

# The Colorado Bicyclist

Newsletter of the Denver Bicycle Touring Club

January-February 2013

## BOARD POSITIONS and VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

John Campbell

The Board of Director's is seeking two members to fill open Board positions including the Presidency. The Board meets monthly for about two hours. When issues come up that need more information, we generally ask Board members to investigate and report back at the next meeting. We are open to any current club member to serve as president; however, we are hoping that one of our younger club members will take the position. We are trying to build our membership base and a

younger member might be able to help us identify and attract younger bicycle enthusiasts.

Another need is for a picnic coordinator. This year we have planned our summer picnic for July at Prospect Park in Wheatridge. The coordinator would be responsible for getting volunteers to help with the preparation, serving and clean up.

If you are interested in becoming more involved or would like to help with the picnic, please contact me, John Campbell, at 303-797-0250.

Save the Date:

**Kick Off Dinner April 20th  
Details will be in the March  
Newsletter**



**New DBTC Club Jerseys  
Available for Ordering!**

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## DBTC's Officers

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| <b>Past President</b><br>John Campbell<br>president@dbtc.org             | 303-797-0250 |
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| <b>Secretary</b><br>Carolyn Bauer<br>secretary@dbtc.org                  | 303-740-8491 |
| <b>Treasurer</b><br>Karen Kirby<br>treasurer@dbtc.org                    | 303-237-1229 |
| <b>Board Members at Large</b><br>Doug Schuler<br>dougschuler@comcast.net | 303-829-5861 |
| Jeff Krinsky<br>ckrinsky@msn.com   | 720-890-5011 |
| Kevin Purdy<br>kevinpurdy@pobox.com                                      | 303-589-2548 |
| Elfriede Shoemaker   |              |

## Directors and Staff

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| <b>Director of Ride Activities</b><br>Patty Gaspar<br>RideCoordinator@dbtc.org     | 303-989-8268 |
| <b>Out of Town Tour Director</b><br>Ellen Chilikas<br>outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com       |              |
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| <b>Fun Ride Coordinator North</b><br>Rick Clauder<br>FunRideNorth@dbtc.org         | 303-463-1875 |
| <b>Fun Ride Coordinator South</b><br>Gaar Potter<br>FunRideSouth@dbtc.org          | 303-691-0938 |
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| <b>Wednesday Fun/Int Ride Coordinator</b><br>wedfunrides@dbtc.org                  | OPEN         |
| <b>"Roses" Ride Coordinator</b><br>Melba Bouquet<br>melbabo9@q.com                 | 720-493-0564 |
| <b>Historian</b><br>Historian@dbtc.org   | OPEN         |
| <b>Membership Database/Webmaster</b><br>David Grimes<br>webmaster@dbtc.org         | 303-986-7666 |
| <b>Map Sales (wholesale)</b><br>Doug Schuler<br>Mapsales@dbtc.org                  | 303-829-5861 |
| <b>Photo Gallery</b><br>Jeff Krinsky<br>photogallery@dbtc.org                      | 303-543-1320 |

### Board Meeting

Any member wishing to attend a board meeting is welcome to attend. The next board meetings are Monday, Jan 7 and Feb 4 at El Senor Sol, 2301 7th St., 6PM. If you wish to address the board, contact the secretary, Carolyn Bauer: secretary@dbtc.org, or 303.740.8491 so that your topic can be placed on the agenda.

## Using the New Social Media

**Patty Gaspar**  
Ridecoordinator@dbtc.org

DBTC has a great website. We have had both the Colorado Bicyclist Yahoo group and the COMtnbikers Yahoo group for several years. We have a Facebook page and now are on MeetUp. In addition we have the newsletter emailed to many of our members. However, sometimes electronic missives are skimmed or not read. A couple of suggestions:

- Print your newsletter so you have it to check when you want to go on a ride and avoid losing it in your in-box.
- Take a few minutes when your newsletter arrives to put the rides you might want to do into your calendar.
- While you are at it, contact your ride coordinator to let him or her know what dates you'd like to lead a ride next month.
- If there is an open spot in the schedule for the current month and you would like to fill it, you can post it on the yahoo group. See the newsletter for details about how to get credit.
- If you are leading a ride that is on the schedule, send a reminder through the Yahoo group or post it on MeetUp.

