

Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society Ride Calendar 2013

April - May Special Club Rides and Events

Rides are graded A (18+ mph), B (14-18 mph) and C (9-13 mph), based on a comfortable riding pace

April 7 (Sun)

Amy's First Sunday Ride

The first Sunday ride of the year. Those who show pick where to go. Amy will be there to check you in.

A/B/C:

10:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Amy McKinley

734-276-0240

Amckinley0102@gmail.com

Apr 10 (Wed)

Spring Potluck

Bring a dish to pass. Elections, Awards, Patches, Trophies, OHR Volunteer sign-up.

6:00 pm Set up and socialize

7:00 pm Dinner

Grotto Club 2070 W Stadium

Ann Arbor

April 13 (Sat)

9th Annual AABTS Appreciation Day

AABTS members are invited to stop in at Aberdeen Bike & Outdoors in Chelsea for coffee and breakfast (provided by Mary Ann of Zou Zou's) and discounts. The discount normally afforded to AABTS members will be double: 20% on Trek bikes & 30% on in-stock accessories and clothing.

From 10:00 am -5:00 pm Chelsea, Aberdeen Bike & Outdoors, 1101 S Main, 734-475-8203

April 14 (Sun)

Early Filers' Ride

Ride to Moonwinks Café in Dixboro after riding north of Ann Arbor looking for lost tax returns. This ride isn't for those who haven't filed yet. They should stay home to work on their taxes.

A/B: 45+ mi., 10 am from Wheeler Park

Captain: William Bruce 517-402-5789

the4thtenor@yahoo.com

C: 32 mi

10:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Pete Kappus 734-424-9039

petekappus@yahoo.com

April 21 (Sun)

Milan Breakfast Ride

Pop south of Ann Arbor for a hearty breakfast in the town of Milan.

A/B: 40+ mile option will be available.

C: 30+ mi

10:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Ann Hunt 734-761-1147

ahunt@comcast.net

Apr 24 (Wed)

Ride Calendar Meeting

Meet to plan May and June. We need and appreciate your ideas. Afterwards, enjoy pizza and exotic soft drinks while we share the latest club news.

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Pittsfield Village Clubhouse,

2220 Pittsfield Blvd., Ann Arbor.

Ride Calendar Chair: Amy McKinley

734-276-0240

Amckinley0102@gmail.com

April 28 (Sun)

Chilson Crossing Ride

Help us in our search for Chilson Crossing,

where we will stop to sample the local fare.

A/B: 45+ mile option will be available.

9:00 am Dexter Pavillion

C: 35 miles

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Captain: Ann Hunt 734-761-1147

ahunt@comcast.net

April 28 (Sun)

Kensington Metropark Ride

Ride South Lyon to Kensington Metropark & Island Lake State Rec. Area

B: 40-50 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

May 5 (Sun)

Azalia Ashley Memorial Metric Century

Join us as we visit the town of East Milan, currently known as Azalia. Who or what was Azalia? We don't know we just need a name for the ride. Lunch-stop in Milan.

A/B: 67 mi

9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Jeff Eisemann 734-747-1862

bikingjeff@gmail.com

Optional C ride under 40 miles available

May 12 (Sun)

Mother's Day Democratic Ride

Make it home in time for lunch with Mom. Those who show pick where to go. A/B/C mileage determined by participants.

9:00 am Wheeler Park

May 15 (Wed)

Ride of Silence

A silent slow-paced National ride to honor those who have been injured or killed while cycling on public roadways.

C: 10 mi

Recreation Park Senior Center parking lot in

Ypsilanti, corner of Congress and Oakwood.

Ride begins at 7:00pm. Sponsored by Bike Ypsi

(www.bikeypsi.org).

Captain: Bob Krzewinski 734-487-9058

wolverbob@gmail.com

After-ride gathering at Corner Brewery

May 19 (Sun)

Hathaway House

Ride to the historic century old Hathaway House in Blissfield. Enjoy lunch at the casual Main Street Stable. www.mainstreetstable.com

B: 65 mi

10:00 am Saline Municipal Lot, in the block S of US 12 @ AA Saline Rd.

Captain: Jeff Keeler 734-255-8853

jeffreyaklr@gmail.com

C: 45 mi

10:00 am Clinton City Lot, on US 12, the block east of Clinton Rd.

Captains: Joe Pavlovich 734-545-0541

Jpavlovi1953@gmail.com

Amy McKinley 734-276-0240

Amckinley0102@gmail.com

May 23 (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.

