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**MEMBERSHIP NO MEMBER MEETING THIS MONTH.**

**BOARD MEETING**

January 6, 2009  
6:30 p.m.

Foster Community  
Center  
200 N. Foster St.  
Lansing, MI

Members are welcome to attend all board meetings to express their concerns. Due to time constraints, if you have a specific item to be brought before the board, it is suggested you contact the President one week prior to the meeting and ask to have it added to the agenda.



## DEADLINES

**NEWSLETTER  
DECEMBER 5**

Please send items to Janet Weber, 767 Linden Street, Charlotte, MI 48813 or fax to 1-800-480-1160, or send your e-mail to chainwheelchatter@biketcba.org by the indicated deadline.

**RIDE  
CALENDAR  
DECEMBER 3**

Information for the ride calendar needs to be sent to Ed Usewick, 590 Boutell Drive, Grand Blanc, MI 48439 or e-mailed to rideschedule@biketcba.org. So we can include this information in the next newsletter, please note the indicated deadline. Furthermore, please be sure to use the electronic tools to register rides. Please ensure you include critical information such as ride times, mileage, location, and ride leader name and telephone number.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**We would like you to nominate your favorite Ride Leader for 'RIDE LEADER OF THE YEAR'. Please submit a short note or e-mail stating your choice for this award. It doesn't have to be fancy, just a short note stating "My choice for Ride Leader of the Year is.....". Please submit nominations to Linda Antinori at TCBA, P.O. Box 22146, Lansing, MI 48909, or e-mail her at secretary@biketcba.org. Please submit your nominations by December 22, 2008.**



**MINUTES OF THE TRI-COUNTY BICYCLE ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
Foster Community Center - Lansing  
October 7, 2008**

Board members present included Joe Adams, Sue Viele, Linda Antinori, Al Simons, Dick Sulin, Herb Drake, and Kris Stairs. Also present were club members Katie Donnelly, Dick Janson, Lee Adair, Curt "Granddad" Eure, Ken Hendrick, Bill Savage, Patricia Trudgen, and Janet Weber.

**Reports**

1. **President's Report:** Joe Adams, President, called the meeting to order at 6:28 PM.
2. **Minutes/Secretary's Report:** Minutes of the September meeting were presented for review by Linda Antinori, Secretary. After grammatical corrections were made to the minutes, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Sue Viele and seconded by Dick Sulin. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Dick Sulin, Treasurer, presented the September Financial Reports to the Board for review. A motion to pass the Financial Reports was made by Herb Drake, seconded by Linda Antinori and passed unanimously.
4. **Events Director:** Al Simons reported that initial DALMAC tallies indicate that this year's numbers are comparable to last year's figures. There are still some bills to be paid before final results can be tabulated. He also asked the Board's permission to send 4 people to the NBTD meeting at a cost of \$1200 per person. Sue Viele made a motion to approve the expenditure which Kris Stairs seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 4 ayes, 1 nay, and 1 abstaining.
5. **DALMAC Fund:** Joe Adams has been unable to contact Tom Hardenbergh about the status of the DALMAC Fund applications. He will try to resolve this issue via letter before the next Board meeting.
6. **Ride Committee:** Kris Stairs announced that the Ride Committee would meet October 21 to review Ride Incentive Program rules and the club jersey design.

