

GMBC Day Touring Rides

- All riders must wear helmets and obey the rules of the road. Please do not ride two abreast if there is traffic in either direction.
- For mornings with questionable weather, please call the ride leader to make sure the ride is still taking place. Ride leaders are obligated to go to the starting point and provide maps but may choose not to ride if the weather is miserable.
- Riders below the age of 18 must have a signed waiver from a parent.
- E indicates an easy ride, M is for moderate, and S is for strenuous.
- Rides begin promptly 15 minutes after the meeting time.
- Social Rides are more leisurely versions of the mapped ride - usually the shorter route - with longer food breaks. Always contact the social ride leader before the ride to make sure those versions of the ride are taking place.
- Additional local Social Rides will be scheduled as weather permits in the Champlain Valley. Please email lightspd@comcast.net to be added to the Social Riders email contact list, which is the only guaranteed notification for these rides. Weekend Social Rides are usually announced by Thursday.

Date: *Saturday*, August 4

Ride: Gravelling in Newark - A mellow gravel ride from Café Lotti in East Burke. The 31 and 37-mile options wind around a lovely ridge mostly in Newark with gorgeous views. Enjoy refreshments at Café Lotti before and after the ride. Those interested can camp at Pat and Tom's house outside East Burke and ride again on Sunday.

Meeting Time: 9:30

Meeting Place: School Café Lotti, East Burke (park at East Burke School)

Leaders: Pat Stabler and Tom Evers - 781-929-9085 / everstab@verizon.net

Date: *Sunday*, August 5

Ride: Double Ferry South – 41 (M/S) miles south from Burlington to Charlotte. We'll take the ferry to Essex and then climb a few hills which provide beautiful views of the lake. We'll return via the Port Kent to Burlington ferry, aiming for the 1:30 ferry (the next one is 4:10). Bring money for the ferries. There is no short version of this ride.

Meeting Time: 8:00

Meeting Place: Burlington Ferry dock parking area

Leader: Kevin Batson – 825-2618/ kevbvt@gmail.com

Co-Leader: Kerry Crosby – 578-3249 / crosbykn@comcast.net

Date: *Sunday*, August 12

Ride: Buck Hollow and Beyond – The 40-mile (M) route goes north to Fairfax, through Buck Hollow into Fairfield, returning via St. Albans. The longer loop (58 M/S) continues into Sheldon. There are potential food stops in St. Albans, Georgia and Fairfax and a creemee stand at the finish.

Meeting Time: 8:45

Meeting Place: Milton High School

Leader: Joyce McCutcheon – 893-1690 / mellowmiti@aol.com

Co-Leader: Dave Merchant – 825-3808 / dpierchand@comcast.net

Date: Sunday, August 19

Ride: Waitsfield and Waterfalls - Enjoy a scenic tour through the countryside of Waitsfield and Warren with a visit to Moss Glen Falls south of Warren (not the one in Stowe). Turn around at the falls for a 35-mile (M) ride or continue up Middlebury Gap with a stop at Texas Falls before turning around for a 60-mile (M/S) ride. A stop at the Warren Store is always popular and the general store in Hancock provides an additional respite for those on the long ride.

Meeting Time: 8:45

Meeting Place: Waitsfield Elementary School (on the left traveling south on Route 100). For those coming from the Burlington area, we suggest carpooling at the Richmond Park and Ride at Exit 11 off I-89.

Leader: Brian Howard – 505-1148 / bjhowd@gmail.com

Co-Leader: Matt Kuivinen - 881-9045 / mattkui@earthlink.net

Date: Sunday, August 26

Ride: Not Quite Quebec – 51 (M) and 64 (M/S) rides on low traffic roads near the Canadian border. The route crosses the Missisquoi River twice and travels along the shore of Lake Carmi.

Meeting Time: 8:45

Meeting Place: Tractor Supply Company at exit 20 off I-89

Leader: Dave Merchant – 825-3808/ dpierchand@comcast.net

Co-Leader: Joyce McCutcheon – 893-1690 / mellowmiti@aol.com

Date: Sunday, September 2

Ride: Covered Bridges of Franklin and Lamoille County – The hilly 41-mile loop (M) goes through Eden and Johnson, while the 55-mile ride (M/S) passes more covered bridges in Montgomery Center, returning through Bakersfield.