B/C: 8/16/24 mi 9:00 pm East end of

Mitchell Field parking lot on Fuller Rd.

Captains: Jim & Jennifer Bryson

734-424-2802

May 26 (Sun)

Memorial Day Sunday Democratic Ride

Holiday weekend democratic ride. Those who show pick where to go. A/B/C mileage determined by participants.

9:00 am Wheeler Park

May 26 (Sun)

South of Adrian Ride

Ride from Adrian to Wauseon or Archbold, Ohio along the rural roads of southern Michigan and northwest Ohio.

A/B: 70-80 mi

9:00 am Adrian, south side, near the Meijer Gas Station, NE corner of M-52 and US-223.

Captain: Tom Glowacki 734-426-4616

tom.bikepilot@gmail.com

May 27 (Mon)

Memorial Day 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

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www.aabts.org

for:

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Bookend Miles:

Ride mileage to and from an
AABTS sponsored ride should
be included on the ride sheet
for the specific ride.

Out of Area Rides

April only (every Wed and Sun)

Florida Winter Rides

Ride Florida's Pinellas Trail with different destinations each week. **Two starting points, call ride captain for details (see below).**

A/B/C: 20-40 mi 10:00 am (Jan-Feb)

9:00 am

Two starting points: New Atlantis on Indian Rocks Rd or Taylor Park, Largo, FL.

Captain: Connie Cavanaugh
727-593-2412 (Florida phone)

Every Monday and Thursday (May only)

Kal-Haven Trail Ride

The route follows what was originally a railroad that has been converted to a limestone/slag surface trail. This is an ideal ride for fat-tire bike or road bikes equipped with non-skinny, treaded tires. Riders will need to provide a light (if traveling the entire distance), helmet and repair kit/pump.

Ride is scheduled every Monday and Thursday through October. Ride leader would appreciate (but not require) a one week notice if you plan to participate. For more information, see

www.vbco.org/government364491.asp

A/B/C: 35-70 mi 5:45 pm Start: near Kalamazoo, North 10th Street (take US-131 north to the West Main Street (M-43) exit; travel west on West Main Street then turn north on 10th street) (see map on website))

Captain: Laike Misikir 248-505-7067

laikemariam@yahoo.com

May 22 (Wed)

Horse Hundred GCBT Pizza Party

6:30 pm The Great Canadian Bicycle Tours (GCBT) bicycle club will host a Pizza Party in the Hilton Garden Inn, 110 Grandstand Drive, Georgetown, KY; at I-75 exit #126. A collection of ~\$12 per person will be made to pay for Pizza & Beer. Note you cannot bring in your own alcohol.

RSVP to Dan Harrison 734-476-4944

a2dan@sbcglobal.net by May 20th.

May 23 (Thu)

Thursday "Horse Country Ride" AABTS Pre-Ride

Georgetown, Kentucky

A/B/C: 30 - 75 mi 8:45 am

Meet at Hilton Garden Inn, 110 Grandstand Dr., Georgetown, (parking available at the outlet mall across the main road) **Note: New meeting**

location. Shorter routes will pick up map here and drive to Midway, KY to join other routes.

Ride to Wallace Station for lunch, see horse farms, distillery, mill, and bird sanctuary.

Captain: Dan Harrison 734-476-4944

a2dan@sbcglobal.net

May 24 (Fri)

Friday "Paris Ride" AABTS Pre-Ride

Georgetown, Kentucky

A/B/C: 30 - 75 mi 8:00 am

Meet at Georgetown College parking lot near 400 E. College Street, the second lot West of Military Street.

Ride to Paris, KY for lunch, see farms, covered bridges, Cane Ridge meeting house.

Captain: Dan Harrison 734-476-4944

a2dan@sbcglobal.net

May 24 (Fri)

Horse Hundred Weekend Friday Group Dinner

5:30 p.m. Join AABTS members and guests for dinner at the nearby Mi Mexico Restaurant, 440 Connector Rd in Georgetown, KY. Reserve by Monday, May 20.

Contact Carol Hohnke 734-546-9570 or carolhohnke@comcast.net for reservations.

May 25 & 26 (Sat-Sun)

Horse Hundred

Arguably the biggest AABTS favorite invitational, through the horse country and rural area around Georgetown, KY. To register, see

www.bgcycling.net.

Captain: Dan Harrison 734-476-4944

a2dan@sbcglobal.net

May 27 (Mon)

Horse Hundred Monday Democratic Ride

Georgetown, Kentucky. This is a democratic ride, bring your maps from Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday and choose one to ride on Monday. Group chooses an AABTS Ride Captain. The captain records the AABTS miles.

