

# Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society Ride Calendar 2008

## April-May Special Club Rides and Events

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

April 2 (Wed)

### Ride Calendar Meeting

Meet to plan June and July 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 on Colony Way, then S on Colony Ct. 734-904-6431.

April 6 (Sun)

### First Sunday Ride of 2008 beginner-friendly ride

We start the season by riding to the Lighthouse Cafe in Dexter for breakfast, and for some, on to Chelsea.

**A/B/C: 22/40 mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Kathleen Donahoe 734-996-4985

April 12 (Sat)

### The Fourth Annual AABTS Appreciation Day

AABTS members are invited to stop in at Aberdeen Bike & Fitness for coffee & goodies (provided by Zou Zou's), door prizes, and discounts. The discount normally afforded to AABTS members will be double: 20% on bikes & 30% on accessories and clothing.

From 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Chelsea, Aberdeen Bike & Fitness, 1178 S Main, 734-475-8203

April 13 (Sun)

### Sleeker Senile (S)Century Series Ride Number 1

Take Tom's early season Century Challenge or start with a Metric Century. A **beginner-friendly C ride** to Dexter is also available for those that still have their sanity.

**A: 100 mi** 9:00 am Dexter

Captain: Tom Sleeker 248-324-1879

**B: 62 mi** 9:00 am Dexter

Captain: Jonathan Rodgers 734-426-4989

**C: 22 mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Tony Williams 734-421-3279

April 17 (Thur)

### 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** 9:00 pm East end of Mitchell Field Parking Lot on Fuller Rd.

Captains:

Jim & Jennifer Bryson 734-485-4018

April 19 (Sat)

### Border to Border Trail Ride

Newcomers and casual riders welcome! Leisurely family-friendly ride along Washtenaw County's Border to Border trail. Stop in Depot Town for lunch.

**D: 22 mi** 11:30 am Bandemer Park entrance closest to M-14 at Whitmore Lake Rd & Barton Dr.

Captain: Elizabeth Tidd 734-662-0205

April 20 (Sun)

### Earth Day Ride

Celebrate Earth Day by observing our greening Mother Planet from the seat of the most earth friendly transport. Ride the scenic lake areas of Washtenaw and Livingston Counties.

**A: 75 mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Dan Harrison 734-971-3610

**B: 55 mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Graham Fleming 517-423-4702

**C: 34 mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Ann Garvin 734-663-4075

Apr 20 (Sun)

### Tandem Tour to Zukey Lake Tavern

Work up an appetite for a fabulous and inexpensive breakfast/brunch at Zukey Lake Tavern in Pinckney. Part of the route will follow newly paved bike trail.

**B/C: 40 mi** 10:00 am Wheeler Park

Captains:

Joel & Wendy Hakken 734-945-4133

April 20 (Sun)

### Paved Country Roads Ride

Newcomers and casual riders welcome! Ride by beautiful farmland and lakes. Longer rides include hilly Schneider Rd. Optional stop at Pleasant Lake Party Store.

**A/B/C: 30/24/18 mi** 2:00 pm Salem Ev.

Lutheran Church, Scio Church & Strieter Rd just 1 mi E of Parker Rd.

Captain: Elizabeth Tidd 734-662-0205

April 27 (Sun)

### Pinckney Brunch Ride

Ride to The Lakes Grille for a tasty brunch.

**A: 70 mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Dave Krick 734-276-2043

**B: 53+ mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Gil Daws 734-451-3210

**C: 32 mi** 10:00 am Dexter Gazebo

Captains: Tom & Ann Hunt 734-761-1147

May 4 (Sun)

### Sleeker Senile (S)Century Series Ride Number 2

Challenge yourself with a Century or Metric Century in Tom's monthly series. A **beginner-friendly C ride** to Dexter will also occur.

**A: 100 mi** 8:00 am Dexter

Captain: Tom Sleeker 248-324-1879

**B: 62 mi** 9:00 am Dexter

Captain: Maury Kroopnick 734-646-4978

**C: 22 mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Jan Tripp 734-996-8079

May 4 (Sun)

### South Lyon Ride

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

**B/C: 35-40 mi** 9:00 am McHattie Park in South Lyon, 1/4 mi south of 10 Mile & 1/4 mi west of Pontiac Trail.

Captain: Gil Daws 734-451-3210

May 4 (Sun)

### Sunday Tandem Ride

Ride to Munith or Grass Lake to enjoy a meal in a restaurant.

**B/C: 30-40 mi** 10:00 am Chelsea, 1178 S Main, north side of Aberdeen Bike & Fitness parking lot.

Captains:

Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483

[chris.marble@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:chris.marble@muskegoncc.edu)

May 10 (Sat)

### Border to Border Trail Ride

Newcomers and casual riders welcome!

Leisurely family-friendly ride along Washtenaw County's Border to Border trail. Stop in Depot Town for lunch.

**D: 22 mi** 11:30 am Bandemer Park entrance closest to M-14 at Whitmore Lake Rd & Barton Dr.

Captain: Elizabeth Tidd 734-662-0205

May 11 (Sun)

### Classic Bike-A-Thon Routes

Celebrate the best routes of Bike-A-Thons past - the Waterloo Wanderer, the Chelsea Metric, and the County Loop.

**A: 96 mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Paul Alman 734-663-2540

**B: 58 mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captains: Tom & Ann Hunt 734-761-1147

**C: 29 mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Ann Garvin 734-663-4075

May 15-16 (Thur-Fri)

### COWs Pre Tour

May 15<sup>th</sup>, 9 am (EDT): take Ludington, MI ferry to and overnight in Manitowoc, WI.

Ride on May 16<sup>th</sup> (no SAG service) to Sturgeon Bay, WI for Friday pm start of COWs: Annual Spring Gathering of the Herd Tandem Rally (**see Invitationals:**

**May 16-18**). Ferry reservations:

1-800-841-4243 or [www.ssbadger.com](http://www.ssbadger.com).

**B/C: 60-70 mi**

Captains:

Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483

[Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu)

May 15 (Thur)

### Moonshadow Ride

See April 17 for description.

