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Hill Country Bicycle Touring Club
A Recreational Club for Central Texas
<http://www.hcbtc.org> - mail@hcbtc.org

NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Thank you for electing me as the Editor of the Newsletter for the Hill Country Bicycle Touring Club. This is a new position for me and I will be learning as I go along. I will do the best I can and I hope that the club will enjoy reading it. If you would like to add information to the newsletter, such as articles, interesting events, pictures, interesting links, or comments /suggestions, please email me at tapdancr09@aol.com. I may try a different format for the next newsletter to make it easier and faster to download.

Please send information that you would like included by the 15th of the second month of the newsletter. For example, information for the May/June 2002 Newsletter should be sent no later than April 15.

Thanks go to the following people for helping me to get started by sending articles, and information to me: Chris Marsh, Pam Tucker, Jackie and Vern Jeys, Martha Espinoza, Jim Matthews, Heidi Lynn, Fernando Galdos and Sam and Debbie Arriaza.

I look forward to writing this newsletter and welcome information, comments and suggestions.

- Phyllis Terry

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

So far this year we have had very good turn outs at our meetings and rides. I am very happy with the results. It seems we are getting more participation as time goes on.

Spring is just around the corner. It is time to get your bikes out of the shed and in working order, and quit making excuses for not riding. Don't worry if you ride slow; you won't get left behind. Most of our rides, we regroup at every turn and we always have our pit stops. My vice president Heidi will make sure you stop and drink plenty of water.

March 17th is our club century. Yes, it is 100 miles but you only have to ride what you are able. We will have excellent sag support, If you can't make it, my favorite person (Vern) will give you a ride back. Don't forget our club meeting at Grady's that evening at 7:00p.m. The best part of our ride is the meal and the socializing afterwards.

Vern and I went up to Marble Falls today. It is very nice up there by the river; a lot of neat things to see. We had lunch at a restaurant that overlooks the Colorado River. It would be a nice place for a weekend bike trip.

We are planning a lot of fun things this year. If anyone is interested in leading a bike ride, please contact Martha Espinoza at 521-3520. She has been doing an excellent job recruiting ride leaders. That is all for now. Hope to see you on a ride.

- Jackie

CLUB RIDES

Saturday, March 2nd, President's Mission Ride;

Meet at 9:00 a.m. off Roosevelt & South-East Military Drive at San Jose Mission in parking lot behind the theater for a 30 mile ride. Mostly flat to rolling terrain. Lunch spot to be determined after the ride. Ride leader is Jackie Jeys
vjeys@satx.rr.com or 675-0538.

Sunday, March 3rd, Vern's Beginners Ride;

Meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Walmart parking at Loop 1604 & FM 471 by the gas pumps. Distance about 12 miles. Mostly a flat ride. Contact Vern Jeys at
vjeys@satx.rr.com or 675-0538.

Saturday, March 9th,

Helotes Ride; Join us at 9:00 a.m. for a 56 mile group ride to Castroville starting in Helotes across from the Helotes Bike shop on Old Bandera Road. Group ride speed will be around 12mph. Join us for lunch after the ride. For more information contact Chris or Jan Marsh at 210-681-5768; email: cmarsh@texas.net.

Sunday March 10th, The Comfort to Lady Bird Loop.

9:00 a.m. A great pre-Kerrville training ride. Distances are approx. 42 and 56 miles. Limited store stops on the rides to the north...take water and snacks. Our "traditional" options to the west will also be available (22, 32, and 41 miles). Ride start: take IH 10 west/north to the Comfort/ Highway 87 exit. Continue through Comfort and meet at the Park and Ride on the corner of RR473 and TX27. (Turkey Ridge Trading Company is

across the street on TX27). Park in the Park and Ride; if full, use the dentist's lot next door; if also full, park opposite the welding shop of 5th Street. Please do not park at the Turkey Ridge. Joint ride with the San Antonio Wheelmen. Ride Starters are William Hudson (SAW)210-824-7058 or 824-6910 and Martha Espinoza (HCBTC)210-521-3520.