A/B/C: 10-50+ mi 8:00 am

Meet at Georgetown College parking lot near 400 E. College Street, the second lot West of Military Street.

AABTS April-May '13 ANN ARBOR AREA Weekly Rides

Lead a Ride!

To Volunteer:

Sunday & Weekly Rides:

Joe Pavlovich, Jr

jpavlovi1953@yahoo.com

734-545-0541

Saturday Rides:

Kevin McGuinness

kmcguinn@comcast.net

734-761-9894

Invitationals:

Vickie Smith

vickie.smith@comcast.net

734-996-9461

June - July

Ride Calendar

Deadlines:

Sunday Ride Ideas:

April 23 by e-mail, or at Ride Calendar Meeting on April 24

Weekly & Invitational:

June 6 *Final!*

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Mondays

9:00 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:
 (May only) Jeanette & Chuck Heschles 734-761-2885
 (April and May) Beth Caldwell 734-663-5060

9:00 am
Chelsea Ride
A ride for all levels. Destination alternates between Stockbridge, Grass Lake, Napoleon, Munith, and Pleasant Lake. To arrange a bike demo during ride, call bike shop at 734-475-8203.
Start: Chelsea, 1101 S. Main, in front of Aberdeen Bike & Outdoors.
B/C: 35-45+ & 55-65+ mi
 Captain: Mick Osman 517-285-6830

5:00 pm (April)
 5:30 pm (May)
Paved Country Roads Ride
Optional stop at Pleasant Lake Party Store. Hilly Schneider Rd included on longer routes.
Start: Pine Cross Ln, east off Parker Rd, 1 mile south of Jackson Rd.
Park: Pine Cross Ln, north edge past mailboxes.
A/B/C: 18/24/30 mi
 Captains: Don & Gwen Evich 734-426-5116

7:00 pm sharp! (May only)
The Civilized Ride
C/C-, no-drop ride, great for new riders. All are welcome. Come at 6:30 pm for Basic Repair Tips! Captains' house is available for changing into bike clothes and for post-ride pizza dinner. No ride on federal holidays.
Start:
 610 Brierwood Ct, off of Arborview.
C/C-: 12 or 18 mi
 Captains: Joel & Wendy Hakken 734-945-4133

Tuesdays

9:00 am
Parks, Lakes & Trails Ride
Join us as we cycle through Kensington, Island Lake and the new trail to Milford. Choose to ride 10 to 50+ miles, all on paved bike paths. Optional Brunch stop before end of ride.
Start: McHattie Park in South Lyon, 1/4 mi south of 10 Mile & 1/4 mi west of Pontiac Trail.
B: 10-50+ mi
 Captains:
 Jon Stinson, 734-449-2026
 George Gonyo 734-996-0089

10:00 am (Apr)
 9:00 am (May)
Tuesday Ride to Chelsea and Beyond
A weekday rendition of the Saturday Breakfast Ride.
Start: Bird Hills Park parking lot, Newport Rd.
B: 36-40+ mi
 Captain: Ed Baumstark 734-996-8440

6:00 pm
Dog & Suds Ride
*Ride to the west or north from Chelsea. **Guaranteed no potholes** (well, almost no potholes).*
Start: Chelsea, 1101 S. Main, in front of Aberdeen Bike & Fitness.
A/B: 25-30+mi
 Captain:
 Doug Tidd 734-678-8297

6:00 pm
Focus on Women - The Huron River Ride
A No Drop Ride, geared for women of all skill levels. Improve your biking skills while enjoying the camaraderie of other women. Enjoy the Huron River & environs on Spring evenings.
Start: Barton Park on Huron River Dr, Ann Arbor.
A/B/C: 18-30+ mi
 Captains:
 Amy McKinley 734-276-0240
 Elizabeth Tidd 734-717-9583
 Lisa Sessa 734-649-1023
 Mary Wise 734-755-0884

Wednesdays

9:00 am
Superior Salem Dirt Road Ride
See Plymouth Area Rides.