**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

May 18 (Sun)

### Hathaway House Ride

Ride to the historic century old Hathaway House in Blissfield. Enjoy the brunch staples of the casual Main Street Stable. (Brunch, at \$12.95 per person, served 11 am - 2 pm; menu orders available after 12 noon)

**A: 85 mi** 9:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Dan Harrison 734-971-3610

**B: 65 mi** 9:00 am Saline Municipal Lot, in the block S of US 12 @ AA-Saline Rd.

Captain: Dennis Burke 313-562-9464

**C: 45 mi** 10:00 am Clinton City Lot, on US 12, the block east of Clinton Rd.

Captain: Graham Fleming 517-423-4702

May 18-19 (Sun-Mon)

**COWs Post Tour**

*Sunday features a self contained tour (no SAG service), with breakfast ride in Sturgeon Bay, WI, then a 60-70 mile ride to and overnight in Manitowoc. Catch Monday afternoon (2 pm CDT) Manitowoc ferry to Ludington, MI. Ferry reservations:*

[www.ssbadger.com](http://www.ssbadger.com) or 1-800-841-4243

**B/C: 60-70 mi**

Captains:

Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483

[Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu)

May 18 (Sun)

**Paved Country Roads Ride**

*Newcomers and casual riders welcome! Ride by beautiful farmland and lakes. Longer rides include hilly Schneider Rd. Optional stop at Pleasant Lake Party Store. A/B/C: 30/24/18 mi 2:00 pm Salem Ev. Lutheran Church, Scio Church & Strieter Rd just 1mi E of Parker Rd. Captain: Elizabeth Tidd 734-662-0205*

May 21 (Wed)

**Ride of Silence**

*A silent slow-paced National ride to honor those who have been injured or killed while cycling on public roadways. 6:30 pm Wheeler Park - Gather C: ±7 mi 7:00 pm Ride Begins Captain: Ann Hunt 734-761-1147*

May 22-26 (Thu-Mon)

**Horsesey Hundred Weekend**

*One of AABTS members' favorite invitational rides, the Horsesey Hundred, just keeps getting better and better! It has been expanded far beyond the Saturday-Sunday ride itself. See below and the Invitationals calendar for our usual events & some exciting new ones:*

May 22 (Thu)

**Horsesey Hundred Weekend AABTS Thursday Pre-Ride**

*New this year. A/B/C: 30 - 75 mi 8:00 am (sharp!). Meet at Georgetown College parking lot on College Street, the second lot West of Military Street. Captain: Dan Harrison 734-476-4944 or [a2dan@att.net](mailto:a2dan@att.net)*

May 22 (Thu)

**Horsesey Hundred Weekend Wine Tasting**

*New: AABTS Private Wine Tasting at Equus Run Vineyards prior to Horsesey Hundred.*

4:15 pm. Pre-registration and \$10 pre-payment required by Monday, May 12. See

Mar-Apr 2008 newsletter for details. Contact Dan Harrison at 734-476-4944 or [a2dan@att.net](mailto:a2dan@att.net) for more information.

May 23 (Fri)

**Horsesey Hundred AABTS Friday Pre-Ride**

*Our Traditional AABTS Club pre-ride. A/B/C: 30 - 75 mi 8:00 am (sharp!). Meet at Georgetown College parking lot on College Street, the second lot West of Military Street. (Note: the Friday & Monday rides might join the new Bluegrass Cycling Club-sponsored rides on those days) Captain: Dan Harrison 734-476-4944 or [a2dan@att.net](mailto:a2dan@att.net)*

May 23 (Fri)

**Horsesey Hundred Weekend Friday Group Dinner**

6:00 pm Join AABTS members for dinner at a local Georgetown, KY restaurant. We have dined Mexican the past two years. Must reserve by Monday, May 12. Contact Vickie Smith, 734-996-9461 or [vickie.smith@comcast.net](mailto:vickie.smith@comcast.net) for reservations and directions.

May 24-25 (Sat-Sun)

**Horsesey Hundred**

See **Invitationals** calendar May 25 (Sun)

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**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 (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 Park*

May 26 (Mon)

**Horsesey Hundred Post-Ride**

*Join the Bluegrass Cycling Club-sponsored ride on Monday after Horsesey Hundred. Time and location to be determined by the Bluegrass Cycling Club. Check the Horsesey Hundred website for details of this Monday ride as they become available at [www.bgcycling.org/horsesey.php](http://www.bgcycling.org/horsesey.php). Captain: Dan Harrison 734-476-4944 or [a2dan@att.net](mailto:a2dan@att.net)*

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**June-July  
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Deadlines:**

**Sunday Ride Ideas:  
March 30 by e-mail, or at  
Ride Calendar Meeting  
on Wed, April 2**

**Weekly & Invitational:  
April 16 Final!**

**Sunday to:  
Jim Spencer  
[jspencer\\_aabtsca@earthlink.net](mailto:jspencer_aabtsca@earthlink.net)  
734-904-6431**

**Weekly to:  
Ann Hunt  
[aehunt@comcast.net](mailto:aehunt@comcast.net)  
761-1147**

**Invitationals to:  
Vickie Smith  
[vickie.smith@comcast.net](mailto:vickie.smith@comcast.net)  
996-9461**

**Lead a Ride!  
To Volunteer:**

**Sunday Ride Coordinators**

**A/B Rides:** Position Open

**C Rides:** Position Open

To Chair these positions,

Contact Jim Spencer

[jspencer\\_aabtsca@earthlink.net](mailto:jspencer_aabtsca@earthlink.net)

734-904-6431

**Saturday Rides:**

Kevin McGuinness

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**Weeklys:**

Ann Hunt

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761-1147

**Invitationals:**

Vickie Smith

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# AABTS April-May '08 ANN ARBOR AREA Weekly Rides

