Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society Ride Calendar 2008

June-July Special Club Rides and Events

Rides are graded A+ (fast and hard) thru D (slow but determined)

June 1 (Sun)

Dansville Ride

This dandy ride to the northwest will have you dan-cing in the streets - looking for a good lunch spot, perhaps at the Wooden Nickel, corner of Jackson & Mason. A: 100 mi 9:00 am Wheeler Park Captain: Frank Lamitola 734-996-9461 B: 60 mi 10:00 am Chelsea, parking lot W of Pierce's Bakery, W. Middle St. Captain: Jerry Huntley 517-522-6429 C: 36 mi 10:00 am Gregory - unpaved parking lot, S side M-36 (Gregory is on M-36, 21 mi west of US 23.) Captain: Barb Underwood 764-665-3961

June 4 (Wed)

Ride Calendar Meeting

Meet to plan August and September rides. We need ride ideas and ride volunteers! Pizza and exotic soft drinks provided!

Time: 7:30 pm

Location: Jim Spencer's, 76 Colony Ct, Ypsilanti Township. 0.3 mi NW of the Hewitt-Ellsworth intersection, turn W off Hewitt onto Colony Way, then S on Colony Ct. 734-904-6431

June 8 (Sun)

Sleeker Senile (S)Century Series Ride Number 3

Challenge yourself with a Century or Metric Century in Tom's monthly series.

A beginner-friendly C ride to Dexter and/or Chelsea will also occur.

A: 100 mi 8:00 am Dexter

Captain: Tom Sleeker 248-324-1879

B: 62 mi 9:00 am Dexter

Captain: Dorothy Stock 734-996-8316 C: 22/38 mi 9:00 am Wheeler Park Captain: Tom Rogers 734-747-8774

June 8 (Sun)

Tour of Otsego County

Scenic hilly road-bike loops departing Gaylord heading east halfway to Pigeon River Wilderness. Bring your kayak and re-live the nostalgic AABTS "three-toy weekend."

A: 60 mi and B: 30 mi. 9:00 am Gaylord Trailhead near Fairgrounds Captain: Jim Datsko 231-264-0041 irdatsko@tm.net

June 13 (Fri)

WBWC Ride Around Town (RAT)

Get a start on urban cycling or polish your skills in a small town with lots of activity! Ride starts and finishes at Liberty Plaza Park and winds through Ann Arbor downtown streets for a 3 mile figure 8 route. Enjoy the company of other cyclists and help demonstrate to motorists and pedestrians that bicyclists can interact safely and courteously with motorized traffic. Updates and pre-ride/post-ride discussion on the WBWC Google discussion group site. C-: 3+ mi 6:00 pm Liberty Plaza Park, corner of Liberty and Division in Ann Arbor. Captain: Frank Schwende 734-975-1989 schwende@sbcglobal.net

June 15 (Sun)

Huron River Valley Tour

A revised route! Ride Huron Valley to Kensington Metro Park. A: 75 mi 9:00 am Wheeler Park Captain: Mark Goodwin 734-944-0730 B: 63 mi 9:00 am Wheeler Park Captain: Clete Bjornstad 734-665-4968

June 15 (Sun)

South Lyon Ride

Ride the South Lyon path to Kensington Metropark & Island Lake State Rec. Area. B/C: 35-45 mi 9:00 am McHattie Park in South Lyon, 1/4 mi south of 10 Mile & 1/4 mi west of Pontiac Trail.

Captain: Jane Barrett 248-486-6809

June 15 (Sun)

Sunday Brunch Big Mac Alternative

Join Barb at the cabin south of Cheboygan for the Sunday Brunch Big Mac Alternative. See Big Mac Ride June 14-15 on Invitational Calendar. Start with a Continental brunch at 9:00 am followed by a ride of 25, 30, 45 or 50 miles. See Ocqueoc Falls, the highest waterfall in the Lower Peninsula! Alternatively, you can do the "No Miles Calmly Gazing Over The Sweet Water Sea With Eyes Half Shut" inactive activity. Call captain for directions and motel suggestions.

Start: Brunch at 9:00 am, Ride at 10:00 am. Captain: Barb Underwood 734-665-3961 or underbpatd@aol.com

June 19 (Thurs)

Moonshadow Ride

Celebrate the almost full moon with a car free ride along the Huron, on the paved Gallup Park Pathway. Laps determine distance. No ride in rainy weather. A/B/C: 8/16/24 mi 10:00 pm East end of Mitchell Field Parking Lot on Fuller Rd. Captain: Ken Bawcom 734-973-9225

June 22 (Sun)

Cabela's Ride

Ride to Dundee, and that sporting goods mecca - Cabela's.

A: 70 mi 9:00 am Wheeler Park Captain: OPEN/Info: 734-434-3097 B: 56 mi 9:00 am Wheeler Park Captain: Jan Tripp 734-996-8079 C: 40 mi 10:00 am Saline Municipal Lot, in the block S of US 12 @ AA-Saline Rd. Captain: OPEN/Info: 734-434-3097

June 28 (Sat)

Double Century

Here's a chance to do a double century, incorporating the OHR routes,

A: 200 mi Sunrise (6:10 am) Wheeler Park Captain: Jerry Huntley 517-522-6429

June 29 (Sun)

Remotely Yours Leslie Ride

A and B riders have a remote start for a change! Ride west to Leslie and return. A: 75 mi 9:00 am Chelsea, parking lot W of Pierce's Bakery, W. Middle St. Captains: Don & Gwen Evich 734-426-5116 B: 50 mi 9:00 am Stockbridge Park, at north end of N. Wood St, 1st right turn west of Main Square.