Saturday, March 16th, 8:00

a.m. Castroville Ride; Meet at the park and ride across from Sammy's Restaurant. Go out 90 west to get to Castroville. Sammy's will be on your left. This will be approximately a 30 mile ride. We will ride to the little town of Quihi, through Rio Medina and back to Castroville. Ride leader: Olga Espinoza at 661-8846 or
olgae@sanantonio.gov

Sunday, March 17th, St Patrick's Day Century;

8:00 a.m. Ride starts at O'Conner High School in Helotes just off of TX 16. Routes available include 100 and 56 miles. (shorter routes also available) 100 mile ride goes to Castroville, Devine and back. 56 mile ride goes to Castroville and back. Start in Castroville at 10:00 AM. for the 44 mile loop. Limited SAG support and rest stops. Vern Jeys will be in charge of sag support. Anyone wishing to help him out in any way, please contact him at 675-0538. For more information about the ride, contact Chris or Jan Marsh at 210-681-5768 or email: cmarsh@texas.net.

Special Note: Monthly meeting will be held after **St. Patrick's Day Club Century**. Meet at Grady's BBQ at 7400 Bandera Road at 6:30 p.m. for supper. Monthly meeting at

7:00 p.m. Grady's phone number is 684-2899. Any questions about the Meeting contact Jackie Jeys at 675-0538 or vjeys@satx.rr.com.

Saturday, March 23rd, Taft High School;

Meet at 9:00 a.m. at Taft high School. Ride leaders are Sam Guerrero and Debbie Arriaga; Email tamale2sa@yahoo.com

Sunday, March 24th, Kirby

Ride; 9:00 a.m.. Meet at Lupitas Mexian café in Kirby. Take IH 10 towards Seguin. Take exit 581 and go north on Loop 410. Take exit 32 off 410 and go right when you come to FM 78. Lupitas is just beyond the Dairy Queen on FM 78. Ride will be approximately 33 miles. Lupitas phone number is 666-6644. They open at 6:00 a.m. in case you want breakfast before the ride. Ride Leader is Vern Jeys at 675-0538 or
vjeys@satx.rr.com

Saturday, March 30th, Goliad

Ride; 9:00 a.m. Meet at the Empressario Café on the Town Square at Goliad at 9:00 A.M. (breakfast at 8:00 A.M.) 50 plus mile ride from Goliad. This is going to be a relaxed ride with frequent stops. About 30 miles into the ride we will stop in Weesatch, TX. For lunch. Jackie and I have reserved a campsite for the 29th and 30th. The campsite will accommodate 8 persons. Anyone interested in sharing our campsite, contact me Vern at 210-675-0538. We will have a campfire both nights. If you want to reserve your own campsite call: 512-389-8900. There are 2 motels in Goliad: Antlers's Inn, 1013 Hwy, 59 West. 361-645-8215 and Budget Inn, 105 S. Jefferson St. 361-645-3251. Ride leaders:

Vern and Jackie Jeys; 675-0538, or jeys@satx.rr.com.

Saturday, April 6th, President's Mission Ride; Meet at San Jose Mission at 8:00 a.m. for a 30 mile ride. (Notice time change) Located off SE Military on Roosevelt. Park by the rest rooms. Lunch at Taqueria Guadalajara; 2702 Roosevelt. Ride Leader is Jackie Jeys; 675-0538 or vjeys@satx.rr.com.

Sunday, April 7, Club Ride and Picnic: OP Schnabel Park; 8:00 a.m. OP Schnabel Park is located at the intersection of Braun Road and Bandera Rd. Ride will start at 8:00 a.m. and go west on Braun Road crossing over 1604, up a little hill, until we get to FR 1560. From there we will travel regular route to Exxon Station on 471. Route should be less than 30 miles. After the ride, we will get together for a picnic at the park. Please bring your own lunch. Park rules: No alcohol and no bottle containers. Ride Leaders Martha Espinoza at mm espinoza@yahoo.com or Vernon Jeys at 675-0538 or vjeys@satx.rr.com.

Saturday, April 13th, Helotes Ride; 9:00 a.m. Join us for a 26 mile ride starting in Helotes across from the Helotes Bike shop on Old Bandera Road. Group ride speed will be around 12mph. Join us for lunch after the ride. For more information, contact Chris or Jan Marsh at 210-681-5768 or email cmarsh@texas.net.

Sunday, April 14, Vern's Beginner Ride; 8:00 a.m. (Notice time change) Meet at Super Walmart on 1604 and FM 471 for a 12 mile ride. Ride Leader is Vern Jeys. Call 675-

0538 or email vjeys@satx.rr.com.

