



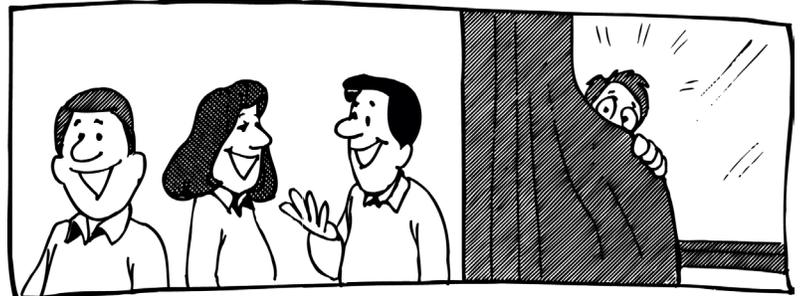
Newsletter of the Denver Bicycle Touring Club

The Colorado Bicyclist

September 2012

Save the Date

Be sure to mark your calendar for Saturday, November 17th - Volunteer Recognition Dinner. If you know of anyone who should receive one of our "special" awards, please email the details to ridecoordinator@dbtc.org – spectacular falls, forgetfulness (such as not bringing your bike), accomplishments or whatever you think we should recognize.



GET INVOLVED – Applications for Board of Directors

There are several vacancies occurring this year on the current board of directors. If you have considered getting involved in the leadership of our club, now would be a good time to submit your application to become a director. If you would like to discuss being a director, give me a call and let's chat. **John Campbell 303-797-0250**

Director candidates will be published in the September newsletter and voting for directors will be in October.

Ski Season is Coming!

Lin Hark and Sue Frakes are planning on skiing at Winter Park this winter using the Four Pass. Christy Sports is having a special event in conjunction with their Power Days sale at 9555 E County Line Road only – you can buy 5 days of skiing at Winter Park for only \$149. You have to go to this location from August 24th to September 4th to make your purchase. If you don't make it you can purchase a Four Pass for the same price online, but you only get 4 days.

• 2012/2013 Winter Park Four Pass®

Ski and ride at WP/MJ four days throughout the season plus receive four Friends and Family discount tickets, and deals all season long. This pass is not transferable, and is not valid December 27-31, 2012.



Lin and Sue may also take advantage of some free days through the GEMS Pass available at Colorado Ski Country USA [Info@coloradoski.com] and some other promotions throughout the winter, but you can wait to see what is available.

Even if you don't ski with DBTC, you might want to take advantage of the sale. There is also a Four Pass at Copper Mountain with a fifth day free during Powder Days.

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Board Meeting

Any member wishing to attend a board meeting is welcome to attend. The next board meeting is Monday, September 10 at El Senor Sol, 2301 7th St. If you wish to address the board, contact the secretary, Carolyn Bauer: secretary@dbtc.org, or 303.740.8491 so that your topic can be placed on the agenda.



July Summer Picnic 2012

John Campbell

This year's summer picnic took place at Prospect Park. Over 80 club members participated in the picnic and rides at this favorite park site. The day was perfect for riding, picnicking and camaraderie as those members who participated will attest. Thanks to the help of club members pitching in to help bring supplies and help, the day provided fun for everyone.

Members bringing food, beverages and supplies and helping with cooking and serving were: Paul Altman, Tom Casadevall, Karen Case, Ellen Chilikas, Bonnie Hall, Steve Ingraham, Dick Plastino, Richard Quick, Donna Seaman, Mark Shimoda, Bob Svenson, and Kathy Yorkin.

I want to thank all of the volunteers who helped make this another successful day; especially the ride leaders. If I missed adding your name to the list, I apologize.

Pictures and Articles for the Newsletter... This newsletter belongs to the members. If you have pictures or an article to share, please email them to ridecoordinator@dbtc.org. Only send one or two pictures so you don't clog up my computer! Be sure to include details about who, when and where the picture was taken. If you have a photo to mail, contact the Ride Coordinator for the address. Remember we must give credit to the author. If you are a writer with an article of interest, we may make you a published author! The deadline for publishing is the 20th, but please send your articles earlier.

Ice Cream Social Patty Gaspar

We had a beautiful day in the mountains on the 19th – perfect



weather and not too many people on the trails. I think the signs warning of traffic delays kept some of the riders home so we didn't have as many as last year. If we do it again, we'll be sure to make it on a Saturday to avoid the long ride home.

We used the excess ice cream for dessert at Lin's Wednesday ride in Evergreen. It was a perfect riding day and the scenery was gorgeous.

Thank you to all who came and enjoyed a day in the mountains with us. A special thanks to Jeff Krinsky for pushing the slower riders up Swan Mountain Pass - really, he was pushing three of us up the hill! We all could've made the ride to the top, but it sure is nice to get a little help.

DBTC Members Joining in July

MARLAND BILLINGS
RANDY LAHM
PATRICIA SHIVELY



Moab Explorations 2012 Jeff Baysinger

If you have an interest in exploring Moab area trails this fall, please mark your calendar for **Columbus Day weekend, Oct 5-8**. A variety of the local trails are under consideration, including Pole Canyon, Amasa Back, and Mag 7. Rides will be Friday afternoon to Monday morning. Also, of side note, this is the same weekend as the annual Outerbike event. Outerbike is an event held by all the major trail bike manufacturers and suppliers. Outerbike is a rather new continuation of their annual indoor Interbike trade show held in Las Vegas a week earlier. A key point for Outerbike is the ability to test ride any bike, as long as one is registered with the event. They organize shuttles for attendees. Folks can learn what will be new in the 2013 trail bike world at Outerbike. This is really a big deal. Contact Jeff Baysinger for any followup Moab information (303-969-9241).