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays	Saturdays	Sundays
<p>9:00 am <b>Back Roads Ramble</b> <i>Ride gravel roads to Independence Lake, Llama Farm and other low traffic destinations. In April, call to confirm for weather.</i> <b>Start:</b> 960 Forest Rd, off Country Club in Barton Hills <b>C:</b> 12-35 mi Captains: Jeanette &amp; Chuck Hescheles 761-2885 Beth Caldwell 663-5060</p> <p>9:00 am <b>Chelsea Ride</b> <i>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.</i> <b>Start:</b> Chelsea, 1178 S. Main, north side of Aberdeen Bike &amp; Fitness. <b>B/C:</b> 35-45 &amp; 55-65 mi Captain: Mick Osman 517-285-6830</p> <p>5:00 pm (April) 5:30 pm (May) <b>Paved Country Roads Ride</b> <i>Optional stop at Pleasant Lake Party Store. Hilly Schneider Rd included on longer routes.</i> <b>Start:</b> Royster Clark, corner Pine Cross Ln &amp; Parker Rd, 1 mile south of Jackson Rd. <b>A/B/C:</b> 18/24/30 mi Captains: Don &amp; Gwen Evich 426-5116</p> <p>7:00 pm sharp! (May only) <b>The Civilized Ride (beginner friendly)</b> <i>A C/C-, no-drop ride made popular by retired captains Steu &amp; Lucy White. All are welcome! Captain will ride sweep and strongly recommends white head lamp, red flashing tail lamp, and reflective gear. Threatening weather?-- call captain for update. No ride on Memorial Day.</i> <b>Start:</b> Wellington Park, corner Alice &amp; Bruce St. <b>C/C-:</b> 12 or 18 mi Captain: Liz Calhoun 213-2908</p>	<p>9:00 am <b>Whitmore Lake Brunch Ride</b> <i>A bike path ride to Kensington Metro Park or Island Lake State Park, with brunch afterward.</i> <b>Start:</b> McHattie Park in South Lyon, 1/4 mi south of 10 Mile &amp; 1/4 mi west of Pontiac Trail. <b>B:</b> 20-46 mi Captains: Jon &amp; Carol Stinson 449-2026</p> <p>5:30 pm (April) 6:00 pm (May) <b>The Big Sky Ride</b> <i>Pedal the relatively quiet, flat, picturesque roads south of Ann Arbor.</i> <b>Start:</b> York Baptist Church parking lot, 1220 Stony Creek Rd. (corner of Platt). <b>B:</b> 20-35 mi Captains: Manfred &amp; Judy Schmidt 971-5763</p> <p>6:00 pm (start April 15) <b>Huron River Ride</b> <i>Enjoy the Huron River &amp; environs on spring evenings.</i> <b>Start:</b> Forsythe Middle School, 1655 Newport Rd, Ann Arbor. <b>B/C:</b> 18-40+ mi Captain: Doug Tidd 662-0205</p>	<p>9:00 am (Temp&gt;50 degrees) <b>Superior Salem Dirt Road Ride</b> <i>Ride gravel roads on a great country circuit. Basic 19-mile route; multiple longer loops. Fewer miles for new riders.</i> <b>Start:</b> Trinity Presbyterian Church parking lot at NE corner of Goffredson Rd &amp; Plymouth-Ann Arbor Rd <b>B/C:</b> 19+ mi Captains: Jim Melosh 248-437-5067 Beth Caldwell 734-663-5060 Vivian Phillips 734-482-5103</p> <p>10:00 am (April) 9:00 am (May) <b>Northwestern Brunch Ride</b> <i>Enjoy some of our favorite roads when traffic is low. Stop for breakfast/lunch.</i> <b>Start:</b> April: Northlake Church, on North Territorial, east of Stofer Rd. May: Stockbridge Park, at north end of N. Wood St, 1st rt turn west of Main Square. <b>A:</b> 100 mi option <b>B:</b> 25-50 mi Captain: Alice Rawson 475-9297</p> <p>5:30 pm sharp! (April) 6:00 pm sharp! (May) <b>West Side Ride</b> (31<sup>st</sup> Year!) <i>Newcomers and casual riders welcome! Some routes visit the Dexter DQ.</i> <b>Start:</b> Sweepster Parking Lot, 2800 N. Zeeb Rd., just north of Huron River Bridge <b>B/C:</b> 25 mi Captains: Don &amp; Gwen Evich 426-5116 <b>C:</b> 13-18 mi Captains: Brad Bates 665-4552 Ross Richardson 761-2659</p> <p>6:00 pm (April) 6:30 pm (May) <b>Kensington Ride</b> <i>See Plymouth Area Weekly Ride page.</i></p> <p>6:00 pm <b>Saline Ride</b> <i>An A/B ride south to Milan then west through the area around Britton-Macon.</i> <b>Start:</b> Saline Municipal Lot, in the block S of US-12 @ AA-Saline Rd. <b>A/B:</b> 30+ mi Captain: Geoff Crosbie 734-645-5840</p>	<p>9:00 am <b>Jackson Co. Brunch Ride</b> <i>Ride the less traveled roads of scenic Jackson County.