The MeetUp listing for DBTC is new, and we are just learning how to make best use of it. It has some very nice features, but not everyone has signed up. Therefore, please post on the Yahoo group as well. We will be evaluating Meetup over the course of this year so please give me your feedback about how you like it or what you don't like. I was going to start a weekly notice of upcoming rides, but I don't want to jam your email boxes with club information. Our yahoo groups are carefully monitored so that only messages about activities from club members reach you. When a ride is on both Yahoo and MeetUp we get several notices.

Part of the reason DBTC joined MeetUp was to get the word out about DBTC. As new riders come to a ride you are on, please take a minute to introduce yourself. Invite them to join DBTC. Encourage them to try other rides if the one they are on is too fast or too slow.

Any organization has to change and grow or it withers away. We depend on our members to provide the rides and trips that make this a unique club. The Ride Coordinators and the Board need your enthusiasm and leadership. We also welcome your suggestions. Our contact information is on this page, at left.



**Pictures and Articles for the Newsletter...** This newsletter belongs to the members. If you have pictures or an article to share, please email them to ridecoordinator@dbtc.org. Only send one or two pictures so you don't clog up my computer! Be sure to include details about who, when and where the picture was taken. If you have a photo to mail, contact the Ride Coordinator for the address. Remember we must give credit to the author. If you are a writer with an article of interest, we may make you a published author! The deadline for publishing is the 20th, but please send your articles earlier.

# Order the New DBTC Jersey Now!

## Inaugural 2013 Subscription Order Only

Available for pick-up at our Kick-Off Dinner & Meeting on April 20, 2013

**ALL ORDERS ARE DUE by February 1, 2013**



Be part of the first group of DBTC riders to wear the New DBTC Sport Cut Jersey from Primal. The new design promotes our logo and colors on both front and back. The colors are bright for visibility and are our logo colors: bright white, teal, purple and black. The back of the jersey features 3 cargo pockets: one has a DBTC map, another a bright yellow banana and we added the bright rays of a Colorado sun. Refer to product specs for details about jersey and the fit guide to determine best fit for you.

They are offered at our cost of \$50.00 on a minimum of 51 jerseys, so please order now (if minimum is not met, we will cancel the order and return checks). Jerseys will be available for pickup at the April 20, 2013 Kick-Off Dinner & Meeting. If you will not be at the Kick Off to pick up your jersey, you'll need to include an ADDITIONAL \$12.50 for shipping. Please use the order form at right for placing order and make your check to DBTC.

Mail order form, with payment, to:  
**DBTC, PO Box 260517,  
 Denver, CO 80226-0517**

## DBTC Jersey Subscription Form

### FIT GUIDE

| Size    | Men's Jersey |       |          |           | Women's Jersey |           |         |         |           |
|---------|--------------|-------|----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|---------|---------|-----------|
|         | Waist        | Chest | Weight   | Height    | Waist          | Hips      | Weight  | Chest   | Height    |
| X Small | 26           | 33-35 | 100-120  | Up to 64" | 22             | 31-33     | 90-110  | 30-32   | Up to 62" |
| Small   | 29           | 36-38 | 120-145  | 64"-68"   | 23             | 33-35     | 95-120  | 32-34   | Up to 62" |
| Medium  | 32           | 39-41 | 145-165  | 66"-70"   | 25             | 35.5-36.5 | 120-140 | 34-35   | 63-68"    |
| Large   | 35           | 42-43 | 165-180  | 68"-72"   | 27             | 37.5-38.5 | 140-155 | 36-37   | 67-71"    |
| X Large | 38           | 44-46 | 180-210  | 70"-76"   | 29.5           | 40-41.5   | 155-165 | 38.5-40 | 70-73"    |
| XXL     | 42           | 47-49 | 210-240  | 74" & up  | 31             | 41.5-43   | 165-175 | 40-41.5 | 72-75"    |
| XXXL    | 46           | 50-52 | 240 & up | 74" & up  | 32.5           | 43-44.5   | 175-180 | 41.5-43 | 72-76"    |

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Men's (circle one): X Small Small Medium Large X Large XXL XXXL

\_\_\_ Women's (circle one): X Small Small Medium Large X Large XXL XXXL

\_\_\_ Total x \$50.00 each (see shipping note below) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Product Specification for the New Denver Bicycle Touring Club Sport Cut Jersey by Primal

Our new jersey will fit any cycling style. Its design has been field tested in competition and analyzed for durability, colorfastness and performance. The Denver Bicycle Touring Club jersey is a sport cut raglan sleeve jersey made with Primal's SpeedPro Fabric.

