

Ohio Bicycle Events Calendar 2022

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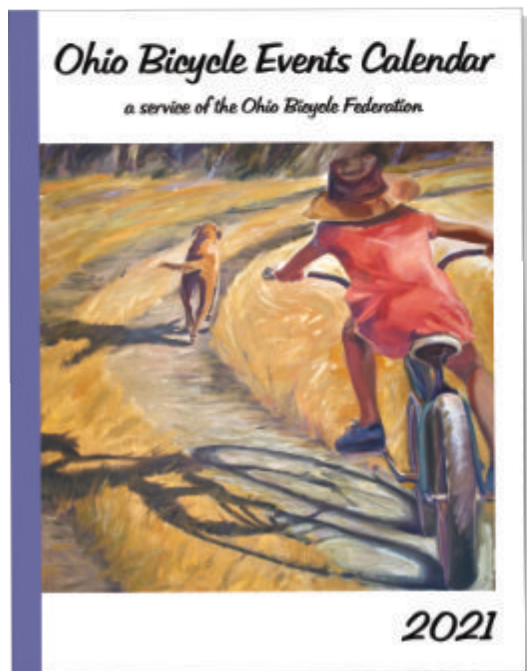
A tough couple of years

Back in the spring of 2020 we had taken delivery of our annual *Ohio Bicycle Events Calendar* portraying a season full of the promise of fun and adventure on two wheels. The cover was beautiful — a painting by the late Mike Hill — showed a group of recreational cyclists heading out on a ride from a city street corner.



Then COVID-19 exploded across America impacting nearly every aspect of daily life, sickening and killing multitudes. Just as circulation of our 2020 edition was beginning, it was halted. Bicycle shops closed. Rides were canceled. The cycling season was decimated. Ultimately, unless you're riding a tandem, bicycling is a solitary outdoor sport. Individuals could safely bike on their own. Families could enjoy fresh air and sunshine. So long they kept to themselves. No big groups. No big rides.

By 2021 we were learning how to cope with COVID as its nature and mode of transmission became known. Vaccines came on the scene significantly reducing the risk of contracting the illness. There were still many restrictions. The Calendar, or OBEC as we sometimes call it, is researched late in the year and assembled early in its year of publication. In December 2020 fully 50 percent of ride organizers were uncertain or were unable to host their 2021 events. Given that high degree of uncertainty, we elected not to print a 2021 OBEC. Instead of ink, we relied upon electrons in the form of our website — publishing online only. A nostalgic painting by Gay Freeborn graced the site's homepage. We listed in-person and "virtual" cycling events as we learned of them and assembled a printable Calendar for archival purposes at the end of the season.



So here we are. COVID-19 is still with us in 2022 but we're better prepared. We know how to avoid contact, we have effective vaccines, and in February we are seeing a hopeful drop in disease transmission. Happily the number of event listings in this year's OBEC has nearly returned to normal.

Through good times and bad, since 1984 the Calendar has been published annually. We're proud of the OBEC and hope it has been of service as a guide to both bicycle event hosts and cyclists.

Take a look at this year's listings, allow yourself to be excited, then get on your bikes and ride!

— James Guilford, Editor

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Touring Events

Tours are noncompetitive group rides for cyclists of various ages and abilities. Tour organizers (usually bicycle clubs) normally charge a modest fee to cover services provided. **Budget tours** and **free rides** usually offer few, if any, services – after all, they’re cheap or free!

Full-service tours, however, typically offer a map and/or GPS data, food stops, and road (“SAG”) assistance and cost a bit more to cover expenses. Multi-day events provide additional services. Fundraisers may have higher entry fees to provide income for their causes. Events that are “**bike-a-thons**” or “**pledge rides**” may or may not be operated by or in association with a bicycle organization and fund-raise primarily through pledges of donations per mile each rider completes. They may have a minimum pledge amount in addition to an entry fee to maximize the benefit to their cause.

Be sure to look ahead! Some events have entry deadlines days or weeks ahead of the ride!

Check our website for updates as the season progresses; we post additions, changes, and corrections as we learn of them. That address: <http://Ohio.bike>

Supporting Rides are Red-Letter Days! – A special category of events listed in this Calendar are those that have pledges to donate at least \$1 per rider toward the publication of the OBF’s *Ohio Bicycle Events Calendar*. Look for the special **red color** designating those events. Support the rides that help support this Calendar!



SILENCE
May 18, 2022

To HONOR those who have been injured or killed
 To RAISE AWARENESS that we are here
 To ask that we all SHARE THE ROAD

FOR SPECIFIC EVENT LOCATION INFORMATION →
www.ohiobike.org/Ride-of-Silence



THE RIDE OF SILENCE WILL NOT BE QUIET

On Wednesday, May 18th at 7 p.m., cyclists across Ohio will again take to the road, joining our brothers and sisters globally in the 2022 Ride of Silence (RofS), a silent procession to honor and celebrate the lives of family or friends injured or killed while cycling on the public roadway.

The RofS is a FREE ride, no faster than 12 mph, all riding in silence. Check www.ohiobike.org/Ride-of-Silence for the most up-to-date listing of event locations and details, and for new locations not listed below. If you are interested in organizing a RofS in your community, please contact your Ohio Coordinator: keith.webb@rideofsilence.org

On behalf of all of our RofS Organizers, we sincerely thank the Ohio Bicycle Federation for the support and promotion they are providing the Ride of Silence in Ohio!

Confirmed Locations in Ohio:

Akron	Bowling Green	Canton
Cincinnati	Cleveland	Columbus
Dayton	Cleveland Heights	Defiance
Findlay	Lima	Oberlin
Toledo	Troy	Salem
		Warren

March

Saturday, 3/5. 8th ROAD APPLE ROUBAIX. Garrettsville. A scenic tour of 25/47 miles over country roads in Portage and Geauga Counties. Plenty of gravel, some pavement, potential mud and, who knows, maybe even snow and ice! Road bikes are not well-suited to this course. Chip timing available though this is a fondo, not a race. Mass start but no rolling escort, no course marshals. Free tee shirts, other perks. <https://roadappleroubaix.wordpress.com/>

Saturday, 3/12. OHIO RANDONNEURS XENIA-RUSSELLS POINT BREVET. Xenia. Pre-qualifying ride for 2023 Paris-Brest-Paris. A 200K (130-mile) unsupported ride over designated route with specified checkpoints and a 13.5-hour time limit. **Entry Deadline: March 10.** "Life beyond the century." OhioRandonneurs.org

Saturday, 3/26. 8th CHILI MARCH METRIC. Lakewood. In memory of Johnny Clay. Beginning at the lake Erie Shoreline, ride your first half- or full-metric century of the season – 34/66 flat to rolling miles. Enjoy a "blow-out" of hot chili, food, frolic, and fun! A full-service ride touring three Emerald Necklace metroparks. Lake Erie Wheelers. (440) 734-5777. LakeErieWheelers.org/cmm

April

Saturday, 4/9. OHIO RANDONNEURS WOOSTER BREVET. Wooster. Pre-qualifying ride for 2023 Paris-Brest-Paris. A rolling 200K (130-mile) unsupported ride over designated route with specified checkpoints and a 13.5-hour time limit. **Entry Deadline: April 7.** "Life beyond the century." OhioRandonneurs.org

Saturday, 4/23. 30th THINK SPRING. Stow. Start off the cycling season with a fun ride to Brandywine Falls. Choose a trail ride of 20 miles, or a rolling to hilly road/trail ride of 34 miles through scenic and historic sites. Snacks and limited SAG service offered. All participants are asked to observe state and local COVID-19 precautions. **Helmet Required.** Akron Bicycle Club.