**Old Business:**

- Linda Antinori will try to get an election committee together by May 2009 so we can more effectively recruit Club members to run for office.
- Al Simon made a motion that the TCBA make a donation of \$1 for each rider on DALMAC, WOW, and T-Shirt Rides to the League of Michigan Bicyclists for their advocacy projects. Sue Viele seconded the motion and it passed by a vote of 5 ayes and 1 nay.
- Discussion was held on looking into having one source to do everything on the web page and to remind everyone that it is a work in progress. Herb is to look into costs on the subject and the possibility of having a Web Coordinator to oversee the web page. We are still looking for someone to replace Ed Noonan as Web Master.
- Linda Antinori reported that the cost of having name tags done by local engraving shops varied from \$8 to \$17 per name tag, plus a one time set up fee of up to \$90. It was decided to check into the cost of silk screening the name tags or possibly buying our own engraving machine.
- Joe Adams announced that the Blue Map Book is at the printers and the cost is \$3.20 per map book.
- Lee Adair presented a proposal to the Board to standardize the bicycle flag length on the flags used on Club multi-day rides to 6 feet from the center of the axle to the top of the flag starting with the 2009 riding season. Dick Sulin made a motion to accept the proposal and Sue Viele seconded the motion. It passed by a vote of 5 ayes and 1 nay.

**New Business:**

- Ken Hendrick and Dick Sulin made a proposal to move the club's three bank accounts out over three different banks to assure they are fully insured. The Board concurred that it would be a prudent move.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

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- Dick Janson submitted a proposal to the Board asking for \$5,000 for the Share-A-Bike Program which supplies bikes and helmets to those who would not otherwise be able to afford them. The bulk of the money would go to purchase 300 helmets, with the rest being used for supplies. Al Simon made a proposal to give the money to the Share-A-Bike Program which Dick Sulin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Joe Adams asked the board to submit to him via email nominations for Volunteer of the Year. Ballots for Ride Leader of the Year will be placed in November's Chainwheel Chatter and can be returned via mail to the Club Post Office box.
- Bill Savage, Safety and Education Committee, informed the Board of two Class I LCI trainings to be held in October. One in Algonac and the other in Grand Rapids. Both are being offered for a lesser cost than we were able to do so. He also asked for Board approval to hold a LCI Class One in May which the Board agreed to.
- The Board Transition dinner will be held Tuesday, December 9, at 6 p.m. at a location to be announced. Sue Viele will let us know of the location.

### Member Input:

- Curt "Granddad" Eure asked the Board for a contribution of \$3,200 for his program to cover insurance costs, tires for their van, and accountant fees. He was asked if he had submitted a proposal to the DALMAC Fund Committee and Granddad replied 'yes'. His proposal was tabled until the next Board meeting with the hope of his project getting approval from the DALMAC Fund Committee.
- Dick Janson was asked if Share-A-Bike had submitted a proposal to The DALMAC Fund for their needed funding. He informed the Board that they had indeed submitted one. Al Simon then made a motion to rescind his previous motion concerning funding Share-A-Bike. The vote was 4 aye, 1 abstaining, and 1 nay. The Board will reconsider both Dick's and Granddad's proposals if they are not funded by The DALMAC Fund.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

### BOB GIBBS RIDES DALMAC BICYCLE TOUR QUAD CENTURY ROUTE AT AGE 90

By Kenneth Hendrick

Bob Gibbs, who retired from the DNR Engineering Division in 1980, rode the DALMAC Bicycle Tour Quad Century route shortly before turning 90 years old on September 7, 2008. DALMAC consists of 5, four and five-day bicycle tours that go from Lansing to Mackinaw City or DeTour, ending the day before Labor Day each year. One of these routes consists of four 100+ mile days, the most difficult of the five routes. Bob, who had been the DALMAC Director in 1980, wanted

to celebrate his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday by completing this route.

Bob, who was born in Mayfield, Michigan in 1918, served with the Army 5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division in Iceland and Europe for five years during World War II. After the War, he attended Michigan State University, graduating in 1951. He went to work for the Conservation Department Forestry Division in 1954. Bob became part of the Engineering Division when it was first organized in the 1960's.

