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MEETING	DATE & TIME	LOCATION	PRESENTER & TOPIC
MEMBERSHIP	JUNE 26, 2013 7:00 p.m.	Foster Community Center, 200 N. Foster St. Lansing, MI	DENNIS B. MURPHY Presents on his participation in the Ruta de los Conquistadores mountain bike stage race in Costa Rica. He'll describe the race, the course, and the people and features of Costa Rica. The race took place October 24-26, 2013.
BOARD MEETING	June 3, 2013 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, please contact the President one week prior to the meeting and ask to have it added to the agenda.



DEADLINES

NEWSLETTER JUNE 13	Please send items to Janet Weber, via e-mail to chainwheelchatter@biketcba.org by the indicated deadline.
RIDE CALENDAR JUNE 11	Information for the ride calendar needs to be sent to Ed Usewick, 590 Boutell Drive, Grand Blanc, MI 48439 or e-mailed to tcbamonthlyrides@aol.com . 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

Positions to help on DALMAC 2014 are available on Crew & Committees in the many exciting and interesting jobs. We have room for a few hours or days for you and/or your friends. Some of the work is considered glamorous & exciting - we'd love to work with you and for you - Please join us - Volunteers make DALMAC happen. If interested in volunteering please email volunteer@dalmac.org.

PICNIC: The annual TCBA picnic will be held on June 22 at Valhalla Park in Delhi Township. The picnic starts at noon. The cost is \$5 per member. Contact Bill Smith for more details at vp@biketcba.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR T-SHIRT RIDE: Steve Schuesler is looking for a few volunteers to add to the list of those who volunteered in 2013. Call Steve at (517) 332-0670 or email s.schuesler@comcast.net if you would like to volunteer on June 7, 2014. We are especially looking for rest stop volunteers (for sure) including Shiatown. If you volunteered last year, Steve will be calling you. Steve would appreciate hearing from last year's volunteers who cannot help this year.



TRI-COUNTY BICYCLE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

May 6, 2014, Foster Community Center, Lansing, Michigan

President Darryl Burris called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. All directors were present. Others members present were Mike Unsworth, Wendell Proudfoot, David Pierce, Steve Schuesler, Bill Savage, and Tom Martin. Meeting agenda and April minutes were approved with revisions.

Correspondence: A quote was received from Dowling Tool for loop bike racks with our website cut into the cross-bar. These are the racks we donate to public and private locations. The quote was for \$95.46 each for an order under 100 or \$88.64 for orders over 100.

Board Reports

Presidents: Darryl Burris reported that 75 are coming may 15th for the NON-DALMAC volunteer dinner. Mason Hayhoe bike trailhead is a go. Mason City Council voted to approve the project and we can send money. Summer Tour appreciation gifts to the 4 state parks of \$1000.00 each are underway.

Vice President: Bill Smith reported plans for the TCBA Swap Meet will be in the spring.

Secretary: Patrick Baughan had no report.

Treasurer: Steve Leiby presented the financial report and it was approved as written. Also the 2013 non-profit IRS form 990 has been completed and submitted.

Events Director: Pat Trudgen reported that DALMAC has 1448 registered and that the East route is full.

At Large Directors: Patrick Kelley gave a proposal to get more riders riding with other members. It would allow 5 or more riders on a quickly scheduled ride to get rider points. No ride leader points would be given. A proposal will be on our website to solicit on-line input from members before action.

Joel Wickham has ordered and received 24 TCBA logo shirts of various sizes and colors. The cost is \$26.00 each (2XL or larger \$2.00 extra) for anyone wanting to show that they represent TCBA.

Membership: Wendell Proudfoot reported membership is 1035 as of today.

Advocacy Committee: Mike Unsworth discussion of the plans to update the Okemos Rd Bridge over I96. Darryl Burris and Mike Unsworth will draft a letter to MDOT questioning why there is no bicycling consideration. The TCBA board will review letter by email prior to Darryl signing and sending.

T-Shirt Ride: Steve Schuesler presented the need for more volunteers for the June 7th ride.

New Business

DALMAC FUND: Tom Martin presented this year's grant funding and reasoning for levels of funding. The Board voted to accept the proposed distributions as submitted and to send a copy to Dick Allen for his review.

For many years TCBA has had an Insurance policy called Rider Accident Medical Injury Insurance that pays medical bills for a rider on a fee paid ride who has a bad accident and inadequate or no medical insurance. Insurance does not cover the daily club rides. The Board voted to renew this policy.

Old Business

DALMAC agreement with Dick Allen has no action to date.

TCBA Sponsorship of Police Training by LMB has had no requests to date.

