-time employees give everyday successfully their best to transport clients packages as fast as possible from door to door!

Velokurier Luzern

First bicycle messenger company in Switzerland, founded in 1988! A range of flexible and innovative services make them a competent and indispensable company in central Switzerland!

Swissconnect

A network of bicycle messengers, car-, taxi-couriers and the Swiss railways assures that your consignments arrive on schedule at almost every place in Switzerland and the close-by foreign regions!

Metropol Kurier GmbH

Orange is their colour! It is the second messenger company in Basel. They deliver your packages and letters 7 days a week with vans, scooters, train and bicycles wherever you want!

Velokurier Biel/Bienne

A messenger company who even takes care of your plants and pets when you are off on holidays! Do you need a ride to the airport? One of their drivers will take you there! How could one possibly resist!

Obst & Gemüse

Fixedgear/Singlespeed shop and messenger bag manufacture. Get yourself a fruity Gorilla bike, profit from their paintjobs or just have a coffee and some seaweed on the bar! Let's pimp your style!



Velokurier



OBST &
GEMÜSE



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Sportamt BL/BS

They provide the TriCMC with the street soccer boards, which allows us to set up a perfect field for the bike polo tourney!

Urban Cycle Paris * / Velocité Lausanne **

- * The fastest bicycle messenger company in Paris! Jboule rules! Everyone roule à Paris! Bicycle messengers only!
- ** Since 10 years their messengers ride steep hills with a big smile on their face. Joyeux Anniversaire les Velocités!

Bike Syndikat * / Veloblitz Zürich **

- * The guys from Köln provide you with an authentic and fast service. Since the very beginnings they are organised as a cooperative!
- ** Organised as a cooperative they stand for long-time experience and therefore fast and reliable transports! 20th birthday this year!

Dreispietz Management AG * / IWB **

- * They provide the TriCMC with the "Dreispietz Areal". A perfect and challenging mainrace site!
- ** Basel City's energie provider powers the TriCMC! If you're still thirsty, 600 liters "Basler Wasser" are waiting for you!

Velokurier Bern * / Velokurier Winterthur **

- * Even if people from Bern are believed to be slow, nothing could be more wrong for these guys. A co-op with bicycle messengers only!
- ** The cooperative trusts in their muscles of steel and a long time experience in fast and reliable bicycle messengering!



Thursday, 6th of August

6–8pm Registration, Location to be announced
 8pm Tour de bar Bâle, Starting point and further information will be announced.

Friday, 7th of August

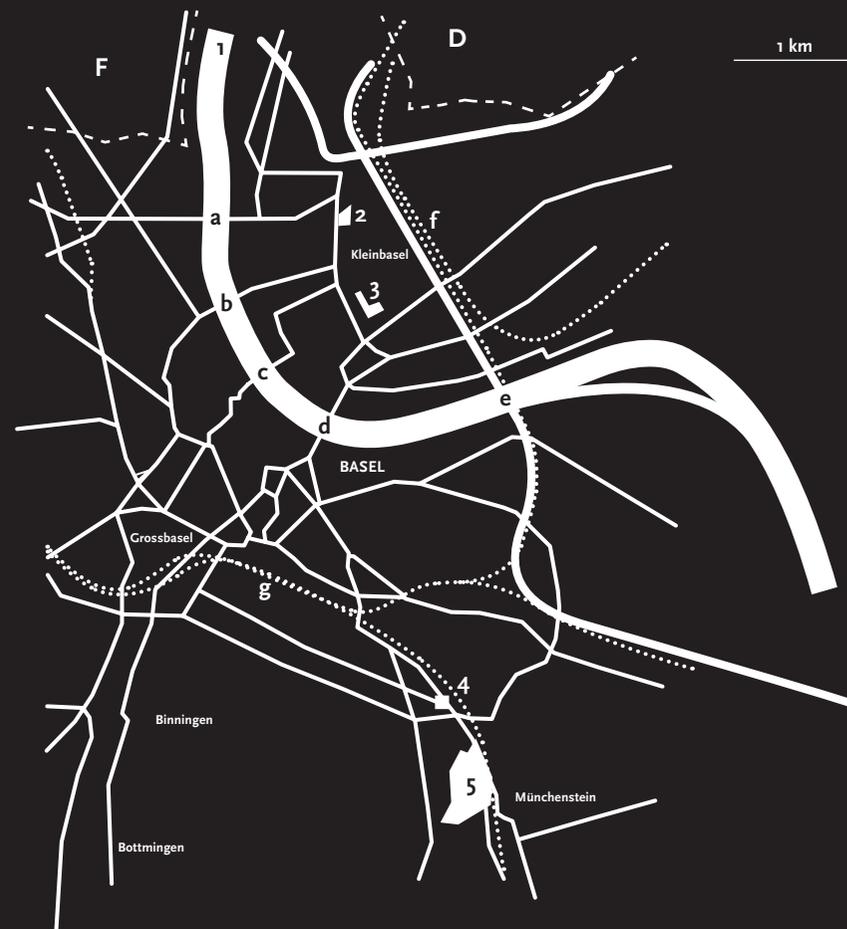
12am–6pm Bikepolo qualification (NT Areal)
 12am–6pm Registration at NT Areal
 8pm Three Country Sightseeing (NT Areal)
 8–12pm Registration at Dreispitz
 11pm Welcome Party (Dreispitz)