</i> <b>Start:</b> Cavanaugh Lake Park on Cavanaugh Lake Rd. 3.2 mi W of Chelsea. <b>B:</b> 25-50 mi Captain: John Pierce 994-5908</p> <p>10:00 am <b>Spring Unfolding Rides</b> <i>A series of leisurely daytime rides around local neighborhoods to appreciate the seasonal delights of Ann Arbor's gardens, parks and cafes.</i> <b>Start:</b> Gallup Park Canoe Livery <b>C:</b> 10-15 mi Captain: Judy Schmidt 971-5763</p> <p>6:00 pm <b>Chelsea Ride</b> <i>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.</i> <b>Start:</b> Chelsea, 1178 S. Main, north side of Aberdeen Bike &amp; Fitness. <b>B/C:</b> 20-30 mi Captain: Mick Osman 517-285-6830</p> <p>6:45 pm (May only) <b>Ann Arbor Thursday Evening Ride</b> <i>This ride covers the environs around NE Ann Arbor and includes some good chances to polish up your climbing skills.</i> <b>Start:</b> Fuller Pool parking lot <b>A/B:</b> 25+ mi Captain: Steve Dodge 996-9122</p>	<p>10:00 am (April) 9:00 am (May) <b>Huron River Bike Trail</b> <i>A scenic ride along the mighty Huron from Bandemer Park to Parker Mill plus some alternate routes.</i> <b>Start:</b> Gallup Park Canoe Livery <b>C:</b> 13+ mi Captain: Joe Datsko 663-4498</p> <p>6:00 pm (start Apr 18) <b>Dexter DQ Ride</b> <i>Start the weekend by riding to the Dexter DQ for a Friday night snack.</i> <b>Start:</b> Abbot School, 2670 Sequoia Pkwy, Ann Arbor <b>C:</b> 26+ mi Captain: Elizabeth Tidd 662-0205</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Rides are graded A+ (fast and hard) thru D (slow but determined)</b></p> <p><b>A Riders</b> are expected to be self sufficient.</p> <p><b>B Ride</b> captains will check with slower riders near start, and at later stops.</p> <p><b>C&amp;D Ride</b> captains will ride sweep to assist all riders.</p> <p><b>All Riders</b> are urged to be prepared to repair a flat.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Weekly Rides may not run on major holidays. Check with ride captain.</b></p>	<p><b>Sunrise Saturday Ride</b> <i>Ride leaves Wheeler Park at sunrise. Check A² News for sunrise time. A slow-paced ride to Dexter for breakfast.</i> <b>Start:</b> Wheeler Park <b>D:</b> 22+ mi Captain: Dennis Burke 313-562-9464</p> <p>9:00 am <b>Dexter Breakfast Ride</b> <i>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 &amp; 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.</i> <b>Start:</b> Wheeler Park (corner of Depot and N. Fourth Ave. just west of Amtrak station). <b>Alternative start:</b> Barton Park (on Huron River Dr.). Sign ride sheet in Dexter.</p> <p><b>A/B/C:</b> 22/30/38/48/55/70/80-100 mi</p> <p><b>Captains:</b> Apr 5: Kathleen Donahoe 996-4985 Apr 12: Dorothy Stock 996-8316 Apr 19: Elizabeth Tidd 662-0205 Apr 26: Dan Harrison 971-3610 May 3: Tom Powell 994-6340 May 10: Elizabeth Tidd 662-0205 May 17: Drew Burton 994-3001 May 24: Maury Kroopnick 646-4978 May 31: Maury Kroopnick 646-4978</p>	<p>2:00 pm (May 4, 11 &amp; 18) <b>Campus Cruiser &amp; Cookie Ride</b> <i>A family-friendly ride using paved bike paths from EMU thru Gallup Park to Med. Center Dr. on Fuller and return. Features a playground stop &amp; cookies! Ride only if it is above 40 degrees and not raining. No ride Memorial Day weekend.</i> <b>Start:</b> Chase Bank parking lot, NW corner Hewitt &amp; Clark near St. Joe's Hosp. <b>C/D:</b> 6-12 mi Captain: Mary Hogan 434-1224</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>June-July Ride Calendar Deadlines:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday Ride Ideas: Mar 30 by e-mail, or at Ride Calendar Meeting on April 2</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Weekly &amp; Invitational: April 16 Final!</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday to: Jim Spencer</b> <a href="mailto:jspencer_aabts@aearthlink.net">jspencer_aabts@aearthlink.net</a> <b>734-904-6431</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Weekly to: Ann Hunt</b> <a href="mailto:ahunt@comcast.net">ahunt@comcast.net</a> <b>761-1147</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Invitationals to: Vickie Smith</b> <a href="mailto:vickie.smith@comcast.net">vickie.smith@comcast.net</a> <b>996-9461</b></p>

