

Tri This Inc. Supports the Troops

Tri This Inc. is proud to be sponsoring eight of our military athletes in Baghdad, Iraq to a sprint distance triathlon in conjunction with the Sand Key Triathlon that will be held in Clearwater, FL on September 23, 2007.

Air Force Capt. James Druell has coordinated with Tri This Inc., Bev Buysse to co-host eight of our military men and women currently serving in Iraq to compete in a sprint distance triathlon that will be held in Iraq as a division of the Sand Key Triathlon that will be held in Clearwater, FL at Sand Key County Park. The Baghdad Iraq triathlon will represent members of the Army, Air Force, Navy and US Dept of Agriculture.

Due to safety and logistical concerns, the Iraq division will be confined to swimming 1/3 of a mile in a pool, completing 11 miles on a stationary bike, and running 3.1 miles through the military compound in Iraq.

To keep the athletes on an even playing field, the Iraq military athletes will be competing in their own division "Iraq" while the local athletes will compete in the standard age group division completing a 1/3 mile swim parallel to the beach at Sand Key Park in the Gulf of Mexico, riding their bicycles 11 miles through Clearwater Beach to the mainland and returning along the same route, then running through Sand Key Park to finish with a 3.1 mile run.

All athletes will receive the same amenities: commemorative t-shirt and awards to the top finishers. Tri This Race Staff is pleased and honored to assist with a morale event for our troops serving in Iraq. We all must remember: *Freedom isn't Free*, it is our men and women in the military that ensure we have the privilege to participate in athletic and recreational events like this.