10:00 am (Apr)
 9:00 am (May)
Early Morning Ride from Ann Arbor West Side
B ride to Chelsea or Whitmore Lake and beyond.
Start: Bird Hills Park parking lot, Newport Rd.
B: 40+ mi
 Captain: Kevin McGuinness 734-649-9762

10:00 am (April)
 9:00 am (May)
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
 Captains: Bob Rawson 734-475-9297
 Mick Osman 517-285-6830

5:30 pm
Bike & Brew Ride
An A/B/C ride from Saline south to Britton/Macon area then west through Clinton. Then stop at the local watering hole for refreshments.
Start: Saline Municipal Lot, in the block S of US-12 @ AA-Saline Rd.
A/B/C: 20+ mi
 Captain: Jeff Eisemann 734-747-1862
BikingJeff@gmail.com

5:30 pm sharp! (April)
 6:00 pm sharp! (May)
West Side Ride (36th Year!)
Newcomers, casual riders, & recumbents welcome! Dexter DQ visit possible on all routes.
Start: Paladin parking lot, 2800 N. Zeeb Rd., just north of Huron River Bridge.
A/B: 25 mi
 Captains: Don & Gwen Evich 734-426-5116
C: 13-18 mi
 Captains:
 Brad Bates 734-665-4552
 Ross Richardson 734-761-2659

Thursdays

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 734-994-5908

10:00 am
Spring Unfolding Rides
A series of leisurely daytime rides around local neighborhoods to appreciate the seasonal delights of Ann Arbor's gardens, parks and cafes.
Start: Gallup Park Canoe Livery
C: 10-15 mi
 Captains:
 Judy Schmidt 734-971-5763
 Beth Caldwell 734-663-5060

6:00 pm
The Chelsea Dirt/Road Ride
We will continue to ride on dirt roads. Riding dirt will allow us to do longer & safer rides during the limited spring hours of daylight. Bring your Cross, Mountain or Hybrid bike. Head lamps and a flashing taillight necessary in April.
 Flexible 6:00 pm start time with roll out no later than 6:15.
Start: Chelsea, 1101 S. Main, in front of Aberdeen Bike & Outdoors (new).
B/C: 25-55+ mi
 Captain: Mick Osman 517-285-6830

6:00
Ann Arbor Thursday Evening Ride
This ride travels through UM North Campus, Barton Hills, and the scenic roads NE of Ann Arbor. As a special bonus, riders will be given an opportunity to practice their climbing skills.
Start: Fuller Pool parking lot
A/B/C: 15-25+ mi
 Captain: Elizabeth Tidd 734-717-9583

Fridays

10:00 am (April)
 9:00 am (May)
Whitmore Lk Coffee Break
Ride with one of the most congenial groups in Washtenaw County to the Coney Island in Whitmore Lake for a 10:30 Breakfast or early Lunch.
Start: Olson Park on Dhu Varren@Pontiac Trail.
C: 19, 24 or 40+ miles
 Captains:
 Dan Harrison 734-476-4944
 Vickie Smith 734-996-9461

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 Riders are expected to be self-sufficient.

B (14-18 mph):
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C (9-13 mph):
 Ride captains will ride sweep to assist all riders.

All Riders are should be prepared to repair a flat.

Saturdays

9:00 am
Dexter Breakfast Ride
AABTS's most popular ride follows scenic Huron River Dr to Dexter, Chelsea, 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 1 1/2 hours after leaving Wheeler Park. Sample the delights of the Dexter Bakery or ZouZou's and Pierce's in Chelsea!
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).
A/B/C: 22/30/38/48/55/70/80-100+ mi

Captains:
 April 6: Kathleen Donahoe 734-996-4985
 April 13: Beth & Jack Caldwell 734-663-5060
 April 20: Don & Gwen Evich 734-426-5116
 April 27: Ann Hunt 734-761-1147
 May 4: Ann Hunt 734-761-1147
 May 11: Paul Alman 734-775-1156
 May 18: Tom Powell 734-994-6342
 May 25: Beth & Jack Caldwell 734-663-5060

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Weekly Rides may not run on major holidays. Check with ride captain.

Saturdays (cont)

9:00 am
Far West Quad County Ride
A Saturday morning B/B+ ride leaving downtown Chelsea. Ride on some of the finest low-traffic roads in Washtenaw, Jackson, Livingston and Ingham counties with a friendly group of cyclists. "Brunch stop" determined by riders..
Start: Chelsea, in front of Zou Zou's, Main & W. Middle.
Park: in the 24-hr lot behind the Purple Rose Theater.
B/B+: 40-100+ mi
 Captains:
 Deb Beer 734-645-1205
 Terri Keppler 734-645-5696
 Jim Knight 734-478-0424
 Bob Martel 734-646-1507
 Doug Tidd 734-678-8297