Captain: Jonathan Rodgers 734-426-4989

June 29 (Sun)

Breakfast in Milan Ride

Stay far, far away from those crazy A and B riders while enjoying breakfast in Milan. C: 35 mi 9:00 am Wheeler Park Captains:

Jim & Dorothy Spencer 734-434-3097

June 29 (Sun)

Lower Huron River Metropark Ride

Ride through three Metro Parks on the lower Huron River: Lower Huron, Willow and Oakwoods Metro Parks.

C: 30 mi 10:00 am French Landing Historic Park, exit 192 (Haggerty Road) off of 194, south to French Landing park located on the west side of Haggerty Road. Captain: Gil Daws 734-451-3210

July 4 (Fri)

Northern Torch Lake 4th of July Ride

Ride from the west side of Torch Lake north to Norwood (on paved back roads), stop at Rex Beach (Antrim County Conservancy) and enjoy gorgeous views of Lake Michigan. Return to Hescheles chalet for a Torch Lake swim. Watch weekend fireworks over Torch Lake. B/C/D: 35 mi 9:00 am Hescheles' chalet (10 miles north of Elk Rapids). Captains: Jeanette & Chuck Hescheles 734-761-2885 or 734-395-6404

July 4 (Fri)

Democratic Ride

In the AABTS holiday ride tradition, those who show pick where to go. A/B/C mileage determined by participants. 9:00 am Wheeler Park

July 6 (Sun)

AABTS Members OHR

Ride now so you can help on the big day! Rides start at Aberdeen Bike & Fitness, 1178 S Main, at north side of bike shop.

A: 100 mi 8:00 am Chelsea

Captain: Jonathan Rodgers 734-426-4989

A/B: 76 mi 9:00 am Chelsea Captain: Dan Harrison 734-971-3610

B: 63 mi 9:00 am Chelsea

Captain: Vickie Smith 734-996-9461 B/C: 39 mi 9:00 am Chelsea Captain: Gil Daws 734-451-3210

July 11 (Fri)

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C-: 3+ mi 6:00 pm Liberty Plaza Park, corner of Liberty and Division in Ann Arbor.
Captain: Frank Schwende 734-975-1989 schwende@sbcglobal.net

July 12 (Sat) OHR XXXII

AABTS' annual effort to promote cycling in our area and raise money for Club activities, so bring your friends and hope for good weather! 39, 63, 76 and 100 mi routes all start at Chelsea Fairgrounds from 6:45 am to 10 am. A 37 mi Fat Tire Dirt Road ride (shorter options of 18 or 19 mi) and 15 & 30 mi Fun Rides start at Portage Lake State Park from 8:00 am to noon. Captain: Maury Kroopnick 734-646-4978

July 13 (Sun)

Post OHR Democratic Ride

Those who show pick the route. 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Visit www.aabts.org for:

Forums
Calendar
& Updates
Newsletter
Ride Sheets
Maps

July 17 (Thurs)

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A/B/C: 8/16/24 mi 10:00 pm East end of Mitchell Field Parking Lot on Fuller Rd. Captain: Ken Bawcom 734-973-9225

July 19 (Sat)

RAT Warm Up

A Club pre-ride for Ride Around Torch Lake (see Invitationals). Ride paved country roads from Torch Lake to Central Lake/Ellsworth, returning to Torch Lake for a swim. Lunch in Central Lake or gourmet restaurant Tapiwingo in Ellsworth.

B/C: 35 mi 9:00 am Hescheles' chalet. Captains/info: Chuck & Jeanette Hescheles 734-761-2885 or 734-395-6404

July 20 (Sun)

Sleeker Senile (S)Century Series Ride Number 4

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Captain: Tom Sleeker 248-324-1879

B: 62 mi 9:00 am Dexter

Captain: Jan Tripp 734-996-8079 C: 22/38 mi 9:00 am Wheeler Park Captain: Tom Rogers 734-747-8774

> August-September Ride Calendar Deadlines:

Sunday Ride Ideas: June 2 by e-mail, or at Ride Calendar Meeting on Wed, June 4

Weekly & Invitational: June 18 Final!

Sunday to: Jim Spencer

jspencer aabtscal@earthlink.net 734-904-6431

> Weekly to: Ann Hunt

aehunt@comcast.net 761-1147

Invitationals to: Vickie Smith

vickie.smith@comcast.net 996-9461 July 20 (Sun)

South Lyon Ride

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July 27 (Sun)

Adrian Mural Ride

Taste the cuisine & culture of Adrian.
Zesty options for brunch followed by four unique Mexican flavored murals on the route from town.

A: 90 mi 9:00 am Wheeler Park
Captain: Dan Harrison 734-971-3610
B: 60 mi 9:00 am Saline Municipal Lot, in
the block S of US 12 @ AA-Saline Rd.
Captain: Jack Caldwell 734-663-5060
C: 35 mi 10:00 am Clinton City Lot, on
US-12 the block E of Clinton Rd.
Captains:

Jim & Dorothy Spencer 734-434-3097

Lead a Ride!

