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AABTS Winter 2015-16 Sunday, Special Club and Out of Area Rides

Sunday Rides Dec 2015 – Mar 2016

Morning & Afternoon Ann Arbor Democratic Rides

Group selects captain and route.

A/B/C: 20+ mi 10:00 am Wheeler Park

Info: Joe Pavlovich 734-545-0541

A/B/C: 20+ mi 1:00 pm Wheeler Park

Info: John Pierce 734-994-5908

Morning Far East Fringe Democratic Ride

Group selects ride captain and route.

A/B/C: 20+ mi 10:00 am Plymouth (downtown) parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman.

Info: Joe Skurka 248-449-6572

joe@skurka.us

Saline Ride

Call captain for time and location.

A/B/C Captain:

Jeff Eisemann 734-747-1862

bikingjeff@gmail.com

April - May Ride Calendar Deadlines for All Rides: March 1, 2016

Weekly to:

Joe Pavlovich

jpavlovi1953@yahoo.com

734-545-0541

Invitationals to:

Vickie Smith

vickie.smith@comcast.net

734-276-2096

Out of Area Rides to: Jim Lee

Leej_48103@yahoo.com

Sunday Rides to: Alex Wagner

alexwagner1136@gmail.com

Special Rides

Jan 1 (Friday)

First Ride In The First Hour

Get the year off right by riding in the first hour or the New Year! Short ride on low traffic streets.

B/C: 6 mi 12:30am (yes 30 minutes after midnight) ABC Microbrewery Ypsilanti (Corner Brewery), Norris at Forest Avenue

Captain: Bob Krzewinski, 734-487-9058, wolverbob@gmail.com

Jan 1 (Friday)

First Ann Arbor Miles of 2016

A local first ride to a suitable brunch spot for eating and socializing.

Mileage determined by the weather. No ride if official road advisories are in effect. Call captain up to 9:30 am if uncertain.

A/B/C/C:- 3-? mi 10:00 am Wheeler Park

Captain: Doug Tidd 734-662-0205

dougtidd@yahoo.com

Jan 1 (Friday)

Eleventh Annual FYA Ride

Start the New Year right. Ride away those calories put on over the holidays! Work off that hangover!

Destination and mileage determined by the weather.

A/B/C: 9:00 am Chelsea, 1101 S. Main, in front of Aberdeen Bike & Fitness.

Captain: Mick Osman 517-285-6830

Out-of-Area Rides

Jan-Apr 2016 (every Sun-Sat)

Florida Pinellas Winter Break Rides

Ride to various destinations around Largo & Indian Rocks Beach, FL, including the 60+ mile Pinellas Trail, beaches, parks, & our favorite lunch spots. All rides start at the George C. McGough Nature Park, 11901 146th St. North, Largo. Visiting club members are asked to call one of the ride captains listed below, so that we know who is in town.

A/B/C +/-20 mi Start 10:00 am

(Jan), 9:00 am (Feb-Mar)

Captains:

Dorothy Stock 734-717-0208

Vickie Smith 734-276-2096 (Jan-Mar only)

Connie Cavanaugh 727-593-2412

Dan Harrison 734-476-4944 (Jan-Mar only)

Harold Klee 734-306-7161 (Mar-Apr only)

Daily Dec 2015 – April 2016

Key Largo Rides

Typically start in Key Largo and ride to the ocean, bay, breakfast or whatever feels good at the time.

A/B/C – Various Start Times

Captains: Bud and Gail Preston

305-414-8316 or 248-464-2221.

Contact for start location, destination, and distance.

Added new ride.

Terry's Herd Rides the Sonora Desert

November to March - A no drop ride through the streets and deserts country side.

The ride begins in Mesa and travels to downtown Mesa and/or to Apache Junction Gold rush Frontier Town (tourist trap).

A/B/C 20+ mi

Call ride captain for start time and location.