2013 TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

April 6th-12th, 2013

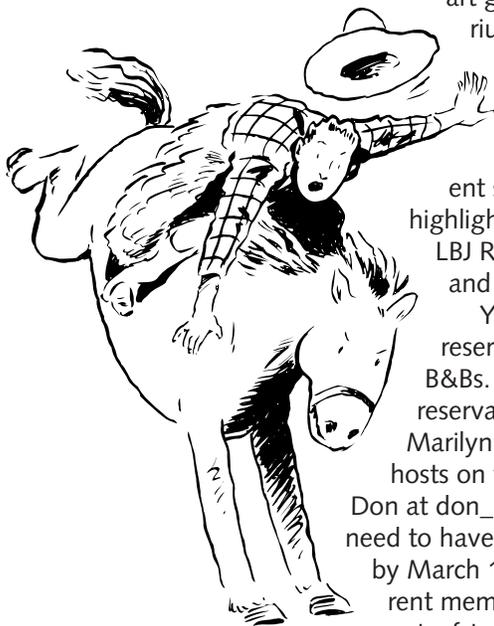
Don and Marilyn Swett

Sign up early to get a spot. Low cost trip price of \$40 per person does not include accommodations. (If budget is no problem consider the Adventure Cycling Hill country tour during the same time frame for \$1099.) The main location for camping will be at the Lady Bird Municipal Park, with tent camping at about \$10 per night and RV camping at roughly \$30/night. There are a number of B&Bs and motels nearby in Fredericksburg. There will be 6 days of riding with an optional 7th day for more riding or sightseeing.

We will be staying near the Historic German town of Fredericksburg, right in the middle of the Texas Hill Country. This is the spring flower season with the Blue Bonnets in bloom as well as other wild flowers. Rides will be approx. 20-40 miles in length (with longer options). Expect some hills, some new routes and fewer Bugs (VW type)! Fredericksburg offers unique German cuisine as well as local Tex-Mex, local wineries and brewpubs. Shoppers will find over 150 boutiques,

art galleries and antique emporiums, not to mention an herb farm, wildflower farm, and National Museum of the Pacific War. Rides will be loop types with different start/stop locations, and will highlight the local history, scenery, LBJ Ranch, Stonehenge II, wineries and more.

You must set up your own reservations for RVs, Motels, and B&Bs. Tenters do not need to make reservations at the Lady Bird Park. Marilyn & Don Swett will be your hosts on this ride. If interested, contact Don at don_swett@comcast.net. We will need to have payment and signed waivers by March 1st, 2013. You must be current member of DBTC to participate in out-of-town rides.



Cortez Mountain Biking Trip

September 22 – 30



You can choose any of the 40 rides available from as short as 5.5 miles to as long as 29 miles or combine two or more rides.

They range from easy to difficult with elevation changes from as little as 330 feet to as challenging as 5200 feet – there is something for everyone. Maps rate every trail as to difficulty and endurance required.

I will be camping at a campground, but there are several hotels in the area if you prefer. The world is at your wheels. The final ride selection for the group will be made when we know the riding level of those coming. There may be more than one option some days.

Contact Richard Quick: quick71@msn.com or 303-466-4008. I'm at the REI flagship store from open to close every Thursday volunteering at the ORIC next to the maps if you want to talk about the options.

2012 Advance Planning Calendar

September 8
Ride Westcliffe Adventure
www.ridewestcliffe.com
Westcliffe, CO

September 9
Buffalo Bicycle Classic
buffalobicycleclassic.com
Boulder, CO

September 14-16
Mickelson Trail Trek
MickelsonTrail.com
Custer, SD

September 15
Cycle for Life
www.cff.org/GetInvolved/
CycleForLife/
Longmont, CO

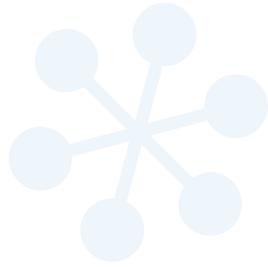
September 17
Tour of the Vineyards
Coloradowinefest.com
Palisade, CO

September 21-23
Moab Century Tour
skinnytirefestival.com
Moab, UT

September 22
Rock 'n' Roll Denver Bike Tour
runrocknroll.competitor.com/2012/04/denver/denver-bike-tour_26092
Denver, CO

October 6
Tour of the Moon
www.tourofthemoon.com
Grand Junction, CO

October 6
Santa Fe Gourmet Classic
santafegourmetclassic.com
Santa Fe, NM



Think Snow!

Ellen Chilikas

As hard as it is to believe, in less than 6 months we'll be skiing! Please put these trips on your calendars:

5th Annual New Year's Pajama Party in Leadville Sun 12/30/12 - Wed 1/2/13

Only one place for female is left contact Contact Ellen (outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com) with questions.