Saturday, April 20th, Cibolo ride; Meet in Cibolo at 8:00 AM at Harmon's Bar-B-Q. To get to Harmons take I-10 west towards Seguin. Go past loop 1604 & get off at exit 591 (FM 1518). Left on FM 1518 to TX-78. Right on TX-78. Go .6 mile past Niemetz park to Main Street in Cibolo. Go left on Main Street to Harmons (on the right). Park in the back. Ride Leader is Vern Jeys. Call 675-0538 or email vjeys@satx.rr.com.

Sunday, April 21: Castroville Ride; 8:00 a.m. Meet at the park and ride across from Sammy's Restaurant. Go out 90 west to get to Castroville. Sammy's will be on your left in the town of Castroville. This will be approximately a 30 mile ride. We will ride to the little town of Quihi, through Rio Medina and back to Castroville. Ride leader: Olga Espinoza at 661-8846 or olgae@saantonio.gov

Saturday, April 27th, Mystery Ride; Call Diane Sellers (830) 985-3317 or see the club web site for more information.

Sunday, April 28th, River Road Ride; 9:00 a.m. Meet in Gruene across from Gruene Hall for a 30 mile roade down River Road to the Canyon Lake Dam. We will eat at the Griest Mill after the ride, Ride leader: Chris and Jan Marsh . Call 210-681-5768 or email: cmarsh@texas.net.

Sunday, May 19, Canyon Lake Ride; 8:00 a.m Details forthcoming in the May/June Newsletter. After the ride, we will have a relaxing picnic on

the waterfront property of Bill and Phyllis Terry. You can swim, sit in the shade on the deck, or sun. The Terry's and the Jeys have offered to prepare the meat dish. Everyone else, please bring side dishes and extra drinks. The Terry's have a small trailer near their property where food can be stored while we ride and can be warmed up for the meal. . There is room for at least two boats to hook up in front of the property. Our May meeting will be held after we eat Ride leader: Phyllis Terry; 829-0661; or email tapdancer09@aol.com

May 25th-27th; Davis Mountain Campout. Watch for more information in the May/June Newsletter.

June 15th-June 22nd; Katy Trail Tour. Ride the Katy Trail across Missouri. The Tour is currently FULL. However, we are taking names on a waiting list. The cost is \$400 and covers hotel and baggage transportation. Call Chris or Jan Marsh for more information at 210-681-5768 or email to cmarsh@texas.net. There is a long write-up on the Tour in the January/February Newsletter.

Note: Please contact the ride leader before all rides to confirm that you are going. Also, please check the club web-site.

OTHER CYCLING EVENTS

March 9-16th: Texas Hell Week XII: Week long ride is based in Fredericksburg with 100-120 miles per day and 4000 to 5000 feet of vertical climbing. Shorter distances also available. Entry fee of \$95 includes T-shirt, sweat shirt, ticket for the banquet, and maps. For more information phone 806-499-3210 or www.hellweek.com/texas.html

March 29-30th; Easter hill Country Tour. Kerrville, Tx. Hosted by the Lubbock Bicycle Club. <http://www.lubbockbicycleclub.org/> for more information.

Hill Country Pedal Power Wildflower Ride Stonewall (LBJ Park) April 6, 9:00am 30, 40, 60 miles. \$30 before March 31, \$35 after. Lunch and activities after ride. Benefits the Hill Country Children's Advocacy Center. Ride the prettiest routes in the Texas Hill Country along quiet roads with an abundance of spring flowers. 512-756-2607, Guy Taylor 830-693-2442.

Bluebonnet Bike Tour April 6; 9 am. **Burnet.** 16, 8, 39, 48, 61 miles. \$20 before April 7, \$25 after. T-Shirt. Email Rick Espitia at 512-756-6640

April 12-14th Ride for the Roses Weekend : 10,25,50.or100 mile rides in Austin. \$40 before March 21; \$50 after. T-shirts and water bottles included. Event draws more than 7,000 in the 10 to 100 mile rides. For more information phone 512-236-8820; 800-496-4402 or www.laf.org/Events/Ride_weekend/

Medina Valley River Ride April 21, 2001. 8:00 am. Castroville. 75, 25, 40, 65 mile. \$20 before April 14, \$25 after. Children \$10 early \$15 late. Debbie Queen 830-931-0054. Water bottle to the first 100 entrants.