Sunday Ride Coordinators
A/B Rides: Position Open

C Rides: Position Open
To Chair these positions,
Contact Jim Spencer
ispencer aabtscal@earthlink.net

734-904-6431

Saturday Rides:

Kevin McGuinness kmcguinn@comcast.net 761-9894

Weeklys:

Ann Hunt aehunt@comcast.net 761-1147

Invitationals:

Vickie Smith vickie.smith@comcast.net 996-9461

AABTS June-July '08 ANN ARBOR AREA Weekly Rides

| Mondays | Tuesdays | Wednesdays | Thursdays | Fridays | Saturdays | Sundays | | |
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| 8:00 am Back Roads Ramble Ride gravel roads to Independence Lake, Llama Farm and other low traffic destinations. Start: 960 Forest Rd, off Country Club Rd in Barton Hills C: 15-35 mi Captains: Jeanette & Chuck Hescheles 761-2885 Beth Caldwell 663-5060 9:00 am Chelsea Ride A ride for all levels. Destination alternates between Stockbridge and Munith area. To arrange a bike demo during ride, call bike shop at 475-8203. Start: Chelsea, 1178 S. Main, north side of Aberdeen Bike & Fitness. B/C: 35-45 & 55-65 mi Captain: Mick Osman 517-285-6830 6:00 pm Paved Country Roads Ride Optional stop at Pleasant Lake Party Store. Hilly Schneider Rd included on longer routes. Start: Pine Cross Ln, north edge past mailboxes. A/B/C: 18/24/30 mi Captains: Don & Gwen Evich 426-5116 7:00 pm sharp! The Civilized Ride A C/C-, no-drop ride made popular by retired captains Steu & Lucy White. All are welcome! Captain will ride | 9:00 am Whitmore Lake Brunch Ride A bike path ride to Kensington Metro Park or Island Lake State Park, with brunch afterward. Start: McHattie Park in South Lyon, 1/4 mi south of 10 Mile & 1/4 mi west of Pontiac Trail. B: 20-46 mi Captains: Jon & Carol Stinson 449-2026 6:00 pm The Big Sky Ride Pedal the relatively quiet, flat, picturesque roads south of Ann Arbor. Start: York Baptist Church parking lot, 1220 Stony Creek Rd. (corner of Platt). B: 20-35 mi Captains: Manfred & Judy Schmidt 971-5763 6:00 pm Huron River Ride Enjoy the Huron River & environs on summer evenings. Start: Forsythe Middle School, 1655 Newport Rd, Ann Arbor. B/C: 18-40+ mi Captain: Doug Tidd 662-0205 | 9:00 am Superior Salem Dirt Road Ride Ride gravel roads on a great country circuit. Basic 19-mile route; multiple longer loops. Fewer miles for new riders. Start: Trinity Presbyterian Church parking lot at NE corner of Gotfredson Rd & Plymouth-Ann Arbor Rd. B/C: 19+ mi Captains: Jim Melosh 248-437-5067 Beth Caldwell 734-663-5060 9:00 am Northwestern Brunch Ride Enjoy some of our favorite roads when traffic is low. Stop for breakfast/lunch. Start: Stockbridge Park, at north end of N. Wood St, 1st rt turn west of Main Square. A: 100 mi option B: 25-50 mi Captain: Alice Rawson 475-9297 6:00 pm sharp! West Side Ride (31st Year!) Newcomers and casual riders welcome! Dexter DQ visit possible on all routes. Start: Sweepster Parking Lot, 2800 N. Zeeb Rd., just north of Huron River Bridge B/C: 25 mi Captains: Don & Gwen Evich 426-5116 C: 13-18 mi Captains: Brad Bates 665-4552 Ross Richardson 761-2659 6:00 pm Saline Ride An A/B ride south to Milan then west through the area around Britton-Macon. | 9:00 am Jackson Co. Brunch Ride Ride the less traveled roads of scenic Jackson County. Start: Cavanaugh Lake Park on Cavanaugh Lake Rd. 3.2 mi W of Chelsea. B: 25-50 mi Captain: John Pierce 994-5908 6:00 pm Chelsea Ride A ride for all levels. Destination alternates between Dexter, Grass Lake, Munith, Stockbridge and Waterloo area. Call bike shop at 475-8203 to arrange a bike demo during ride. Start: Chelsea, 1178 S. Main, north side of Aberdeen Bike & Fitness. B/C: 20-45 mi Captain: Mick Osman 517-285-6830 6:45 pm Ann Arbor Thursday Evening Ride This ride covers the environs around NE Ann Arbor and includes some good chances to polish up your climbing skills. Start: Fuller Pool parking lot A/B: 25+ mi Captain: Steve Dodge 996-9122 7:00 pm Frank Lloyd Wright Ride Enjoy lightly traveled dirt roads. Mountain or wide tire bikes recommended. Start: 2722 Georgetown Blvd, Ann Arbor (0.8 mi N off of Plymouth Rd, 0.5 mi W of US-23) C:15-18 mi | Fridays 9:00 am Huron River Bike Trail A scenic ride along the mighty Huron from Bandemer Park to Parker Mill plus some alternate routes. Start: Gallup Park Canoe Livery C: 13+ mi Captain: Joe Datsko 663-4498 6:00 pm Dexter DQ Ride Start the weekend by riding to the Dexter DQ for a Friday night snack. Start: Abbot School, 2670 Sequoia Pkwy, Ann Arbor C: 26+ mi Captain: Elizabeth Tidd 662-0205 Rides are graded A+ (fast and hard) thru D (slow but determined) A Riders are expected to be self sufficient. B Ride captains will check with slower riders near start, and at later stops. C&D Ride captains will ride sweep to assist all riders. All Riders are urged to be prepared to repair a flat. | Sunrise Saturday Ride Ride leaves Wheeler Park at sunrise. Check A² News for sunrise time. A slow-paced ride to Dexter for breakfast. No ride July 12, do OHR. Start: Wheeler Park D: 22+ mi Captain: Dennis Burke 313-562-9464 8:00 am Dexter Breakfast Ride AABTS's most popular ride follows scenic Huron River Dr to Dexter, and beyond! The ride captain will depart shortly after the starting time with C riders & newcomers. The last riders should arrive in Dexter no more than 1½ hours after leaving Wheeler Park. Sample the delights of the Dexter Bakery! Ride options, total miles: Dexter, 22; farm stand, 30; Chelsea, 38; Cavanaugh Lake, 48; Waterloo, 55; Munith, 70; beyond, 80-100. Start: Wheeler Park (corner of Depot and N. Fourth Ave. just west of Amtrak station). Alternative start: Barton Park (on Huron River Dr.). Sign ride sheet in Dexter. A/B/C: 22/30/38/48/55/70/80-100 mi Captains: Jun 7: Drew Burton 994-3001 Jun 14: Maury Kroopnick 646-4978 Jun 21: Barb Underwood 665-3961 Jun 28: Tom Powell 994-6340 July 5: Vickie Smith 996-9461 | August-September Ride Calendar Deadlines: Sunday Ride Ideas: June 2 by e-mail, or at Ride Calendar Meeting on June 4 Weekly & Invitational: June 18 Final! Sunday to: Jim Spencer ispencer aabtscal@earthlink. net 734-904-6431 Weekly to: Ann Hunt aehunt@comcast.net 761-1147 Invitationals to: Vickie Smith vickie.smith@comcast. net 996-9461 | | |
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| Threatening weather? call captains for update. Start: Wellington Park, corner Alice & Bruce St. C/C-: 12 or 18 mi Captains: June:Joel Hakken 945-4133 July: Liz Calhoun 213-2908 | Calendar & Updates Newsletter Ride Sheets Maps | Captain: Geoff Crosbie 734-645-5840 6:30 pm Kensington Ride See Plymouth Area Weekly Ride page. | | may not run on major holidays. Check with ride captain. | 971-3610 Swim Extension (thru Aug) Continue from Dexter to a nearby lake for a swim. B: 40-60 mi Info: Steve Segall 971-1065 | | | |