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 734-996-9461**

AABTS April-May '13 PLYMOUTH AREA Weekly Rides

Mondays

10:00 am (April)
9:00 am (May)
Hines Park A.M. Ride
Ride Hines Park. Alternate route is on roads west of Plymouth.
Start: Plymouth (downtown)
Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman
A/B/C: 30+ mi
April: John Finnegan
734-981-0787
May: Bud & Gail Preston 248-380-0691
budpreston@comcast.net

6:00 pm (April)
6:30 pm (May)
Far East Fringe Ride
Hines Park to Dearborn.
Start: Plymouth (downtown)
Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman
A/B/C: 15-30+ mi
Captains:
Will McWhirter
734-455-5766
Don Broadway
734-560-1601
don@xyzijk.com

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5:00 pm
Hines Drive No Drop Ride
Leisurely ride along Hines Drive. Novice riders welcome.
Start: Boy Scout Shelter, Hines Park
C: 10+ mi (usually 20 to 30)
Captain: Gene Hoefle
734-459-0209
deborahlienu@gmail.com

6:00 pm (April)
6:30 pm (May)
Far East Fringe Ride
Ride the roads west of Plymouth.
Start: Plymouth (downtown)
Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman
Experienced Riders A/B: 20-33+ mi
Captain:
Don Broadway
734-560-1601
don@xyzijk.com

Wednesdays

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
Marilyn Pobanz & Art Kitze 734-663-8980

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734-560-1601
don@xyzijk.com

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Kensington Ride
A pleasant evening ride ending with the sunset on the lake. Call ride captain if weather is questionable.
Start: Upper East Boat Launch parking lot, Kensington Park
B/C: 22-45 mi
Captains:
Dave Farmer 248-722-5954
Kathleen Titus Farmer 248-318-4422

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Captains:
Matt Raezler 734-560-4512
mraezler@yahoo.com
Don Broadway
734-560-1601
don@xyzijk.com

Fridays

10:00 am (April)
9:00 am (May)
Hines Drive Ride
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
734-453-8794

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734-996-9461**

Saturdays

9:00 am
Far East Fringe Saturday Ride
Ride scenic Hines Drive (20+ miles) and the roads west of Plymouth (30-50+ miles)
Start: Plymouth (downtown)
Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman
B/C: 20-50+ mi
Captains:
Jeff Witzburg 734-459-4013
John Finnegan
734-981-0787

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Sundays

9:00 am
Far East Fringe Sunday Ride
Ride the roads west of Plymouth (30-50+ mi) and on scenic Hines Drive (20+ mi).
Start: Plymouth (downtown)
Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman
A/B/C: 20-50+ mi
Captains:
Gil Daws 734-451-3210
gibby12124@yahoo.com
Joe Skurka 248-449-6572
joe@skurka.us

1:00 pm
**Terry's Herd of Turtles No
Drop Sunday Afternoon Ride
in the Park**
*A relaxing, conversational ride
through Hines Park.*
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
treppa@comcast.net

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APRIL-MAY 2013 INVITATIONALS

Apr 4-7 (Thu-Sun)

Cycle Zydeco

Lafayette, LA. After a hiatus in 2012, this popular ride will be offered again in 2013. A low-mileage, high-energy celebration of biking, music & food, Louisiana style! Check website for registration opening. **Fills quickly!** www.cyclezydeco.com

Captain: Vickie Smith 734-996-9461/276-2096
vickie.smith@comcast.net

Apr 6 (Sat)

The Lowell Ride

Fallasburg County Park, Lowell, MI. Classic, old-world style gravel road race. You'll race along the banks of the Flat River and through rural Ionia County on approximately 75% unpaved roads. 50- or 28-mile loops available. The courses are challenging, scenic, & fun. Included are two historic wooden covered bridges dating back to the mid-1800s'. This race is for anyone who wants a challenge, from the elite road, cyclocross, or mountain bike racer, to those of you just looking for a great ride.

<http://www.thelowell50.com/>

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Apr 7-12 (Sun-Fri)

South Carolina Low Country Bicycle Tour

Beaufort, SC. A 6-day tour on the flat tree lined roads of the South Carolina coast, and featuring historic Charleston and Beaufort. Daily miles from 20's-60's, with many options. **Space is limited!** <http://www.carolinatailwinds.com/lowcountrysc.htm>

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Apr 13 (Sat)

Redbud Ride

London, KY. This ride claims to have the best scenery that Kentucky has to offer, including one of the top 10 redbud sight-seeing routes in the state! Four routes of varying length and difficulty: 23, 38, 70, & 102 miles. There is also a warm-up ride the day before in nearby

Barbourville. www.redbudride.com
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Jun 2-8 (Sun-Sat)

33rd Annual BRAN – Bicycle Ride Across Nebraska

Another adventurous journey across the "Good Life" state. Start in Kimball, and end at the Strategic Air & Space Museum near Ashland. Overnight towns include Chappell, Paxton, Gothenburg, Kearney, Aurora, and Brainard.