Saturday, April 27th: Utopia 9 a.m. This is a San Antonio Wheelmen ride(W) (R to H) Two rides: the 30 mile is a relatively flat out and back from Utopia to Lost Maples State Park. The 50-mile is a challenging loop via Vanderpool and Leakey. Meet in Utopia; either take Hwy90 west to Sabinal and then take 187 north to Utopia or take Texas 16 to Bandera and then 470 to Utopia. About an 80 mile drive; allow 2 hours. Park opposite the Lost Maples Café (Please do not obstruct local businesses). Eat a well-deserved lunch at the Lost Maples Café or the Garden of Eat'n afterwards. Ride Leader: William Hudson; 210-824-7058 or 824-6910.

Saturday/Sunday May 18th-19th: Tour de Cure; San Antonio to Austin. Starts at UTSA on Saturday. Ride to Southwest Texas State University. Finishes in downtown Austin on Sunday. Registration fee \$15 before March 1st. Call 1-888 /diabetes (1-888-342-2383) for more information.

Sunday, June 2nd; Fayetteville Summertime Classic; Rides of 10, 30, 50, and 65 miles; Fayetteville is just east of La Grange; around 2 hours from San Antonio; Registration is \$20 if postmarked by April 29th and 25\$ if postmarked after that and day of event. Registration is

available at all packet pick up locations. Call 713-777-5333 or 713-464-8277; or email bymc@ev1.net for more information.

From The League of American Bicyclers:

The Paradise Ride: A tropical breeze. A winding road and white sand beaches. Blue oceans and blue skies. The Big Island, Maui, Kauai and Oahu. Sounds pretty god right about now, even if it is in the 70's her in Washington, D.C. If you are looking for a completely different cycling event this summer, then visit <http://paradiseride.org>. Join 150 riders from Hawaii and around the world to ride 390 miles across four islands in Hawaii, sleep under the stars, and experience the beautiful Hawaiian people, culture and scenery. Riders will raise half a million dollars to support the five primary AIDS service agencies of Hawaii in providing essential services to those with HIV and AIDS and those affected by the disease. The ride is self-produced, so over 70% of the funds raised go to the benefiting agencies. The funds raised by The Paradise Ride will support crucial programs including food distribution, outreach and education, counseling and prevention to help stop the catastrophe of AIDS. The event takes place July 20-27.

CLUB NEWS

Our last meeting was held February 15 at Hometown Buffet. It was well attended. We ate dinner and then conducted business.

Next meeting will be March 17th at Grady's after the Century at 7:00 p.m. Please plan to attend.
Get Well Soon

Our Club Webmaster, Fernando Galdos, was diagnosed with a benign brain tumor. Fernando was admitted for surgery on Thursday, February 21. He is at Methodist Hospital on Floyd Curl. He will receive visitors. In fact, Fernando has already had several concerned members come see him, including the Marsh's, the Jeys, and the Arriaza's. He is able to walk with minimal assistance and should be fine after a little therapy. Fernando is improving every day. He is able to hold a conversation and is cognizant of his surroundings. Although his release date has not been determined the doctors expect a full recovery.

Chris Marsh has agreed to fill in for Fernando and run the club website until he recovers.

BICYCLE SAFETY DAY

May is Bike and Hike month in San Antonio. As a club, let's do our part to promote safe bicycling with elementary school children. May 18 has been set for the date to have a bicycle safety day at Brauchle Elementary in the Northside School District. We will set up stations where the students will practice their bicycle handling techniques. More details to come. We do need you to come between 10:00a.m. and 12:00p.m. and assist in any way possible. Please reserve this date on your calendar. Contact people: Heidi Lynn at Flynn@sat.rr.com and Martha Espinoza at mm_espinoza@yahoo.com.

NEW FOR THE CLUB

The purchase of a 3'x5' club banner was approved during the 2/15/02 club meeting. The banner will be made of 14 oz. vinyl. The color of the vinyl will be bright yellow with royal blue letters which is the color of the club jerseys. The banner is to be displayed at club functions. The purchase of a metal file box was also approved during the club meeting. The file box will be used to store valuable papers such as insurance policies, meeting notes, bank statements and so forth.