Captain:

Terry Treppa (734) 776-1885 cell

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AABTS Dec 2015 – Mar 2016 **ANN ARBOR & PLYMOUTH AREA** Weekly Rides

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays	Saturdays	
<p>Chelsea Winter Ride <i>A ride for all levels. Destination alternates between Stockbridge, Grass Lake, Napoleon, and Pleasant Lake. Ride contingent on the weather. Route and distance determined by the assembled group.</i> B/C: 34-45+ mi & 55-65+ mi 9:00 am Chelsea, 1101 S. Main, in front of Aberdeen Bike & Fitness. Captain: Mick Osman 517-285-6830</p> <p>Far East Fringe Winter Democratic Ride <i>Ride Hines Drive or on roads west of Plymouth. Group selects ride captain and route.</i> A/B/C: 20+ mi 10:00 am Plymouth (downtown) parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman. Info: John Finnegan 734-981-0787</p> <p>Dexter Democratic Ride <i>Group selects captain & route.</i> A/B/C: 11:00 Dexter Pavilion Info: John Pierce 734-994-5908 Ride added.</p> <p>Rides are graded A, B and C, based on a comfortable riding pace for you.</p> <p>A (18+ mph): Riders should be self-sufficient.</p> <p>B (14-18 mph) Ride captains will check with slower riders near start, and at later stops.</p> <p>C (9-13 mph): Ride captains will ride sweep to assist all riders.</p> <p>All Riders are should be prepared to repair a flat.</p>	<p>Ann Arbor & Dexter Winter Democratic Rides <i>Group selects ride captain and route.</i> A/B/C: 10:00 am Bird Hills Park parking lot, Newport Rd Info: Joe Pavlovich 734-545-0541 A/B/C: 11:00 Dexter Pavilion Info: John Pierce 734-994-5908</p> <p>Far East Fringe Winter Democratic Ride <i>See Monday Far East Fringe Winter Democratic Ride.</i></p> <p>Dinner Ride <i>Ride the well maintained Border to Border trail to an Ann Arbor or Ypsilanti restaurant. Participants choose location. Both front and back lights required and reflective clothing strongly suggested.</i> A/B/C: 10-20 miles Start: 6:00 pm Ride usually starts from Gallup Park parking lot just south of the bridge over the Huron River. Contact Doug Tidd for more info. Captains: Doug Tidd 734-678-8297 DeWight Plotner 734-971-2121</p> <p>Chelsea Dirt/Road Winter Ride <i>Ride the dirt roads through great country settings. Bring your Cross, Mountain or Hybrid bike. 6:00 pm start time with roll out no later than 6:15 pm.</i> B/C: 25-55+ mi 6:00 pm Chelsea, 1101 S. Main, in front of Aberdeen Bike & Fitness. Captain: Mick Osman 517-285-6830</p> <p>Tuesdays (Cont.)</p>	<p>Tuesday Night Kensington Winter Ride <i>Primary route will be laps around Kensington Park & into Island Lake Park via surface road and paved bike path. 6-10 watt headlight, taillight, and reflective clothing required. Metropark permit needed.</i> Weather permitting. A/B: 9-40 mi 6:00 pm East Boat Launch parking lot, Kensington Park Captain: Tom Sleeker 248-761-7634</p> <p>Visit www.aabts.org for: Forums, Calendar Updates, Newsletter, Ride Sheets & Maps</p> <p>Weekly Rides may not run on major holidays. Check with ride captain.