### NEW MEMBERS



Mathew Rademacher

Julie Schexnaildre

Bert Goldstein

Jim & Judy Menapace

## 2008 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRI-COUNTY BICYCLE ASSOCIATION

By Joe Adams, President

### Administration

President: Joe Adams  
 Vice President: Sue Viele  
 Secretary: Linda Antinori  
 Treasurer: Dick Sulin  
 Events Director: Al Simons  
 Board at Large: Kris Stairs  
 Board at Large: Herb Drake

### Communication of Club Rides

Recurring Rides: Ed Usewick  
 Called In Rides: Katie Donnelly

### Community Activities:

#### Katie Donnelly and Betty Johnson

The 5th annual bicycle safety poster contest was held this year, taking entries from over 60 students from several schools in Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham County in Grades 3 and 5. Three winners from each grade were recognized at our May membership meeting. In addition to prizes of cash, bike shop gift certificates, and TCBA family memberships for our student winners, St. Gerard School in Lansing and Greyhound Intermediate School in Eaton Rapids received cash awards as the schools of our first-place winners.

#### Cycle Forum: Allan Huber

Allan's programs covered many bicycle related discussions for beginning cyclists and member who want to know more about bicycles. The programs occur at 6:00pm at Foster before each monthly meetings.

#### The DALMAC Fund: Tom Hardenbergh

This year, nine organizations received \$57,200 from the DALMAC Fund. The DALMAC Fund Committee members are Tom Hardenbergh, Steve Leiby, Rebecca Baughan, Bob Hollenshead, and Tom Martin. The events and activities of these organizations fit the Fund's objective of promoting bicycling in Michigan.

Ingham County Sheriff's Office	\$1,800
Michigan Mountain Biking Association	\$1,400
Share-A-Bike	\$2,000
Grand Rapids Wheelchair Sports Assoc.	\$8,000
TART Trails, Inc.	\$10,000
Wilderness Lakes Trails, LLC	\$10,000
Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance	\$20,000
Programs to Educate All Cyclists (PEAC)	\$2,000
Kids Repair Program	\$2,000

TCBA enhanced some of these grants with an additional \$4,715 for a total of \$61,915.

#### Membership: Nancy Johnson

We currently have 523 individual memberships and 284 family memberships with 2 or more people per household for a total of 1328 members. We updated and printed 200 Lansing Area Bicycle Map Booklets for dis-

tribution to new members.

#### DALMAC: Al Simons

For DALMAC 2008 we increased the rider population of the 4-West and 5-Day (Petoskey) routes from 500 to 575 riders each. This increase allowed enrollment for all routes to stay open much longer. As in 2007, these routes closed several weeks after the opening of DALMAC enrollment. This increase also relieved rider's frustrations of having their favorite route full when they went to sign up for DALMAC. Another change for DALMAC 2008 was the addition of 3 new overnight stops. The cities and villages of Vestaburg, Bullock Creek, and Boyne City hosted us. During and after DALMAC I received very positive reports from riders, crew, and our new hosts. This was the second year for the 5-UP route where its riders must cross the Mackinac Bridge to get to the final destination of De Tour Village in the Upper Peninsula. The total rider count for DALMAC 2008 was 2145, down 100 from 2007. The steep price of gasoline caused a lot of economic strife last summer which probably contributed to the slow down in enrollment. During the tour, the volunteers encountered several problems and did an outstanding job managing them. It's the volunteers who make DALMAC such a success each year.

#### Financial: Dick Sulin

We are in excellent financial condition.

#### Rides & Mileage's: Steve Schuesler

Steve collects the ride sheets that are submitted by the ride leaders and enters the information into the ride database. He makes sure the ride mileage is placed on our web site for all to view.

TCBA RIDE DATA - NOVEMBER 2008				
YEAR	MILES	RIDERS	RIDES	LEADERS
2000	274,000	470	900	110
2001	267,000	490	775	90
2002	312,000	560	820	85
2003	343,000	550	873	86
2004	325,000	424	877	82
2005	372,000	441	853	88
2006	287,000	485	721	82
2007	282,000	458	722	76
2008	274,000	449	646	78

Starting in 2004, the chart doesn't include non-members.