Bicycle Safety Class

Pam Tucker will be involved in a Bicycle Safety Class for several weeks, starting on March 23. I took this class, Spring of 2001 and it is very worthwhile. Not only do you have the opportunity to learn about your bicycle and how to improve your riding from experts, but you gain practical experience working on your bike and applying your new skills on Saturday rides around town. I found this class extremely practical. Because of the knowledge I gained, it made me a more confident rider. In addition, it sharpened my reflexes by helping me to learn how to prevent accidents, such as how to make emergency stops, how to make turns in traffic, and how to dodge potholes in the road. This class trains you to be a safe rider as well as a more independent rider that can manage to take care of basic bicycle maintenance. I highly recommend this class to anyone who would like a hands-on approach to bicycle safety and maintenance. The instructors use a direct

approach, offering assistance and guidance. It is also great fun; the Saturday rides in particular make this a fine class.
- Phyllis Terry

Here's the info:

Bicycling Basics and Beyond Class; March 23-April 20

This adult education course is conducted by certified instructors and experienced bicyclists. You will enjoy five Saturday morning on-road classes and four Tuesday evening classroom sessions. You will have fun while learning bicycle maintenance, how to fix a flat, fitness improvement, hill climbing technique, accident avoidance and emergency maneuvers, and lots more to help you enjoy your biking more and make you a safer, more confident rider. Contact Dean at ondebike@quicka.net; or 210-877-0067 or Jim at goldstewart@earthlink.net or 210-692-0727.

T-Shirts T-Shirts T-Shirts

Orders are being taken for HCBTC green with yellow lettering (green, because of St. Patrick's Day) century ride t-shirts. Sizes: Large and X-Large; Price: \$6.00. If you would like to order, please e-mail Martha Espinoza by March 2nd at mm_espinoza@yahoo.com.

For your Information

If you are looking for road tires, Free ticket Performance latest catalogue has Michelin Axial Sport road tires for \$7.66 each (in three, or \$8.99 singly) William Hudson, of the San Antonio Wheelmen, writes, "I have ridden these for the past year and they have worn well

with no flats. They are narrow(20mm.) and therefore quite hard riding and they are not light(320 grams which is about 100 grams heavier than more expensive tires.)” So if you are looking for tires, here are some to consider.

FOR SALE: Large San Antonio Wheelmen jerseys. Old and new style. Like new; hardly ever worn. \$25 (old style) \$40 (new style) Contact Chris at 210-681-5769 or email: cmarsh@texas.net

THE CHAIN’S THE THANG

While riding your favorite road or trail, ever get a good old rock ‘n roll song playing over and over again in your gray matter (you know, that on-board computer we are supposed to protect with a helmet)? Well, I do, and quite often. The tunes that surface most frequently during a ride will have the word ride in the lyrics. You know, songs like: “Ride Like The Wind” by Christopher Cross, “Ride My See Saw” by the Moody Blues, “Magic Carpet Ride” by Steppenwolf, “Ticket to Ride” by the Beatles, “Who’s Gonna Ride Your White Horses” by U2, and my all time favorite riding tune, “Blue Sky Riding Song” by Michael Murphy.

Give me a great day, blue sky, cool tune in my head, and I’ve got cadence – I’ve got harmony, and I’m feelin’ at the top of my game. Then it happens. The cadence is smashed when my riding partner, Janet, yells out: “Hey Jim – I thought you fixed this left shifter! It’s messing up again!” So much for cadence -- so much for feelin’ at the top of my game. Did I work on the shifter? Yes, I thought I did. Of course the gender thing kicks in

where I am compelled to make excuses for mechanical apparatuses and my first thought is: “I’ll bet she is just not pressing on the shift lever hard enough.” You guys know what I’m talking about, right?

Bike maintenance can cause some real stressful domestic situations. That’s why the local bike shop in our neighborhood gets to tune our bikes at least twice per year. I generally go for the \$29.00 tune up which involves adjusting the derailleurs, brakes, checking the cables, and a fairly thorough inspection to ensure the bike is safe to ride. Of course, it is also important for the rider to inspect his or her bike before a ride. I typically check the brakes, tire pressure, wheels, spokes, etc. However, one part on a bike that is often ignored, and is the most important drive train component, is the chain. Without the chain, the wheels aren’t going to turn. Without a good, well-lubricated chain, the gears aren’t likely to shift properly and unforeseen problems can develop. Next time you take your bike in for a tune-up, ask the bike mechanic to check your chain for wear. The bike shop should have a special tool that can pinpoint chain wear and stretch. Many shops won’t check your chain unless you ask.

