



Upcoming Activities

Hill Country Bicycle Touring Club

Recurring Rides

Monday Evening Brauning Lake Ride. Meet 4:30 p.m. at Tom's Burgers for a 16 mile leisurely pace ride with rest stops. Some slight hills, but mostly gently rolling. This ride is great for the "Experienced" and "Beginner's Plus" riders. Dinner at Tom's Burgers after the ride. Take IH-37 Hwy South to Southton. Go Left on Southton to Donop (about 1 block) Left on Donop to Tom's Burgers (about 400 ft) on the right. Ride leaders are Vern Jeys Vern Jeys (210) 675-0538 vjeys@satx.rr.com and Sandy Barsun (210) 635-8777 barsun@sbcbglobal.net.

Wednesday Night Ride "Beginners & Beginner's Plus Ride" Unwind after a day's work on a flat, easy paced 11 mile (or shorter) ride on KellyUSA. Ride starts at 4:30 p.m.. Meet at KellyUSA in the large parking lot at the corner of Duncan and Cricket. Please call or email for directions if you're not familiar with the area. Ride Leaders: Roy or Laura Munro, phone: (830) 393-0818, email: royal@munro-online.com.

Friday Morning Castroville Ride. Meet 8:00 a.m. in the carpool parking area across from Sammy's in Castroville for a 30- mile ride. Ride leader is Vern Jeys (210) 675-0538 vjeys@satx.rr.com.

December Activities

Saturday, December 1st, Helotes to Boerne. Ride starts at 8 a.m. from Helotes at the parking lot opposite Floores Country Store and the Helotes Bike Shop. This hilly 35 mile ride will take us through the very Scenic Loop on Boerne Stage Road, with a well deserved rest stop at the Bear Moon Bakery. Directions to Helotes: Take Bandera Road West to Helotes. Travel through the Helotes shopping area and after passing the last traffic light make the 2nd left (opposite a feed store) onto Old Bandera Road and go two blocks to the meeting site. Ride Leader: Vanessa Leal, phone: 210-496-3221, email: Vness.leal@yahoo.com & Yvonne Campos, phone: (210) 431-0902, email: yec@satx.rr.com

Sunday, December 2nd, Coffee break ride to New Braunfels. Ride starts at 8:30 a.m., we will ride for about 29 miles, or more if we get lost, on mostly smooth level roads at a nice slow pace (10 to 12 mph) to take in the cool winter atmosphere. Meet at the Keebler Warehouse on Tri-County Road just off I-35. Take I-35 north (as if going to Austin) to exit 174B (FM 3009), then left over the overpass, immediate left onto the access road. Follow access road to Tri-County entrance; turn right (just before Starbucks) and go about two hundred yards and park at Keebler warehouse. We'll go over FM 2252 and FM 482 and other lesser known roads and end up in New Braunfels at the Crosswalk Coffeehouse and Café for coffee, other beverages, pastries, etc. No map on the web site however, map will be provided at the starting point along with directions. Ride Leader: Mike Thompson, phone: (210)-655-0680, cell: 210-710-0680 or email: snorebox@satx.rr.com.

Saturday, December 8th, LBJ Ride. Meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Visitor Center parking lot of LBJ State Park off US 290 between Johnson City and Fredericksburg. There are three route options; 25, 50 and 62 miles. The 50 mile route will be lead at a brisk pace (13 – 15 mph) and go by the LBJ birthplace in Johnson City. Plan to eat and shop in Fredericksburg after the ride. Ride leader is Chris Marsh, phone: (210) 681-5768, email: chrismarsh@satx.rr.com.

Sunday, December 9th, Comal Ride. Ride starts at 8 a.m. Come and join me on this 30 mile (+/-) of flat to rolling hills ride. The ride will travel some of the same roads that were on the Tour de Cure and will go through Marion and come back on the south side of New Braunfels. Directions to the start location: Go north on I-35 towards New Braunfels. Go 5.5 miles past 1604 on I-35 North and take exit 177 which is FM 2252/482. Go left over the freeway for about a half mile on FM2252/482. Take a right on FM 482 towards the town of Comal and continue for about 2.5 miles until you pass the railroad tracks and come to Comal Elementary School on the left. Please park in the parking lot on the right across from the school. Ride Leader: Randy Frazier, phone: (210) 237-8740, email: papaastronomer@yahoo.com