Wally Kudlaty; 975 Canyonview Rd.; Sagamore Hills, OH 44067. (330) 806-9106. AkronBike.org

Sunday, 4/24 37th AFROST: A FREEBIE RIDE & OHIO SPRING TOUR. Amherst. This long-running acronym event is a mostly-flat, free tour of 25/50/64 miles to test your fitness level. Route visits historic towns and villages in lovely Lorain County. **Rider Limit: 50.** Lorain County Bicycle Club. PO Box 102; Amherst, OH 44001-0102. LorainCountyBicycleClub.org

Saturday, 4/30. OHIO RANDONNEURS BREVET. Chillicothe. Pre-qualifying ride for 2023 Paris-Brest-Paris. A hilly 300K (187-mile) unsupported ride over designated route with specified checkpoints and a 20-hour time limit. **Entry Deadline: April 28.** "Life beyond the century." OhioRandonneurs.org

Saturday, 4/30. 50th WOODSTOCK. Westerville. Traditional first of Outdoor Pursuits Cycling Series and training ride for TOSRV with relatively flat roads and light traffic, to the north and east of Columbus. Options of 35/65/100 flat miles available. Budget tour with map but no on-route support. Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. Outdoor-Pursuits.org

May

Sunday, 5/1. 26th SICCO: SPRING IN COLUMBIANA COUNTY OHIO. Columbiana. A cyclist favorite for welcoming the spring riding season, the main ride is a flat to rolling 35-mile look through small towns and beautiful countryside including the Little Beaver Creek Greenway Trail. There will be a snack stop at the rail station in historic downtown Lisbon. At the end of the 35 miles, enjoy a Pizza Hut lunch. After refueling, perhaps try the optional rolling to hilly 28-mile loop for a day's total of 63 miles? Outspokin' Wheelmen. Attn: Dave Hughes; PO Box 1600; Youngstown, OH 44501. (330) 692-2468. OutspokinWheelmen.com

Saturday, 5/7. OHIO RANDONNEURS 360K FLECHE. Team event for groups of three to five bicycles (tandems count as one). Complete a rolling 360K (224-mile) or more route over 24 hours finishing together in Columbus. OhioRandonneurs.org

Saturday, 5/14. 8th GEOLOGY TOUR. South Charleston. This stop and go educational ride is led by a retired geologist and visits geological sites along a trail or



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nearby on intersecting rural roads. A free event, the ride covers around 15 flat to rolling miles. **Rider Limit: 20.** Friends of Madison County Parks and Trails. PO Box 308; London, OH 43140. (614) 205-6754. <http://www.fmcp.com>

Saturday, 5/14. 54th SPOT. Canal Winchester. Traditional second of Outdoor Pursuits Cycling Series and TOSRV training ride offers relatively flat roads with some rolling hills to the southeast of Columbus with routes of 35/62/100 miles. Marked roads with maps and limited support. Online entry available. Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. Outdoor-Pursuits.org

Saturday – Friday, 5/14 – 5/20. OETA: OHIO ERIE TRAIL ADVENTURE. A boutique tour of Ohio's premiere destination route! Rider Limit: 45. Covers 326 flat miles on the Ohio to Erie Trail from Cincinnati through Columbus to Cleveland, with guides who played a significant role in developing this trail over the last 20 years. Experience great riding with minimal gear and the added luxury of staying in hotels each night. This trip makes an excellent choice for cyclists new to multi-day touring or for those wishing to enjoy more time out of the saddle during their vacation. **Entry Deadline: May 1.** Columbus Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. Outdoor-Pursuits.org

Wednesday, 5/18. RofS: RIDE OF SILENCE. Statewide. Cyclists across Ohio will again take to the road, joining our brothers and sisters globally in a silent procession to honor and celebrate the lives of family and friends injured or killed while cycling on public roadways. Though cyclists have a legal right to the road, the motoring public often is not aware of this, nor in some cases aware of cyclists on the roadway. See full-page announcement earlier in this Calendar, or on the web: OhioBike.org/ride-of-silence

Saturday, 5/21. OHIO RANDONNEURS BREVET. Chillicothe. Pre-qualifying ride for 2023 Paris-Brest-Paris. A hilly 400K (250-mile) unsupported ride over designated route with specified checkpoints and a 27-hour time limit. **Entry Deadline: May 19.** "Life beyond the century." OhioRandonneurs.org

Saturday, 5/21. 2nd TRAILS FOR HOPE. Canal Fulton. Fundraiser benefiting the American Cancer Society. Routes: 10/30/65 flat miles. Scott Rini. www.bikereg.com/trailsforhope

Saturday, 5/21. 48th MOC: MID-OHIO CENTURY. Delaware. Traditional third of Outdoor Pursuits Cycling Series and TOSRV training ride. Ride offerings of 35/62/100 miles of relatively flat riding with a beautiful route along the Scioto River and around Marion. Marked roads and maps, limited support. Online entry available. Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. Outdoor-Pursuits.org

Sunday, 5/22. 47th HUFFMAN SPRING CLASSIC. Brookville. Celebrate spring with the Dayton Cycling Club as they return to a full-service event! New routes this year covering 30/50/65/100 flat to rolling miles, dedicated to the memory of DCC member Bob Davis who frequently cycled many of our roads. **Entry Deadline: May 20. Rider Limit: 150. Helmets Required** and all appropriate health and safety protocols will be followed. Dayton Cycling Club. DaytonCyclingClub.org

Sunday, 5/28. 33rd JJJ: JERRY'S JEROMESVILLE JOURNEY. Oberlin. A free 100-mile tour with 50-mile cutoff travels the rolling and hilly portions of southern Lorain County and northern Ashland County. Named for founder Jerry Warnke. **Rider Limit: 50.** Lorain County Bicycle Club. PO Box 102; Amherst, OH 44001-0102. LorainCountyBicycleClub.org

Sunday, 5/29. 40th TOO: TOP OF OHIO HUNDRED. Hilliard. The fourth of the Outdoor Pursuits Cycling Series. Traditionally the final training before TOSRV and a great early season test to ride to the highest point in Ohio! Route is mostly flat to rolling, 25 to 100 miles, with some hills on the longer routes. Marked routes, maps, limited support. Online entry available. Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. Outdoor-Pursuits.org

Monday, 5/30. THE WHEELING HERITAGE TRAIL BICYCLE TOUR. Wheeling, W.Va. Spend your holiday on a potentially-challenging ride of 10/30/62 rolling to very hilly miles. Showcased are views from along the ridgetop and the Ohio

River. Ohio Valley Trail Partners. Quick Service Bicycle Shop; 701 N. Lincoln Ave.; Bridgeport, OH 43912. (740) 635-3700. OhioValleyTrailPartners.com

June

Saturday, 6/4. 35th RIDGE RUNNER RAMBLE. New Albany. Ride the scenic roads northeast of Columbus on routes of 20/50/80 rolling to very hilly miles. Shorter route is relatively flat, longer routes more challenging. This is the fifth of Outdoor Pursuits Cycling Series. Marked routes, maps, limited support. Online entry available. Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. Outdoor-Pursuits.org

Saturday, 6/4. OHIO RANDONNEURS BREVET. Chillicothe. Pre-qualifying ride for 2023 Paris-Brest-Paris. A hilly 600K (375-mile) unsupported ride over designated route with specified checkpoints and a 40-hour time limit. **Entry Deadline: June 2.** "Life beyond the century." OhioRandonneurs.org

Saturday, 6/4. HOT TAMALES TOUR. Waldo. Enjoy delicious homemade cookies and fresh strawberries at friendly rest stops on this full-service tour. Routes of 9/19/33/66 flat miles cater to cyclists of all abilities. The shorter routes make a great introduction to bicycle touring, and children 10 and under ride free with paying adult. Early-entry discount. Heart of Ohio Tailwinds Bicycle Club. Janine Williams; 1166 Bellefontaine Ave.; Marion, OH 43302. (740) 382-9952. Hot-Tamale.org

Saturday, 6/11. 19th LONDON STRAWBERRY BICYCLE TOUR. London. Ride 21/44/66/100 flat to rolling miles winding through scenic rural Madison, Clark, Fayette, and Green Counties. The 21-mile route remains on the Prairie Grass Trail while the longer rides venture to Jeffersonville, Cedarville, and South Charleston. Online entry available. Friends of Madison County Parks and Trails. PO Box 308; London, OH 43140. (614) 205-6754. <http://www.fmcpt.com>

Saturday, 6/11. 48th HOOT: HEART OF OHIO TOUR. Carroll. Time to see trees

and flowers in the full bloom of summer in the surrounding hills and farms outside of Lancaster. Routes of 34/62/100 rolling to hilly miles, longer are hilly. This is the sixth ride in the Outdoor Pursuits Cycling Series. Marked roads and maps, limited support. Online entry available. Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. Outdoor-Pursuits.org