Meeting Time: 8:45

Meeting Place: Jeffersonville Fish and Wildlife Access (3/10th mile north of Route 15 and Route 108 intersection, across the bridge).

Leader: George Thabault – 598-3409 / gthabault@gmail.com

Co-Leader: Phyl Newbeck – 899-2908 / phyl@together.net

Date: *Saturday*, September 8

Ride: NEK weekend – Day 1 - Moose Country Meandering – 67 (S) loop up through Norton and Canaan on routes 114, 102 and 105 with (hopefully) more moose than cars. For the short ride we will do the new Kingdom Lakeview Loop which is a 50-mile ride which passes three lakes, one pond and one river.

Meeting Time: 9:30

Meeting Place: Island Pond fishing access or along Route 105 in front of the Irving store

Leaders: Pat Stabler and Tom Evers - 781-929-9085 / everstab@verizon.net

Camping is available at Pat and Tom's house just outside East Burke; early birds get beds or floor space in the house. BYOB drinks and/or potluck BBQ for anyone who is interested on Saturday afternoon/evening. There is also the Tiki Bar in East Burke which is not to be missed.

Date: Sunday, September 9

Ride: NEK weekend – Day 2 - Willoughby Wanderings – 47-mile (M/S) ride up through Sutton and Barton, along the shore of Lake Willoughby and through part of Willoughby State Forest. A 30-mile (M) version of the ride returns to Burke via Route 5.

Meeting Time: 9:15

Meeting Place: Kingdom Trails parking area

Leaders: Pat Stabler and Tom Evers - 781-929-9085 / everstab@verizon.net

Date: Sunday, September 9

Ride: Pleasant Valley Pedaling – The 50-mile route (M/S) travels through Jericho into Underhill and then via Pleasant Valley Road into Cambridge. This ride is an extension of the old Pleasant Valley Voyager.

Meeting Time: 8:45

Meeting Place: Williston Central School

Leader: Matt Kuivinen - 881-9045 / mattkui@earthlink.net

Co-Leader: Brian Howard – 505-1148 / bjhowd@gmail.com

Date: Sunday, September 16

Ride: Century Day – Three rides, all following the same route for the first 25 miles with a food stop in Bristol. The Metric Century is 62 miles (M) via Bristol and Vergennes. The full Century is 100 miles (S) traveling down to the Crown Point Bridge and returning through the Champlain Valley. Those looking for an extra challenge can do the Double Gap Century which is 113 miles and includes the Middlebury and Appalachian Gaps.

Meeting Time: 7:30

Meeting Place: Wheeler lot, Veterans Memorial Park, South Burlington

Leader: Kevin Batson – 825-2618 / kevbvt@gmail.com

Metric Century Leader: David Jacobowitz - 578-8803 / davidjacobowitz00v@gmail.com

Date: Sunday, September 23

Ride: East of Eden – Ride 50 or 60 (M/S) miles through the rolling hills around Eden with your choice of a long, gradual climb up Route 105 or a shorter, steeper route on Route 242 up to Jay Peak. Last year we reversed the direction of this ride and we will be repeating that direction this year.

Meeting Time: 9:45

Meeting Place: Eden Elementary School on Route 100, about ½ mile south of Route 118

Leader: Matt Kuivinen - 881-9045 / mattkui@earthlink.net

Co-Leader: Brian Howard – 505-1148 / bjhowd@gmail.com

Date: Sunday, September 30

Ride: Meandres et Beaux Villages - A tour of pretty villages – a 60-mile (M/S) ride across the Canadian border. **Bring your passport or the required customs documents.** We'll stop in Mystic for brunch and pass many farms along the way. There is some dirt – about 4 miles total - and a couple of hills.

Meeting Time: 9:15

Meeting Place: Highgate Elementary School, I-89 north to exit 21 in Swanton, take 78 east to Highgate Center, then left on 207 North, Elementary School is on the left.

Leader: John Bertelsen - 864-0101 / jo.bertel@gmail.com

Co-Leader: Karla Ferrelli - 864-0101 / karla.ferrelli@gmail.com

October 7 and 21 – Meet at 10:00 at Williston Central School for informal rides. Route and distance will be determined by those who show up.

October 14 and 28 - Meet at 10:00 at Wheeler lot, Dorset Park in South Burlington for informal rides. Route and distance will be determined by those who show up.