Saturday, December 15th, Leon Springs. Ride starts at 8:00 a.m. from at the Leon Springs between Starbuck and Blockbuster parking (I-10 and Boerne Stage Road) for a group ride of 30+ miles over rolling terrain. Ride Pace-Medium 12mph to Brisk 13 to 17mph Directions to Leon Springs: Take I-10 West to the Leon Springs exit and go left on the service road to a 4-way stop go under the bridge. Ride Leaders: Chris Perkins phone: 210-509-6905, email: sperkin@swbell.net & Lillian La Fave, phone (210) 385-0381.

Saturday, December 15th, Club Holiday Party. 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. (Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m.). Please RSVP no later than December 9th to Jackie Jeys, phone: (210) 675-0538, email: jackiejeys@satx.rr.com. Only those who RSVP can attend the party. All members in good standing are welcome to attend. This year the party will again be at Independence Hill Assisted Living- 20500 Huebner Rd. To get there go north on Stone Oak Parkway off of Loop 1604. Go 1.2 miles to Huebner, turn right and go two blocks. Turn right in to third entrance to Independence Hill Assisted Living (first entrance is a security gate, second entrance gate is locked, third entrance is open and has the address 20500 in large letters. Parking lot is on the Left. Entrance to Building is on the right. Come and join us for a fun filled evening. Good food with coffee, ice tea and water for drinks. For more information contact Vern Jeys, phone: (210) 675-0538, email: orvjeys@satx.rr.com.

Tuesday, December 18th, Windcrest Christmas Lights Ride. Meet at the parking lot by Pet Smart located at the corner of Crestwind & I-35 service road. The ride will leave promptly at 6:30 p.m. We have to leave at this time to get back in time for supper at Shoney's. Directions from the north: Take I-35 South to exit 165 to Walzem and turn left under I-35 to service road. Turn left on service road to Crestwind. Turn right on Crestwind to shopping mall parking area. Directions from the south: Take I-35 North to exit 165. Go to Walzem. Cross Walzem & stay on service road to Crestwind. Right on Crestwind to shopping mall parking area. Ride will be about 6 miles & takes in the more picturesque areas. We will go to Shoney's after the ride. Ride Leader: Vern Jeys, phone: (210) 675-0538, email: vjeys@satx.rr.com

Saturday, December 22nd, River Road Ride. Meet in the parking lot in Gruene, TX. at 9:00 a.m. for a 27 mile scenic ride along the picturesque Guadalupe River. Ride is mostly flat with a couple of short, but challenging, hills. Directions: Take I-35 North past New Braunfels. Exit at the Canyon Lake sign (Exit # 191) and take FM 306 for 1.6 miles to Hunter Road (at a traffic light, also look for a small Gruene sign on the right). Turn left onto Hunter Road and continue for about half a mile where it dead ends in Gruene, and then take another left into the parking lot. Ride Leader: Ken & Mouse Kanagaki, phone: (210) 341-6883, email: kw2405@earthlink.net

Sunday, December 23rd, Eisenhower Park. Ride starts at 9 a.m. Meet in the parking lot at Eisenhower Park for a 26 mile ride. Eisenhower Park is located 2 miles outside Loop 1604 on Military Hwy. This beautiful Sunday morning ride (10 -12 mph) will take us to Leon Springs. Ride Leader: Mary Bowman, Phone: (210) 692-9099

Saturday, December 29th, Lone Oak Ride. Ride starts at 9:00 a.m. Nice ride east of San Antonio. This is a 29 mile (10-12 mph), mostly flat ride with optional shorter route available. Directions: Take US 87 East toward Loop 1604, meet at the Lone Oak Café on the left side of US 87 just before Loop 1604. Ride Leader: Vern Jeys phone: 210-675-0538, email: vjeys@satx.rr.com

Sunday, December 30th, Straight Shot Ride. Ride starts at 10:00 a.m. from the Leon Springs Park and Ride parking lot (IH-10 and Boerne Stage Road) for a 21 mile easy paced ride, over hilly terrain via Camp Bullis, Ralph Fair Road, and a Straight Shot down hill for the last 5 miles of the ride. Ride Leader: Mary Bowman, phone: 692-9099

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