AABTS June-July '08 PLYMOUTH AREA Weekly Rides

| Mondays | Tuesdays Wedi | nesdays Thursdays | Fridays | Saturdays | Sundays |
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| Ride Hines Park. Alternate route is on roads west of Plymouth. Start: Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman A/B/C: 10+ mi Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014 Singingcyclist@aol.com Start: Plymouth (downtown) Perk Warm-Up Ride Burn some extra calories, log a few more miles, some hill climbing, before joining regular FEF Ride. Start: Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman A/B/C: 10+ mi Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014 Singingcyclist@aol.com 6:30 pm Far East Fringe Beginning/Training Ride Ride is oriented to introduce new, or relatively new, road bike riders to the sport of cycling. Modest pace and distance dictated by those who attend. A fun, social, learning experience allowing training for more advanced cycling pace and distance. Start: Parking Theater A/B/C: Captain Preston C | Park A.M. Ride mes Park. Plymouth (downtown) to behind Penn 7,760 Penniman 30 + mi s: Bud & Gail 248-380-0691 8-3-76-1440 Storn@comcast.net Plymouth (downtown) to behind Penn 7,760 Penniman + mi : Gary Francis 2-1014 Expelist@aol.com St Fringe Ride med riders. Plymouth (downtown) to behind Penn 7,760 Penniman + mi : Gary Francis 2-1014 Expelist@aol.com St Fringe Ride med riders. Plymouth (downtown) to behind Penn 7,760 Penniman -33 + mi s: D'Haene 5-5313 Sine@comcast.net Dadway -805-4407 m-5:30 pm) Far East Fri Hines Park Ride Page 9:00 am Superior Sa Ride See Ann Arb Ride Page See Monday Start: Plymo Parking lot b Theater, 760 A/B/C: 10 + r Captain: Gar 734-522-101 Singingcyclis 6:30 pm Far East Fri Hines Park Ride, then so Box Bar afte Start: Plymo Parking lot b Theater, 760 A/B/C: 15-30 Captains: Jim Van Vlei Mark Shields 6:30 pm Kensington A pleasant e ending with t lake. Summe potluck picnic Start: Upper Launch parki Kensington F B/C: 22-45 n Captains: Dave Farmel | Ride Hines Park. Start: Plymouth (down parking lot behind Pen Theater, 760 Pennima A/B/C: 30 + mi Captains: Bud & Gail Preston 248-380-0690 Image Ride Tor description. uth (downtown) ehind Penn Penniman Pennim | Ride along Hines Drive. Start: Newburgh Pointe Rec. Area parking lot (on Hines Drive between Haggerty & Newburgh Rds A/B/C: 20+ mi Captain: Phyllis Czapla 453-8794 Intown) In Drive Detween Haggerty & Newburgh Rds A/B/C: 20+ mi Captain: Phyllis Czapla 453-8794 Intown) In Drive Drive Start: Newburgh Rds A/B/C: 20+ mi Captain: Phyllis Czapla 453-8794 Intown) In Drive Drive Start: Newburgh Pointe Rec. Area parking lot (on Hines Drive. Start: Newburgh Rds A/B/C: 20+ mi Captain: Phyllis Czapla 453-8794 Intown) In Drive Drive Sunday Ride Ideas: June 2 by e-mail, or at Ride Calendar Meeting on June 4 Weekly & Invitational June 18 Final! Sunday to: Jim Spencer jspencer_aabtscal@earthlin net 734-904-6431 Weekly to: Area Livet | ride July 12, do OHR. Start: Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman B/C: 20-50 mi Captains: Jeff Witzburg 734-459-4013 Pete Anderson 248-563-3805 fireplacepete@gmail.com Rides are graded A+ (fast and hard) thru D (slow but determined) A Riders are expected to be self sufficient. B Ride captains will check with slower riders near start, and at later stops. C&D Ride captains will ride sweep to assist all riders. All Riders are urged to | 7:00 am Far East Fringe Sunday Early Bird Ride Ride along Hines Drive or the roads west of Plymouth. Start: Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman B/C: 20+ mi Captains: Don Broadway 734-560-1601 Gary Francis 734-522-1014 singingcyclist@aol.com 9:00 am Far East Fringe Sunday Ride Ride the roads west of Plymouth (50+ mi) and on scenic Hines Drive (20+ mi) Start: Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman B: 20-50+ mi (lunch) Captains: Wendy D'Haene 313-505-5313 wddhaene@comcast.net Joe Skurka 248-449-6572 joe@skurka.us 1:00 pm Terry's Herd of Turtles No Drop Sunday Afternoon Ride in the Park Ride A relaxing, conversational ride through Hines Park. Ride only if it is above 40, or under 90, degrees and pavement is dry. Start: Nankin Mill Interpretive Center, north side of Hines Dr., 1/4 mile east of Ann Arbor Trail. A/B/C: 20+ mi Captain: Terry Treppa 734-729-0150 Weekly Rides may not run on major holidays. Check with ride captain. |