Saturday, 6/11. NIGHT RIDES ON THE TOWPATH TRAIL. Peninsula. Cyclists are invited to join Century Cycles for the original Towpath Night Rides: Casual, flat, fun rides of 14 miles in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Riders must have their own bicycle, helmet, and headlight. Just show up, be ready to roll promptly at 8 p.m. No RSVP necessary. Century Cycles. 1621 Main St.; Peninsula, OH 44264. (330) 657-2209. CenturyCycles.com/for/NightRides

Sunday, 6/12. 45th SUNDAY IN JUNE. Burton. Join hundreds of fellow cyclists for a thrilling spin through the heart of Northeastern Ohio's Amish countryside. Organized by cyclists, for cyclists! Choose from among routes of 25/40/65/100 rolling to hilly miles on the rural roads of scenic Geauga County. A classic full-service tour including a hot lunch, rest stops, marked roads, and SAG service. **Entry Deadline: June 10.** Headquartered in historic Century Village. Cleveland Touring Club. Bruce Newburger; 14653 E. Park St.; Burton, OH 44021. (440) 591-8090. SundayInJune.com

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Saturday, 6/18. PORTSMOUTH CONNEX'S WILD RIDE. Portsmouth. Cyclists may choose: The Bear Cub – a 20-mile out-and-back route meant to challenge beginner riders; The Bobcat – a 40-mile intermediate route for more experience riders; and The Rattler Roll – a 62-mile advanced route full of challenging hills and twisting downhill turns. Rest stops provided along all three courses. Ride finishers will be greeted with music, local favorites including a pub glass commemorating the ride containing a voucher for a drink of choice from the Portsmouth Brewing Company.
Entry Deadline: June 11. Portsmouth Connex. Attn: Jason Ashworth; PO Box 74; Portsmouth, OH 45662.
 Portsmouth.ConnexMoves.org

Saturday – Saturday, 6/18 – 6/25. 33rd GOBA: GREAT OHIO BICYCLE ADVENTURE. Sidney. Come "Fly Wright and Leap Boldly" on a loop of Ohio's aviation history trail with overnight tent camping stays in Sidney, Wapakoneta, and Troy. Casual family-friendly tour on mostly flat routes that will visit aviation landmarks, historic sites, local museums, lively downtowns, and more. Sightseeing and optional ride opportunities. Ride about 50 flat miles per day or use new 35-mile shortcuts. Trucks move gear between towns.
Rider Limit: 1,500. Entry Deadline: May 22. Online entry available. Outdoor

Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. GOBA.com

Saturday, 6/25. 22nd CONGRESSMAN RALPH REGULA MEMORIAL RIDE. Canal Fulton. Enjoy a day of outdoor fun and bike your way through Summit and Stark Counties along the Ohio & Erie Canal! Ride the Towpath Trail on a round-trip adventure covering 8/16/32 flat miles. The ride honors the legacy of Rep. Regula whose vision led to the development of the Canalway Heritage Area and the Towpath Trail. Proceeds benefit the Canalway Coalition. Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition. Attn: Brittany Blevins; 47 W. Exchange St.; Akron, OH 44308. (330) 374-5657. OhioErieCanal.org/events/congressman-regula-ride

Saturday, 6/25. NIGHT RIDES ON THE TOWPATH TRAIL. Peninsula. A casual, flat, fun ride of 14 miles in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Riders must have their own bicycle, helmet, and headlight. Just show up, be ready to roll promptly at 8 p.m. No RSVP necessary. Century Cycles. 1621 Main St.; Peninsula, OH 44264. (330) 657-2209. CenturyCycles.com/for/NightRides

Saturday, 6/25. TREE CITY ROLLING TOUR & CENTURY. Greensburg, Ind. Riders will enjoy lightly-traveled partly

shaded roads, with rolling hills. All routes, except the 16-mile, will travel around a beautiful 6-mile lake and enjoy a well-stocked refreshment stop there. The 67- and 100-mile riders will flat to hilly tour along shaded creeks and streams, and travel across covered bridges. Snacks and water at all stops. Live music at full lunch. Proceeds benefit Decatur County Family YMCA. Attn: Deena R. Hamer; 1 YMCA Way; Greensburg, IN 47240. (812) 663-9622. TreeCityRollingTour.org

Saturday, 6/25. LICKING VALLEY CENTURY. Alexandria, Ky. Part of the very popular Kentucky Challenge Series. Enjoy the beauty and quiet roads on Northern Kentucky while pedaling scenic ridge tops and valleys. Beautiful views, stunning panoramas, quaint little towns, and roads with very little traffic on routes of 29/42/65/101 rolling miles. Each route will have fully-stocked rest stops with local flair. Post ride enjoy live music and a hot meal included. **Rider Limit: 800.** Enter by May 24 to get a tour tee shirt. Cincinnati Cycle Club. Jonathan Katz; PO Box 9; Maineville, OH 45039. (513) 884-9143. LickingValleyCentury.com

Sunday, 6/26. 45th PORTAGE RIVER TOUR. Elmore. Follow the meanderings of the Portage River as it flows toward Lake Erie in Northwestern Ohio. The 10-mile route is mostly on paved trail for family-friendliness. Routes of 31/62/100 flat miles venture further afield. Lunch for all riders at the Portage River Festival. Online entry available. Maumee Valley Adventurers. PO Box 352736; Toledo, OH 43635-2736. (419) 482-8225. MVAdventurers.org

Sunday, 6/25. BUCKEYE BRIDGE TOUR. Eaton. A pleasant ride, nearly all on township, rural roads, marked and SAG-supported. Routes of 18/26/45 flat to rolling miles to suit most any rider, visiting many of the county's wooden covered bridges. Rest stops feature treats made my county 4-H youth. Kids' ride available for families with younger children. Door prizes and ride shirts. Preble County Friends of 4-H, Inc. Attn: Curt Caplinger; 3485 Eaton-Gettysburg Rd.; Eaton, OH 45320. (937) 533-7763. BuckeyeBridgeRide.org



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July

Monday, 7/4. 27th VANDALIA FREEDOM BIKE TOUR.

Vandalia. Celebrate the country's independence with hundreds of your fellow citizen-cyclists on rolling routes of 12/31/62 miles. Routes are "well-maintained and marked with precision and accuracy." Routes carry cyclists through picturesque areas of the Northern Miami Valley on beautiful country roads. The rides promise lots of great surprises and fun items for all participants: great prizes, great water bottles, great lunch, great routes and support. Vandalia-Butler Optimist Club. Steven Reed; 8600 N. Main St. Ste. A; Dayton, OH 45415. (937) 414-7602. VandaliaFreedomTour.com

Saturday, 7/9. 11th DUNCAN'S RUN BICYCLE PATCH RIDE. Harlem Twp. Pedal back in time along the rural roads and rippling waterways in quiet corners of Delaware, Licking, and Knox Counties. Choose from among routes of 30/60/75 flat to rolling miles with a few steep climbs on the longest route. A fully-supported tour with frequent rest stops and a hearty lunch at the finish. First 50 registered receive a unique souvenir patch. Online entry available. **Rider Limit: 400.** Harlem Township Heritage. Dave Snyder; 3883 S. State Route 605; Galena, OH 43201-9650. (614) 323-2431. HarlemTwpHeritage.org

Saturday, 7/9. 15th MAJOR TAYLOR CYCLING CLUB OF DAYTON SIGNATURE RIDE. Dayton. Experience the flat to rolling roads of Montgomery County via routes of 17/40/63/100 rolling to hilly miles. The century route is a challenging hilly loop for advanced riders. A 5- to 10-mile bike path family ride for those with younger children will also be offered. Expect well-stocked rest stops, SAG support, well-marked course and downloadable routes, as well as a post-ride lunch. Proceeds benefit The Dakota Center. Friday and Sunday, free pre- and post-event rides will be available. Online entry available. Major Taylor Cycling Club of Dayton. MajorTaylorDayton.org

Saturday, 7/9. NIGHT RIDES ON THE TOWPATH TRAIL. Peninsula. A casual, flat, fun ride of 14 miles in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Riders must have their own bicycle, helmet, and headlight. Just

show up, be ready to roll promptly at 8 p.m. No RSVP necessary. Century Cycles. 1621 Main St.; Peninsula, OH 44264. (330) 657-2209. CenturyCycles.com/for/NightRides

