



# Upcoming Activities

## Hill Country Bicycle Touring Club

(1/4/2008)

### Recurring Rides

#### Every Monday Evening - Braunig Lake Ride

**Time and Place:** **4:30PM; Tom Burgers at Hwy IH-37 & Donop Road**  
**Ride Length:** **15 to 16 miles.** Pace will be leisurely 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.  
**Directions:** Take I-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:** Vern Jeys 675-0538 [vjeys@satx.rr.com](mailto:vjeys@satx.rr.com), and Sandy Barsun 635-8777 [barsun@sbcglobal.net](mailto:barsun@sbcglobal.net)

#### Every Wednesday Evening - "Beginners & Beginner's Plus Ride"

**Time and Place:** **4:30PM; Kelly USA** in the large parking lot near the intersection of **Cricket and Duncan**.  
**Ride Length:** Unwind after a day's work on a flat, **easy paced 11 mile** (or shorter) ride on **Port San Antonio** (former KellyUSA). Please call or email for directions if you're not familiar with the area.  
**Directions:** We meet at **4:00 PM** at large parking lot near the intersection of Cricket and Duncan.  
**Ride Leaders:** **Laura or Roy Munro**, phone: (830) 393-0818, email: [laura@munro-online.com](mailto:laura@munro-online.com) or [royal@munro-online.com](mailto:royal@munro-online.com).

#### Every Friday Morning - Castroville Ride

**Time and Place:** **9:00AM (Effective January 4<sup>th</sup>); Castroville**  
**Ride Length:** **30 miles** or more  
**Directions:** Meet in the carpool parking area across from Sammy's in Castroville.  
**Ride Leader:** Vern Jeys 675-0538 [vjeys@satx.rr.com](mailto:vjeys@satx.rr.com).

#### Every Saturday Afternoon - Second Chance Ride -- January (Trial Period)

**Time and Place:** **1:30PM;** the large parking lot located on the corner of Duncan & Crickett on Kelly USA (aka Port San Antonio).  
**Ride Length:** Easy Pace ride for Beginners, Beginners Plus, or experienced riders that want to do **10+ miles**, or those that missed the morning ride.  
**Directions:** From Hwy 90 traveling east: Enter Kelly Via the 36th Street gate. Go to Billy Mitchell & turn Left take Billy Mitchell to Crickett. Right on Crickett for one block, then right to parking lot on left. From Hwy 90 traveling west, Enter Kelly by exiting onto Gen Hudnell, travel straight ahead past traffic light, Crickett is one more block, turn right, then left at parking lot to meeting point.  
**Ride Leader:** **Ray Marques**, phone: (210) 669-9901, email: [CasaMarques@satx.rr.com](mailto:CasaMarques@satx.rr.com).

### January Activities

**Tuesday, January 1st, New Year's Day Ride.** Let's get the New Year started with Energy & Vitality. Dust of your bike, throw on your biking clothes and join us for our **7th Annual New Year's Day Ride**. You can sleep in; the ride will not start until **12:00 noon** from behind the **What a Burger** on 1604 & Bandera Road. Distance is about **24 miles**, ride is mostly flat. (Minor hills). Pace will be leisurely, with every effort made to stay together as a group. Route will go to Exxon Station on 471 & back. Those who feel energetic on the first day of 2008 can do the 211 Loop. **Ride Leader:** Vern Jeys, phone: (210) 675-0538, email: [vjeys@satx.rr.com](mailto:vjeys@satx.rr.com) & Heidi Lynn, phone: (210) 682-8107, email: [cycle\\_tx@yahoo.com](mailto:cycle_tx@yahoo.com).

**Saturday, January 5th, West Comfort Camp Verde Ride (Map #56).** Ride starts at **9:00 AM** Speed: 10-12 mph; Distance: **35 miles** with rest stops at Center Point and Camp Verde. **Directions** to ride from San Antonio: (take corresponding exit if coming from the north) IH-10 West to exit 524 onto Business 87 (Texas 27). This exit will take you over IH-10 so that you are traveling in a westerly direction. Follow the sign straight ahead "Comfort 1 mile". Bear left to TX 27 as you pass a Chevron station on your right. Park in car pool lot at the far side of the junction of TX 27 & 473. **Ride Leader:** Tommy McMillan, phone: (210) 674-1210.

**Sunday, January 6th, Jackie & Ethel's Birthday Ride.** Ride starts at **9:00AM**. Meet at Triple C Steakhouse in Devine for a **30 mile** slightly hilly to flat ride. **Pace is leisurely** (stop & smell the flowers). Directions to Triple C: Take IH-35 South of San Antonio towards Laredo. Take exit 122 at Devine to Hwy 173. Right on 173 to Triple C on the left. (about 200 feet). Lunch will be at Triple C Steakhouse. **Ride Leaders: Jackie Jeys**, phone: **(210)-675-0538**, email: [jackiejeys@satx.rr.com](mailto:jackiejeys@satx.rr.com) & **Ethel Pedraza (210) 414-8559**, email: [azardepe@hotmail.com](mailto:azardepe@hotmail.com).

**Tuesday, January 8th, 2008, HCBTC Board Meeting.** **Place:** Vern Jeys Home. **Location:** 5559 Beech Valley, San Antonio, TX. **Directions:** Call Vern at (210)675-0538. **Time:** 7:00 PM. Jackie will make a pot of chili. You may bring something to share if you wish. **Program:** This will be the first meeting of the new board, where plans for the new year will be discussed. Please e-mail to Vern if there is something you want to put on the agenda for the meeting.