June-July 2008 Invitational Rides

Non-commercial rides. A Club member must volunteer as ride captain. In case of multiple volunteers, the first name received will be listed as ride captain. These rides often require advance registration. Call ride captain for information.

Jun 1 (Sun)

Farm Lake Tour

Plymouth, MI. Scenic roads through western Wayne, SE Livingston, & NE Washtenaw Counties, showcasing excellent cycling opportunities in your own back yard. Routes for all cycling abilities. www.lmb.org/saddle/ Captain: Phyllis Czapla 734-453-8794

Jun 7 (Sat)

100,000 Metre T-Shirt Ride

Laingsburg High School, Laingsburg, Ml. 25-50- & 100-K loops (17, 34 & 62 miles) in rural Shiawassee County on moderately rolling terrain. Go to www.biketcba.org and click on 100,000 Metre T-Shirt Ride. Captain: Gayle Larson 248-669-4366 gayle.larson46@yahoo.com

Jun 7 (Sat)

Grand Opening of Gaylord-Cheboygan-**Mackinaw City Trail**

Celebrate National Trails Day with this gala event on Michigan's newest (crushed limestone) Rail-to-Trail. Ride the north 1/2 or south 1/2, followed by lunch/dedication/entertainment at Marina Park, Indian River, with bus back to your car. Stay for Sunday's AABTS road ride and make an upnorth weekend out of it. www.trailscouncil.org Captain: Jim Datsko 231-264-0041 jrdatsko@tm.net

Jun 7 (Sat)

Gears & Beers' Ride to Cure ALS

Ann Arbor, MI. A pledge benefit ride for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (Lou Gehrig's Disease). Starts at Wheeler Park. For more info, contact Erin Ehlers at 248-680-6540. webmi.alsa.org/site/PageServer?pagename= MI homepage

Captain: Leslie Isaacs, Two Wheel Tango Bicycle Shop, 734-769-8401

Jun 7 (Sat)

Courtland (Alabama) Historical **Association Scenic Bike Ride**

One-day ride sponsored by the Courtland Historical Society. Choice of two scenic routes, about 40-50 miles over lightly rolling terrain. 8:30 a.m. start.

www.800alabama.com/things-to-do/events Captain: Dan Harrison 734-971-3610 a2danharrison@sbcglobal.net

Jun 8 (Sun)

Tour de Cure - S.E. Michigan

Island Lake Recreation Area, Brighton, MI. One of a series of cycling events held in more than 80 cities nationwide to benefit the American Diabetes Association. Road routes of 70, 50, 25, 15 & 7 miles, and 8- and 14mile mountain bike trail routes.

www.diabetes.org/tour

Captain: Mick Osman 517-285-6830 scimitargordons@yahoo.com

Jun 8 (Sun)

11th Annual Cambridge Tour de Grand

Cambridge, Ontario. Bicycle ride for all levels--10-, 25-, 50-, 100-, or 160-km routes; scenic rides through urban & rural areas. All proceeds go to Cambridge Bikeway Network to promote cycling in Cambridge.

www.cambridgetourdegrand.com/ Captains: Jay & Sheilagh Fillion 519-622-0894 cycle@rogers.com

Jun 8-13 (Sun-Fri)

The Argus Leader Tour De Kota

Starting & ending in Sioux Falls, SD. Overnights in Mitchell, Chamberlain, Highmore, Huron, & Brookings. 475 miles in 7 days. www.tourdekota.com Captain: Lloyd Strong 519-252-8674 lstrong2@cogeco.net

Jun 8-14 (Sun-Sat)

Bicycle Ride Across Georgia (BRAG)

Family-oriented, 7-day, 433-mile tour from Oxford (near Atlanta) southeast to St. Simons Island. Camping trip, motels available. www.brag.org Captain: Jan Shubitowski 734-971-3610 janeta2@att.net

Jun 8-14 (Sun-Sat)

Bicvcle Ride Across Nebraska (BRAN)

The ride captain has withdrawn this ride. If interested, contact Vickie Smith: vickie.smith@comcast.net

Jun 9 (Mon)

Assault on Mt. Mitchell (& Assault on Marion)

Spartanburg, SC. One of the best known-and most grueling--bicycle centuries in the U.S. The Assault on Marian covers the first 73 miles of the 103-mile Mt. Mitchell route, and 4500 feet of elevation. Fills quickly! www.freewheelers.info/assault.html Captain: Tom Zempel 734-668-1358 tzempel@comcast.net

Jun 14-15 (Sat-Sun)

National 24-Hour Challenge

A personal best bicycle ride to test your endurance and determination. Middleville, MI. www.n24hc.org

Captain: Scott Falconberry 810-533-6077 scottfa@charter.net

Jun 14-15 (Sat-Sun)

Big Mac Spring Tour

TIME FOR A BIG MAC ATTACK! Ride Saturday 25, 50, 75, or 100 miles from Mackinaw City. The 75- and 100-mile routes include the beautiful Tunnel of Trees, and the 50-mile route visits Cross Village's famous Leggs Inn. Sunday ride over the Mackinaw Bridge (at 6:30 a.m.) and boat ride back to Mackinaw City (\$12 fee or reduced rate to Mackinaw Island); or see Barb's Sunday Big Mac Alternative in Special Rides & Events. Call captain for directions and motel sugaestions.

