



Touring Notes

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A Recreational Club for Central Texas

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League of American Bicyclists

This club is affiliated with the League of American Bicyclists - Founded in 1880 as the League of American Wheelmen.

New Members

Michela Love - San Antonio
Jim Stephens - San Antonio
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- San Antonio
Welter Noyes - San Antonio
Ben Will - Houston

Club News

Ride Leaders Needed

Anyone who wants to lead a ride please contact Mike Paese (210) 698-6625, topdog@stic.net.

Club Web Site

Fernando Galdos has put together a great new club web site. Check it out at <http://members.aol.com/hcbtc/home.html>

Summer Meetings

Some people showed up at the Rudy's across from Sea World for our last meeting. Read the fine print - we will meet at the Rudy's in Leon Springs. Our next meeting is July 9th at 11:30 am. (Join us at 8:00 AM for a ride first if it's not too rainy.)

Club Jerseys?

Anyone interested in Club Jerseys? If we get 25 orders we can get custom jerseys for around \$35 each. Contact Chris Marsh 210 681-5768 or cmarsh@texas.net if you are interested.

Member Discounts

The following Bicycle Shops offer members of the HCBTC a 10% discount:

B & J Bicycles, 8800 Broadway, 826-0177

BikeWorld, 5911 Broadway, 828-5558 and Blanco at Lockhill Selma 344-2303

Britton's Cycles, 4109 Naco Perrin, 656-1655 and 803 E. Blanco, Boerne, 830 816-2305

Pit Stop Bike Shop, 6501 Bandera Rd, 521-2453

Ride Away Bicycles, 8830 Huebner, 696-9925

A big thanks for their support to our club.

Back from Great Britain

Jan and I just got back from a cold, wet and windy bicycle tour of Wales and England. Pam Tucker met us there and enjoyed the rain and hills with us. Misery loves company so we all had a jolly good time. Look for a presentation on how to plan a cold, wet vacation at a future meeting.

After carrying 30 pounds of gear (each) up and down the steepest hills in Europe we decided to have someone else carry them for us next time. At the end of August we are planning a five day tour in Michigan where they carry all your stuff in a truck and have a SAG wagon.

While we were drying out in a Pub, we discussed having a Fall event in Fredericksburg - the Fredericksburg Fall Foliage Frolic! You will be able to ride the Fun Forty or the Ferocious Fifty. Pam is busy planing the routes and looking into a place to have dinner on Saturday night. Mark your calenders for the weekend of November 11th and 12th.

The club is moving right along with close to 50 members and a treasury of almost \$100. At the rate we are spending, that's enough to last us over a year! We will charge a small fee for the Club Century in October so that should bring in a few more dollars!

If there is anything else you would like to see in the club or want to help, please let me know. After all, this is your club.

- Chris Marsh



Club Events

Saturday, June 24th, Comfort Ride. Meet at the Park and Ride on TX 27 in Comfort at 8:00 Am for a 35 mile ride on low traffic roads. See waterfalls and other scenery. The group will ride around 12 m.p.h.. Stay and eat after the ride. Ride leaders are Chris and Jan Marsh at cmarsh@texas.net or 210-681-5768.

Sunday, June 25th, Woman Hollering Creek Ride. Meet at Judson High School on the big parking lot between the football and baseball stadiums at 9:00 AM for a 36 mile ride to New Berlin and back. Contact David Young 210-997-3327 or SALaw@texas.net for more information.

July 1st - 4th, Davis Mountain weekend. We will hike and ride in the Davis Mountains/Big Bend region over the 4th of July Weekend. Drive up on the 1st, hike in Big Bend on the 2nd, ride in the Davis Mountains on the 3rd, and return on the 4th. Contact Chris and Jan Marsh at cmarsh@texas.net or 210-681-5768 for more information.

Saturday, July 8th, Po Po's Ride. Meet at 8:30 AM by Po Po's for a 30 mile ride towards Comfort. Po Po's is 10 miles north of Bourne off I-10 at Welfare-Waring Road. Ride leader is Tommy McMillan 210 674-1210.