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## AABTS April-May '08 PLYMOUTH AREA Weekly Rides

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<p>10:00 am (April) 9:00 am (May) <b>Hines Park A.M. Ride</b> <i>Ride Hines Park. Alternate route is on roads west of Plymouth.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B/C: 30+ mi</b> Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014 <a href="mailto:singingcyclist@aol.com">singingcyclist@aol.com</a></p> <p>5:00 pm (April) 5:30 pm (May) <b>FEF Warm-Up Ride</b> <i>Burn some extra calories, log a few more miles, some hill climbing, before joining regular FEF Ride.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B/C: 10+ mi</b> Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014 <a href="mailto:singingcyclist@aol.com">singingcyclist@aol.com</a></p> <p>6:00 pm (START Apr 14) 6:30 pm (May 5, 12 &amp; 19) <b>Far East Fringe Beginning/Training Ride</b> <i>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.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>B/C/D: Mi TBD</b> Captain: Bud Preston 248-380-0691 <a href="mailto:budpreston@comcast.net">budpreston@comcast.net</a></p> <p>6:00 pm (April) 6:30 pm (May) <b>Far East Fringe Ride</b> <i>Hines Park to Dearborn.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B/C: 15-30+ mi</b> Captains: Will McWhirter 455-5766 Don Broadway (w) 734-805-4407 (7:00 am-5:30 pm)</p>	<p>10:00 am (April) 9:00 am (May) <b>Hines Park A.M. Ride</b> <i>Ride Hines Park.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B/C: 30+ mi</b> Captains: Bud &amp; Gail Preston 248-380-0691 Cell: 248-376-1440 <a href="mailto:budpreston@comcast.net">budpreston@comcast.net</a></p> <p>5:00 pm (April) 5:30 pm (May) <b>FEF Warm-Up Ride</b> <i>See Monday for description.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B: 10+ mi</b> Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014 <a href="mailto:singingcyclist@aol.com">singingcyclist@aol.com</a></p> <p>6:00 pm (April) 6:30 pm (May) <b>Far East Fringe Ride</b> <i>Experienced riders. Ride the roads west of Plymouth, then socialize at Mother's Pizzeria.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B: 20-33+ mi</b> Captains: Wendy D'Haene 313-505-5313 <a href="mailto:wddhaene@comcast.net">wddhaene@comcast.net</a> Don Broadway (w) 734-805-4407 (7:00 am-5:30 pm)</p>	<p>10:00 am (April) 9:00 am (May) <b>Hines Park A.M. Ride</b> <i>Ride Hines Park. Alternate route is on roads west of Plymouth.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B/C: 30+ mi</b> Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014 <a href="mailto:singingcyclist@aol.com">singingcyclist@aol.com</a></p> <p>9:00 am (Temp&gt;50 degrees) <b>Superior Salem Dirt Road Ride</b> <i>See Ann Arbor Area Weekly Ride Page</i></p> <p>5:00 pm (April) 5:30 pm (May) <b>FEF Warm-Up Ride</b> <i>See Monday for description.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B/C: 10+ mi</b> Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014 <a href="mailto:singingcyclist@aol.com">singingcyclist@aol.com</a></p> <p>6:00 pm (April) 6:30 pm (May) <b>Far East Fringe Ride</b> <i>Hines Park to Dearborn. Ride, then socialize at the Box Bar afterwards.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B/C: 15-30+ mi</b> Captains: Jim Van Vlerah 455-9496 Mark Shields 455-4453</p> <p>6:00 pm (April) 6:30 pm (May) <b>Kensington Ride</b> <i>A pleasant evening ride ending with the sunset on the lake. Call ride captain if weather is questionable.</i> <b>Start:</b> Upper East Boat Launch parking lot, Kensington Park <b>B/C: 22-45 mi</b> Captains: Dave Farmer 248-722-5954 Kathleen Titus 248-318-4422</p>	<p>10:00 am (April) 9:00 am (May) <b>Hines Park A.M. Ride</b> <i>Ride Hines Park.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B/C: 30+ mi</b> Captains: Bud &amp; Gail Preston 248-380-0691 Cell: 248-376-1440 <a href="mailto:budpreston@comcast.net">budpreston@comcast.net</a></p> <p>5:00 pm (April) 5:30 pm (May) <b>FEF Warm-Up Ride</b> <i>See Monday for description.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B/C: 10+ mi</b> Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014 <a href="mailto:singingcyclist@aol.com">singingcyclist@aol.com</a></p> <p>6:00 pm (April) 6:30 pm (May) <b>Far East Fringe Ride</b> <i>Hines Park to Dearborn</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>A/B/C: 15-30+ mi</b> Captain: Don Broadway (w) 734-805-4407 (7:00 am-5:30 pm)</p>	<p>10:00 am (April) 9:00 am (May) <b>Hines Drive Ride</b> <i>Ride along Hines Drive.</i> <b>Start:</b> Newburgh Pointe Rec. Area parking lot (on Hines Drive between Haggerty &amp; Newburgh Rds.) <b>A/B/C: 20+ mi</b> Captain: Phyllis Czaplá 453-8794</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>June-July Ride Calendar Deadlines:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday Ride Ideas: Mar 30 by e-mail, or at Ride Calendar Meeting on April 2</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Weekly &amp; Invitational: April 16 Final!</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday to: Jim Spencer <a href="mailto:jspencer_aabts@earthlink.net">jspencer_aabts@earthlink.net</a> 734-904-6431</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Weekly to: Ann Hunt <a href="mailto:aehunt@comcast.net">aehunt@comcast.net</a> 761-1147</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Invitationals to: Vickie Smith <a href="mailto:vickie.smith@comcast.net">vickie.smith@comcast.net</a> 996-9461</b></p>	<p>9:00 am <b>Hines Park Saturday Ride</b> <i>A ride along scenic Hines Drive. Enjoy the freedom of a Saturday on Hines. Stop in Plymouth after the ride for coffee and conversation.</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>B/C: 20-50 mi</b> Captains: Jeff Witzburg 734-459-4013 Pete Anderson 248-563-3805 <a href="mailto:fireplacepete@gmail.com">fireplacepete@gmail.com</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Rides are graded A+ (fast and hard) thru D (slow but determined)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>A Riders are expected to be self sufficient.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>B Ride captains will check with slower riders near start, and at later stops.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>C&amp;D Ride captains will ride sweep to assist all riders.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>All Riders are urged to be prepared to repair a flat.</b></p>	<p>9:00 am <b>Far East Fringe Sunday Ride</b> <i>Ride the roads west of Plymouth (B: 50+ mi) and on scenic Hines Drive (B/C: 20+ mi).</i> <b>Start:</b> Plymouth (downtown) Parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman <b>B: 50+ mi</b> (lunch) Captain: Wendy D'Haene 313-505-5313 <a href="mailto:wddhaene@comcast.net">wddhaene@comcast.net</a> <b>B/C: 20+ mi</b> (Panera Bread after ride) Captain: Joe Skurka 248-449-6572 <a href="mailto:joe@skurka.us">joe@skurka.us</a></p> <p>1:00 pm <b>Terry's Herd of Turtles No Drop Sunday Afternoon Ride in the Park</b> <i>A relaxing, conversational ride through Hines Park. Ride only if it is above 40, or under 90, degrees and pavement is dry.</i> <b>Start:</b> Nankin Mill Interpretive Center, north side of Hines Dr., 1/4 mile east of Ann Arbor Trail. <b>A/B/C: 20+ mi</b> Captain: Terry Treppa 734-729-0150</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Weekly Rides may not run on major holidays. Check with ride captain.</b></p>

## April-May 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.

Mar 27-Apr 6 (Thu-Sun)

### **Bike Mallorca '08 – THIS TOUR HAS BEEN CANCELED**

Mar 28-May 9 (Fri-Fri)

**Wandering Wheels Coast to Coast Tour**  
65<sup>th</sup> U.S. crossing sponsored by Wandering Wheels. Southern California to Brunswick, GA. Most meals, sag, shirt, maps provided; lodging in schools, churches, motels, campgrounds. [www.wanderingwheels.org](http://www.wanderingwheels.org)  
Captain: Vivian Phillips 734-482-5103  
[vivagape@aol.com](mailto:vivagape@aol.com)

Mar 30-Apr 4 (Sun-Fri)