Saturday, 8th of August

9am Brunch at HQ Dreispitz
 10am Individual Uphill Timetrial
 12am–5pm Registration at Messeplatz
 12am–3pm Bikepolo finals (Messeplatz)
 3pm Sprints (Messeplatz)
 4pm Snack by Lily's
 5pm Skids, Backward Circles, Trackstand, Best Trick, Footdown (Messeplatz)
 9pm One Star Sightseeing (Messeplatz)
 11pm TriCMC-Party! Bands and sound on a boat! (Das Schiff)

Sunday, 9th of August (Dreispitz)

8–10am Last minute registration Start/Finish area
 9am Brunch at the Dreispitzareal
 9am–1pm Qualification Mainrace
 12am Lunch
 2–5pm Mainrace Finals
 5–6pm Award Ceremony
 6pm Dinner
 7pm Announcement of SUICMC 2010; Open Forum for DMFK and French Championships
 8pm Afterparty



- 1 Das Schiff
- 2 NT Areal
- 3 Messeplatz
- 4 Sleepwell Bunker
- 5 Racecourse Dreispitz
- a Dreirosen Brücke
- b Johanniter Brücke
- c Mittlere Brücke
- d Wettsteinbrücke
- e Schwarzwaldbrücke
- f Badischer Bahnhof
- g Bahnhof SBB/SNCF

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Sprints (presented by BMC) Saturday, 8th of August, 3pm, Messeplatz

Ride as fast as you can! The sprint will be on the "Messeplatz" in the centre of the city. Therefore it will be extremely short – about 100m! Also because of the extreme short run-out we are forced to exclude bikes without a proper brake! We will check each competitor's bike before start.

There will be an uphill-sprint too, outside the city! For this event no brakes necessary! We will announce the exact location during the TriCMC!



The Bicycle Manufacturing Company (BMC) produces high-end road racers and mountain bikes made in Switzerland! It's hard not to get excited by BMC bikes. They create fascination through their unique design and technically perfect form. The innovative, eye catching, precise and clean styling of a BMC bike stirs a deep emotion within.

Bike-Polo (presented by GO! and Kurierzentrale)
Friday, 7th of August, noon–6pm, NT Areal (Qualification);
Saturday, 8th of August, noon–3pm, Messeplatz (Finals)

Bikepolo Tourney! Teams of three players battle their way through to become the TriCMC-Champs. Qualification will be on Friday on the "NT Areal". Final rounds are going to be played on the "Messeplatz" on Saturday! The tournament will be played according to the international bike polo rules. You will get to know detailed information about rules and tournaments schedule at the bike polo site!



GO! General Overnight is on the spot day and night, 365 days a year to bring your consignments safely and quickly to every destination in the world. From a single document right through to a bulky item of freight – GO! transports absolutely anything for you!

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Fixie Stuff Saturday, 8th of August, 5pm, NT Areal

SKIDS

Fixies only! Spectacular as always: 100 meters run-up, block your back wheel, put your weight over the bars and skid as far as you can!

TRACKSTAND

Stay on one spot with your fixie! After 3 minutes one hand off the bars. After 5 minutes two hands off the bars. After 7 minutes both hands and one foot off. After 9 minutes both hands and both feet off. Last man standing wins.

BACKWARD CIRCLES

Looks like a funny circus trick! Ride backwards in circles. The one, who accomplishes the most circles, wins.

Liability

Insurance is the participants' own responsibility. The organiser disclaims any liability for personal damages. Wearing a helmet is compulsory. Participants not wearing a helmet will not be allowed to start (except: Bikepolo, Trackstand, Backward Circles, Best Trick, Fun Stuff). The races must be driven in a sober state. Participants who obstruct or endanger deliberately or grossly negligent, who behave unsportsmanlike against other participants or helpers, be it during the races, as spectators or outside the racing area, will be excluded from the races! If a participant supports another rider in a forbidden way both will be disqualified. Those who try to get an amelioration of their classing with unfair means and practices will be disqualified. However, the race management centre will accept cash, but you will be disqualified for bribery. Please attach your start number clearly visible on to your bike.