Start: Saturday: 9 am or at your schedule at Mackinaw City High School;

Sunday: 6:30 am at High School. See www.mackinawchamber.com & check calendar or call 888-455-8100

Captain: Barb Underwood 734-665-3961 or

underbpatd@aol.com

Jun 21 (Sat) 600K ACP Brevet

Columbus, OH. Fourth in a series of 5 brevets sponsored by the Ohio Randonneurs for the 2008 riding season. Randonneuring, long-distance bicycling, is not a race, but a ride done at a self-regulated pace in order to complete a designated route within a designated time. Other dates in series are 3/29, 4/19, 5/31, & 8/30. www.ohiorand.org Captain: Tom Sleeker 248-324-1879 ssle148851@aol.com

Jun 21-27 (Sat-Fri)

PALM XXVII - Pedal Across Lower Michigan

Emphasizing the social & recreational aspects of cycling, PALM is geared to the novice & intermediate rider, and is particularly suited for families. Daily distances of 35-60 miles; longer routes available. New Buffalo to Monroe. PALM IS FILLED! www.lmb.org/palm/

Captain: Vickie Smith 734-996-9461 vickie.smith@comcast.net

Jun 21-28 (Sat-Sat)

Border Raiders

Eight-day, four-state (Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri) circle tour through historic places where the border wars ignited the Civil War long before the first shots were fired on Fort Sumter. About 500 miles, with options. www.borderraiders.com Ćaptain: Jan Shubitowski 734-971-3610

ianeta2@att.net

Jun 21-28 (Sat-Sat)

GRABAAWR - Great Annual Bicycle Adventure Along the Wisconsin River

Tour starts at the headwaters of the Wisconsin River and follows its 429-mile length through the Northwoods, the Central Sands, and Wisconsin's Dairyland to Prairie du Chien. 70 miles/day average; one optional century. www.grabaawr.com Captains: Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483 Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu

Jun 22-28 (Sun-Sat)

14th Annual Bicycle Tour of Colorado

A fully supported weeklong bicycle road tour through the Rockies: Durango, Ouray, Montrose, Telluride, Naturita, Cortez, Durango. 403 miles, many mountain passes, 45-95 miles per day, off day in Telluride. www.bicycletourcolorado.com/ Captain: Tom Zempel 734-668-1358

tzempel@comcast.net

Jun 27-29 (Fri-Sun)

Pedal Across Wisconsin Door County Weekend

Sturgeon Bay, WI. A ride through Wisconsin's counterpoint to Michigan's Leelanau Peninsula. This biker's paradise has been called the New England of the Midwest. 25-50-75 mile loops daily along Lake Michigan's shoreline and through picturesque farm country.

www.pedalacrosswisconsin.com/#door Captain: Ann Garvin 734-663-4075 agarvin224@aol.com

Jun 29 (Sun) EcoRide 2008

The Ecology Center's annual fundraising bike ride - long an AABTS favorite. Routes of 3.5, 10, and 25-55 miles. Registration 7:00 a.m.-10:00 am, Hudson Mills Metropark. Interactive on-line registration available. See www.ecocenter.org for all details. Captain: Mike Grant 734-994-4665

Club Mile Eligibility:

Invitationals must be published on the Ride Calendar while the ride is still open for registration.

Jul 5-11 (Sat-Fri)

Bike Northwoods Tour

Cycle from Lake Superior through the deep woods and lakes of the Chequamegon Nat'l Forest, home of famous xc ski trails, to the Mississippi River. www.BikeWisconsin.com Captain: Jim Datsko 231-264-0041 irdatsko@tm.net

Jul 19 (Sat)

28th Annual Women On Wheels Ride -WOW

Mason High School, Mason, MI. Travel scenic country roads SE of Lansing on routes of 17, 32, & 50 miles. Maps, rest stops, sags, and lunch provided. Men welcome too! www.biketcba.org/ Captain: Ann Garvin 734-663-4075 agarvin224@aol.com

Jul 19-20 (Sat-Sun)

Le Tour de Norfolk

Delhi, Ontario. Cycling fun for the whole family! Saturday distances: 15, 40, 75, 100, 130, & 160 km; Sunday distances: 75 & 100 km. All-you-can-eat buffet and outdoor concert on Saturday evening. Camping available. www.delhiontario.com Captain: Sharlene McGugan 519-685-8034 smcgugan@rogers.com

Jul 19-26 (Sat-Sat)

The Bon Ton Roulet

"Let The Good Times Roll!" The Bon Ton celebrates its eleventh 7-day voyage through the beautiful Finger Lakes Region of New York State. Take in the area's landmark vineyards and wineries, hills and picturesque waterways as you ride at your own quiet, unhurried pace. 350 miles.

www.bontonroulet.com

Captains: Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483 Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu.

Jul 20 (Sun)

Ride Around Torch

Scenic tour of 25, 62, or 100 miles around beautiful Torch Lake (Michigan's longest inland lake), past orchards, quaint towns, and the chain-of-lakes. Picnic/cookout afterwards at the Elk Rapids Village Park. cherry-capital.com/cccc See Special Rides and Events for accompanying AABTS

Captain: Jeanette & Chuck Hescheles 734-761-2885/734-395-6404 (cell) chescheles@comcast.net

> Doing an invitational (August or later) you don't see in Coming Up?

Email vickie.smith@comcast.net or Call 996-9461

NOW to get it listed.