### **Bike Florida "Trail Link" 2008**

This year's tour is a linear ride starting in beautiful Clearwater and ending at enchanting Fanning Springs. Rural roads will be used to link together the trails of Florida's Gulf Coast, including the Pinellas, Suncoast Parkway, Withlacoochee State, & Nature Coast State Trails. [www.bikeflorida.org](http://www.bikeflorida.org)  
Captain: Jim Datsko 231-264-0041  
[jrdatsko@tm.net](mailto:jrdatsko@tm.net)

### **Apr 12-17 (Sat-Thu) DATE CHANGE! 2008 Florida Safari**

Ride some of the best cycling rides in north Florida & south Georgia. Only move your tent once. Mileages per day: 30-100. Food by Charles. **Fills quickly!**  
[www.floridafreewheelers.com](http://www.floridafreewheelers.com)  
Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014  
[singingcyclist@aol.com](mailto:singingcyclist@aol.com)

Apr 14-26 (Mon-Sat)

### **BAC Civil War Odyssey**

Start & finish in Leesburg, VA. Ride through Virginia, Maryland, West Virginia, & Pennsylvania, visiting Civil War battlefields (Antietam & Gettysburg), Harper's Ferry, and over terrain contested by both Union and Confederate forces. 45-65 miles/day, rolling countryside with two 2-mile steep climbs. **Now filled – waiting list only.**  
[www.bicycleadventureclub.org](http://www.bicycleadventureclub.org)  
Captain: Vickie Smith 734-996-9461  
[vickie.smith@comcast.net](mailto:vickie.smith@comcast.net)

Apr 19 (Sat)

### **300K ACP Brevet**

Columbus, OH. Second 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, 5/31, 6/21, & 8/30. [www.ohiorand.org](http://www.ohiorand.org)  
Captain: Tom Sleeker 248-324-1879  
[ssle148851@aol.com](mailto:ssle148851@aol.com)

April 27 (Sun)

### **Monster Cookie Metric**

Depart the State Capital Mall and ride 62 mile loop north of Salem, Oregon with lunch stop at Champoege State Park on the Willamette River where early pioneers settled. [www.SalemBicycleClub.org](http://www.SalemBicycleClub.org)  
Captain: Jim Datsko 231-264-0041  
[jrdatsko@tm.net](mailto:jrdatsko@tm.net)

May 3 (Sat)

### **Cincinnati Chili Century**

Ride routes of 25, 35, 50, 75, & 100 miles on flat quiet roads in Clermont, OH. DOR available. All-you-can-eat chili feast and baked potato buffet option at end of ride at Goshen High School.  
[www.cincinnati-cyclists.org/](http://www.cincinnati-cyclists.org/)  
Captain: Dan Harrison 734-971-3610  
[a2dan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:a2dan@sbcglobal.net)

May 3 (Sat)

### **17th Annual Calvin's Challenge**

This is a personal challenge event in which you ride as much as you want or can in 12 hours on 7- and 50-mile loops. Located at Shawnee High School in Springfield, OH.  
[www.geocities.com/Colosseum/Field/4526/](http://www.geocities.com/Colosseum/Field/4526/)  
Captain: Jeff Stephens 614-579-1127  
[jeff@stephens-marketing.com](mailto:jeff@stephens-marketing.com)

May 4 (Sun)

### **25th Metro Grand Spring Tour (MGST)**

Willow Metro Park (I275, Exits 11a or 11b). Sponsored by the Downriver Cycling Club. Choose from routes of 25, 45, and 62 miles along the Huron River and scenic country roads in Wayne & Monroe Counties.  
[www.lmb.org/dcc/mgst/](http://www.lmb.org/dcc/mgst/)  
Captain: Teresa Badgley 734-637-7740

May 4-9 (Sun-Fri)

### **BAC California Coast, Redwoods, and Wine**

Permanent-base ride of varied cycling out of Guerneville, CA, situated in the Redwoods along the Russian River north of San Francisco. Daily rides range mostly from 40-60 miles, with easier and more difficult routes each day. Price includes lodging, breakfast, 2 dinners, & happy hours. **Space limited – Fills Quickly!** [www.bicycleadventureclub.org](http://www.bicycleadventureclub.org)  
Captains: Bud & Gail Preston 248-380-0691  
[budpreston@comcast.net](mailto:budpreston@comcast.net)

May 10 (Sat)

### **Michigan Recumbent Rally East**

Recumbent displays, test rides, used recumbents, & dealers plus "buying your first recumbent" talks at 11 a.m. & 1 p.m. Group ride at noon. Willow Metropark pool shelter.  
[www.wolverbents.org](http://www.wolverbents.org)  
Captain: Bob Krzewinski 734-487-9058  
[wolverbob@yahoo.com](mailto:wolverbob@yahoo.com)

May 10-11 (Sat-Sun)

### **47<sup>th</sup> Annual TOSRV – Tour of the Scioto River Valley**

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](http://www.tosrv.org)  
Captains:  
Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483  
[Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu)

May 11 (Sun)

### **Back 40 Challenge**

Dirt bike rides on scenic northern Oakland County back roads. Routes range from 7 to 48 miles. Registration 7:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Independence Elementary School, 6850 Hubbard Rd., Clarkston, MI.  
[www.flyingrhinocc.com](http://www.flyingrhinocc.com)  
Captain: Richard Keller 248-437-6467  
[richard@kellerfarm.com](mailto:richard@kellerfarm.com)

May 16-18 (Fri-Sun)

### **COWS: Annual Gathering of the Herd Tandem Spring Rally**

This year's rally, presented by Couples on Wheels, the Wisconsin Tandem Club, takes place in Ellison Bay, WI in the beautiful Door County Peninsula. Excellent accommodations, fine food and memorable riding in one of the state's most scenic areas. Pre- and post-tours offered by ride captains; see Special Club Rides & Events Calendar.  
[www.couplesonwheels.com](http://www.couplesonwheels.com)  
Captains:  
Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483  
[Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu)

May 22-26 (Thu-Mon)

### **Horsey Hundred Weekend**

One of AABTS members' favorite invitational rides, the Horsey Hundred, just keeps getting better and better! It has been expanded far beyond the Saturday-Sunday ride itself. See below and the Special Club Rides & Events calendar for our usual events & some exciting new ones:

May 22 (Thu)

**Horsey Hundred Weekend Wine Tasting**  
See May 22, Special Club Rides & Events Calendar.

May 22 (Thu)

**Horsey Hundred Weekend AABTS Thursday Pre-Ride**  
See May 22, Special Club Rides & Events Calendar.

May 23 (Fri)

**Horsey Hundred AABTS Friday Pre-Ride**  
See May 23, Special Club Rides & Events Calendar.

May 23 (Fri)  
**Horsey Hundred Weekend Friday Group Dinner**  
See May 23, Special Club Rides & Events Calendar.