Saturday, 7/9. 10th LINDY FLYER. Shelby. Named for one of the Shelby Cycle Company's most popular models, free tour offers four loop rides through the historical community and surrounding farmlands. Routes of 12/18/27/28 flat to hilly miles are offered – ride any or all loops for choice of terrain and mileage. Part of a three-day town festival. A large collection of Shelby Cycles will be on display in downtown storefronts. Snacks and drinks provided. Free, with donations requested. Shelby Bicycle Days Festival. Attn: Kevin John; 21 Cold Draw Ct.; Shelby, OH 44875. (567) 303-9007. ShelbyCIC.com/bikedays

Saturday, 7/9. 6th RED, BIKE, AND BLUE POKER RUN/A BICYCLE POKER RUN. Ansonia. Ride 8/18/32/64 flat to slightly rolling, relaxing miles over the back country roads of Darke County. Draw cards at the finish to form a poker hand. Cash prizes for the top three hands from each route; up to 12 winners. Special family pricing. Ansonia Parks Committee. Attn: Darrin Shook; PO Box 711; Ansonia, OH 45303. (937) 423-2069. facebook.com/redbikeblue

Sunday, 7/10. 48th ABC: ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY. Copley. Enjoy a ride of 25/50/62/100 flat to hilly miles on well-marked, lightly-traveled roads. Frequent rest stops, SAG support, amazing views, and lunch at the finish are promised. **Helmet Required.** Participants must observe state and local guidelines with respect to COVID-19 safety. Akron Bicycle Club. Tim Montbach: ABC_Ride@outlook.com. (330) 430-1341. AkronBike.org

Saturday, 7/16. 17th PRAIRIE APPRECIATION RIDE. London. This educational ride of about 15 flat to rolling miles along the Prairie Grass Trail. The ride stops at predetermined native wildflower sites where a guide will discuss native plants found in the area. Additional Peak Bloom ride will be offered in August – check the website. Friends of Madison County Parks and Trails. PO Box 308; London, OH 43140. (614) 205-6754. http://www.fmcpt.com





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Saturday, 7/16. 11th TOUR DES LAKES. Syracuse, Ind. A leisurely ride around eight beautiful lakes in Kosciusko County. Three route options: 19/34/62 flat to hilly miles. The metric century (62 mi.) is our most popular route and guides riders around several beautiful lakes. Between the lakes, enjoy a stunning ride across the countryside and through quaint small towns. There will be rest stops for a quick healthy snack and drink, and lunch upon finishing. A portion of the proceeds are used for the continued growth of the Syracuse-Wawasee Trail system. Syracuse-Wawasee Trails. Attn: Erlene Yentes; 1013 N. Long Dr.; Syracuse, IN 46567. (574) 675-6433. TourDesLakes.com

Saturday, 7/16. 33rd METROPARKS TOUR. Whitehouse. Visit up to four scenic wooded Toledo area metroparks connected via Northwest Ohio back roads and paved bike trails. Ride 15/31/62/100 flat miles and enjoy views of the beautiful Maumee River, historic Fallen Timbers monument, and rural countryside. Longer routes reach Fulton County. GPS mapping, online entry available. Maumee Valley Adventurers. PO Box 352736; Toledo, OH 43635-2736. (419) 482-8225. MVAdventurers.org

Saturday, 7/16. 34th RIDE THE DARBY. Grove City. Nearly-flat rides of 30/62/103 miles along the watershed of the Little Darby in Pickaway and Union Counties, the seventh in the Outdoor Pursuits Cycling Series. Marked routes and maps, limited support. Online entry available. Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. Outdoor-Pursuits.org

Thursday – Sunday, 7/21 – 7/24. 16th PAN OHIO HOPE RIDE. Cleveland to Cincinnati. A fully-supported pledge ride raising funds for the American Cancer Society. Mileage of the full 4-day tour from Cleveland to Cincinnati is about 328 miles. Adult riders of all levels are welcome to join us to take in the beauty of Ohio along a mix of paved bike trails and scenic roads, ranging from flat to moderately hilly. Join for all four days, select just one or two days, or virtually create your own 328-miler. Discount available for new riders. **Rider Limit: 400.** American Cancer Society. 10501 Euclid Ave.; Cleveland, OH 44106. (513) 323-6564. www.pohr.org

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Valley National Park. Riders must have their own bicycle, helmet, and headlight. Just show up, be ready to roll promptly at 8 p.m. No RSVP necessary. Century Cycles. 1621 Main St.; Peninsula, OH 44264. (330) 657-2209. CenturyCycles.com/for/NightRides

Saturday, 7/23. RIDE THE RIVALRY. Columbus to Lancaster. Ride 22/50 hilly miles in this annual event uniting alumni and supporters on a bicycling adventure. The Ride provides a memorable summertime activity that will build camaraderie and collegiate loyalty, and raise charitable funds for a good cause cause. RideTheRivalry.com

Saturday – Saturday, 7/23 – 7/30. 23rd XOBA: 'CROSS OHIO BICYCLE ADVENTURE. Hillsdale, Mich. Join an adventure to places XOBA hasn't visited. A one-way ride from Hillsdale, Michigan to finish in Andover, Ohio. The route will cover 60 - 65 miles per day and be generally flat to rolling, getting hillier as the week goes by. Riders will be dipping into the Cuyahoga Valley National Park and we will pop into Pennsylvania on the last day as well. Two dinners provided during the week, bus transport included from parking to the start. **Rider Limit: 250. Entry Deadline: July 13.** Columbus Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. ride-xoba.org

Saturday – Sunday, 7/30 – 7/31. 48th AMISHLAND AND LAKES BICYCLE TOUR. LaGrange, Ind. Visit a world where lifestyles have remained almost unchanged in over 100 years. Socialize with family groups of riders, women's groups, regional cycling clubs, and tandem teams – yes the ride is “tandem friendly”! Open spaces, clean country air, friendly people, and lots of great food await. New this year: Side Street Deli Food Truck on Saturday. Routes range from 22 to 100 flat to rolling miles offering smooth, quiet roads where horse-drawn buggies are many and cars are few. Camping available. Michiana Bicycle Association. Chris Vanden Bossche; PO Box 182; Granger, IN 46530-0182. (574) 387-6449. AmishlandLakes.com

Saturday, 7/30. 14th RIVER RIDE. Lima. A fast, flat, and friendly tour wrapping around Northwestern Ohio's area rivers and creeks. Veteran riders can take the 50- and 62.5-mile routes while others may prefer a

quiet 10- or 20-mile ride on the clean paved bike paths along the Ottawa River. Promised: Scenic and swept roads, great food and rest stops, SAG service and onsite bike shop, live music at lunch, tee shirt, family-friendly environment. Proceeds benefit City Life at Rally Point Youth Center. Youth for Christ. Attn: Jared Diller; PO Box 514; Findlay, OH 45839. (419) 234-8817. jdiller.yfc@gmail.com

Saturday, 7/30. 21st PEDAL WITH PETE – COLUMBUS. Marysville. A fundraiser supporting research leading to better prevention strategies and treatment protocols to improve the quality of life of people who live with cerebral palsy, their families and caregivers. Riders will be offered a wide range of routes: 10/28/36/53/62/74/100 flat to rolling miles. Included are rest stops in Milford Center, and Mechanicsburg, and picnic food at the end of the ride. Online entry. (614) 404-6680. Pedal-With-Pete.org

August

Saturday, 8/6. NIGHT RIDES ON THE TOWPATH TRAIL. Peninsula. A casual, flat, fun ride of 14 miles in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Riders must have their own bicycle, helmet, and headlight. Just show up, be ready to roll promptly at 8 p.m. No RSVP necessary. Century Cycles. 1621 Main St.; Peninsula, OH 44264. (330) 657-2209. CenturyCycles.com/for/NightRides

Sunday, 8/7. 30th ROAST YOUR BUNS. Oberlin. A free tour at the height of summer traveling scenic Lorain County. Covers 28/52/70 flat to rolling miles. Come and Roast Your Buns if you dare to brave the heat! **Rider Limit: 50.** Lorain County Bicycle Club. PO Box 102; Amherst, OH 44001-0102. LorainCountyBicycleClub.org

Sunday, 8/7. TOUR DE DARKE. Greenville. Spend your Sunday morning in the saddle riding through the scenic countryside and quaint communities of Darke County. Choose from among casual, fun rides of 14/34/62 flat to rolling miles with rest stops offering snacks and sag support along the way. A 3-mile family ride along the bike path will also be offered for