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### Safety & Education: Bill Savage

An LMB Road I Class was held on August 23 in Lansing. Seven people participated. The next class is planned for May 2009.

### Chainwheel Chatter: Andrea Davis, Janet Weber

We mailed 9,900 copies of our newsletter to the membership. An additional 6,600 are delivered to area bicycle shops, YMCA's and other stores throughout the tri-county area. The newsletter is also published on the TCBA web site.

### Ride Incentive Program: Kris Stairs

Incentive items for 2007

- Level 1 - 2007 miles - Smart Wool Base Layer Top
- Level 2 - 1500 miles - Fleece Jacket and Hand Held Weather Forecaster
- Level 3 - 1000 - Tikka Head Lamp or LL Bean Organizer
- Level 4 - 500 - Mini Bike Tool Kit
- Level 5 - 6+ rides - Polar Insulated Water Bottle

### TCBA Meetings and Programs: Sue Viele

Once again, TCBA members have provided excellent presentations at the membership meetings.

January: John Lindenmayer from LMB provided an update on its ongoing efforts to make Michigan a more biker-friendly state.

February: Julie Rutherford, a certified personal trainer and instructor from the YMCA, gave a presentation on overall fitness training with an emphasis on cycling.

March: Annual swap meet.

April: Tom Maleck from MSU and TCBA member Bill Savage gave a presentation on the roadway changes taking place on the MSU campus.

May: Andy Provenzano from WILX TV 10 gave a presentation on inclement weather, including keeping safe from lightning.

The bicycle safety poster contest winners were also present at this meeting and received their awards.

June: *Healthy & Fit* editor Tim Kissman gave a presentation on (guess what?) keeping healthy and fit!

July: TCBA member Sgt. Richard Hale from the Michigan State Police gave instruction on basic first aid.

August: TCBA member Dave Dubac gave a presentation on his *Fast Ride Across America*, in which he rode 3,459 miles in just 32 days.

September: TCBA member Bob Campbell showed a DVD that he had put together of club events over the years called *The Happy Feet Club*.

October: Annual meeting: Open mic night.

November: Nancy Krupiarz, Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance.

December: No meeting.

### Other Events: Sue Viele

-The annual picnic was held on June 29, 2008 at

Rayner Park in Mason. Approximately 65 people attended.

-The Christmas/Holiday party was held at Chisholm Hills Golf & Banquet Center on December 6, 2007, with about 120 attendees. We had excellent entertainment by a magician.

~ I would like to take this opportunity to thank TCBA members for making my five years as ice President an enjoyable and rewarding experience. ~ Submitted by Susan M. Viele

### Northwest Tour: Dick Sulin

The Northwest Tour was again a great success. About 175 riders participated. With the home location of Sleepy Bear Campground, the riders were able to ride when and where they wanted. Many modified their rides to start at locations along the route and shorten the distance. Our caterer, BJs of Gaylord, put on a wonderful variety of meals. Thanks to all of our volunteers who helped put on such a terrific ride.

### SummerTour - Lee Adair

Our 19<sup>th</sup> annual SummerTour, The Thumb Tour, was a circle route of Michigan's Thumb area. The 150 riders started in Caro. The overnights were at Lake Huron Campground and Albert E. Sleeper State Park. We stayed at each overnight location for two nights with the layover days having short and long mileage options. We returned to Caro on Sunday against a strong headwind. Our riders consumed 50 lbs of peanuts, 10 watermelons, 70 gallons of lemonade and enough chocolate bars for over 500 S'mores.

### 100,000 Metre T-Shirt Ride: Debra Holdcraft

The ride was held at the Laingsburg High School with the Laingsburg Police Reserves catering the luncheon. A special thank you to all the TCBA volunteers that make this ride successful. Questionable weather kept the number of participants down to the mid-500 range, but all riders had a great time.