May 24 (Sat)  
**Wolverine 200**  
45th Annual Bicycle Marathon. This event is not a race, but a test of stamina to achieve a personal goal. The unique course covers the length of Belle Isle on nearly all-new pavement with no auto traffic.  
[www.lmb.org/wsc/](http://www.lmb.org/wsc/)  
Captain: Laike Misikir 248-505-7067  
[laikemariam@yahoo.com](mailto:laikemariam@yahoo.com)

May 24-25 (Sat-Sun)  
**Horsey Hundred**  
An AABTS favorite, through the horse country around Georgetown, KY. New this year will be AABTS-sponsored pre-ride on Thursday, in addition to our usual Friday club ride, and new Bluegrass Cycling Club rides on the Friday before and the Monday after the ride. Also, private wine tasting Thursday afternoon and our usual club dinner on Friday night (See May 22, Special Club Rides & Events Calendar). Horsey Hundred information and application at [www.bgcycling.org/horsey.php](http://www.bgcycling.org/horsey.php)  
Captain: Dennis Burke 313-562-9464  
[dbjockey@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dbjockey@sbcglobal.net)

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/](http://www.lmb.org/saddle/)  
Captain: Phyllis Czaplá 734-453-8794

Jun 7 (Sat)  
**100,000 Metre T-Shirt Ride**  
Laingsburg High School, Laingsburg, MI. 25-, 50- & 100-K loops (17, 34 & 62 miles) in rural Shiawassee County on moderately rolling terrain. Go to [www.biketcba.org](http://www.biketcba.org) and click on 100,000 Metre T-Shirt Ride.  
Captain: Gayle Larson 248-669-4366  
[gayle.larson46@yahoo.com](mailto:gayle.larson46@yahoo.com)

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 14-mile mountain bike trail routes. [www.diabetes.org/tour](http://www.diabetes.org/tour)  
Captain: Mick Osman 517-285-6830  
[scimitargordons@yahoo.com](mailto:scimitargordons@yahoo.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](http://www.tourdekota.com)  
Captain: Lloyd Strong 519-252-8674  
[lstrong2@cogeco.net](mailto:lstrong2@cogeco.net)

Jun 8-14 (Sun-Sat)  
**Bicycle Ride Across Nebraska (BRAN)**  
The ride captain has withdrawn this ride. If interested, contact Vickie Smith: [vickie.smith@comcast.net](mailto: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 Marion covers the first 73 miles of the 103-mile Mt. Mitchell route, and 4500 feet of elevation. Fills quickly!  
[www.freewheelers.info/assault.html](http://www.freewheelers.info/assault.html)  
Captain: Tom Zempel 734-668-1358  
[tzempel@comcast.net](mailto:tzempel@comcast.net)

May 24-26 (Sat-Mon)  
**Century Ride of the Centuries**  
Pitch your Tee-Pee at the Tamastslíkt Cultural [Native American] Center or stay at the Bar M Guest Ranch for Memorial Weekend Cycling in eastern Oregon including foothills of the Blue Mountains and Columbia River. [www.CyclePendleton.com](http://www.CyclePendleton.com)  
Captain: Jim Datsko, 231-264-0041,  
[jrdatsko@tm.net](mailto:jrdatsko@tm.net)

May 26 (Mon)  
**Horsey Hundred Post-Ride**  
See May 26, Special Club Rides & Events Calendar.

May 26 (Mon)  
**Sisters Cycling Tour-De-Lakes**  
**Note: Tentative; ride may not happen.**  
A tour on paved roads through the scenic lake country of western Oakland County. Routes of 8, 31, 45, & 62 miles. World famous Sisters Cycling picnic after ride. Richardson Community Center, Commerce, MI. [www.lmb.org/sisters](http://www.lmb.org/sisters)  
Captain: Ann Garvin 734-663-4075  
[agarvin224@aol.com](mailto:agarvin224@aol.com)

## Coming Up

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](http://www.n24hc.org)  
Captain: Scott Falconberry 810-533-6077  
[scottfa@charter.net](mailto:scottfa@charter.net)

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](http://www.ohiorand.org)  
Captain: Tom Sleeker 248-324-1879  
[ssle148851@aol.com](mailto: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/](http://www.lmb.org/palm/)  
Captain: Vickie Smith 734-996-9461  
[vickie.smith@comcast.net](mailto: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](http://www.borderraiders.com)  
Captain: Jan Shubitowski 734-971-3610  
[janeta2@att.net](mailto:janeta2@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](http://www.grabaawr.com)  
Captains: Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483  
[Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu)

May 31 (Sat)  
**400K ACP Brevet**  
Columbus, OH. Third 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, 6/21, & 8/30. [www.ohiorand.org](http://www.ohiorand.org)  
Captain: Tom Sleeker 248-324-1879  
[ssle148851@aol.com](mailto:ssle148851@aol.com)

May 31-Jun 1 (Sat-Sun)  
**Bike MS – West Michigan (formerly MS 150)**  
Besides the name, other changes to this fundraiser include location (Holland High School) and larger variety of route options: 1- or 2-day options on both Saturday & Sunday of 30, 75, or 100 miles. Overnight accommodations provided for all 2-day riders. Minimum pledge required. [bikemig.nationalmssociety.org](http://bikemig.nationalmssociety.org)  
Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014  
[singingcyclist@aol.com](mailto:singingcyclist@aol.com)