Tour de Bar Bâle Thursday, 6th of August, 8pm, all across Basilea

A classic bar-crawl through Basel's vibrant night live! Check out the bars where Basel's couriers like to get wasted. First beer at a special price! Ten bars to accomplish you mission!

Welcome Party at HQ Friday, 7th of August, 11pm, American Optical (Dreisplatz Areal)

We will rock the race headquarters the first time on Friday night. There will be cheap beer for you and the most experienced messenger DJ (Plattenleger Migros) itself will make you dance till the early morning (Dance competition!)

Kurierzentrale Messenger Party Saturday, 8th of August, 11pm, Das Schiff (Westquastr. 19)

For the main party we'll all board a boat on the river. We have top acts performing for you which will probably attract a lot of regular party people too ... Sorry, but we could not get any deals on the beer!! (sort of expensive ...)

KURIERZENTRALE GMBH

BANDS greis (Hip Hop, Switzerland, current messenger) / [bih'tnik] (Hip Hop, Germany, 2 current messengers on stage) / Lombego Surfers (Rock 'n' Roll, Switzerland, 1 current messenger on stage) / Acoustic Instinct (A capella beatbox, Germany)

DJs Fingainthanoze / West D / Rohrbach / Mathis / F-DicZ

ROCK IT!

Since your travel expenses and registration fee are costly enough, we would like to offer you a cheap place to sleep. The cheapest possibility for housing is a civil defense bunker right next to the racecourse (Dornacherstr. 395). There are 200 beds reserved for you guys ...

If you like it more comfortable or you prefer sleeping in a tent: there are cheap youth hostels in town and a camping a bit outside of the city. As we got the civil bunker booked we will not offer couch surfing any more. But maybe you can trick a local messenger and get yourself the desired familiar couch. Your chances probably depend on pre-established friendship, responsibility and the number of beauties you bring along as a gift ...

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Delicious Asian Food!

Sonnendeck/Grenzwert NT Areal
Where Basel's messengers spend all their money!

Chill Am Rhy Underneath the "Pfalz"
Try the fresh and tasty "Basler Bier"!

Aqua Binningerstr. 14, 4051 Basel
A great garden with an even greater bar!

Das Schiff Westquaistr. 19, 4057 Basel
Have a drink on deck!

eoipso Dornacherstr. 192, 4053 Basel
Famous for their Long Island!

ABX NT Areal
Culture, Bar and more ...!

Buvette Dreirosen Breisacherstr. 133, 4057 Basel
Great outdoorbar at the Rhine!

Buvette am Rhein Unterer Rheinweg, 4057 Basel
Another great outdoorbar at the Rhine!

Sommerbar Kaserne Klybeckstr. 1b, 4057 Basel
Great outdoorbar not at the Rhine!

Cargobar St. Johannis-Rheinweg 46, 4056 Basel
Traffic point for culture!

Carambolage Erlenstr. 34, 4058 Basel
Stylish bar next to the NT!

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Be prepared for emergencies! Save some numbers. NOW!
You never know.

Emergencies

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FIREFIGHTERS 118

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Wenger 2-Radshop/Wenger-Flyer-Center Gartenstr. 143, 4052 Basel
 This nice shop right next to the Basel SBB train station offers a good range of different bikes. From quality road racers over Bergamont fixed-gears to the Flyer-Electro bikes. He even owns the smallest bike in the world! When Sir Wenger doesn't sell bikes, he and his show group do funny tricks on the unicycle.

Opignon Steinstr. 50, 8003 Zürich

Wälde's new shop in Zürich where one senses "l'amour" for bicycles. As a former messenger and still passionate fixie rider he knows what is good for you and your bicycle.

Isi-Velowerkstatt Dornacherstr. 277, 4053 Basel

The shop of one former and one still active messenger. Nice BMC- and fixed-gear-bikes. Their heart beats for chromo frames and beats even harder, when they can improvise by setting up a bike.

Velo-Paul Murbacherstr. 38, 4056 Basel

A small shop in the St. Johann area. It doesn't matter if you walk in with your high- end bike or with a creepy old something – your bike will be in trusty hands and you'll get the same perfect ser vice.

Bike Jucker Morgartenring 107, 4054 Basel

In this great shop you get nice Price road racers and mountainbikes. With the "Basilisk Bike" you even get your customized road racers! Go for it!!

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