<http://bran-inc.org/wp/>

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Apr 20-25 (Sat-Thu)

33rd Annual Bicycle Safari

Live Oak, FL. A springtime bicycling adventure that features six days of supported rides over some of the best cycling roads in North Florida and South Georgia. The six-day Safari is limited to 250 participants. A three-day option is also available.

<http://www.floridabicyclesafari.com/>

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Apr 20-27 (Sat-Sat)

Cascade Club Central California Tour

Starts & ends in San Luis Obispo. Explores Salinas and Carmel valleys, as well as the spectacular coastline between Monterey and San Luis Obispo. 375 miles, Brisk/Moderate difficulty. www.cascade.org/

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Apr 28 (Sun)

Dawn Farm 4th Annual Ride for Recovery

Dawn Farm, 6633 Stony Creek Rd., Ypsilanti, MI. Ride to benefit Dawn Farm features metric century, 45-mile, 25-mile, 10k, & 5k/10k; also 5k/10k run/jog/walk. Registration includes t-shirt and "Fun Day at the Farm" — food, hayrides, family activities in the Barn, tours, Fun Walk, and more — for registered riders/runners/walkers and their families. \$50 suggested fundraising donation.

<http://www.dawnfarm.org/events/ride-for-recovery>

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May 5 (Sun)

Metro Grand Spring Tour (MGST)

Willow Metro Park. 29th annual. Sponsored by the Downriver Cycling Club. 25-, 45-, and 62-mile routes along the Huron River and on scenic country roads in Wayne & Monroe Counties. A "Chris Cakes" breakfast is included in registration fee. Optional mass start at 9:00 next to the registration building.

www.lmb.org/dcc/mgst/

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UPCOMING

Jun 6-18, 2013 (Thu-Tue)

BAC Erie Canal & the Finger Lakes

Loop out of Rochester, NY. First couple of days riding the Erie Canal Heritage Trail, then heading to the beautiful & hilly Finger Lakes area, along Canandaigua, Seneca, Cayuga, Owasco, and Otisco Lakes. Includes visits to picturesque towns of Seneca, Skaneateles, Watkins Glen, Penn Yan, and others. **Tour is filled—waitlist only.** www.bicycleadventureclub.org

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May 11 (Sat)

Bike 101 Lakes

Angola, IN. Five routes to choose from: 112.5, 64.3, 36.8, 11.2 miles, and a 3.2 Family Ride. This ride in northern Indiana takes riders past eight lakes; the two longer routes go to Pokagon State Park. Sponsored by the Steuben County Community Foundation.

http://www.bike101lakes.com/Home_Page.php

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May 11-12 (Sat-Sun)

52nd Annual TOSRV – Tour of the Scioto River Valley

America's bicycle touring classic, which began as a father-and-son outing in 1962 before quickly growing into the nation's largest bicycle touring weekend. This Mother's Day favorite is a 2-day, 200-mile bicycle tour from Columbus, OH to Portsmouth, OH, and back again. Half-TOSRV starts in Chillicothe. **Fills quickly!** www.tosrv.org

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May 18 (Sat)

Blessing of the Bikes

Ann Arbor's St. Andrew's Episcopal Church invites all area cyclists to its 4th Annual "Blessing of the Bikes," 8:30 am on the church lawn (306 N. Division St.). Sponsored by the Episcopal Health Ministries and the cycling community of St. Andrew's, this short observance occurs in the context of May as National Bike Month as promoted by the LAB. Info: 734-663-0518.

AABTS contact: Ann Garvin 734-663-4075

May 25 & 26 (Sat-Sun)

Horsey Hundred

Georgetown, KY. Arguably the biggest of AABTS's favorite invitationals, through the horse country and rural area around Georgetown, KY.

www.bgcycling.net

AABTS is offering some special pre- and post-tour features again this year so you can make this a 2-, 3-, 4-, or even 5-day cycling vacation. Check the Special Rides section of this calendar for more details.