### Women on Wheels Ride: Joane Gruizenga and Judy Miller

The Women On Wheels ride was again a success. Even though the weather was threatening, 425 riders participated. Some got wet if they started their ride later in the morning. As usual, we had a great group of volunteers helping to make this ride happen. WOW is put on to encourage women and families to participate in cycling. We had 18, 32 and 50 mile route options. For lunch, we had the popular "wrap" sandwiches, pizza, drinks and lemon ice for dessert.

### Web Site: Ed Noonan

Since 1994, the popular TCBA Web site, [www.biketcba.org](http://www.biketcba.org), has been maintained by Ed Noonan. He has received assistance from volunteers John Foltz, Del Johnson and Wendell Proudfoot. Ed is retiring from the job of Webmaster at the end of this year.



## December 2008 Ride Calendar

Recurring Rides; No Ride if Rain, Unless Noted

DAY/DATE	TIME	MILES	CLASS	START LOCATION	OTHER INFORMATION	RIDE LEADER
TUESDAYS	6:30 PM	10-15	C	Williamston Township Hall	Ride goes unless there's rain or ice. These are night rides, therefore, <b>headlights and tail lights are required.</b> Fat tires may be recommended if there is snow on the roads.	John Foltz (517) 655-2823

### RIDE STARTING POINT DESCRIPTIONS

**Williamston Township Hall**.....Corner Zimmerman and Germany Rds, 4 miles east & 1 mile south of Haslett

## HELMETS ARE REQUIRED ON ALL TCBA RIDES!!!

### RIDE CLASSIFICATIONS

A+ .....19+ MPH  
 A.....17-19 MPH  
 B.....14-17 MPH  
 C.....12-14 MPH  
 D.....Under 12 MPH Fun and Social Group Ride  
 M.....Mountain Bike.....N/A  
 Z.....Rides over 40 miles in length to be ridden at the rider's own pace without on the road ride leader supervision. Leader must have detailed map of the ride for all riders.

**FOR MORE RIDES CALL:  
 517-882-3700 - or visit the Web Site:**

[www.biketcba.org](http://www.biketcba.org)

To receive the Ride Line Transcript by email send your email address to: [don-](mailto:don-)

[nell3@msu.edu](mailto:nell3@msu.edu)

### Sunrises & Sunsets for December 2008

DAY	RISE	SET	DAY	RISE	SET	DAY	RISE	SET
1	7:48 AM	5:05 PM	11	7:58 AM	5:04 PM	21	8:05 AM	5:07 PM
2	7:49 AM	5:05 PM	12	7:59 AM	5:04 PM	22	8:05 AM	5:07 PM
3	7:51 AM	5:05 PM	13	8:00 AM	5:04 PM	23	8:06 AM	5:08 PM
4	7:52 AM	5:05 PM	14	8:00 AM	5:05 PM	24	8:06 AM	5:09 PM
5	7:53 AM	5:04 PM	15	8:01 AM	5:05 PM	25	8:07 AM	5:09 PM
6	7:54 AM	5:04 PM	16	8:02 AM	5:05 PM	26	8:07 AM	5:10 PM
7	7:55 AM	5:04 PM	17	8:03 AM	5:05 PM	27	8:07 AM	5:11 PM
8	7:55 AM	5:04 PM	18	8:03 AM	5:06 PM	28	8:08 AM	5:11 PM
9	7:56 AM	5:04 PM	19	8:04 AM	5:06 PM	29	8:08 AM	5:12 PM
10	7:57 AM	5:04 PM	20	8:04 AM	5:07 PM	30	8:08 AM	5:12 PM
						31	8:08 AM	5:14 PM

### HAS YOUR ADDRESSED CHANGED?

If you move or have your mail forwarded, please notify us as soon as possible. The newsletters are sent bulk mail, and the post office does not forward bulk mail. The post office returns your newsletter to us (we have to pay to get it back), so your membership ends up in limbo until we hear from you. Please e-mail your address change to [membership@biketcba.org](mailto:membership@biketcba.org). Or, for your convenience, please mail the form on the last page to TCBA, Membership Change of Address, P. O. Box 22146, Lansing, MI 48909.

## CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION RECALLS

NEWS from CPSC  
U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission  
Office of Information and Public Affairs  
Washington, DC 20207

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
October 23, 2008  
Release #09-022

Firm's Recall Hotline: (800) 353-4719  
CPSC Recall Hotline: (800) 638-2772  
CPSC Media Contact: (301) 504-7908

Shimano American Corp. Recalls Wheels for Bicycles;  
Flat Tire Can Pose Injury Risk to Riders

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Shimano Dura Ace Carbon Clincher  
Wheels for Bicycles

Units: About 275

Importer: Shimano American Corp., of Irving, Calif.  
Manufacturer: Shimano Components SDN, of Johor, Malaysia.

Hazard: Rim surface and spoke hole plugs on the wheel can cause a puncture to the inner tube, resulting in a flat

tire. This can cause the rider to lose control and fall.

Incidents/Injuries: None reported.

Description: This recall involves the Shimano Dura Ace Carbon Clincher Wheel Sets with model number WH-7850 C24CL sold for road racing bicycles. The rim has labels that read "Shimano WH-7850", "Dura Ace", and "Carbon 1380." These wheels are intended for use with high end adult road racing bicycles.

Sold at: Bicycle specialty stores and dealers nationwide from April 2008 through August 2008 for about \$1,300.

Manufactured in: Malaysia

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the bicycles with the recalled wheels, remove the wheels, and return them to their local bike dealer or retailer for a free inspection and repair.

Consumer Contact: For more information, contact Shimano American Corp. at (800) 353-4719 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. PT Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's web site at [bike.shimano.com](http://bike.shimano.com).

To see this recall on CPSC's web site, including pictures of the recalled product, please go to:

<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prereel/prhtml09/09022.html>.

## LEAGUE OF AMERICAN BICYCLISTS ROAD 1 CLASS

By Bill Savage, Chairman, Education & Safety Commission

The BikeEd program has been developed by the League of American Bicyclists to educate all levels of bicyclists, from kids through licensing bicycle instructors.

Road I is the foundation course which covers safe riding practices, such as:

- Scanning and signaling
- Lane changing
- Lane positioning
- Emergency maneuvers
- Traffic laws
- Knowledge of bicycles

Road I is a 9-hour course that can be completed in one day. It consists of four hours of classroom instruction discussing safe riding practices, and five-hours of hands-on practice of these skills with on the road skills and



parking lot drills.

The class will be taught by two League Cycling Instructor (LCI). The class will be conducted on Saturday, May 16, 2009, at the MSU Pavilion. The class will be conducted from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

We will need a minimum of nine (9) in the class, and there will be a cost of about \$60. The successful completion of Road I is a prerequisite for becoming a League Cycling Instructor.

If interested, sign up at a TCBA monthly meeting, or contact Bill Savage at [MSUSavage@aol.com](mailto:MSUSavage@aol.com).

## DALMAC Volunteers for 2009

By Al Simons, Event Director

Meetings for next year's DALMAC will soon be upon us. Many people have asked how they can get involved in one or more of DALMAC's many committees and/or participate as one of the crew people during the tour. Inserted in this month's Chainwheel Chatter (see page 9) you'll find the DALMAC Volunteer Data Form for 2009. As you'll see on the form, there are many tasks during the spring and summer to prepare for this event. If you want to participate in DALMAC as a volunteer, please fill out the form and mail it to the address at the bottom.

For those of you who are already on one or more committee or crew, please fill out the form and send it in so we can be sure your contact info is up to date.