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those with young children. Tour past iconic Darke County locations such as Maid Rite, and Historic Bear's Mill. All roads are marked and a portion will include the Tecumseh Trail Multi-use Bike Path. Proceeds benefit future bike trail projects. Online Entry Only. **Entry Deadline: July 24.** Darke County Parks. Attn: Robb Clifford; PO Box 801; Greenville Ohio 45331. (937) 548-0165
DarkeCountyParks.org/tour

Thursday – Sunday, 8/11 – 8/14. 12th RIVERS, TRAILS & ALES FESTIVAL. Marietta. A free outdoor enthusiast festival located in the Appalachian foothills of Southeast Ohio. Highlighting Marietta's easily-accessible outdoor activities and charming downtown commercial district together in one event-filled package, the RTA Festival is designed to appeal to visitors and locals alike. RTA Festival. Eric Dowler, Director; PO Box 5013; Marietta, OH 45750. RTAfest.com

Saturday, 8/13. 28th MARR: MAD ANTHONY RIVER RALLY. Whitehouse. From the small town start it's only a few blocks until riders are on country roads. Pedal along the broad Maumee River for miles, stopping for snacks at beautiful Providence Dam Metropark and later in Napoleon to be greeted by the "Emperor". Return through farm country and into Oak Openings Metropark. Routes of 32/64/100 flat miles, SAG support, lunch under a tent at historic Whitehouse Inn. Toledo Area Bicyclists, Inc. Debbie Tassie; 227 W. Dudley St.; Maumee, OH 43537-2114. (419) 2115-7508. ToledoAreaBicyclists.org

Sunday, 8/14. 22nd CLEVELAND CLINIC AKRON GENERAL TOWPATH 50. Akron. Fundraiser for continued development, maintenance, activation of the Canalway National Heritage Area Towpath Trail and connectors. Participants will ride 50 flat miles on the Towpath raising a minimum of \$50 in pledges. Premiums for those raising larger amounts. Event includes SAG support, "healthy water stops", and post-ride party. Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition. Attn: Brittany Blevins; 47 W. Exchange St.; Akron, OH 44308. (330) 374-5657. Towpath50.com

Saturday, 8/20. NIGHT RIDES ON THE TOWPATH TRAIL. Peninsula. A casual, flat, fun ride of 14 miles in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Riders must have their

own bicycle, helmet, and headlight. Just show up, be ready to roll promptly at 8 p.m. No RSVP necessary. Century Cycles. 1621 Main St.; Peninsula, OH 44264. (330) 657-2209. CenturyCycles.com/for/NightRides

Saturday, 8/20. 13th STEVE BARBOUR MEMORIAL RIDE. Dublin. Celebrate the life of Steve Barbour and other cyclists tragically taken too soon while cycling. A relatively flat ride of 32/65/100 miles to the northwest of Columbus. This is the eighth of Outdoor Pursuits Cycling Series rides. Marked routes and maps, limited support. Online entry available. Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. Outdoor-Pursuits.org

Saturday, 8/27. 12th BREAK THE CYCLE. Wooster. Fundraiser celebrating recovery and promoting wellness with three routes of 24/50/70 miles in scenic Wayne and Holmes Counties, a trail ride on the unique Holmes County Trail, and a 5K walk. SAG-supported with multiple stops featuring refreshments and restrooms. Concludes with a hot lunch for all participants. Optional virtual participation. Friends of One-Eighty. Christy VanSickle; 104 Spink St.; Wooster, OH 44691. (330) 264-8498. BTCbenefit.org

Saturday, 8/27. BIKE CLEVELAND FUNDO. Cleveland. The Fundo returns this year at its lakefront start/finish. This popular event is intended for riders of all



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ages and abilities, taking advantage of Cleveland's expanding bicycle network. This is a fully-supported ride with rest stops and support vehicles along the routes to curb your hunger or resolve any bike issues. A boxed lunch is provided. Signed routes on 10/30/60 flat to rolling miles explore the city and beyond. Bike Cleveland. 3000 Bridge Avenue Ste. 1; Cleveland, OH 44113. (216) 298-1938. <http://www.CleFundo.org>

Saturday, 8/27. 3rd HERITAGE RIDE. Orangeville. Four out-and-back loops along the Ohio/Pennsylvania line, routes of 25/50/75/100 hilly miles – a total 3,000 ft. elevation gain! A flat route of 6 miles is also offered. Water, snacks, hot lunch, are included. SAG support and bicycle mechanic will be available. All roads are paved and route-marked, traversing scenic farmland in Trumbull and Mercer Counties. Orangeville United Methodist Church. Bill Fox; PO Box 67; Orangeville, OH 44453. (330) 240-8088. william@bjfbicycles.com

Sunday, 8/28. 51st WRIGHT WRIDE. Cedarville. Explore beautiful flat to rolling countryside on routes of 25/50/64/100 flat to hilly miles traveling through small towns and villages around Cedarville. Rest stops and SAG support available. **Entry Deadline: Aug. 24.** Dayton Cycling Club. DaytonCyclingClub.org/wrightwride

September

Saturday, 9/3. 7th UCF COVERED BRIDGES TOUR. Marysville. Enjoy the low-traffic, rolling to hilly roads of Union County on the way to historic covered bridges. Rides range from flat to hilly, becoming hillier with longer distances. The 34- and 64+ mile rides will include visits to four of the county's most beautiful covered bridges. The 19-mile route includes one covered bridge. A full service rest stop will be available. Union County Foundation. PO Box 608; Marysville, OH 43040. (937) 642-9618. UnionCountyFoundation.org

Saturday, 9/3. 37th COVERED BRIDGE TOUR. Canal Winchester. Visit several of Fairfield County's historic covered bridges. Routes of 45/74/102 miles; it gets hilly on the longer routes so bring climbing legs!

This is the ninth ride of the Outdoor Pursuits Cycling Series. Marked routes and maps provided, limited support. Online entry available. Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. Outdoor-Pursuits.org

Saturday, 9/3. 9th BIKE THE BORO. Springboro. Enjoy a ride of 3/10/16 rolling miles on the streets of Springboro, followed by a bike-focused festival. Food, music, free helmet fittings and giveaway, and bicycle giveaway. Visit local shops, advocacy organizations, and more! **Entry Deadline: Aug. 26.** Springboro Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee. Attn: Dan Boron; 320 W. Central Ave.; Springboro, OH 45066. (937) 746-6133. BikingInTheBoro.com

Saturday, 9/3. 6th CURSIVE OHIO CHARITY BIKE RIDE. Ada. A fundraiser for the Ohio AgrAbility Project which is a part of a U.S. Dept. of Agriculture program assisting disabled agricultural workers to live independently and continue or return to work. Riders will enjoy a well-marked and swept course, then finished with smoked brisket and homemade ice cream. Rolling routes of 17/35/65 miles are offered. **Entry Deadline: Sept. 1.** Hardin County TRAC Foundation. www.bikereg.com/cursiveohio

Sunday, 9/4. BIKE THE C-BUS. Columbus. The original city-wide ride since 2008, Bike the Cbus is a tour for all ages and abilities, highlighting Columbus's unique and evolving neighborhoods. The ride is again partnering with host Hollywood Casino Columbus. Yay Bikes! Brenda Ribble; 921 N. High St.; Columbus, OH 43201. (614) 299-0899. www.yaybikes.com/bike-the-cbus

Monday, 9/5. 31st OX ROAST BICYCLE TOUR. West Jefferson. Routes of 33/66/100 flat to rolling miles wind through scenic rural Madison and Franklin Counties. Refreshment stops, marked routes, GPX files, and maps are offered. Online entry available. Friends of Madison County Parks and Trails. PO Box 308; London, OH 43140. (614) 205-6754. <http://www.fmcpt.com>

Saturday, 9/10. 7th LEGACY BIKE RIDE. McCutchenville. Early morning start at the #2 Fire House begins the day of 26/43 scenic, gently rolling rural miles. Stops near Bascom and New Riegel for



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refreshments, lunch at start/finish. Enter by August 6 for complimentary shirt. **Helmets Required.** Proceeds benefit cancer victims. Legacy Bike Ride Committee. Attn: Linda Tiell; 5389 W. County Rd. 14; Tiffin, OH 44883-9375. (416) 618-4042 – Dorothy. MudHenMomma@aol.com