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Jun 7-15 (Fri-Sat)

Heartcycle Traverse City

This 8-day tour includes 7 days of riding and 1 rest day in Glen Arbor Michigan, home of the Sleeping Bear NP. We will stay at three classic resorts in Traverse City, Petoskey, and Glen Arbor. Our route covers the east and west sides of Traverse Bay, and along Lake Michigan. Presented by the Heartcycle Bicycle Touring Club of Colorado.

<http://www.heartcycle.org/Tours/TourDescription.aspx?id=1325>

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Jun 8-9 (Sat-Sun)

Big Mac Shoreline Spring Scenic Bike Tour

Mackinaw City. On Saturday, choose between several different scenic routes, both inland and along the lakeshore (25, 50, 75, or 100 miles). On Sunday, there will be a ride across the Mackinac Bridge.

<http://www.mackinawchamber.com/Annual-Events/bike-tours.htm>

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Jun 9 (Sun)

Cambridge Tour de Grand

Duncan McIntosh Arena, Cambridge, Ontario. Bicycle ride for all levels - 10 km, 15 km, 25 km, 50 km, 60 km, 72 km, 100 km or 160 km routes. Scenic rides through urban and rural areas. Free food and drinks, including lunch.

www.cambridgetourdegrand.com/

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Jun 15 (Sat)

Michigan Tour de Cure

Brighton. Ride with us as we join forces in the fight to stop diabetes and raise critical funds for diabetes research, education and advocacy in support of the American Diabetes Association. Routes of 10, 25, 62, & 100 miles.

http://main.diabetes.org/site/TR?fr_id=8642&pg=entry

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Jun 22-28 (Sat-Fri)

PALM XXXII – Pedal Across Lower Michigan

Emphasizing the social & recreational aspects of cycling, PALM is geared to the novice & intermediate rider, and is particularly well suited for families. Daily distances of 35-60 miles; longer routes available. **This tour is filled.**

www.lmb.org/palm/

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Jul 7-Aug 25 (Sun-Sun)

Orient Express

Paris, France to Istanbul, Turkey. Explore the 'new' Europe on the old continent, from the French vineyards, to the spas of Budapest, the Carpathian mountains in Romania, and the spices of Turkish bazaars. This tour can be taken in sections: Paris-Vienna, Vienna-Bucharest, & Bucharest-Istanbul.

<http://tourdafrique.com/tour-overview/?t=orient-express>

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Jul 13 (Sat)

OHR XXXVII – One Helluva Ride!

Our fabulous annual Club Invitational fund raiser, always held on the 2nd Saturday in July. Rides of 39, 64, 75 & 100 miles start at the Chelsea Fairgrounds; 15- and 30-mile Fun Rides start at Portage Lake State Park. (AABTS members: Please consider volunteering to work on ride day, and ride the route the Sunday before on the AABTS Members' OHR.)

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Jul 14-20 (Sun-Sat)

MUP (Michigan's Upper Peninsula) Bicycle Tour

St. Ignace. The MUP Tour will explore the eastern tip of the Upper Peninsula. This year for the first time we will ride in a clockwise direction. We begin and end at St. Ignace; our mid-tour layover day in Sault Ste. Marie will give you plenty of time to discover its treasures. From St. Ignace, you (and your bike) can also ferry over to experience the magic of Mackinac Island. 334 total miles. **Limited to only 150 riders.**

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Jul 20 (Sat)

Women on Wheels (WOW)

Mason, MI. This tour travels the scenic country roads southeast of Lansing. Distances of 17, 32, & 50 miles. Includes rest stops and lunch.

<http://www.biketcba.org/tours.php>

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Jul 20 (Sat)

Holland 100

Holland, MI. Sponsored for our 39th year by Herman Miller, Inc. Proceeds help benefit local non-profit organizations. Please join 2000 other cyclists on country roads, through small towns, and at the pancake breakfast included on all routes. Riders choose from 18-, 36-, 67- and 100-mile routes.

<http://www.macatawacyclingclub.org/holland/hundred/>

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Jul 21-27 (Sun-Sat)

RAGBRAI XLI– Register's Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa

Classic cross-state bicycle tour – the granddaddy of them all. This year's route starts in Council Bluffs & and in Fort Madison. Host towns in between are Harlan, Perry, Des Moines, Knoxville, Oskaloosa, & Fairfield. Registration opened on November 15.