Jul 20-26 (Sun-Sat)

8th Annual Great Big FANY Ride

FANY stands for Five Hundred Miles Across New York. This tour explores the back roads of upstate New York--Niagara Falls, Lake Ontario, the Erie Canal, Finger Lakes wineries region, Adirondack Mountains-- and ends in Saratoga Springs just before horse racing season. www.fanyride.com/ Captain: Scott Falconberry 810-533-6077 scottfa@charter.net

Jul 20-26 (Sun-Sat)

RAGBRAI XXXVI- Register's Annual **Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa**

Classic cross-country bicycle tour - the granddaddy of them all. Remember: Iowa ain't flat! Paper entry submission closed. April 1 deadline for online entry submission. Fills quickly! www.ragbrai.org Captain: Vickie Smith 734-996-9461

vickie.smith@comcast.net

Jul 24-27 (Thu-Sun)

Wish-A-Mile (WAM) 300 Bicycle Tour

Three-day, 300-mile tour designed to raise funds for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan. Ride starts in Traverse City and ends in Chelsea. Bus provided from Chelsea to start of ride.

www.wishmich.org/events/wish-a-mile.shtml Captain: John Finnegan 734-891-0787 johnbfinnegan@aol.com

> August-September Ride Calendar Deadlines:

Sunday Ride Ideas: June 2 by e-mail, or at **Ride Calendar Meeting** on Wed, June 4

Weekly & Invitational: June 18 Final!

Sunday to: Jim Spencer

ispencer aabtscal@earthlink.net 734-904-6431

Weekly to: **Ann Hunt**

aehunt@comcast.net 761-1147

Invitationals to: Vickie Smith

vickie.smith@comcast.net 996-9461

Coming Up

Aug 1-3 (Fri-Sun)

Eastern Tandem Rally

Durham, NH. Ride the Atlantic coast, crossing into Maine, passing classic New England scenery, history, fishing boats, and lighthouses. www.easterr Captains: Joel & Wendy Hakken 734-945-4133

Aug 2 (Sat)

Northern Michigan-Art Festival Ride

Ride the TART Trail to Suttons Bay and enjoy the Art Festival there. Call captains for start location and time. C: 25+ mi Traverse City. Captains: Jeanette & Chuck Hescheles 734-761-2885, 734-395-6404 (cell #)

Aug 2-9 (Sat-Sat) Heart of Wisconsin Northwoods

Sponsored by Pedal Across Wisconsin. Discover a magic part of Wisconsin. Start in Merrill, ride west and north through beautiful woodlands and past pristine lakes. Longest days are 63 miles. Lodging in motels--no camping!

Captain: Chris Flaviani 248-349-8862 cflav@tds.net

Aug 2-9 (Sat-Sat)

Candisc 2008 "Bike the Badlands of Teddy Roosevelt"

A 420-mile loop encompassing the ruggedly picturesque North Dakota Badlands, truly scenic Teddy Roosevelt National Park, pristine Lake Sakakawea, and the historic wild west town of Medora. Starts & ends in Garrison, ND. Captain: Lloyd Strong 519-252-8674

Aua 3 (Sun)

Annual Charity Bicycle Ride for Sight
Sponsored by the Dearborn Heights Lions Club. 20- & 40mile routes starting from Nankin Interpretive Center on Hines Drive. DHLC/CBRFS, 35637 Cherry Hill Rd., Westland, MI 48186-7434. Captain: Terry Treppa 734-729-2240

Aug 3-9 (Sun-Sat)

West Shoreline Bicycle Tour

Ride the League of Michigan Bicyclists' popular ride along the coast of Lake Michigan. Terrain varies from flats to rolling hills to some challenging climbs. www.lmb Captains: Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483

Aug 8-10 (Fri-Sun) Amishland And Lakes (35th Annual)

Years ago favorite of AABTS. Sat is through Indiana Amish country and Sun is lake scenery of southern Michigan. Ice cream social at Howe Village Green. www.mbabike.com Captain: Jim Datsko 231-264-0041 irdatsko@tm.net

Aug 22-24 (Fri-Sun)

Southern Tier Tandem Rally

Elmira, NY. A truly family oriented tandem rally. Great rides from 20-75 miles each

day. After riding you can lounge around the pool and enjoy a picnic/cookout with

fellow tandem riders. www.gtgtandems.com/sttr2.html Captains: Joel & Wendy Hakken 734-945-4133

August 23 (Sat) Heart of Tennessee (HOT) 100

Come see why Bicycling Magazine chose this as one of its "50 Great Rides in 50 States". Route options include 100, 66, 33, and 14 miles. Lascassas Elementary, Uninc Rutherford County, TN. Read more and register on-line at: om/ridecalendar/hot100.php Mark Bartleson 734-377-4517 mbartles@yahoo.com

Aug 23-Sep 6 (Sat-Sat)

Braveheart: Scotland South to North (BAC)

Ride the waves of history and legend from the castle gates in Stirling to the famous Smoo Caves on the northern Scottish coast. Enjoy the unique and healthy atmosphere of the Scottish Highland, its people, culture & music, and its spectacular unspoiled scenery. Filling quickly! See v.wildcat-bike-tours.co.uk/scotland-bray full details. www.bicycleadventureclub.or

Ride captains: Bud & Gail Preston 248-380-0691

Aug 27 or 28-31 (Wed- or Thu-Sun)

DALMAC - Dick Allen Lansing to Mackinaw Bicycle Tour

A Club favorite featuring 5 routes in 2008: Five-Day, Five UP, Four-Day East, Four-Day West and Quad Century. Full information and application at www.dalmac.org Captains: Gwen & Don Evich 734-426-5116 gwenevich@worldnet.att.net