Jun 22-28 (Sun-Sat)  
**14<sup>th</sup> 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/](http://www.bicycletourcolorado.com/)  
Captain: Tom Zempel 734-668-1358  
[tzempel@comcast.net](mailto:tzempel@comcast.net)

June 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](http://www.pedalacrosswisconsin.com/#door)  
Captain: Ann Garvin 734-663-4075  
[agarvin224@aol.com](mailto:agarvin224@aol.com)

June 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](http://www.ecocenter.org) for all details.  
Captain: Mike Grant 734-994-4665

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/](http://www.biketcba.org/)  
Captain: Ann Garvin 734-663-4075  
[agarvin224@aol.com](mailto:agarvin224@aol.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](http://www.bontonroulet.com)  
Captains: Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483  
[Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu)



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/](http://www.fanyride.com/)  
Captain: Scott Falconberry 810-533-6077  
[scottfa@charter.net](mailto: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](http://www.ragbrai.org)  
Captain: Vickie Smith 734-996-9461  
[vickie.smith@comcast.net](mailto: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](http://www.wishmich.org/events/wish-a-mile.shtml)  
Captain: John Finnegan 734-891-0787  
[johnfinnegan@aol.com](mailto:johnfinnegan@aol.com)

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!  
[www.pedalacrosswisconsin.com](http://www.pedalacrosswisconsin.com)  
Captain: Chris Flaviani 248-349-8862 [cflav@tds.net](mailto: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.  
[www.ndparks.com/recreation/activities/candisc.htm](http://www.ndparks.com/recreation/activities/candisc.htm)  
Captain: Lloyd Strong 519-252-8674  
[lstrong2@cogeco.net](mailto:lstrong2@cogeco.net)

Aug 3 (Sun)

### Annual Charity Bicycle Ride for Sight

Sponsored by the Dearborn Heights Lions Club. 20- & 40-mile routes starting from Nankin Interpretive Center on Hines Drive. DHL/CBRFS, 35637 Cherry Hill Rd., Westland, MI 48186-7434.  
Captain: Terry Treppa 734-729-2240  
[ttreppa@mindspring.com](mailto:ttreppa@mindspring.com)

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.org](http://www.lmb.org)  
Captains: Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483  
[Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu)

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 [www.wildcat-bike-tours.co.uk/scotland-braveheart.htm](http://www.wildcat-bike-tours.co.uk/scotland-braveheart.htm) for full details. [www.bicycleadventureclub.org](http://www.bicycleadventureclub.org)  
Ride captains: Bud & Gail Preston 248-380-0691  
[budpreston@comcast.net](mailto:budpreston@comcast.net)

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](http://www.dalmac.org)  
Captains: Gwen & Don Evich 734-426-5116  
[gwenevich@worldnet.att.net](mailto:gwenevich@worldnet.att.net)

Aug 29-Sep 1 (Fri-Mon)

### 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Midwest Tandem Rally (MTR) -- Linkin' the Midwest

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](http://www.mtr2008.org)  
Captains: Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483  
[Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu)

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. [www.ohiorand.org](http://www.ohiorand.org)  
Captain: Tom Sleeker 248-324-1879  
[ssle148851@aol.com](mailto: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. **Filling quickly!** [www.bicycleadventureclub.org](http://www.bicycleadventureclub.org)  
Ride captain: Vickie Smith 734-996-9461  
[vickie.smith@comcast.net](mailto:vickie.smith@comcast.net)

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](http://www.lmb.org/pages/Events/ShorelinePages/odram.htm)  
Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014  
[singingcyclist@aol.com](mailto:singingcyclist@aol.com)

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, low-traffic roads, and well-marked 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.  
[www.baltobikeclub.org/index.pl/cwc](http://www.baltobikeclub.org/index.pl/cwc)  
Captain: Steve Dodge 734-996-9122  
[smdqblue@sbcglobal.net](mailto:smdqblue@sbcglobal.net)

Sep 12-20 (Fri-Sat)

### Wandering Wheels 24<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.wanderingwheels.org)  
Captain: Vivian Phillips 734-482-5103  
[vivagape@aol.com](mailto:vivagape@aol.com)

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/](http://www.state.tn.us/environment/parks/BRAT/)  
Captain: Lloyd Strong 519-252-8674  
[lstrong2@cogeco.net](mailto:lstrong2@cogeco.net)

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.  
[www.bikeprogram.org/coc.html](http://www.bikeprogram.org/coc.html)  
Captain: Gary Francis 734-522-1014  
[singingcyclist@aol.com](mailto:singingcyclist@aol.com)

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](http://www.applecidercentury.com)  
Captain: Dave Krick 734-276-2043  
[dave.krick@gmail.com](mailto:dave.krick@gmail.com)

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.org](http://www.bicycleadventureclub.org)  
Captains: Bud & Gail Preston 248-380-0691  
[budpreston@comcast.net](mailto:budpreston@comcast.net)

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](http://www.hillyhundred.org)  
Captains: Chris & Casey Marble 231-828-4483  
[Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:Chris.Marble@muskegoncc.edu)

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!  
[www.festiveLO.org/](http://www.festiveLO.org/)  
Captain: Lloyd Strong 519-252-8674  
[lstrong2@cogeco.net](mailto:lstrong2@cogeco.net)

## June-July Ride Calendar Deadlines:

**Sunday Ride Ideas:  
March 30 by e-mail, or at  
Ride Calendar Meeting  
on Wed, April 2**

**Weekly & Invitational:  
April 16 Final!**

**Sunday to:  
Jim Spencer  
[jspencer\\_aabtscal@earthlink.net](mailto:jspencer_aabtscal@earthlink.net)  
734-904-6431**

**Weekly to:  
Ann Hunt  
[ahunt@comcast.net](mailto:ahunt@comcast.net)  
761-1147**

**Invitationals to:  
Vickie Smith  
[vickie.smith@comcast.net](mailto:vickie.smith@comcast.net)  
996-9461**

## Club Mile Eligibility:

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

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

Email  
[vickie.smith@comcast.net](mailto:vickie.smith@comcast.net)  
or Call 996-9461

**NOW** to get it listed.