

Cascades Cycling Club Newsletter



Serving Jackson's Cycling Community for over 40 Years - All Riders - All Abilities

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Annual Meeting Sunday January 29

Our annual meeting will be held the afternoon of Sunday, January 29 at the Crazy Cowboy located on Mechanic street in downtown Jackson. This will be our first annual meeting since January of 2020 so we are hoping all of you will want to attend. We'll have more information early next year so keep an eye on your email inbox!

On Two Wheels Closing Between Christmas and New Year's Day

FYI...Our friends at On Two Wheels will be taking some much deserved vacation time during the last week of December. If you haven't visited them lately, be sure to stop in and say "Thanks" for all the support they have given our club, including supplying the tires and tubes for our Pedal & Whine SAG vehicles each year, and providing the new bicycle that we gave away at this year's Pedal & Whine Bike Tour!



Left to right: Pat, Matt, Adam, Austin and Jeff

The Year in Review

Ride of Silence

The global Ride of Silence is held each year on the 3rd Wednesday in May. While this year's event turned out to be a rainy day in Jackson, a hearty group of riders joined us to raise awareness for cycling safety and to remind drivers that cyclists have a legal right to the road. Note the Jackson City Police escort vehicle in the photo below.



Group Rides...

One of the great features of our club is our regularly scheduled group rides. This year we had mountain bike rides, road rides, trail rides and family rides. Here are a few photos from some of those rides.



... more Group Ride photos...



...and a few more photos!



Mike, Dan and Ron taking our first ride on the newly opened prison property segment of the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail.

Pedal & Whine Bike Tour

Our 9th annual Pedal and Whine Bike tour was well attended again this year, with 290 registered riders! Here are a few pictures from that very warm day, as well as our warm "Thank You" to Bart Hawley of JTV for once again capturing some great images of our happy riders!



Pedal & Whine Bike Tour 2023



Save the Date! 2023 Pedal & Whine Bike Tour August 5!

This picture shows that our Pedal & Whine Bike Tour is a fun event for riders of all ages! Planning is currently underway for the 10th annual Pedal & Whine Bike Tour, with registration to open early next year. Let us know if you would like to be a part of our great volunteer team and help riders from across southern Michigan enjoy bicycling in rural Jackson county!

- When:** Saturday, August 5, 2023
Where: Sandhill Crane Vineyards
What: 10th Annual Pedal & Whine Bike Tour

A Word about Dues

Dues for 2023 are now being accepted. You can mail your dues payments to Cascades Cycling Club P.O. Box 515 Jackson, MI 49204, or visit our website to pay your dues online.

Your dues say that you support cycling. They give you a voice in Lansing and in Washington as they allow our club to be members of the Leagues of Michigan and American Bicyclists. These organizations continually work to make our roads & trails safer for you and your family to ride.

Funds raised through dues also help pay for recurring operating costs like our website and club's insurance policy. Our insurance provides members with liability insurance while participating in club rides in case you are sued, and supplemental medical insurance to cover your deductibles in case you are injured on a ride.

In addition, all club members enjoy free access to the club's Ride with GPS account. Never get lost again! Follow your route on your smartphone or cycling computer!

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Annual Meeting

General Info: As in past years lunch will be served, soft drinks will be included with lunch and a cash bar will be available for beer, wine or mixed drinks. We will be also be accepting dues payments for the coming year, so please plan to join us in January!

Election of Officers: Elections will be held for Secretary and President. Let us know if you would like to nominate someone (including yourself) for either of these positions.

Guest Speaker: Matt Penniman of the League of Michigan Bicyclists will be our guest speaker this year. We are hoping Matt can fill us in on the rides LMB will be offering next year, as well as their legislative agenda for 2023.

*Keep Riding! Stay
Healthy!
Ride in a Group!
Ride Safe!*

Mike