Aug 29-Sep 1 (Fri-Mon) 33rd Annual Midwest Tandem Rally (MTR) – Linkin' the

Hosted by the Chicago Area Tandem Society in Springfield, IL. MTR visitors will enjoy a variety of shopping venues, dining, and entertainment options, including the Abraham Lincoln Museum, Lincoln National Historic Home Site, Old and Current Capitol Buildings, New Salem Village, Dana Thomas (Frank Lloyd Wright) House, Historic Route 66 sites and many more. www.mtr2008.org Captains: Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483

Aug 30 (Sat)

1000K ACP Brevet

Columbus, OH. Fifth in a series of 5 brevets sponsored by the Ohio Randonneurs for the 2008 riding season. Randonneuring, long-distance bicycling, is not a race, but a ride done as a self-regulated pace in order to complete a designated route within a designated time. Other dates in series are 3/29, 4/19, 5/31, & 6/21. <u>www.ohiorand.org</u> Captain: Tom Sleeker 248-324-1879 ssle148851@aol.com

Sep 4-18 (Thu-Fri)

A Lake Michigan Ramble (BAC)

Tour starts in Ludington, MI, ending on Mackinac Island. Most days are 40-55 miles. Features Lake Michigan beaches, Leelanau Peninsula, Mission Point, the Tunnel of Trees, Torch Lake, & Mackinac Island, where we stay 2 nights. Fully supported, staying in hotels and B&B's. Filledwaiting list only www.bicycleadventureclub.org Ride captain: Vickie Smith 734-996-9461

Sep 6 (Sat) **ODRAM – One Day Ride Across Michigan**Test your capabilities after a summer of riding with a 1-day ride across Michigan's Lower Peninsula. Start at 6:30 a.m. at Muskegon's Meinart County Park & finish at Bay City State Park, 152 miles away. Self-supported, no sags. Lunch provided.

www.lmb.org/pages/Events/ShorelinePages/odram.htm Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014

Sep 6 (Sat)
Civil War Century
Join the Baltimore Bike Club in Thurmont, Maryland for an event that has everything -- famous historical sites, breathtaking scenery, love the state of the s routes designed for every ability level. Five rides ranging from long and mountainous to short and flat (25, 50, 62, 77 & 100 miles). Century includes three battlefields along the route. AABTS ride follows next day at Gettysburg.

Captain: Steve Dodge 734-996-9122

Sep 7 (Sun) The 38th Hancock Horizontal Hundred

Findlay, OH. One of the flattest rides in Ohio--great for a first century attempt.36-, 62-, & 100-mile routes. Chris Cakes serve hotcakes before, and an ice cream social follows the ride. New location after 37 years.

Captain: Doug Tidd 734-662-0205 dougtidd@yahoo.com

Sep 12-20 (Fri-Sat)

Wandering Wheels 24th Fall Breakaway Tour

The 2008 route is yet to be determined (in 2007 it was in Michigan's Thumb area); check web site at

www.wanderingwheels.org Captain: Vivian Phillips 734-482-5103

lstrong2@cogeco.net

Sep 14-20 (Sun-Sat)
Bicycle Ride Across Tennessee (BRAT)
The 2008 BRAT will begin in upper east Tennessee. The route will be more mountainous than in past years; registration and route information to be posted soon. www.state.tn.us/environment/parks/BRAT/ Captain: Lloyd Strong 519-252-8674

Sep 19-21 (Fri-Sun)

Southern Tandem Rally

Bowling Green, KY. The Friday routes lead through Mammoth Cave National Park, on Saturday there is a stop at the Shaker Museum in South Union, and Sunday's ride takes you through the rolling hills east of Bowling Green.

www.gdrinc.com/str2008/ Captains: Joel & Wendy Hakken 734-945-4133

Sep 20 (Sat) PEAC Celebration of Cycling

This ride benefits Programs to Educate All Cyclists (PEAC), which trains individuals with disabilities to become cyclists. Warrendale Shelter at Hines Park, Dearborn Heights. Last year, the AABTS team pedaled the most miles. 12, 25, 35, 50, 75, 100 miles.

Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014 singingcyclist@aol.com

Sep 27-Oct 4 (Sat-Sat)

Cycle North Carolina

The 2008 CNC "Mountains to the Coast" ride will begin in beautiful Black

Mountain and end on the sandy beaches of Oak Island with overnight stops in: Morganton, Lincolnton, Concord (Lowes Motor Speedway), Wingate, Laurel Hill and White

Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014

Sep 28 (Sun)

Apple Cider Century

Tour orchards, forests, and wine country in and around Three Oaks, MI on the west side of the state. Routes of 25, 50, 75, & 100. Fills early! www.applecidercentury.com Captain: Dave Krick 734-276-2043

Oct 5-10 (Sun-Fri)

Wisconsin Hills (BAC)
Fixed-center tour based at the House on the Rock Resort in Spring Green, WI. Tour features 10 or more rides varying from 30-60 miles. Area is called the Driftless Hills, and features hills with pastoral vistas, picturesque farm valleys, and low traffic roads. Most rides include frequent hills (mostly less than 2500 feet total climbing per day). Area attractions include the House on the Rock, wineries, breweries, antique shops, & art studios. Now filled -

waiting list only. www.bicycleadventureclub. Captains: Bud & Gail Preston 248-380-0691

Oct 17-19 (Fri-Sun) Hilly Hundred

Ellettsville, IN. An AABTS classic of fun and entertainment. 100 scenic miles over 2 days. Ride challenging hills and river valleys, often during the autumn colors of Indian

Summer. www.hillyhundred.org
Captains: Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483

Dec 3-8 (Wed-Mon) FestiVELO de Charleston

This fixed-base ride will be hosted and centered in the rural area of Berkeley County, SC, around the Francis Marion National Forest. 340+ miles of recreational cycling viewing the most breathtaking scenery the Ol' South has to offer

Captain: Lloyd Strong 519-252-8674

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