

"George Washington rode here"

August 2006

Sunday, 27 August 2006, The Ride of the Month – Easton, Oxford, St. Michaels



Just under 30 miles of flat, easy riding through beautiful historic areas of the Eastern Shore. We'll take the Oxford-Bellevue ferry across the Tred Avon River, then stop for lunch in St. Michaels (founded in 1677), and site of the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum. The ride will leave from the Starbucks in the Annapolis Harbor Center at 8 AM Sunday morning. A great ride for new riders! Bring a few dollars for lunch, the Bay Bridge fee, and the ferry boat ride. Call Jim Claffey at (410)956-5219 for details.

Equipment Recalls



Shimano Front Skewer: If you have a bike purchased after November 1, 2005, and it has a Shimano Front Hub or Shimano front wheels, go to http://bike.shimano.com/ and check to see if your bike is affected. These skewers can 'fail or break spontaneously'.

Schwinn Deluxe Bicycle Child Carriers: If the seat is not fully seated on the rack, parts can break and the seat can fall off. This poses a serious risk of injury to the child. For details, go to:

http://www.schwinnbike.com/news/press_detail.php?id=133



Dimension Handlebar Stems: Stems can crack or break, which can cause a serious fall if it occurs while riding the bike. For details, go to http://www.dimensionbikeproducts.com/

Specialized S-Works Carbon Stems: On various 2006 bicycles – the magnesium faceplate may break, causing loss of control. For Details, go to:

http://www.specialized.com/bc/SBCWhatsNewDetail.jsp?article=5491

Sunday Rides

6 August – Broadneck Park to Sandy Point – call Jim (410)956-5219

13 August – Southern HS to Galesville, 11 miles, gently rolling – call Jim, (410)956-5219

20 August – no ride

27 August – Easton, Oxford, St Michaels – see lead article above

Have you been run off the road lately?

Six states now have laws requiring cars and trucks to allow a safe distance of not less than 3 feet between the bike and the vehicle. Florida just joined Arizona, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Utah and Wisconsin with this requirement. This is the time of the year when politicians want to talk you – let's ask them about a law for Maryland!

Century Time

Some of us have done a century (100 miles in one day) and a lot more would like to be able to say they have. Can you imagine the look on your friends faces when you tell them you did 100 miles on your bike one day last weekend? Well, this is the time of the year to try it – it's easier than it looks...just go slow and steady. Check the next page for a list of possibilities – they'll all have plenty of support for you.

Upcoming Centuries

August 10 - Cumberland Valley Century - www.bikecvcc.com

September 2 - Bay Country Century - www.teamsnowvalley.com

September 4 - Hanover Cyclers Labor Day Century - www.hanovercyclers.org

September 7 - Great Peanut Tour - <u>www.greatpeanuttour.com</u>

September 10 - Shenandoah Valley Century - www.svbikeclub.org

September 16 - St. Michaels Century - www.bikedoctor.com

September 17 - Historic Back Roads Century - www.bikepptc.org/web_final

September 23 - Pink Ribbon Ride - www.bike4breastcancer.org

September 23 - Ride in the Heartland - www.bikeheartland.org

October 7 - Seagull Century - www.seagullcentury.org

October 20-22 - Fall Foliage Bike Festival - www.shenandoahbike.org

And to get your bike in shape for the ride:

Annapolis	Bike Doctor	150 P Jennifer Road	410-266-7383
	Capital Bicycle Inc	436 Chinquapin Round Road	410-626-2197
	Cycleworks at Ski Haus	Route 50	410-757-6446
	Hudson Trail Outfitters	Annapolis Mall	410-266-8390
Arnold	Bike Doctor	953 Ritchie Highway	410-544-3532
Bowie	A & M Cycle	13002 9 th Street	301-262-4343
College Park	College Park Bicycle	4360 Knox Road	301-864-2211
Crofton	Bike Doctor	1312 Main Chapel Way	410-451-6901
	Family Bike Shop	1286 Route 3 South	301-261-3618
Davidsonville	George's Bicycle Service	1556 Patuxent Manor Court	410-798-5607
Laurel	Laurel Bicycle Center	14805 Baltimore Avenue	301-490-7744
Millersville	Champion Cycle	752 North Mesa Road	410-729-0653
Severna Park	Pedal Pushers Bicycle Shop	546 Baltimore Annapolis Blvd	410-544-2323
Severn	Chesapeake Bmx	750 Donaldson Avenue	410-969-5177
Stevensville	Bike Doctor	350 Thompson Creek Rd	410-604-6096
	Happy Trail Bicycle Shop	111 Cockney Lane	410-643-0670

And if you're one of us that thought *Hudson Trail Outfitters* had gone out of business when they closed their store in the middle of Annapolis Mall, look behind the food court – they have an outside entrance. They're near the Sears parcel pickup and the Red Robin restaurant, and they now have a bike shop as well as camping gear. Check them out the next time you're in the mall.