Fills quickly! www.ragbrai.org

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Aug 3 (Sat)

4th Annual Ride for the Cure

Ann Arbor. Hosted by the Komen Mid-Michigan Affiliate. The dollars raised through this Ride will be used to fund crucial screening, education, and survivorship programs in the fight against breast cancer. Rides of 30, 60 or 100 miles. Minimum pledge required.

www.komenmidmichigan.org/get-involved/komen-activities/

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Aug 4-10 (Sun-Sat)

Shoreline West Bicycle Tour

Montague to Mackinaw City - Experience the Lake Michigan Shoreline for 7 glorious days of riding (3-day option also available). Highlights: From swimming in the lake, to the cherry lady, to the sand dunes, "Watermelon Hill," the sights and sounds of Traverse City, through the Tunnel of Trees, and finishing with a spectacular view of the Mackinac Bridge. Come join us for our 27th year of exploring the coastline of Lake Michigan. **Registration opens Jan. 1 and ride fills quickly.**

www.lmb.org/

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Aug 11 (Sun)

Second Annual Kevin Degen Memorial Foundation (KDMF) BUM Ride

Kensington Metro Park, Milford, MI. This ride will raise funds for the KDMF to continue Kevin's mission of supporting several charities and to provide adapted bikes to others so that they too can experience the freedom of the open road. Routes of between 8 and 24 miles in Kensington Metro Park and Island Lake recreation Area or road routes of 40 miles or 86 miles.

<http://kevindegenfoundation.org/>

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Aug 23-25 (Fri-Sun)

Cycling Michigan's Vineyards, Wineries and Creameries

Saugatuck, MI. Bike Tour Vacations fixed-base trip in west Michigan, including routes to the towns of Holland, Fennville, & South Haven. Highlights include Fenn Valley Vineyard, Saugatuck Brewing Company, and the Evergreen Lane Farm & Creamery.

Space limited; sign-up deadline July 1.

www.biketourvacations.com/tourdetails.php?tourid=14&especial=

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Aug 28 or 29 - Sep 1 (Wed- or Thu-Sun)
43rd DALMAC – Dick Allen Lansing to Mackinaw Bicycle Tour

*The 2012 version of this club favorite featured 5 routes, including one into the U.P. The 2013 event is in the planning stage; applications will be available early in the year. **Fills quickly!***

www.dalmac.org

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Sep 5-19 (Thu-Thu)

BAC Lake Michigan Ramble

*Beginning & ending in Mackinaw City. Riders will be bused from Mackinaw City to Ludington to start the tour heading north, following the shoreline of Lake Michigan through Frankfort, Leland, Traverse City, Petoskey and other towns in the NW part of Michigan's Lower Peninsula, to end with two nights on Mackinac Island. 45-55 miles per day. **This ride is now filled; waitlist only.*** www.bicyleadventureclub.org/

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Sep 6-13 (Fri-Fri)

Wandering Wheels Fall Breakaway

Last year's ride was designed around fellowship, recreational cycling and sightseeing in Eastern Indiana & Ohio. The 2013 route TBD, but possibly will be in the same area.

www.wanderingwheels.org

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Sep 14-15 (Sat-Sun)

Big Mac Shoreline Fall Scenic Bike Tour

Mackinaw City. Repeat of Spring June 14 event. On Saturday, choose between several different scenic routes, both inland and along the lakeshore (25, 50, 75, or 100 miles). On Sunday, there will be a ride across the Mackinac Bridge.

<http://www.mackinawchamber.com/Annual-Events/bike-tours.html>

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Sep 21 (Sat)

11th Annual Tour de Troit

Roosevelt Park, Detroit. Distance: 22-62 miles. Sponsored by the Southwest Detroit Business Association, this ride explores some of Detroit's historic areas, taking in many of the city's most breathtaking sights and providing bicyclists a unique opportunity to legally "take over" the streets of the Motor City.

Raises funds for the SW Detroit Greenlink, a planned series of bike lanes and off-road pathways that will connect the neighborhoods of SW Detroit to each other and to the Detroit River. Contact captain about carpooling to Detroit. www.tour-de-troit.org/
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Sep 29-Oct 10 (Sun-Thu)

BAC Portugal: Vineyards and Castles

*This Bicycle Adventure Club tour, presented by Easy Rider Tours, combines two regions of Portugal, the Minho and the Alentejo. Eleven riding days include these highlights: the Portugese wine country during grape harvest season, detour into Spain to ride along the Atlantic coast, the Mount Aloia Nature Reserve, the UNESCO World Heritage city of Eora, and more. **This ride is now filled; waitlist only.***

www.bicyleadventureclub.org/

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