ASHEVILLE, NC-ERWIN, TN

TRAVEL DIRECTIONS TO/FROM FREE PARKING AT BMS ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA/ERWIN, TENNESSEE

TO BMS

From Asheville or Erwin, go west on Interstate 26 through Johnson City to Tennessee Exit 19 at Highway 381 (State of Franklin Road). Some GPS devices advise exiting Interstate 26 at North Roan Street (US 11E-19W); using the State of Franklin Road exit at Exit 19 is the preferred route. At the bottom of the ramp, turn right and get in the left lane. Go past the interchange with Highway 36 and take the left ramp to northbound US 11E/19W in northern Johnson City (this is where you enter on Diagram D2). Go north on US 11E/19W across the first Boone Lake bridge (DeVault Bridge) and through the Piney Flats community into Bluff City. Continue north on US 11E through the interchange with US 19E, and across the second Boone Lake bridge (Charlie Worley Bridge) into Bristol.

After crossing the Charlie Worley Bridge, get in the right lane. Get off at the Highway 394 interchange (a right-side exit); at the bottom of the ramp, turn right onto eastbound Highway 394 and stay in the right lane. Go through the traffic signal at Tennessee Highway 390, staying in the right lane. To go to Speedway Parking, take a right turn at the next intersection (White Top Road); Speedway Parking is the first driveway on the left. To go to Whitetop Creek Park, continue straight on Highway 394 past the Dragway Entrance and take the next right onto Sportsway Drive at the Copperhead Entrance. Go south on Sportsway Drive about 2,000 feet and Whitetop Creek Park is at the end of the road.

TO ASHEVILLE/ERWIN

You will not be going back to Erwin or Asheville the same way that you came in. Southbound US 11E to Johnson City is among the heaviest-traveled of all the post-race routes. The route listed below through the Chinquapin community is a few miles longer, but actually takes much less time because the volumes are less and the speeds are much higher. The route back in the Bristol area is shown on the White Top Route and Chinquapin Route Diagram (D31).

From Speedway Parking, turn left onto eastbound White Top Road along the White Top Route. Go east on White Top Road, following the TO 81 signs, and turn left onto eastbound Vance Tank Road. At the STOP sign at Broyles Lane, do not turn onto Broyles Lane; keep going straight on Vance Tank Road. After passing a railroad signal on the right, turn left to go up the concrete ramp of Sweet Knobs Trail to its eastern intersection of Highway 394. You must turn right onto eastbound Highway 394 in the right lane.

From Whitetop Creek Park, go north on Sportsway Drive and turn right onto eastbound Highway 394, get in the right lane, and go over the bridge at the Vance Tank Road interchange.

From either parking lot, the next Highway 394 interchange going east is at Tennessee State Route 358 (Weaver Pike); take this exit ramp. At the bottom of the ramp, turn right onto southbound State Route 358 and follow the route as listed below (which is equipped with signs reading TO JOHNSON CITY):

- a. Go past Sullivan East High School and over the bridge at the South Fork of the Holston River. At the STOP sign at the end of the road, turn right onto State Route 44 (Rockhold Road).
- b. Go along Rockhold Road through a large curve to the left. You will be approaching another fork in the road, with State Route 44 (Dry Branch Road) as the right fork and Chinquapin Grove Road (a local road) as the left fork. Take the left fork onto southbound Chinquapin Grove Road.
- c. In a few miles, the road name will change automatically to Bunker Hill Road. Continue on Bunker Hill Road to the STOP sign at US 19E (a four-lane roadway). Turn left onto southbound US 19E. This is where you will no longer appear on Diagram D31.
- d. Continue on southbound US 19E into the City of Elizabethton. Stay in the right lane. Go past the interchange with State Route 91 and over a concrete bridge over the Watauga River; at the traffic signal just beyond the Watauga River bridge (US 321), turn right onto US 321. There is a TO I-26 sign assembly at this intersection telling you to turn right.
- e. Stay on southbound US 321 through the City of Elizabethton and into southern Johnson City. You will intersect Interstate 26 at Tennessee Exit 24. Take Interstate 26 east to Erwin and thence to Asheville.