Saturday, 9/10. UNITY RIDE. Lebanon. An event celebrating cyclists of all ages, races, creeds, and cultures sharing their passion for cycling. Join us as all local Cycling Clubs and our Major Taylor partners join together for one fantastic ride. Routes from 45 to 65 flat to hilly miles, in addition to a shorter bike trail route for a more casual ride. All rides will travel low traffic and scenic Warren County cycling routes. Always wanted a police escort on a ride? We have one for you on Saturday as we depart Ride Central. Cincinnati Cycle Club. Ralph Hirshberg; 10699 Montclair Blvd.; Milford, OH 45150. (513) 310-9911. CincinnatiCycleClub.org

Saturday, 9/10. 20th YOUNG'S ICE CREAM CHARITY BIKE TOUR. Yellow Springs. A one-day ride with five mileage options: 24/48/60/76/100 flat to very hilly miles. This charity fundraising event requires both entry fee and pledges, benefitting the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Alzheimer's Association, United

Rehabilitation Services, and South Community Inc. "Great riders, great sponsors, great volunteers, and ... ice cream!" **Entry Deadline: Sept. 9.** Online entry available. Young's Jersey Dairy. Angela Rayner; 6880 Springfield-Xenia Rd.; Yellow Springs, OH 45387. (937) 325-0629. YoungsBikeTour.com

Saturday, 9/10. SEPTEMBER SPIN. Warren. A fun fall ride for all ages and levels of rider. The 20-mile flat ride will highlight a portion of the Western Reserve Greenway. Funds raised will assist continued enhancement of the trail and riding experience. Trumbull County Metroparks. Attn: Zachary Svette; 3983 N. River Rd. NE; Warren, OH 44484-1038. (330) 675-3072. zachary.svette@trumbullmetroparks.org

Sunday, 9/11. 22nd SIMON KENTON PATHFINDERS MEMORIAL TOUR. Urbana. In memory of Betsy Bohl. Flat to rolling 15/31/62 miles. Simon Kenton Pathfinders. Attn: Jim Cook; PO Box 91; Urbana, OH 43078. SimonKentonPathfinders.org

Sunday - Saturday, 9/11 - 9/17. 3rd GREAT AMERICAN BIKE RALLY MID-OHIO TOUR. Hamilton. Fundraiser (pledges optional) benefiting Boys and Girls




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- Take lane if so narrow, car can't safely pass: ORC 4511.55(C).
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Club of Hamilton includes: Seven days of cycling bliss mostly on paved/cinder/gravel trails one-way from the Great Miami River at Hamilton to Lake Erie and Cleveland. Return transport not provided. Daily rides of 40-60 miles over terrain ranging from flat to hilly. **Rider Limit: 14. Entry Deadline: Aug. 20.** Great American Bike Rally. Dean Bruewer; 5221 Muskopf Rd.; Fairfield, OH 45014. (513) 484-1258. GreatAmericanBikeRally.com

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Saturday, 9/17. 24th MORON: MIFFLIN OHIO RIDE OUTTA NOWHERE. Mifflin. Free and self-supported, 43 hilly miles. Nelson Shogren; 3490 Perch Dr.; Mansfield, OH 44903-9142. (419) 512-6232. facebook.com/MORONride

Saturday, 9/17. 36th FALL HOOT. Carroll. Enjoy 34/65/102 rolling to very hilly miles on the final ride of the Outdoor Pursuits Cycling Series. In this Heart Of Ohio Tour, hills get more challenging as the mileage goes up. Marked routes, map provided, limited support. Online entry available. Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. Outdoor-Pursuits.org

Saturday – Sunday, 9/17 – 9/18. HUNTINGTON TOWPATH CENTURY RIDE. Cleveland. In the Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition's largest fundraiser of the year, more than 100 bicyclists raise money for the continued development of the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail, connector trails, and public spaces. The ride begins in Cleveland and ends in New Philadelphia with shuttle transport back to the starting point at ride's end. The boutique ride is fully-supported with lunch, healthy food and water stops, trailblazer support, personalized jerseys, and more. Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition. Attn: Emily Cooney; 47 W. Exchange St.; Akron, OH 44308. (330) 374-5657. ecooney@ohioeriecanal.org

Saturday – Sunday, 9/17 – 9/18. 47th ROSCOE RAMBLE. Canal Fulton & Kidron. Two starts are offered giving hilly mileages of 55/75 miles through beautiful countryside. A full-service, overnight tour with meals and luggage transport; hotel and camping options. **Rider Limit. Helmet Required. Entry Deadline: Aug. 25.** Online entry available. Akron Bicycle Club. AkronBike.org/roscoe

Sunday, 9/18. 49th NEOC: NORTH EAST OHIO CENTURY. Bazetta Twp. The ride is famous for its "all you can eat" homemade cookies. Lunch is provided. Choose from among routes of 25/50/62/75/100 mostly flat miles through scenic Trumbull County. New rider? The 25-mile Greenway Path loop is for you! All routes loop through the start/finish for rest stops and lunch. SAG support available, as are restrooms and post-ride showers. Outspokin' Wheelmen. Attn: Lori Swan; PO Box 1600; Youngstown, OH 44501. (330)n 550-3621. OutspokinWheelmen.com

Sunday, 9/18. 49th IRISH HILLS TOUR. Sylvania. Roads and paved trails cover 10/31/65/100 flat to rolling miles (shorter rides are flatter). Longer routes carry riders into the beautiful rolling hills of Michigan's Irish Hills area with its green farms and lake-filled lowlands. A full-service tour with rest stops for all, lunch on longer routes. Check in at finish for Mayberry Ice Cream voucher! GPS and paper maps provided. Early-bird discount online entry available. Maumee Valley Adventurers. PO Box 352736; Toledo, OH 43635-2736. (419) 482-8225. MVAdventurers.org

Saturday, 9/24. CYCLE FOR LIFE. Waynesville. Routes: 15/32/65 rolling miles. Pledge tour with a fundraising minimum. Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Natalie Riusech; 4420 Carver Woods Dr.; Cincinnati, OH 45242. (513) 533-9300. nriusech@cff.org

Saturday, 9/24. THE GREAT PUMPKIN ROLL GRAN FONDO. Brookville, Ind. This is the Queen City's biggest annual ride and we roll out the orange (fall) carpet! New routes, new host site, new host city! There are three new Gran Fondo routes and lots of cool new scenery to see this year on rides covering 25/45/65 flat to rolling miles. Stay post-ride for a hot meal included in your registration and live music! The ride

will go through the St. Mary's, into Oldenburg, through Enochburg, past Ertel's Winery, and into St. Peters before returning to Brookville. It's a perfect weekend getaway as Brookville's Germanfest and the Antique Machinery Show share that weekend. **Rider Limit: 500.** Cincinnati Cycle Club. Fred Ferguson; PO Box 9; Maineville, OH 45039. (613) 260-4472. GreatPumpkinRollRide.com

Saturday, 9/24. 18th FREDERICKSBURG LIBRARY ROLL. Fredericksburg. Support the all-volunteer community library while enjoying a great day of riding. Rides for all ages on the beautiful and unique Holmes County Rail-Trail: 18/24/32 miles. Need more? Head for the hills and valleys of scenic Holmes and Wayne Counties for a challenging, breathtaking ride of 42/62 miles. Commemorative long-sleeved tee for all pre-registrations. Refreshment stop; ice cream and fry pies at finish. John J. Abt; 4287 E. Moreland Rd.; Fredericksburg, OH 44627. (330) 698-1477. johnjabt@gmail.com

Saturday, 9/24. 9th TWISTED PRETZEL TOUR. Germantown. A family-friendly bike tour and pretzel party twisted into one beautiful ride through the Germantown Ohio countryside in Southwest Ohio. Two breaks feature fresh warm pretzels, famous homemade dips, and apple cider slushies. The routes are flat (Pretzel Ring) to rolling with the three longer routes traveling over the scenic Germantown dam. All rides cross the historic Germantown covered bridge. This charity ride supports food pantries and civic organizations and is sponsored by the Germantown Lions and held in conjunction with the Germantown Pretzel Festival. Germantown Lions. Steven Mersch; 7996 N. Butter St.; Germantown, OH 45327. (937) 855-6020. TwistedPretzelTour.com