**Saturday, January 12th, Tom's Burger Ride.** Ride will start at **9:00AM**. Meet at Tom's Burgers & more for a **27 mile** flat to slightly hilly ride. Directions to Tom's: IH-37 & Donop Road. Ride starts at Tom's Burgers & goes to Loop 1604 & Stuart Road, then back via Old Corpus Christi Rd. **Ride leaders: Laura Laura and Roy Munro**, phone: **(830) 393-0818**, email: [laura@munro-online.com](mailto:laura@munro-online.com) or [royal@munro-online.com](mailto:royal@munro-online.com).

**Sunday, January 13th, Presidents Ride at Kelly USA (now known as Port San Antonio).** Ride starts at **9:00AM**. Meet in the large parking lot located on the corner of Duncan & Crickett. Directions: Enter Kelly Via the 36th Street Gate. Go to Billy Mitchell & turn Left take Billy Mitchell to Crickett. Right on Crickett for one block, then right to Parking lot on left. Lunch at Kelly Island to follow ride. **Ride Leader: Vern Jeys (210) 675-0538**, email: [vjeys@satx.rr.com](mailto:vjeys@satx.rr.com).

**Tuesday, January 15th, 2008, HCBTC Club Meeting.** **Place:** Rudy's Restaurant. **Location:** Westover Road & I- 151, San Antonio, TX. **Time:** 7:00PM. **Program:** This will be the first club meeting of year. Introduction of new board members will be made and plans for the new year will be discussed.

**Saturday - Sunday, January 19th & 20th, Aransas/Corpus Christi Weekend.** On **Saturday** we will meet at **10:00AM** at the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge where we can see one of the rarest birds in North America; the whooping crane. The refuge has a visitor's center, hiking trails and a 16 mile paved road we can ride through. In Corpus Christi, you can see the Texas State Aquarium and other attractions. On **Sunday** we will ride along Corpus Christi Bay for a short ride before returning home. **Camping & hotel information** can be found at the Chamber of Commerce website. **Ride Leader: Randy Frazier**, phone: **(210) 237-8740**, email: [papastronomer@yahoo.com](mailto:papastronomer@yahoo.com).

**Saturday, January 19th, Floresville Ride, Lunch & Movie.** Ride starts at **10:30 a.m.** **Moderate pace** mostly flat 25 mile ride. Take hwy 181 S. to Floresville, at the third red light turn right on C Street. Park behind the Court House (you'll see the big peanut). After the ride we'll eat lunch at Olivia's Mexican Food Restaurant located on C street (about 1 pm) and take in a movie at the Arcadia Theater, across from the court house (3 pm). **Ride Leader: Sandy Barsun**, phone: **(210) 635-8777**, cell **(210) 913-3815**, email: [barsun@sbcglobal.net](mailto:barsun@sbcglobal.net).

**Sunday, January 20th, Helotes Ride.** Ride starts at 9:00 a.m. in the parking area across from Floore Country Store in Old Helotes for a group ride of 20 or 26 miles. The 20 miler is an easy-paced ride over mostly flat terrain with a few rolling hills, out to the Exxon station via 1560, Galm, and 471, then return. For those that want more miles and more difficult hills, you can continue the loop on 211 and return on Bandera Road for a 26 mile ride. Lunch will be determined before the ride. Directions to Old Helotes: Take Bandera Road west, turn left on Old Bandera Road opposite a feed store, after passing through the main part of Helotes and the Catholic Church on the left. Go two blocks to the meeting point. **Ride Leader: Ray Marques**, phone: **(210) 669-9901**, email: [CasaMarques@satx.rr.com](mailto:CasaMarques@satx.rr.com).

**Saturday, January 26th, Bear Moon Bakery Ride.** Ride starts at 9:00 a.m. from at the Leon Springs Park and Ride parking lot (I-10 and Boerne Stage Road) for a group ride of 30 miles over rolling terrain. We will stop at the Bear Moon Bakery in Boerne before returning. We will eat lunch after the ride. **Ride leaders: Chris and Jan Marsh**, phone: **(210) 681-5768**, email: [chrismarsh@satx.rr.com](mailto:chrismarsh@satx.rr.com).

**Sunday, January 27, PoPo's Ride.** Ride starts at 9:00 a.m. Take I-10 west to the Welfare exit (exit 533). Go about ¼ mi., and PoPo's Restaurant will be on the right. Park across the road. This will be a variation of the PoPo's ride we have done before. Leaving PoPo's, we will go up Waring-Welfare Road to Waring, turn right, and again right at Zoeller Lane in ¼ mi. This time, when we get to FM 473, we turn right, and proceed to Sisterdale. Maybe stop at the winery if they are open! Our route then takes us down FM 1376 and over the Guadalupe River. In ½ mi., turn right onto Marquardt. We wind through a quiet, hilly country road for a few miles until we get to the intersection with Cravey Rd. Turn right onto Cravey, which takes us back to Waring-Welfare Rd. again. There, we turn left and back to PoPo's. Ride Length: 26 miles, hilly, but no killers! Lunch at PoPo's afterward. **Ride Leader: Nolan Kuehn**, phone: **(830) 755-8761**, cell (210) 355-2645.

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