Sunday, July 9th, Rudy's Ride and Meeting. Meet at 8:00 AM at the park and ride at I-10 and Bourne Stage Road in Leon Springs for a 30 mile group ride. The group will ride around 12 m.p.h.. The group will eat at Rudy's Bar-B-Q after the ride. Ride leaders are Chris and Jan Marsh at cmarsh@texas.net or 210-681-5768.

Sunday, July 9th, Monthly meeting. Meet at Rudy's Bar-B-Q in Leon Springs (in the open area in the back) at 11:30 AM for our monthly meeting. We will discuss future club activities. Contact Chris Marsh at cmarsh@texas.net or 210-681-5768 for more information.

Sunday, July 16th, Mystery Ride. Meet in Helotes across from the Helotes Bike Shop on Old Bandera Rd. for a 30 mile

ride. Ride leaders are Chris and Jan Marsh at cmarsh@texas.net or 210-681-5768.

Saturday, July 22nd, Kerrville Ride. Meet at 8:00 AM in the Albertsons parking lot on TX 16 (across from the mall) in Kerrville for a hilly 30 mile ride. Ride leader is Pam Tucker 830 990-9261 ptucker@ctesc.net.

Saturday, July 29th, Medina Apple Festival Ride. Meet at 8:00 AM at the parking area three miles north of Bandera on TX 16. (Cross the river and it's on the right.) We will have routes of 20, 30 and 50 miles. All routes go through Medina for the International Apple Festival. Get apple pie, apple cider, apple pizza, etc. Live entertainment and arts & crafts. Ride leaders are Chris and Jan Marsh at cmarsh@texas.net or 210-681-5768.

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Saturday, October 14th, Club Century. Meet in Helotes at 7:30 AM and ride to Castroville and Devine for a 100 mile "mostly flat" ride. There will be support vehicles and stores every 10 to 15 miles with rest rooms. There will be a small fee charged to cover the support on this ride. Shorter routes also available. Contact Chris Marsh at cmarsh@texas.net or 210-681-5768 for more information.

Friday - Sunday, November 10th - 12th, Fredericksburg Fall Foliage Frolic. Enjoy a weekend in Fredericksburg for this event. We will try to have a group evening at the Brew Pub on Saturday night. Watch for more details. Contact Pam Tucker 830 990-9261 ptucker@ctesc.net for more information.

Recurring Rides

Every Monday and Wednesday, Vern's rides. Vern says that he will lead a ride every Monday and Wednesday morning that he is available. Contact Vern Jeys 210 675-0538 v.jeys@worldnet.att.net for more information.

Wednesday Night Rides. Start at 6:30 PM for a 20 mile ride. Call Chris Marsh 210 691-5768 cmarsh@texas.net for ride location.

Other Area Rides

Sunday, July 23rd, Katy Flatland Century. 7:00 am at Rhodes Stadium in Katy, Texas. \$20 before July 1. Call 713 466-1240 for more information.

Saturday, August 26th, Hotter 'N Hell Hundred. Joe Schaelling, PO Box 2096, Wichita Falls, TX 76307, 940-322-3223.

Sunday, September 24th, Tour De Tots, San Antonio.

Saturday - Sunday, September 30th - October 1st, MS 150 San Antonio to Corpus Christi. Benefits Multiple Sclerosis. \$25 registration + \$150 in pledges. Call 210 494-5531 for more information.

Saturday, October 21st, Mission's Tour de Goliad. 8:30 am. Goliad. 10, 30, 50, 100 miles. 800-848-8674 or 316-645-3563.

Saturday, October 21st, Biketoberfest, Bourne. Watch for more details.

Saturday, November 4th, Tour de Gruene. 26, 36 miles. \$20 early \$25 late, Children under 12, \$12 - \$15 late. T-shirts. First 500 entrants receive free Wurstfest ticket. 210-826-1077.