Saturday, 9/24. THE GREAT PUMPKIN ROLL BIKE RIDE. New Bremen. Held in conjunction with the town's fall harvest-style festival this event offers routes for all levels of riders: 20/30/60 flat to hilly miles. The 20-miler is very flat. The 30-mile route has 8 miles of rolling to challenging hills. The 60-mile tour is very challenging with very hilly sections and is also quite scenic. Rest and refreshment stops on all routes, mobile mechanical support available. After the ride, enjoy a pumpkin treat or craft beer at the New Bremen Pumpkinfest. PO Box

41; New Bremen, OH 45869. newbremenpumpkinfest@gmail.com

Saturday – Sunday, 9/24 – 9/25. 61st TOSRV: TOUR OF THE SCIOTO RIVER VALLEY. Canal Winchester. The original, the ride that inspired so many! TOSRV is America's longest-running multi-day cycling event. Full tour is 105 miles to Portsmouth, 105 miles back the next day for back-to-back centuries. Shorter, and one-day flat to rolling options are also available. A full-service tour with snack stops, lunch stop, sags, mechanical support, baggage transport, etc. Join riders from across the nation on America's touring classic. **Entry Deadline: Sept. 18.** Outdoor Pursuits. 1193 S. Front St.; Columbus, OH 43206. (614) 442-7901. TOSRV.org

October

Saturday, 10/1. 19th GARRETT WONDERS BIRTHDAY BIKE RIDE. Warren. Ride the Garrett Wonders Bike Trail, the Western Reserve Greenway, and surrounding roads and see Trumbull County in its fall splendor! Fully supported with SAG service, cookie stops, sandwiches and pizza at ride's end, tee shirt, goody bag, door prizes, and a bike raffle! Loads of fun for everyone! Money raised (pledges optional) for the Garrett Wonders Memorial Fund for Scholarships and to support Cycling Advocacy. **Rider Limit: 200.** LTJG Garrett Wonders was killed by a careless driver. At the time, he was on a solo training ride for the 2004 Olympic Trials, representing the US Military. Garrett Wonders Memorial Fund. Jay & Shelley Wonders; 1349 Beechcrest St. NW; Warren, OH 44485. (330) 398-2818. swonders@neo.rr.com

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Saturday, 10/8. BIKE AND BREW.

Bolivar. Celebrate the fall season with a family-friendly bike ride and Oktoberfest! Starts with a bicycle ride 6 or 12 flat miles. After the ride, head to the Canal Tavern of Zoar, where an Oktoberfest-themed lunch will be waiting. Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition. Attn: Emily Cooney; 47 W. Exchange St.; Akron, OH 44308. (330) 374-5657. ecooney@ohioericanal.org

Saturday, 10/8. 4th GABR: GREAT AMERICAN BIKE RALLY.

Hamilton. A "family-friendly" event, intended for folks of all ages. Starting in scenic and historical downtown Hamilton, Ohio, riders may choose leisurely rides (1 – 22 miles) along the GMR Trail, or experience a 35+ mile ride from Hamilton to Trenton on lightly-used public roads. Great local ambience including breweries, local pubs, restaurants for enjoyment post-event! **Helmet Required.** Proceeds directly support local Boys and Girls Club of Hamilton, Ohio. Great American Bike Rally. Dean Bruer; 5221 Muskopf Rd.; Fairfield, OH 45014. (513) 484-1258. GreatAmericanBikeRally.com

Sunday, 10/9. 5th TOUR DE GEM – THE WRIGHT BROTHERS CYCLING CLASSIC. Dayton. A fundraising event for local nonprofits to raise money and bring awareness to their important missions. Rides of 1-30 miles on path, or 36/67/107 flat to hilly road miles. This is a fun, family-friendly way for cyclists of all ages and

abilities to have a positive impact in their community and explore the many gems Dayton has to offer. Riders choose the nonprofit their donation benefits. Wright Brothers USA. Ken Botts; 1129 Miamisburg Centerville Rd. Ste. 200; Dayton, OH 45449. (937) 477-1348. TourDeGem.org

Sunday, 10/9. 43rd FALL-N-LEAF.

Belleville. Enjoy the beautiful autumn scenery on this full-service tour featuring hot lunch and after-ride refreshments. Take it easy on the 18-mile bike trail with no set distance – just ride until you've had enough fun. Other options include the 33- and 50-mile routes which cover rolling terrain, and the 67- and 83-mile rides which start out intentionally hilly with a Big Hill Option. Great autumn riding! Mid-Ohio Bikers. Attn: Michael Blaisdell; PO Box 844; Mansfield, OH 44901. (419) 512-4011. MidOhioBikers.org

Saturday, 10/15. 48th TOMBSTONE

TOUR. Swanton. A Halloween tradition! Get in the holiday spirit by riding 5/16/28/44 flat miles in costume, passing or visiting cemeteries along back country roads. Indoor lunch for all riders featuring Tombstone chili. GPS mapping available along with paper maps. Family Haunted Ride is 3 – 4 flat miles in Oak Openings Metropark for families with children 12 and under. Prizes for best bicycle-safe costumes. **Safety-Certified Helmets Required** for all. Complimentary photo included. Early-bird

discount online entry. Maumee Valley Adventurers. PO Box 352736; Toledo, OH 43635-2736. (419) 482-8225. MVAdventurers.org

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November

Sunday, 11/6. 48th RED FLANNEL METRIC CENTURY.

Oberlin. An autumn classic, this event provides homemade cookies, soups, hot oatmeal bar, and all the food you can eat! Features a rolling 64-mile route that visits historic Milan, birthplace of inventor Thomas A. Edison. The rolling and scenic 32-miler visits the quaint town of Birmingham. Ride is dedicated to the memory of Bob Williams, founder of both this event and its host club. Lorain County Bicycle Club. PO Box 102; Amherst, OH 44001-0102. LorainCountyBicycleClub.org



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New Year's Day 2023

Sunday, January 1, 2023. 47th ABCDEFGHIJ: A Bi-CYCLING DANDY EXCUSE FOR GETTING

HIBERNATED IN JANUARY. Medina. Ride 4/12/24 flat to rolling miles on routes in southern Medina County, no matter the weather, for bragging rights when you go back to work Monday! A map is provided but no other services or support. Prepare for the weather and expect it to get worse. Noon start to accommodate late-risers. Richard DeLombard; PO Box 230; Huron, OH 44839-0230. OhioWheelmen.org/bikerides/abc/id9.html



Just a few

Races

April

Tuesday, 4/12. BLUE STREAK TIME TRIAL. Dayton. Conducted within Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the unusual setting allows for only right turns of 90 degrees, roads in great condition, and not a single foot of elevation gain, a course built for personal records!
USAFmarathon.com/blue-streak-time-trial

Saturday, 4/30. BLACK FORK GRAVEL GRINDER. Glenmont. 54-mile event in Ohio Gravel Race Series.
OhioGravelGrinders.com/ohio-gravel-race-series

May

Tuesday, 5/10. BLUE STREAK TIME TRIAL. Dayton. Conducted within Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the unusual setting allows for only right turns of 90 degrees, roads in great condition, and not a single foot of elevation gain, a course built for personal records!
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Saturday, 5/14. BAITIN' THE SHARK. St. Louisville. 50-mile race in Ohio Gravel Race Series. OhioGravelGrinders.com/ohio-gravel-race-series

June

Saturday, 6/4. THE ATHENS GRAVEL CHALLENGE. The Plains. Hosted by Team Athens Cycling.
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Saturday, 6/18. 12th FUNK BOTTOMS GRAVEL 100K/200K. Glenmont. "Ohio's Toughest Gravel Grinder". **Entry Deadline: June 10.** OhioGravelGrinders.com/ohio-gravel-race-series

July

Tuesday, 7/12. BLUE STREAK TIME TRIAL. Dayton. Conducted within Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the unusual setting allows for only right turns of 90 degrees, roads in great condition, and not a single foot of elevation gain, a course built for personal records!
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August

Tuesday, 8/9. BLUE STREAK TIME TRIAL. Dayton. Conducted within Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the unusual setting allows for only right turns of 90 degrees, roads in great condition, and not a single foot of elevation gain, a course built for personal records!
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September