## BIKE BITS from the Adventure Cycling ([adventurecycling.org](http://adventurecycling.org))

**SNOW GOING**—It's that time of year, for some of us anyway, to start thinking about riding in the snow. There'll no doubt be more people braving the elements this winter, what with the recent surge in bicycling's popularity. Here's an interesting article from the Chicago Sun-Times on that very topic. "This was the year of bikes in Chicago--high gas prices and a growing acceptance of bicycling filled the streets with two-wheeled commuters," begins the story. "But now that leaves and cold rain are falling, the bicycle ranks are thinning." But Dave 'Mr. Bike' Glowacz says this doesn't have to happen, and Glowacz, the author of "Urban Bikers' Tips and Tricks," goes on to give advice about how to keep the wheels rolling through the coming months of cold, snow, and ice. For more information, go to <http://www.suntimes.com/news/transportation/1243433,CST-NWS-ride27.article>.



**THIS IS BIG!** In case you haven't already heard, you'll be pleased to learn that the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (better known by the acronym AASHTO) has approved a national corridor plan for a U.S. Bicycle Route System (USBRS). Adventure Cycling has been the key enthusiast organization in promoting and providing staff support for this project. Congratulations to everyone involved, particularly to our new routes coordinator Ginny Sullivan and executive director Jim Sayer, who have been in the thick of this massive undertaking since 2005. You can read more about it at this link to Gene Bisbee's website: [http://www.bikingbis.com/blog/\\_archives/2008/10/29/3952638.html](http://www.bikingbis.com/blog/_archives/2008/10/29/3952638.html) And at this link you'll find some frequently asked questions about the USBRS, along with answers to them: <http://www.adventurecycling.org/routes/nbrn/usbrsFAQ.cfm>.



**OUR 2009 TOUR SLATE IS READY**—and we have new web features to help you discover the tour that is right for you. We offer every kind of bike adventure imaginable — from one week to three months, epic to relaxed, self-supported to fully-supported and catered. There's a huge menu of places to choose from, either close to home or far away. This year there is a fantastic line-up of new adventures, including self-contained tours such as Selkirk Splendor and the Adirondack Loop, as well as supported tours like The Wild Coast and Blue Ridge Bliss, and even a new bed-to-bed tour in Southern Utah.

Now about those web features: our new tours web pages include a short description of the tour, trip details, the itinerary, and testimonials from past tour participants. Be careful as you read the itineraries, the descriptions are so enticing that you may want to go on ten tours.

Riders find our trips among the best values in bike travel. Our tours feature experienced leaders, attract wonderful people, have an intimate feel, and leave you feeling refreshed — ready to face the world or another bike trip! Make 2009 a year to remember - [sign up for a tour](#) today! For more information and the schedule, go to [http://www.adventurecycling.org/reports/bulkemails/20081111\\_tours.cfm](http://www.adventurecycling.org/reports/bulkemails/20081111_tours.cfm).



## DALMAC 2009

### VOLUNTEER DATA FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to ride  Yes  No Years of Service \_\_\_\_\_ Were you a volunteer in 2008  Yes  No

(If yes you will be required to submit a DALMAC Volunteer Application 2009)

Indicate previous volunteer assignments: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Volunteer Tasks

(Please Check Only Those Tasks You Wish To Be Involved In This Year)

#### Pre Ride (Committee)

- Application
- Record Keeping - Database
- Data Entry
- Food & Facilities
- Equipment
- Cell Phones
- Maps/Routes
- Mailing
- Purchasing/Clothing & Promotional Items
- Routes / Mapping
- Painting Crew
- Promotion
- Repair Trucks
- Safety Planning
- Safety Video Production
- Registration
- Rider Packet Preparation
- SAG Packet Preparation
- Ride Registration (MSU)
- Clothing Sales Sorting
- Rent SAG Vans
- Rent Trucks
- Pick-up Trucks (Monday)
- Hire Buses
- Web Design
- Safety Video Production
- Equipment Inventory
- Equipment Pull
- Crew Chief