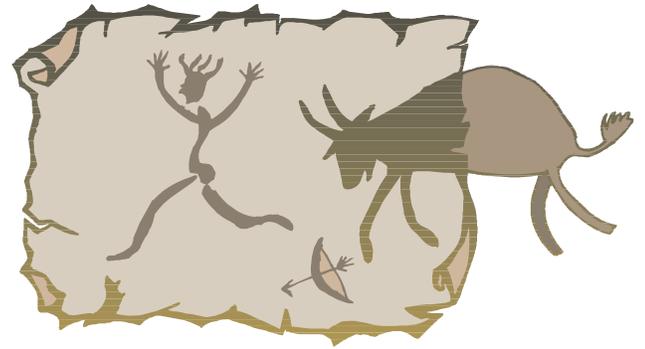
5th Annual Fraser Fun Weekend Thursday 1/17/13 - Monday 1/21/13

We've shortened the trip to 3 nights to make it more affordable. If you would still like to come up a day early, please contact Ellen.

Downhillers can ski Winter park or Sol Vista, XC skiers and snowshoers can explore the Nordic centers, the Fraser Experimental Forest and even wander up around Granby. We'll have a continental breakfast daily, plus evening happy hours. Double occupancy - expect costs to be ~\$275 per person for 4 nights.

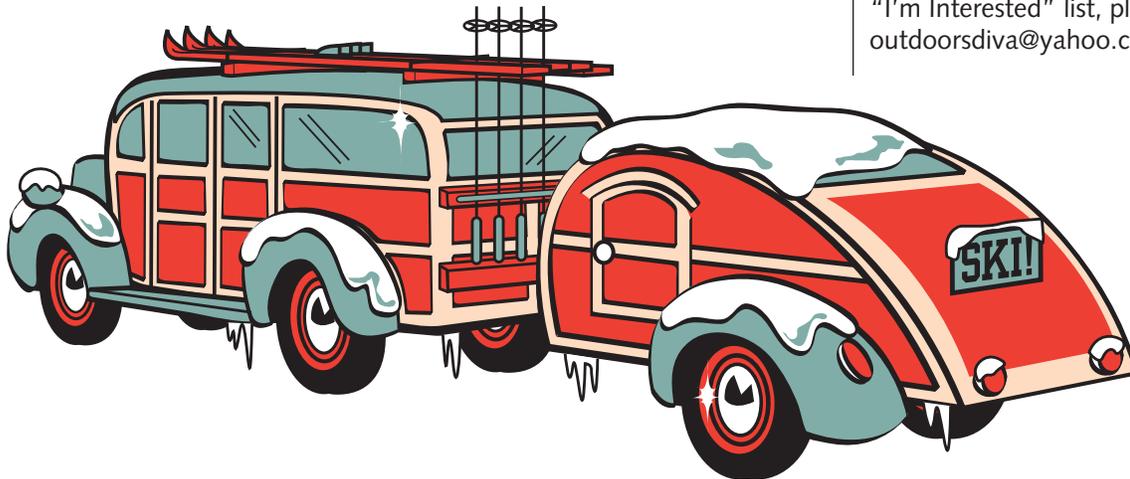
*** \$100 deposit due now to hold your spot, final payment is due December 1st. ***

Contact Ellen (outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com) with questions. Please send your deposit check (made out to Ellen Chilikas) with the DBTC tour forms (www.dbtc.org/OTT_Index.aspx) to Ellen at PO Box 471803, Aurora, CO 80047. You must send both a check and your forms to hold a spot.



ABQ Multi-Sport Trip: Sun 5/12 - Sat 5/18/13

Ellen Chilikas and Karen Jenneman will be leading a week-long trip exploring Albuquerque, NM. ABQ is about an 8 hour drive from Denver. We are planning Intermediate level rides on the Rio Grande trail, an out-and-back ride to Bernalillo with an optional climb to Jemez dam, some jaunts to/through the nearby national Forests, and a visit to petroglyphs and volcanoes. We haven't finished scouting this yet, but what we've found so far looks like lots of fun. We'll be staying at a fabulous hotel adjacent to the Plaza which affords plenty of dining and cultural activities. Bike rides will be offered on all days, but there will be other options available to hike and explore the area. Estimated trip cost is \$550/person double occupancy which includes several happy hours and a group dinner. We will have definitive trip details in December. To put your name on the "I'm Interested" list, please send an email to Ellen at outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com





2012 (and Future) DBTC Activity and Tour Calendar

Email the trip contact for more information. Email Ellen (outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com) to add your trip to this list.

December 30, 2012 – January 2, 2013

5th Annual New Year's Pajama Party – Leadville

Trip Type: Skiing / Snowshoeing

Lodging: Hostel

Location Details: Leadville, CO

Contact: Ellen Chilikas (outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com)

Status: Open

January 17–21, 2013

5th annual Fraser Fun Weekend

Trip Type: Skiing / Snowshoeing

Lodging: Hotel

Location Details: Fraser, CO

Contact: Ellen Chilikas (outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com)

Status: Open

May 2013 Albuquerque Adventure

Trip Type: Road Riding

Lodging: Hotel

Leaders: Ellen Chilikas, outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com,
and Karen Jenneman,

karen_jenneman@hotmail.com

Status: Planning

September 2013 Teton Trek Two

Trip Type: Road Riding

Lodging: Hotels

Leaders: John Campbell, jwc@rmi.net, and Ellen Chilikas,
outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com

Status: Planning

September 2014 Door County: The Sequel

Trip Type: Road Riding

Lodging: Hotel

Leaders: Ellen Chilikas, outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com
and Karen Jenneman,
karen_jenneman@hotmail.com

Status: Planning

Visit DBTC.org and click on "Tours"
for updates on the trips.