</p>	<p>Northwestern Brunch Ride <i>Enjoy some of our favorite roads when traffic is low. Rides modified for weather conditions.</i> Start: Stockbridge Park, at north end of N Wood St, 1st rt turn west of Main Square. B: 25-50 mi 9:00 am Captains: John Coffey 734-476-1768 jcoffey.dexter@gmail.com Jeffrey Spoon 734 846-0604 jdspoon@spooncompanies.com</p> <p>Far East Fringe Winter Democratic Ride <i>See Monday Far East Fringe Winter Democratic Ride.</i></p> <p>Dexter Democratic Ride <i>Group selects captain & route.</i> A/B/C: 11:00 Dexter Pavilion Info: John Pierce 734-994-5908 Ride added.</p>	<p>Frosty the Snowman <i>Ride from Cavanaugh Lake to Grass Lake and have brunch at Ryan's Restaurant.</i> A/B/C: 37 mi 9:00 am Cavanaugh Lake</p> <p>Notify Captain if coming Captain: Jeffrey Spoon jdspoon@spooncompanies.com 734-846-0604</p> <p>Ride added.</p> <p>Ann Arbor & Dexter Winter Democratic Rides <i>See Tuesday Ann Arbor & Dexter Winter Democratic Rides.</i></p> <p>Far East Fringe Winter Democratic Ride <i>See Monday Far East Fringe Winter Democratic Ride.</i></p> <p>Kensington Winter Ride <i>see Tuesday Night Kensington Winter Ride</i></p> <p>Ann Arbor Winter Democratic Rides <i>Group selects ride captain and route. Both front and back lights required and reflective clothing strongly suggested.</i> A/B/C: 6:30 pm Wheeler Park Info: Doug Tidd 734-662-0205</p>	<p>Ann Arbor & Dexter Winter Democratic Rides A/B/C: 10:00 am Olson Park on Dhu Varren@Pontiac Trail Info: Joe Pavlovich 734-545-0541 A/B/C: 11:00 Dexter Pavilion Info: John Pierce 734-994-5908</p> <p>Far East Fringe Hines Drive Winter Democratic Ride <i>Ride along Hines Drive, and have brunch at Plymouth & Northville's nicer restaurants. Group selects ride captain and route.</i> A/B/C: 20+ mi 10:00 am Newburgh Pointe Rec. Area parking lot (on Hines Drive between Haggerty & Newburgh) Info: Phyllis Czaplá 734-453-8794</p> <p>April – May Ride Calendar Deadlines:</p> <p>All Rides: March 1, 2016</p> <p>Weekly to: Joe Pavlovich jpavlovi1953@yahoo.com 734-545-0541</p> <p>Invitationals to: Vickie Smith vickie.smith@comcast.net 734-276-2096</p> <p>Out of Area Rides to: Jim Lee Leej_48103@yahoo.com</p> <p>Sunday Rides to: Alex Wagner alexwagner1136@gmail.com</p>	<p>Saturday Morning Saline Ride Call captain for starting time and location. A/B/C Captain: Jeff Eisemann 734-747-1862 bikingjeff@gmail.com</p> <p>Saturday Morning Border to Border Ride <i>Ride the Border-to-Border Trail and visit restaurants in Ann Arbor or Ypsilanti. Group decides lunch stop.</i> A/B/C no-drop ride: 22+ mi 10:00 am Wheeler Park Captain: Doug Tidd 734-662-0205 dougidd@yahoo.com</p> <p>Ann Arbor Democratic Ride <i>A later ride for those who would rather wait until it warms up a bit. Group selects ride captain and route.</i> A/B/C: 20+ mi 1:00 pm Wheeler Park Info: John Pierce 734-994-5908</p> <p>Far East Fringe Democratic Ride <i>Ride Hines Drive or on roads west of Plymouth. Group selects ride captain and route.</i> A/B/C: 20+ mi 10:00 am Plymouth (downtown) parking lot behind Penn Theater, 760 Penniman. Info: John Finnegan 734-981-0787</p>