Bike lights as requested by MSU Police should go through Tim Potter to get wholesale discounts. No action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM

Respectfully submitted by Patrick J. Baughan, Secretary, TBCA Board of Directors

APRIL 2014
ADVOCACY COMMITTEE REPORT

By Michael Unsworth

U.S. Housing & Urban Development work plan for Non-Motorized Transportation (NMT)

There will be a Regional Nonmotorized Forum & bike ride on Saturday, May 31st at the Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance in Old Town. It will be devoted to making connections between bicycle routes in the Tri-County Area. The route mapping that was done manually is now being digitized by the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission.

I-96 at Okemos Road Interchange

The Jackson National Life Insurance expansion on the south side of this interchange threatens to make this congested area even more bike-unfriendly. Committee members are working on a variety of fronts to try to get adequate bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure.

Pedestrian and Bicycle Committee of the Michigan Dept. of Transportation's University Region

Steve Leiby, Tim Potter, and I attended this information-sharing meeting of government officials and interested parties on developments in this area. After the meeting, we did a detailed examination of the locally-produced bicycle racks that were installed in Olivet last fall. We determined that the basic design, if improved with a horizontal cross bar, meets the criteria for TCBA-funded bike racks.

LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The Tri-County Bicycle Association Advocacy Committee invites you to provide important input to the 2035 Long-Range Transportation Plan on Saturday, May 31, 2014, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Michigan Fitness Foundation, 1213 Center St., Lansing (in Old Town). The session is part of the Mid-Michigan Program for Greater Sustainability, funded under the HUD grant for the region.

Committee members have been hard at work the last few months recording TCBA ride routes, setting the stage for recommending non-motorized improvements in the area. Our goal is to strengthen routes bicyclists can use to cross the region from one town to another, north-south and east-west and review where remedies are needed to make our area truly bicycle friendly for transportation. We want to work towards an area that is friendly enough for visitors to hop on a bike and ride some key routes without finding themselves unexpectedly in an area that is dangerous for bicycle use.

Attend the meeting, stay for lunch at noon, and join us if you can, on a bike ride to Dewitt and back immediately after lunch. Please email us by May 23rd if you plan to make the meeting, or lunch, or ride or all 3 at Alyssa@michigantrails.org. For questions, call Nancy Krupiarz at [517-485-6022](tel:517-485-6022).

June 2014 Ride Calendar

Remember T-Shirt Ride is June 7th

Recurring Rides; No Ride if Rain, Snow or Wet Roads at start, Unless Noted

Day/Date	Time	Miles	Class	Start Location	Other Information	Ride Leader
Sundays	8:00 AM	40+	Z	67 th District Court House, Grand Blanc	No Ride: 15th	Ed Usewick 810-694-9919
	11:00 AM	25-37	C	Kroger's (E. Lansing)	No Ride: 22nd	Edie Belcher 517-242-4122
Mondays	9:30 AM	30-50	C	Oneida Township Hall		Bob Noble 517-290-7271
	6:00 PM	20-30	B	Oneida Township Hall	mcsch@comcast.net	Mike Schilling 517-627-7567
Tuesdays	6:00 PM	18-28	C	Oneida Township Hall		Leslie Miyasato 517-927-8953 or Mark Kappler 969-506-9528
	6:30 PM	20-30	B	Williamston Township Hall		Kristen Furseth 517-881-8099
Wednesdays	10:00 AM	30-45	C	Valley Farms Park		Edie Belcher 517-242-4122
	6:00 PM	20-30	B	Oneida Gospel Church	mcsch@comcast.net	Mike Schilling 517-627-7567
	6:15 PM	25-30	B	Riverview Church		Jim Delinescheff 517-333-9329
Thursdays No rides on Club meeting Night: 26th	6:00 PM	18-28	C	Oneida Township Hall		Leslie Miyasato 517-927-8953 Or Mark Kappler 969-506-9528
	6:30 PM	20-30	B	Williamston Township Hall		Mike Hixson 517-896-5212
Fridays	9:30 AM	30-40	C	DeWitt Township Hall	Food Stop No Ride on the 13th	Ellen Lamb 517-614-1635
	6:00 PM	24-36	C	Hamlin Township Hall, Eaton Rapids		Rob Taylor 517-648-2608
Saturdays	8:00 AM	50-60	Z	Sawdon School	No ride June 7th harry@harrydale.com	Mike Schilling 517-627-7567

MORE JUNE RIDES (Non-Recurring)

Day/Date	Time	Miles	Class	Start Location	Other Info	Ride Leader
Saturday June 14 th	9:30 AM	40-65	Z	Valley Farms Park		Edie Belcher 517-242-4122
Saturday June 21 st	9:30 AM	40-65	Z	Valley Farms Park		Edie Belcher 517-242-4122
Sunday June 22 nd	10:00 AM	30-35	C	Coach's Pub & Grill	Destination is TCBA Picnic	Edie Belcher 517-242-4122