DBTC FALL 2012

Summer is winding down and the air is crisper. Some of the best riding is in the fall so gear up for some spectacular late summer and early fall rides.

Pace of Ride	Difficulty of Terrain	Mileage	Quadrant of City	Departure Time
Roses – Leisure Fun – Comfortable Int. – Brisk Road – Fast ATB – Unpaved Roads MTB – Mountain Bikes	H1 – Flat H2 – Some Hills H3 – Hilly H4 – Serious climbs Two ratings: Technical skill T1 to T4 and Physical exertion P1 to P4	This is an estimate – options may be offered	NW NE SE SW W	Arrive early enough to unload your bike and be ready to leave.

Ride Locator: There is a guide to the most frequent start locations on our website, www.dbtc.org. It provides the information you need to use Map Quest to make a map to the starting location.

If you'd like to include an activity in the newsletter, please email it to ridecoordinator@dbtc.org by the 10th for the following newsletter or contact **Patty** at **303-989-8268**.

DBTC's E-Mailing Lists

Get late breaking news, last minute ride updates, and short-notice of weekday rides, all e-mailed directly to you as soon as the information is posted.

DBTC Message Board is the DBTC General E-Mail List

To join, send an e-mail to: ColoradoBicyclist-subscribe@yahoo.com. Get late breaking news, last minute ride updates, and short-notice of weekday rides, all e-mailed directly to you as soon as the information is posted.

DBTC Mountain Biking E-Mail List

To join, send an e-mail to: COMtnbikers-subscribe@yahoo.com

You can join both groups. After you send the e-mail requesting to join, you will be contacted via e-mail with a confirmation. If you'd like to post an event, simply go into the site. Remember that only club-related activities can be posted. We reserve the right to cancel any posting we don't think is appropriate.

Please Note:

- Joining either of these Yahoo Groups does not make you valid member of the DBTC.
- If your e-mail address changes, you must send your new e-mail address to both the Yahoo Group and to the DBTC webmaster (webmaster@dbtc.org)
- The DBTC Website operates independently from the Yahoo Groups. The Yahoo Groups send only e-mail messages concerning some upcoming events. The DBTC monthly Newsletter, The Colorado Bicyclist, is sent to you from the DBTC Website via e-mail only if you have so requested.

Be Ready To Ride: DBTC Ride Leaders and members are NOT bike mechanics. Before showing up for a ride, check your tubes and tires. Fix flats in advance of start time. Check your brakes and shifters, and, if any part of your bike needs maintenance, take it to an authorized mechanic. A complete tune up once a year

is recommended. Your ride is only as safe and enjoyable as the condition of your bike.

DBTC on Facebook

Check out the DBTC page on Facebook to discover more about events and happenings in the club and other bicycling-related stories. Search "Denver Bicycle Touring Club" within Facebook to find us. <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Denver-Bicycle-Touring-Club/122447584186>

Yahoo Group - Posting Requirements For Rides & Events

During the winter most of our events are Show and Go. We always prefer to have rides with designated leaders so you can post a Yahoo Group ride even if a Show and Go is listed in the newsletter.

1) Description Checked:

- DBTC Moderators (currently Lin Hark, Dale Trone, and Jeff Baysinger) post rides or events only if the requester is a current DBTC member,
- AND for rides the posted description conforms to the standard DBTC posting format: (e.g., FUN-2-25-NW-10:00 AM Location, Contact person & info, brief description)

2) Rules For Posting Rides To Yahoo Group:

- To prevent drawing participants from scheduled rides, your Yahoo-posted ride must NOT be of a similar length, category, location (city quadrant), and length as a ride posted in the Newsletter.
- It must be posted at least 2 days prior to the event.

3) Ride Credit For Ride Posted Only To The Yahoo Group:

- Ride leader must send the completed sign-in sheet (snail-mail or eMail) to the Yahoo Event Compiler (currently Steve Ingraham singraham046@aol.com) within one week of the ride.
- No actual ride, no credit. No sign-in sheet, no credit. If only the ride leader signs in, no credit. If the ride leader does not sign in, no credit.

4) Credit For Other Recreational Events (Ski Trips And Hikes) Not In Newsletter:

- The event leader must send the completed sign-in sheet (snail-mail or eMail) to the Yahoo Event Compiler (currently Steve Ingraham singraham046@aol.com) within one week of the event.
- No actual event, no credit. No sign-in sheet, no credit. If only the event leader signs in, no credit. If the event leader does not sign in, no credit.