Annapolis Bicycle Club P.O. Box 224 Annapolis, MD 21404

http://www.annapolisbicycleclub.org/

The Annapolis Bicycle Club is a not-for-profit membership organization dedicated to the interests of recreational cycling enthusiasts. Our interests are recreation, exercise, safety and camaraderie. We don't pollute or block traffic and we encourage cyclists to adhere to traffic laws.

The Annapolis Bicycle Club is affiliated with the League of American Bicyclists.

Members and prospective members are encouraged to call any of our officers to answer any questions and obtain information about Club activities

President – Nancy Waddington president at annapolisbicycleclub.org 410-798-4193

VP – Jim Claffey vicepresident at annapolisbicycleclub.org 410-956-5219

Secretary – Treasurer Susan Rensted secretary at annapolisbicycleclub.org 410-431-7268

Saturday Rides

Please check with a buddy to verify the ride in the winter months

March – May; September – December 9:00 AM

June – August – 8:00 AM

January & February – 10:00 AM

Davidsonville Rides – Multiple rides; speeds from 14 – 20+ mph. 35+ mile rides

Meet at the Davidsonville Park 'n Ride, Routes 424 & 50 for rides to Deal, Galesville and around South Anne Arundel County.

Summer Rides

With summer weather, rides will usually go. But remember, changeable weather may cancel a ride. So call and check with your buddies to be sure you'll have company. Don't give up because of a small possibility of rain, but don't be foolish either – wet roads can be slippery and dangerous, especially after a long dry spell. And if the temperature and humidity is in the high 90's, it's especially important to check with a ride leader, and then be careful not to overexert. And, be sure to keep hydrated!

Annapolis Bicycle Club Activities

- Tuesday morning Meet at Charlie's at 9 AM, call for directions 410-841-6269. *Call first to verify the ride*.
- Membership meetings with programs on bicycle topics in the Holy Grounds building of The Community Center. The address is the intersection of Evergreen Road at Baltimore Annapolis Blvd in Severna Park These meetings will begin again in September.
- Special event rides and other bicycle related social activities
- Group participation in regional bicycling events

Membership Application and Renewal Form

In consideration of accepting application for membership and being permitted to participate in any way in the activities of the Annapolis Bicycle Club, ("ABC"), I/WE, for myself/ourselves, my/our personal representatives, assigns, heirs and next of kin:

- 1. ACKNOWLEDGE, agree and represent that I/we understand the nature of Bicycling Activities and that I/we am/are qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such activities. I/we further acknowledge that certain of the activities will be conducted over public roads and facilities open to the public during the activities and upon which 1he hazards of traveling are to be expected. I/we further agree and warrant that if at any time I/we believe conditions to be unsafe, I/we will immediately discontinue further participation in the activity.
- 2. FULLY UNDERSTAND that (a) bicycling activities involve risks and dangers of serious bodily injury, including permanent disability, paralysis and death ("RISKS"); (b) these Risks and dangers may be caused by my/our own actions, or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the activity, the condition in which the activity takes place, or the negligence of the "RELEASEES" named below, (c) there may be other risks and social and economic losses either not known to me/us or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I/we fully accept and assume all such

risks and all responsibility for losses, costs and damages I/we incur as a result on my participation in the activities of ABC.

3. HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE ABC, their administrators, directors, agents, officers, volunteers, and employees, other participants, and sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which activities take place, (each considered one of the RELEASEES herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the RELEASEES or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations; and I/we further agree that if, despite this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT I/we, or anyone on my/our behalf, makes a claim against any of the RELEASEES, I/we will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the RELEASEES from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim. I/we have read this agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I/we have given up substantial rights by signing it and have signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP (Check one and circle fee)

FAMILY = Annual Fee: \$18 email newsletter, \$28 US mail newsletter SINGLE – Annual Fee: \$10 email newsletter, \$20 US mail newsletter

NAMES AND SIGNATURES OF APPLICANTS OVER AGE 18:

Name	_Signature	Date
Name	Signature_	Date
Address	City, State	_ZIP_
email Address	Phone_	

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