Saturday, 9/10. MAGNOLIA GRAVEL GALORE. Magnolia. 55-mile event in Ohio Gravel Race Series.
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Tuesday, 9/13. BLUE STREAK TIME TRIAL. Dayton. Conducted within Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the unusual setting allows for only right turns of 90 degrees, roads in great condition, and not a single foot of elevation gain, a course built for personal records!
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Saturday, 9/24. GPS 100. Chillicothe. 64-mile, multi-surface route in Ohio Gravel Race Series. OhioGravelGrinders.com/ohio-gravel-race-series

October

Saturday, 10/8. ROJR: RIDE ON JEREMY'S RIDE. Wooster. Race routes of 60/100 miles in Ohio Gravel Race Series.
OhioGravelGrinders.com/ohio-gravel-race-series

Saturday, 10/15. BLUE STREAK TIME TRIAL – SERIES FINAL. Dayton. Conducted within Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the unusual setting allows for only right turns of 90 degrees, roads in great condition, and not a single foot of elevation gain, a course built for personal records!
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REMEMBERING CHARLIE



TOSRV 1966



TOSRV 2011



TOSRV 1984



TOSRV 1985



TOSRV 2011



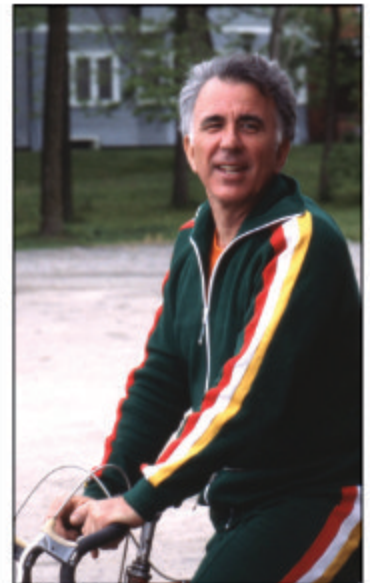
TOSRV 1979



TOSRV 1970



TOSRV 2002



TOSRV 1979

1932-2021

Charlie Pace, who lived with enthusiasm, kindness, and infectious joy, passed away on May 15, 2021 at age 90 in Columbus, Ohio.

In 1967, as a member of Columbus Council of American Youth Hostels, an outdoor club for hikers, canoeists, spelunkers and cyclists, he volunteered to organize the Tour of the Scioto River Valley (TOSRV). The annual two-day, 210-mile tour was just five years old and during the previous year 45 cyclists showed up to begin their rides at Ohio's Statehouse.

With Charlie at the helm the tour grew exponentially. Cyclists from all over the country came to Columbus every May for this cycling rite of spring. At its peak, more than 6,000 cyclists rode the tour. And it all worked because of Charlie's skill and innovations. He developed systems to feed riders at food stops set up along the route, to find overnight accommodations, to deliver sleeping bags to their overnight locations, to arrange for Red Cross first aid stations and an emergency radio network, and to coordinate and communicate with the highway patrol and public officials as well as the volunteers who made it work.

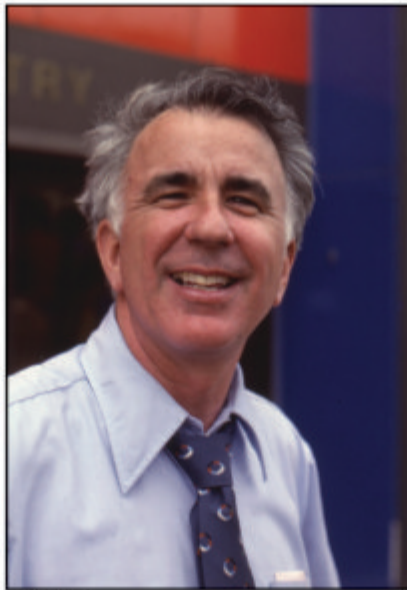
Charlie's easy-going nature and his genuine warmth drew in hundreds of volunteers who stuffed envelopes, handed out apples and sandwiches at the food stops, drove the rental trucks full of sleeping bags, patrolled the route in radio cars, repaired bikes, and checked in returning riders.

For Charlie the work was year-round. At the moment one tour ended, he would start work on the next. Never paid for his TOSRV work over the years, Charlie's status as a volunteer never changed. He juggled all these TOSRV tasks while continuing to work as a full-time employee at Huntington National Bank, TOSRV's biggest sponsor.

TOSRV inspired dozens of big weekend bike tours that remain popular across America today. Numerous TOSRV riders from other states came back home from the tour to start TOSRV-like events in their own regions. This year's TOSRV will be the 61st edition.

Everybody loved Charlie, and because of his fun-loving approach to life, no matter how you might be feeling he brightened your day. If you ride TOSRV this year, you just might feel a little extra push from his buoyant spirit as you tackle the rolling terrain south of Chillicothe and crank up Schoolhouse Hill.

— Greg Siple



TOSRV 1970



TOSRV 1970



TOSRV 2009



TOSRV 2004



TOSRV



TOSRV 2008



TOSRV 1986



TOSRV 1985



TOSRV 1970



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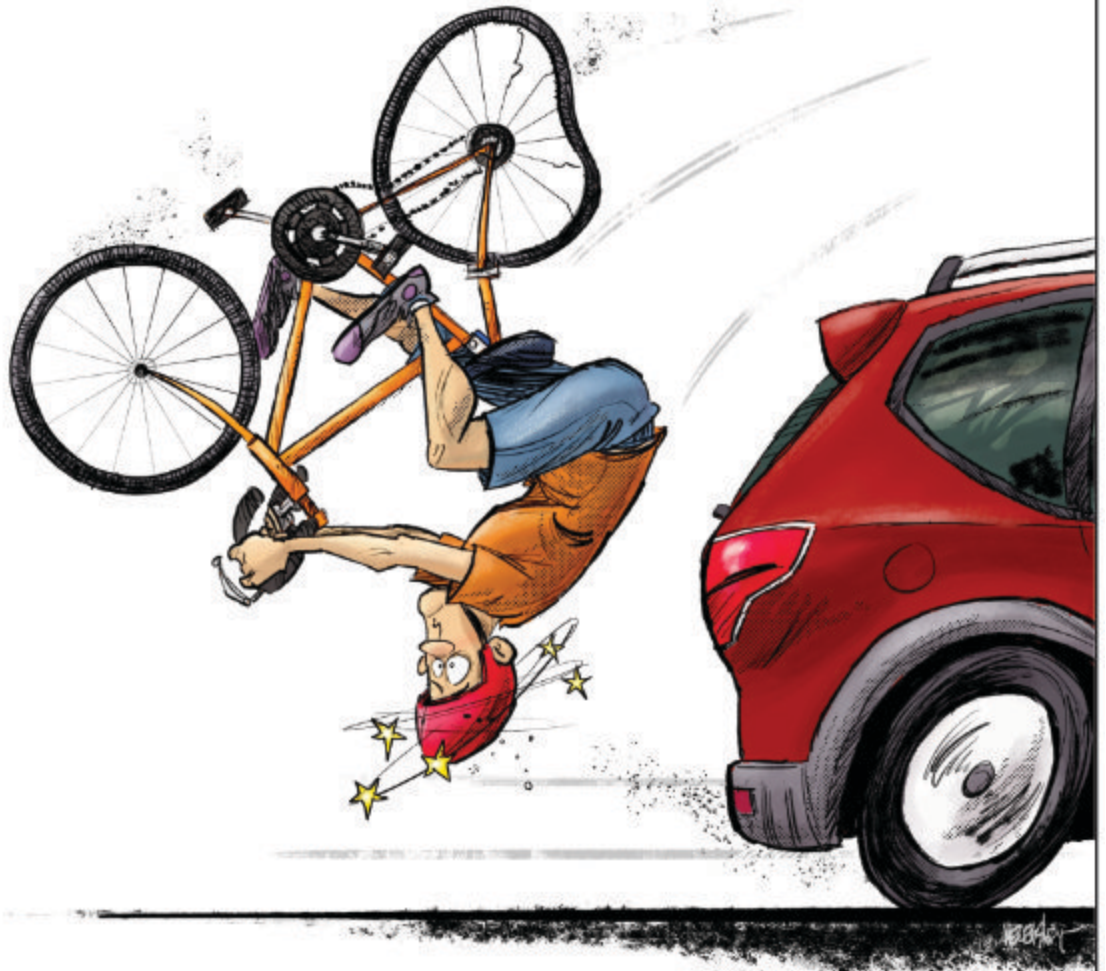
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