SEPTEMBER RIDE SCHEDULE

- Saturday, Sept. 1st** **FUN-H2-35-SE 8:30 AM - Twenty Parks Tour SW.** Meet *Gaar Potter* (303-691-0938) at Eisenhower Park (Colorado Blvd. at Dartmouth). We will go to Belmar, mostly on streets. Lotsa lakes in this ride.
- INT-H3+40+W 8:30 AM** Meet *Lily Schumann* (303-463-0117) at Idaho Springs second freeway exist parking lot behind Beau Jo's pizza to Bakerville with an option to Loveland. Lunch in Idaho Springs afterwards
- Sunday, Sept. 2nd** **FUN-H2-27-SE 8 AM** Meet *Guy James* (303-321-4607) at the Four Mile House (715 South Forest Street, Denver, CO). We will go West from there turning south at the Denver Country Club. Through Washington Park to the Platte Trail, then east through Belleview Park on our way to Mamie Dowd Park, catch the Highland Canal, and back to the Cherry Creek Trail and then West to the Four Mile House. Mexican lunch to follow.
- INT-H4-32-NW 9:00 AM** Meet *Tom Hurja* (303-903-4449) at Mercedes Restaurant, west side of parking lot 26th/west of Kipling for a ride up Lookout Mountain. Ride is on paths and roads.
- MTB P2, T2, 10:30 AM, Centennial Cone.** Meet for a Show and Go on this classic tour .We park at the north lot since the south lot is too small and cars receive tickets from the sheriff. Take Colorado Hwy. 93 north from Golden approximately one mile to Golden Gate Canyon Rd. Travel west about 8 miles to Robinson Hill Rd. Turn left and continue to Camino Perdido, the north access road into the park. The trailhead is approximately one mile to the south. Carpool from Sofa Mart on the north frontage road at the NW corner of Kipling and Hwy 6 at 9:45 AM. Lunch is a picnic afterward in the Centennial Cone parking lot - bring meats, cheeses, crackers, desserts and beverages or whatever you like for a parking lot lunch afterward. Remember your folding chair!
- Monday, Sept. 3rd Labor Day** **FUN-H2-20+-SW 9:00 AM** Meet *Tom Hurja* (303-903-4449) at Bear Valley just east of McDonald's for a ride on Bear Creek and Platte River paths and return. Lunch along the way or have your own.
- Wednesday, Sept. 5th** **FUN/INT-H3-34-W Ride 8:30 AM.** Meet *Steve Stevens* (720-497-1100) at Golden Oldy Cyclery & Sustainability – 17224 West 17th Place, Golden. We will ride up Lookout and on to Evergreen Parkway. Then gliding down the beautiful Kerr Gulch...to Bear Creek.. Then down Bear Creek to Morrison...then past Red Rocks and over the pass on 93 back to Golden.
- "Roses" H2-17-SE 9:00 AM** Meet *Judy Deist* (303-841-4792, CP, 303-906-4305) at Village Green Park, corner of Union and Dayton near the W entrance to Cherry Creek State Park, furthest parking lot, for a ride around Cherry Creek SP. Bring a snack and money for lunch at a favorite restaurant following the ride
- MTB P2 T1 Green Mountain, 6:00 PM Show and Go.** No designated leader. Meet at the Florida Trailhead, at the top of Alameda Blvd (intersection of West Florida Drive and Alameda in Lakewood.
- Saturday, Sept. 8th** **FUN-H1-28 NW 9:00** Meet *Jake Jacobi* (720.808.2306) at Gold Strike Park. (Check map of start locations for directions). We will ride on Clear Creek Trail and the Platte River Trail to REI, and return by the same route.
- FUN-H1-25-SE 9:00 AM - Sulphur Gulch** Meet *Gary Pratt* north of the Target and east of the Panera Bread in the parking lot of the CornerStar Shopping Center (SouthWest corner of Arapahoe Rd and Parker Rd). The ride is about 25 miles south on Cherry Creek Trail. This ride is in connection with BIKE AURORA.
- ROAD/INT/FUN-H2-23-NE 9:00 AM** Meet *Carol Kennedy* (720-289-9569) at the east end of Wagon Road Park N Ride (120th & I-25) near Cracker Barrel. This is the same ride as June except backwards. We'll go down the Grange Hall Creek Trail to Riverdale Rd. then N. to the fairgrounds. Next up the Brantner Gulch, Horizon Trib. Trail. Then back to the Park N Ride on the Farmer's Highline trail. Bring water; not many places to fill up on this ride. Lunch after at Cracker Barrel for anyone interested.
- MTB, P3, T2, 10:00 AM, Alderfer/3 Sisters in Evergreen.** Join *Dick Plastino* (303-988-5359) for this great ride in mostly forest shade. Everyone loves this ride! Go to the signalized "T" intersection in downtown Evergreen, then south on Hwy 73 for ½ mile to another signal, turn right (west) on Buffalo Park Road for 2.2 miles and enter the upper parking lot behind the bright yellow house in the meadow. Lunch at the Bear Creek Restaurant in Kittredge.
- Sunday, Sept. 9th** **FUN-H2-30-SE 8:00 AM – SOUTHEAST ODESSY** Meet *Gaar Potter* (303-691-0938) at Eisenhower Park Rec Center (SE Corner of Dartmouth and Colorado Blvd) Cool, early start! We will visit Littleton Cemetery and Chapel Hill Cemetery (features Columbine Memorial). Learn some useful SE bike routes!