- Repair Trucks
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

- Equipment Return (Monday)
- Appreciation Dinner
- \_\_\_\_\_

#### During Ride (Crew)

- Route Leader
- Assistant Route Leader
- Baggage Truck Driver
- SAG - Driver
- Rest Stops
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

#### Clip and Return to:

**DALMAC - Volunteer**  
**P.O. Box 24216**  
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#### Mackinaw City and DeTour Village

- Bridge Crossing Activity
- Lunch – De Tour
- Lunch – Mac City
- Load Bikes
- Mackinaw City
- De Tour Village
- Load Buses
- Mackinaw City
- De Tour Village
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#### Post Ride

- Drive Truck Home
- Unload Bikes (Sunday)
- Return Trucks (Monday)



FOR  
SALE**CLASSIFIEDS**

**FOR SALE:** Men's Giant Once road bike Size 55.5cm L Triple crank New parts this year. Drive system (gears and chain); Both shifters-Ultegra; Large and middle cranks; Rear wheel-Mavic Open Pro. \$600.00 Call Ralph @ (517) 580-3689.

**FOR SALE:** A well-cared for 56 cm. bike. Serviced at least annually, if not more, by Central Park Cyclery or Velocipede Peddler. Rear cassette and chain replaced in 2007. Lived in the basement, not the garage. Complete with: 2 water bottle cages, Continental 4000 tires replaced annually (new in April 2008), Cateye Astrale 8 odometer, Profile Airstrike aerobars, Speedplay pedals (new in April 2008), and Bontrager bar plugs (not with original package but added to handle Meridian Township roads!). Feel free to contact me at [hintz@glassenhead.com](mailto:hintz@glassenhead.com). Ask for my number if you want to contact me. View images at: <https://post.craigslist.org/imagepreview/n/01115050103050116132008090114ffa89098f10feb3a00155b.jpg> or <https://>

[post.craigslist.org/imagepreview/n/01160801040501030020080901a599d12579bf9911890061a5.jpg](https://post.craigslist.org/imagepreview/n/01160801040501030020080901a599d12579bf9911890061a5.jpg).

**FOR SALE:** 52 inch Raleigh road bike in excellent condition. It just had \$120 dollar tune up (new tires etc). Price: \$90 dollars For more information call: (517) 483-9610.

**FOR SALE:** 3 biking jerseys that are too big for me (XXL) and would like to find a new home for them. I would like to give them to someone who is in need. If interested call Sara, (517) 331-1004 or email: [troutma3@msu.edu](mailto:troutma3@msu.edu).

**WANTED:** Thule or Yakima Tandem bike carrier. Call Dana at 269-217-6052 or [dlwils@yahoo.com](mailto:dlwils@yahoo.com)

**VOLUNTEER WANTED:** We are looking for a volunteer with engraving experience to do our TCBA name tags as the person who was doing them retired. If anyone is interested, please contact Linda Antinori at [secretary@biketcba.org](mailto:secretary@biketcba.org) or (517) 410-6043. Thank you.

**MEMBER SPECIALS****SEW MUCH MORE**

Cycling Wear: jerseys, cycling shorts, tights, and cycling shells. Reasonable prices. Custom fit. Gift Certificates. For more information, call Sue at (517) 627-1411.

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**CORRECTION  
APOLOGY**

In the November issue we regrettably had our new Events Director's last name incorrectly spelled. We would like to correct our wrong, and apologize to Pat Trudgen for incorrectly spelling her last name. WE'RE SORRY PAT!!!

**EDITOR'S NOTE**

Extra copies of the Chainwheel Chatter are available at all member meetings. Members are encouraged to pick up a few bundles to distribute to your local bicycle shops, YMCA locations, or other sports and/or training centers where potential new members or individuals interested in biking can receive them.

**"When I was a kid I used to pray every night for a new bicycle. Then I realized that the Lord doesn't work that way so I stole one and asked Him to forgive me."**

John Howard



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