HELMETS ARE REQUIRED ON ALL TCBA RIDES

RIDE STARTING POINT DESCRIPTIONS

67th District Court House.....Grand Blanc
 Bath Farmers Market, James Couzens Mem Park.....13751 Main, Bath
 Coach's Pub & Grill..... Corner of M99 and Bishop Road
 DeWitt Township Hall 1401 W. Herbison Rd., 1/2 mile west of Old 27
 Hamlin Township Hall..... 6430 S Clinton Trl, Eaton Rapids
 Kroger.....Coolidge & Lake Lansing, Parking is on the east side of
 Kroger's Lot near Coolidge Road
 Oneida Gospel Church.....Corner of Oneida & Strange Hwy, Grand Ledge
 Oneida Township Hall.....11041 Oneida Road, Grand Ledge
 Riverview Church Willoughby Rd., one block west of College Road
 Sawdon School.....Lamson Rd., Grand Ledge
 Valley Farms Pk., DeWitt Old 27 past State St across from Chip's
 Victor Twp Hall Alward Rd 200' west of Shepardsville Road, Laingsburg
 Clinton County
 Williamstown Twp HallCorner Zimmer & Germany Rds, 4 mi east &
 1 mile south of Haslett

RIDE CLASSIFICATIONS

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. Also check this number for updates/changes on rides listed in this *Chainwheel Chatter*. To receive the Ride Line Transcript by email, send your email address to: bikerides@comcast.net Ride Line Call-in Coordinator: Thomas Bogle

2014 MEETING DATES

BOARD MEETINGS	MEMBERSHIP MEETING
June 3	June 26
July 1	July 31
August 5	August 21
September 2	September 25

2014 TCBA RIDES

100,000 Metre T – Shirt Ride	June 7
NorthWest Tour	June 11 - 15
SummerTour	July 9 - 13
Women on Wheels Ride	July 19
DALMAC	August 27-31

Sunrises & Sunsets for June 2014

DAY	RISE	SET	DAY	RISE	SET	DAY	RISE	SET
1	6:03 AM	9:09 PM	11	6:00 AM	9:16 PM	21	6:00 AM	9:20 PM
2	6:03 AM	9:10 PM	12	6:00 AM	9:16 PM	22	6:00 AM	9:20 PM
3	6:02 AM	9:10 PM	13	6:00 AM	9:17 PM	23	6:01 AM	9:20 PM
4	6:02 AM	9:11 PM	14	6:00 AM	9:17 PM	24	6:01 AM	9:20 PM
5	6:01 AM	9:12 PM	15	6:00 AM	9:18 PM	25	6:01 AM	9:20 PM
6	6:01 AM	9:13 PM	16	6:00 AM	9:18 PM	26	6:02 AM	9:20 PM
7	6:01 AM	9:13 PM	17	6:00 AM	9:18 PM	27	6:02 AM	9:20 PM
8	6:00 AM	9:14 PM	18	6:00 AM	9:19 PM	28	6:02 AM	9:20 PM
9	6:00 AM	9:15 PM	19	6:00 AM	9:19 PM	29	6:03 AM	9:20 PM
10	6:00 AM	9:15 PM	20	6:00 AM	9:19 PM	30	6:03 AM	9:20 PM



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FOR SALE: Thule 4-bike hitch rack with minimal (4 times) usage. Hitch works with 1 1/4 and 2 inch openings. Asking \$75. Call Mike at 248-981-9011 or email: imwells99@yahoo.com.

FOR SALE: 2004 Easy Racer Gold Rush Replica recumbent. \$1000 or best offer. Aerospokes. 3 x 9 Drive

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www.adventurecycling.org Adventure Cycling

www.bikes.msu.edu Michigan State University (MSU) Bikes

www.walkbikelansing.com Lansing's Walking and Bicycling Network

www.capitalareasmartcommute.com Smart Commute Program

www.midmeac.org Mid-Michigan Environmental Action Council

www.bikems.org Various rides throughout the country

www.mmba.org Michigan Mountain Biking Association

www.railstotrails.org Rails to Trails Conservancy

www.michigantrails.org Michigan Trails & Greenway Alliance

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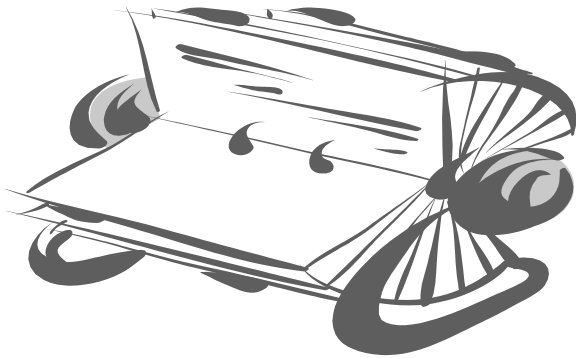
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