2012 DBTC ROAD/INT/FUN

There is a scheduled INT or ROAD ride nearly every Saturday and Sunday, so the show and go's will start in the fall/winter.

FUN-H2-26-NW 9:00 AM Meet *Cindy Ferry* at Safeway 80th and Wadsworth, Little dry Creek to Clear Creek to Golden to Arvada, and back on Little Dry Creek.

INT-H2-27-NW 9:00 AM Meet *Fred Kerr* at Prospect Park for a ride west on Clear Creek trail to Easley to 64th. Over Arvada Reservoir to Ralston Creek trail; to Clear Creek trail and back to Prospect Park. Perhaps a bite to eat afterwards?

**Monday,
Sept. 10th**

FUN-H1-26-N 9:00 AM Meet *Dave Grimes* (303-350-0156) at Twin Lakes Park at 70th and Broadway for a ride up the Clear Creek Trail to McIntire St and back. The ride is on paved bike trails, some streets and a short distance on gravel road. An optional lunch is at Mickey's Top Sirloin.

**Wednesday,
Sept. 12th**

"Roses" H1toH2-13-NE 9:00 AM Meet *Dave Noble* (303-694-2008) at EB Rains Jr. Memorial Park near 1-25 and 120th for a scenic ride on the bike paths up north past the Westminster Recreation Center and back. Lunch is afterwards. (Directions to EB Rains Jr. Memorial Park from I-25 and 120th: East on 120th 1-2 streets to Grant, South on Grant 1/4-1/2 mile to park, and meet in the parking lot on the south side of the lake.)

FUN/INT-H2-20-SW 9:00 AM Meet *Steve Stevens* (720-497-1100) at Golden Oldy Cyclery, 17224 West 17th Place, Golden for a figure 8 look of the 2 Table Mountains of Golden. It's a very pleasant ride and the leaves should be changing.

MTB P2 T1 Green Mountain, 6:00 PM Show and Go. No designated leader. Meet at the Florida Trailhead, at the top of Alameda Blvd (intersection of West Florida Drive and Alameda in Lakewood.

**Friday,
Sept. 14th**

MTB (campout) P3, T2, Buffalo Creek Trail Building and Riding The real action of breakfast, trail building, live music and a catered dinner and more all start Saturday morning, September 15, but you can get an early start by setting up camp and riding al la carte on Friday at any time you want to drive to the campgrounds. From the Pine Junction traffic signal on Hwy 285, drive south on Rd. 126 to Pine. Continue on Rd. 126 about another 7 to 8 miles to Forest Rd. 550 on your right. This is also known as the "Little Scraggy" trailhead for the Colorado Trail. Once you turn on FR 550 you are headed for the Meadows Group Campground which has been totally reserved by the Colorado Trailblazers for the EPIC trail building weekend extravaganza. Continue on this dirt road for about 5 miles and you'll see the campground. After setting up camp, ride on any of the numerous trails in this area. Kids and dogs are welcome. Registration is needed to figure out logistics so go to: <http://coloradotrailblazers.org/trail-days/epic-at-buffalo-creek-sept-14th-16th-2012/> There is a modest \$10 registration fee. Call *Fred Berry* (720-840-8596) with questions.

**Saturday,
Sept. 15th**

FUN-H1-26-NE/Central 9:00 AM Meet *Dave Noble* 303-694-2008 at the City of Cuernavaca Park to ride the Platte River and Sand Creek trails, through several downtown parks, and return on the Cherry Creek trail. (Directions to start: from I-25 take 20th St. exit towards downtown, right on Little Raven St., right on 19th St., and right on Platte St. to parking area). Lunch is in LoDo near the end of the ride, so bring a bike lock.

FUN-H1-25-SE 9:00 AM *Guy James* (303-321-4607) will lead a ride starting at the westerly parking lot of the Colorado Community Church, 3651 S. Colorado Blvd. (three blocks south of Hampden). We will ride Southwest on the Highline Canal which is a gravel path, bring an appropriate bike. A flat ride, about 25 miles, out to DeKoevend Park and back.

INT-H-1-2- 45to49 8:30 AM Meet *Steve Stevens* 720-497-1100 at Golden Oldy Cyclery 17224 West 17th Place, Golden Pace-moderate. This is a great old man's training ride for Pedal the Plainses...it provides lots of potty stops. We will ride the Clear Creek trail from Golden Oldy Cyclery -to the Platt River Trail at 104th street and return. We will follow Clear Creek to the Platt Confluence, then North on the Platt Trail.

MTB, P3 T2, 8:00AM, Buffalo Creek Trail Building and Riding. The Trailblazers will provide you a breakfast of bagels, spread, juice and coffee at the Meadows Group campground and then you can drive or carpool to the new trail you'll be working on called "Nice Kitty" which has been in progress for four years. You'll be working at the top of the trail, connecting Nice Kitty to the Buffalo Burn Trail. This will be the last of our work before declaring the trail OPEN and you'll receive your just rewards -- a catered dinner with live music and adult beverages that evening. Of course you can also ride the new trail. Camp out Saturday night and enjoy another free breakfast Sunday morning compliments of the Trailblazers. Kids and dogs are welcome. Registration is needed to figure out logistics so go to: <http://coloradotrailblazers.org/trail-days/epic-at-buffalo-creek-sept-14th-16th-2012/> There is a modest \$10 registration fee. Call *Fred Berry* (720-840-8596) with questions.