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WINTER 2015-2016 INVITATIONALS

Includes both non-commercial and commercial rides. A Club member must volunteer as ride captain. In case of multiple volunteers, the first name received is listed as captain.

These rides often require advance registration. Contact ride captain for information.

December 2015 – March 2016

Dec 4-6 (Fri-Sun)

Highlands Bike Fest

Sebring, FL. Enjoy the low traffic roads of rural Florida with a mini-vacation during the cooler weather. Gently rolling hills of Highlands County, excellent buffet lunch meals, ice cream socials, prizes, etc.

Ride 1, 2, or 3 days.

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

Captain: Harold Klee 734-306-7161

hchdklee@yahoo.com

Dec 7-12 (Mon-Sat)

Florida Keys Bike Ride

Meet in Key Largo, pedal 50 miles to Marathon Key & 50 miles next day to Key West. After 2 nights in Key West, ride route in reverse. Stay at great hotels and enjoy views of palm trees & water in all directions on the Florida Overseas Heritage Trail. **Space limited.**

<http://www.floridakeysbikeride.com>

Captains: Dave & Kathleen Farmer 248-722-5954 & 248-318-4422

daveandkathleen@yahoo.com

Jan 24 (Sun)

Worst Day of the Year Ride

Ann Arbor. Bundle up & show everyone how crazy you are by joining this free festive winter ride around town. Prizes, contests, food provided. All the routes (6-, 12-, 20- & 40-mile) start at Kerrytown Farmers' Market & end at Conor O'Neill's. Sponsored by Wheels In Motion Bikes. www.wheelsinmotion.us

Questions: 734-971-2121

jason@wheelsinmotion.us

Captain: Jeff Eisemann 734-747-

1862 bikingjeff@gmail.com

Mar 12-19 (Sat-Sat)

Texas Hell Week

Fredericksburg, TX. Nicknamed "The Rides of March." Fixed-center tour in the Texas Hill Country. Features 8 days of riding for all levels of cyclists, with rides from 26 up to 100+ miles, plus a double century. Also included are 200K & 300K brevets.

<http://www.hellweek.com/texas.html>

Captain: Sharon Sleeker 248-761-5792

sharon.sleeker@hotmail.com

Upcoming Rides (April – July 2016)

Apr 9-15 (Sat-Fri)

Bike Florida Spring Tour – Surf & Turf

This annual spring tour will be in Arcadia (3 days), Sarasota (2 days), & Englewood (2 days), all on the Gulf Coast. Popular spring getaway tour.

<http://bikeflorida.org/tours/2016-spring-tour-surf-turf/>

Captain: Tom Rogers 734-747-8774

trogers@umich.edu

May 7-8 (Sat-Sun)

TOSRV – Tour of the Scioto River Valley

Columbus, OH. 55th year of a bicycling classic, which started in 1962 as a father & son outing and grew into the nation's largest bicycle touring weekend. Two days, 210 miles from Columbus to Portsmouth, OH & back again. Half TOSRV starts in Chillicothe and returns the next day. One-day TOSRV starts in Columbus & turns around in Chillicothe.

Register as late as May 6. www.tosrv.org

Captain: Steve Limkemann 734-595-

7991 stevelim@wwnet.com

May 28 & 29 (Sat-Sun)

Horsey Hundred

Georgetown, KY. 39th annual event. One of the best attended of AABTS's favorite invitationals, through the horse country and rural area around Georgetown, KY. www.horseyhundred.com

AABTS is offering some special pre- and post-tour features again this year so you can make this a multi-day cycling vacation. Check the Out-of-Area Rides section of the April-May calendar for more details.

Captain: Vickie Smith 734-276-2096

vickie.smith@comcast.net

Jun 18-24 (Sat-Fri)

PALM XXXV – 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. Join us for the 35th year of this family-friendly ride! Daily distances of 35-60 miles; longer routes available. The 2016 route will be from Whitehall to Oscoda;

overnights include Pentwater, White Cloud, Evart, Gladwin & Hale. Application available on PALM website at 12:00 noon on Sunday, January 10. **In past years, PALM has filled quickly!**

www.palmbiketour.org

Captain: Vickie Smith 734-276-2096

vickie.smith@comcast.net

Jul 9 (Sat)

OHR – 40th Annual One Helluva Ride!

Our fabulous annual Club invitational fund raiser; always held on the 2nd Saturday of July. Rides of 39, 64, 75 & 100 miles start at Chelsea (MI) Fairgrounds; 15- & 30-mile Fun Rides start at Portage Lake State Park.

(AABTS members: Please consider volunteering to work on ride day, & ride the AABTS Volunteers' OHR route the Sunday before.)

Captain: Jeffrey Spoon 734-846-0604

jdspoon@spooncompanies.com

Jul 24-30 (Sun-Sat)

RAGBRAI XLIV – The Register's Annual Great Bicycle Rider Across Iowa

Classic cross-state bicycle tour—the granddaddy of them all! The 2016 route will not be announced until January, but remember, Iowa ain't flat! Registration opened Nov. 15. **Fills quickly!**

www.ragbrai.org

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