If you are an infrequent bike rider, and your bike spends long periods of time in the garage or back yard storage shed, you might get a surprise if you think to check your chain before a ride. If you didn’t lubricate the chain before storage, you will probably notice traces of rust, especially in the humid San Antonio climate. A heavily rusted chain cannot be salvaged,

as there is no way to remove rust from the surface of the chain pins or inside the ends of the links. I’ve tried removing rust with a bench grinder fitted with a wire brush, but that method just doesn’t work. A rusted chain can cause premature wear on your freewheel (cassette), derailleur cogs, and chainrings. Continued use of a rusted chain can and will require some of the drive chain parts to be replaced. Replacement of drive chain parts is expensive, even if you do the work yourself. Rust is bad! Replace a rusted chain if you want to get optimum performance from your bike, and prevent excess drive chain component wear.

Every bike person has a theory about chain lubricants and chain lubrication. There are all types of chain lubricants out there and I’ve tried a few of them. You might say that I am from the old school as far as chain lubrication is concerned. I found some chain lubricants to cause waxy type buildups on the chain, derailleur cogs, and chainrings. Dirt loves to stick to the waxy type lubricants. Some are just plain messy to apply. The method and product I use to lube my bike chains would be considered a lot of trouble by most, but I’ve had good results. When I purchase a new chain, I remove the original chain lubrication before I install the chain. I then lubricate the chain with a generous amount of a Teflon based aerosol lubricant (WD-40 can be used if nothing else is available). I lightly wipe the exterior of the chain with a clean rag to prevent dust from sticking to it. A side benefit of wiping away the excess lubricant is that I’m not as likely to sustain that “chain ring tattoo” on the back of my right calf

when I accidentally brush against the chainrings. I generally perform chain lubrication before each ride. In short, the chain stays cleaner and performs well, plus rust is inhibited, even if I don't ride for a couple of weeks. It doesn't really matter the method or product you use, just ensure your chain is properly lubed.

I couldn't figure out why Janet's bike wouldn't shift the front derailleur properly, so I finally gave in and took it to the local bike shop. After the mechanic checked the shifting, he announced: "*The chain's the thang* that's causing the shifting problem." The chain was less than a year old but too worn to allow effective shifting.

Disaster averted, and we are back on the trail the next day. Once again I've got my blue sky, a cool tune in my head, and I've got cadence – I've got harmony. Ain't nothing else like it.

- Jim Matthews

Member Discounts

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

Broadway Bicycle Show, 8306 Broadway, 210 805-0805.

BikeWorld, 5911 Broadway, 828-5558 and Blanco at Lockhill Selma 210 344-2303.

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

Hill Country Bicycle Works, 1412 Broadway, Kerrville, 830 896-6864 and 702 E Main, Fredericksburg, 830 990-2609.

Ride Away Bicycles, 8830 Huebner, 210 696-9925.

A big thanks for their support to our club.

League of American Bicyclists

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Membership Application

Come Join Us

This is not a racing club. This is a recreational club for all abilities. Most of our rides are leader led where we stay together in groups. Maps may be available for riders who want to ride at their own pace. In addition to rides, we have meetings, parties, picnics, overnight events, an on-line newsletter and email notices of the latest news and information. For more information, contact Jackie Jeys 210-675-0538, v.jeys@worldnet.att.net for more information.



Yes, sign me up today!

In submitting this application, I hereby make known that I will hold blameless in the case of accident, injury or damage of any kind, the Hill Country Bicycle Touring Club, its officers, members and volunteers. I recognize that bicycling is potentially dangerous, and I represent that I am a competent cyclist with safe equipment. I understand that all rides are on public roads and that I ride at my own risk. I further recognize that safety is a personal responsibility, and I agree to participate in keeping all Hill Country Bicycle Touring Club rides safe. Although bicyclists are not required by law to wear helmets, I understand that the Hill Country Bicycle Touring Club encourage the use of ANSI/SNELL approved helmets and that wearing such a helmet can greatly reduce my risk of serious and/or permanent injury.

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

I want to help. I can _____

[Lead a ride, host a meeting or party, be an officer, etc.]

Membership is only \$5 per household. Send checks to: Hill Country Bicycle Touring Club, P.O. Box 276637, San Antonio, TX 78227. Make checks payable to Hill Country Bicycle Touring Club