- Sunday, Sept. 16th** **FUN-H2-29-NW 8:30 AM** Meet *Dave Grimes* 303-986-7666 at the Wheat Ridge Rec. Ctr. (40th & Kipling) at 8:15AM. Ride down Clear Creek and up Platte River to Sand Creek Bridge. Up Sand Creek to Sapp Brothers truck stop (7120 E 49th) for rest. Return by reverse route. Round trip is around 29 miles. Lunch is at location by group consensus.
- FUN-H2-25-SE 9:00 AM** How about meeting *Bob Shedd* (720-290-6014) at South High School (Louisiana & S. Franklin) parking lot? Scenic ride is on streets and bike paths through East Denver to Stapleton and return by way of City Park. We'll ride a bit farther in Stapleton to see the newly-paved section of the Sand Creek Trail. Lunch at Hanson's is optional afterwards.
- INT-H3-44-SE 8:30 AM** Meet *Guy James* at the Park-and-Ride on southwest corner of C-470 and University. East on 470 to the Cherry Creek trail, Crowfoot Valley, Daniels Park, Highlands Ranch, a 44 mile loop. A half mile on US 85. Good elevation gain on Crowfoot Valley Road and on Daniels Park Road. The leader will be slow on the uphill.
- MTB, P3 T2 8:00 AM, Buffalo Creek Trail Building and Riding.** The Trailblazers will again provide you a breakfast of bagels, spread, juice and coffee at the Meadows Group campground this morning. Then the day is yours to hook up with the DBTC group and ride the Colorado Trail or any of the other trails in this unique mountain bike area.
- Monday, Sept. 17th** **FUN-H2-25-SW 9:00 AM** Meet *Wayne Tomasello* (720-344-8932) at the Platte River Grill located at 5995 Santa Fe Drive. From C-470 take the Santa Fe Dr. exit going north for about 3 miles. The Platte River Bar & Grill is on the left (West) side. Enter the parking lot and drive to the rear of the restaurant and park towards the rear of the lot. We will ride the Platte River trail to the Lee Gulch trail to the Highline trail to the top of the Chatfield dam to the Platte River trail to complete the loop. An optional lunch is at the Platte River Bar & Grill.
- Wednesday, Sept. 19th** **"Roses" H1-18-NE 9:00 AM** Meet *Mary Lester* 303-777-6509 and *Jane Carlstrom* 303-322-0567 at Cook Park, 7100 East Cherry Creek South Drive - from Monaco Pkwy near E Florida Ave, turn east onto East Cherry Creek South Drive. The rec center is on the right at the traffic light. Bring a snack and money for lunch at a favorite restaurant following the ride.
- FUN-H1to2-30-SE-9:30 AM** Meet *Dave Noble* (303-694-2008) at the Stone House in Lakewood (on Estes a couple blocks south of Yale) for a ride on the Bear Creek, Platte River, Big Dry Creek, Highline and Englewood bike trails as well as on Quincy Avenue. Afterwards, we'll have lunch nearby.
- MTB P2 T1 Green Mountain, 6:00 PM** Show and Go. No designated leader. Meet at the Florida Trailhead, at the top of Alameda Blvd (intersection of West Florida Drive and Alameda in Lakewood).
- Saturday, Sept. 22nd** **FUN-H2-28-SE- 9:00 AM** Meet *Dave Noble* (303-694-2008) at Dekoevend Park for a loop of Lee Gulch, Platte River, Big Dry Creek, Little Dry Creek/Willow Creek, and C-470 trails. Lunch will follow.
- INT-H3+ 40-W 8:30 AM** Meet *Mary Jenkins* in Idaho Spring at the parking lot behind Beau Jo's Pizza. Ride Idaho Springs to Bakerville with the option to Loveland ski area. Stop at "Cake" bakery in Georgetown on the way back...OH so good! Lunch is optional.
- MTB, P2, T3, 10:30 AM, Kenosha Pass east to the wilderness boundary and back.** This is a beautiful ride and maybe the leaves will be changing. Who else should lead but *Jeff Baysinger* (303-969-9241)? The trailhead is about 60 miles SW of Denver on Hwy 285 with parking on the left side of Hwy 285 at the pass summit. Carpool at 9:30 AM from the Fort restaurant on Hwy 8 just north of the interchange with Hwy 285.
- Sunday Sept. 23rd** **FUN-H2/3-24-NW 9:00 AM Watermelon Ride!** Meet *Howard Bagdad* (303-278-0541) at Prospect Park. Howard will lead a ride to Golden via the Clear Creek Trail and then up to Heritage Square to display the Golden Optimists Bicycle workshop. From there we will go to Howard's house for a well earned slice of cold watermelon. The ride is completed by circling around South Table Mountain, through Applewood, returning to the Clear Creek trail and back to Prospect Park. Lunch is afterwards.
- FUN-H2-25-SW 9:00 AM** Meet *Jeff Messerschmidt* at the Stone House - On the east side of S Estes, a little South of Yale. (South of Jewell, Garrison becomes Estes). We will take the Bear Creek Trail to Morrison, then head south, and poke our way back through the West Littleton labyrinth.

INT-H3-38-S 9:00 AM Meet *Denny Martin* (303-793-0395) at the 2nd set of railroad tracks in Sedalia (15 minutes south of C-470) off Santa Fe Drive. This is a scenic valley pedal on Hwy 105 to Larkspur. Break at the quaint convenience store in Larkspur and return for 38 miles. Extra credit continues south eight miles to Palmer Lake for 54 mile option. Post ride Mexican lunch optional in Sedalia.

Monday, Sept. 24th **FUN-H1-23-NW 9:00 AM** Meet *Wayne Tomasello* (720-344-8932) at Gold Strike Park for a ride on the Ralston Creek path to Easley Rd to Clear Creek path back to Ralston Creek path. Directions to the start: From I-70 take Sheridan Blvd to Ralston Rd. Turn left on to Ralston Rd and go to the next left turn onto W 56th Ave. The park is on the left in about 300 feet. An optional lunch is at Gunther Toody's.

Wednesday, Sept. 26th **FUN/INT-H2-26-SE Ride 9:00 AM** Meet *Gordon Valentine* (303-333-8605) on S. Chambers Way. It curves around the W and S sides of the Market Star Shopping Center in the SW corner of the Arapahoe Rd. and Parker Rd. intersection. Enter S. Chambers Way from either Arapahoe Rd., just W of Parker Rd., or from Parker Rd., just S. of Arapahoe Rd. Traffic signals at both entrances. Park in the small lot with the white roof picnic shelter at the south PED/BIKE CROSSING, S of Target and near the big 24 Hour Fitness building. No toilet here but there is at mile 1. We'll cross S. Chambers Way onto a short access trail, turn L on the Cherry Creek Regional Trail (CCRT), and stop at the Broncos Pkwy Trailhead to see some of the trail and creek-side improvements in the new \$5.2M Parker Jordan Open Space. From there, the ride goes south about 12 miles to Scott Rd. and the turn-around to return. There are no street crossings but lots of curves, and one short steep hill each way on this section of the CCRT. Optional rest/snack stops at East Bank Park (mile 8.4 out and 17.4 return). Optional lunch is at the nearby Red Robin after the ride.

"Roses"-H1-20-NW 9:00 AM Meet *Bob Munns* (303-255-6013) at Northwest Open Space Recreation Park. From I-25 and 104thAve., go about a mile west to Quivas/Pecos St., then north to Northwest Open Space parking lot. Route to be determined, different from August ride. Bring a snack and money for lunch at a favorite restaurant following the ride.

MTB P2 T1 Green Mountain, 6:00 PM SHOW & GO No designated leader. Meet at the Florida Trailhead, at the top of Alameda Blvd (intersection of West Florida Drive and Alameda in Lakewood).

Saturday, Sept. 29th **FUN-H2-27-NW 9:00 AM** Meet *Marty Billings* (303-323-5638) In front of Anthony's pizza (12th and Jackson) in downtown Golden (Anthony's is on one corner, the post office on another and free parking garages on the other corners) We will ride on paved trails and quiet streets through Golden to bear creek lake park in Lakewood, do a loop through the park and then head back. Optional lunch is after the ride.

FUN/SLOW INT-H2-36-SW 9:00 AM Meet *Lin Hark* (303 507-3502) for a beautiful country road ride southwest of Metro Denver. Meet at 9AM at the dirt parking lot (along the second set of railroad tracks) in Sedalia for this out-and-back-rolling-hills-ride to Larkspur. Sedalia is 8 miles south of the Santa Fe Drive exit from C-470 on Santa Fe Drive. All abilities welcome to come and do their preferred distance and back. The group will do lunch afterwards.

ROAD/INT/FUN H2-20-SW 9:00 AM SHOW & GO Meet at the Park 'N Ride behind Panera Bread (Aspen Grove Shopping Center) at Mineral & Santa Fe in Littleton. This is a Show & Go Ride therefore there is no ride leader, map, or designated pace. Riders will decide among themselves the route(s) to take and ride at their own pace. There are many well known routes from this start location. A suggested 20 mile route is available at dbtc.org, route map library, map #55. Many options exist to add or subtract miles from this route (including climbing Deer Creek Canyon, or Roxborough Park) depending on your desire. If unfamiliar with the area purchase a Denver Bicycle Touring Club map from a local bike shop to assist you. Restrooms are at the start in the Nature Center, on Deer Creek Canyon, and in Chatfield State Park.

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Sunday,
Sept. 30th

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INT-H4-32-NW 9:00 AM Meet *Tom Hurja* (303-903-4449) at Mercedes Restaurant, west side of parking lot 26th/west of Kipling for a ride up Lookout Mountain. Ride is on paths and roads.

MTB, P3, T3, 9:30 AM Summit County Ride on Searle Pass. Join *Kathy Basel* (720-217-5692) for this ride with an optional ride on Saturday for those who want to overnight. The Searle Pass section of the Colorado Trail follows Guller Creek up to the pass and is outstanding scenery. Take I-70 west to exit 195 and park in Copper Mountain free parking lot on the west side of Hwy 91. Lunch is at Copper Mountain determined by the group. Carpool at 8:15 AM at the Woolly Mammoth lot on I-70, exit 259.

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