Its raglan sleeve design will fit any rider comfortably, complete with full-length hidden zipper and 3 cargo pockets. Men's jersey has elastic at the sleeve & at the waist. Women's jersey has no elastic at the sleeve or the waist. **Questions? Contact info@dbtc.org**

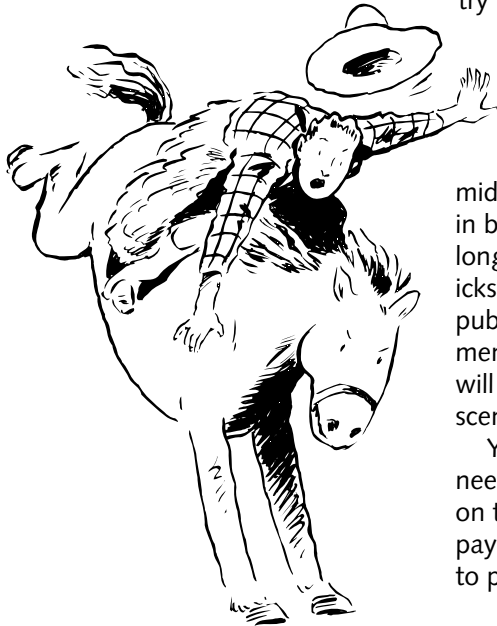
**Available by Subscription Order Only • All orders must be received by February 1, 2013.**

Make check payable to **Denver Bicycle Touring Club** for \$50.00  
 (plus shipping, \$12.50 = total \$62.50 for each jersey not picked up at Kick-Off Dinner).

## 2013 TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

April 6th-12th, 2013

Don and Marilyn Swett



Sign up early to get a spot. Low cost trip price of \$40 per person does not include accommodations. (If budget is no problem consider the Adventure Cycling Hill country tour during the same time frame for \$1099.) The main location for camping will be at the Lady Bird Municipal Park, with tent camping at about \$10 per night and RV camping at roughly \$30/night. There are a number of B&Bs and motels nearby in Fredericksburg. There will be 6 days of riding with an optional 7th day for more riding or sightseeing.

We will be staying near the Historic German town of Fredericksburg, right in the middle of the Texas Hill Country. This is the spring flower season with the Blue Bonnets in bloom as well as other wild flowers. Rides will be approx. 20-40 miles in length (with longer options). Expect some hills, some new routes and fewer Bugs (VW type)! Fredericksburg offers unique German cuisine as well as local Tex-Mex, local wineries and brew-pubs. Shoppers will find over 150 boutiques, art galleries and antique emporiums, not to mention an herb farm, wildflower farm, and National Museum of the Pacific War. Rides will be loop types with different start/stop locations, and will highlight the local history, scenery, LBJ Ranch, Stonehenge II, wineries and more.

You must set up your own reservations for RVs, Motels, and B&Bs. Tenters do not need to make reservations at the Lady Bird Park. Marilyn & Don Swett will be your hosts on this ride. If interested, contact Don at [don\\_swett@comcast.net](mailto:don_swett@comcast.net). We will need to have payment and signed waivers by March 1st, 2013. You must be current member of DBTC to participate in out-of-town rides.

## 2013 (and Future) DBTC Activity and Tour Calendar

Email the trip contact for more information. Email Ellen ([outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com)) to add your trip to this list.

### January 18-21, 2013

#### 5th annual Fraser Fun Weekend

Trip Type: Skiing / Snowshoeing

Lodging: Hotel

Location Details: Fraser, CO

Contact: Ellen Chilikas ([outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com))

Status: Open

### April 6-12, 2013 Texas Hill Country

Trip Type: Intermediate Road Rides

Lodging: Camping, B&B, Motels

Location details: Fredericksburg, TX

Contact: Don & Marilyn Swett ([don\\_swett@comcast.net](mailto:don_swett@comcast.net))

Status: Open

### May 12-18, 2013 Albuquerque Adventure

Trip Type: Multi-Sport Tour

Lodging: Hotel

Location details: Albuquerque, NM

Leaders: Ellen Chilikas, [outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com),  
and Karen Jenneman, [karen\\_jenneman@hotmail.com](mailto:karen_jenneman@hotmail.com)

Status: Open

### September 8-15, 2013 Teton Trek II

Trip Type: Road Riding

Lodging: Hotels

Location details: Jackson Hole / Colter Bay, WY

Leaders: John Campbell, [jwc@rmi.net](mailto:jwc@rmi.net), and Ellen Chilikas,  
[outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com)

Status: Open

### September 2014 Door County: The Sequel

Trip Type: Road Riding

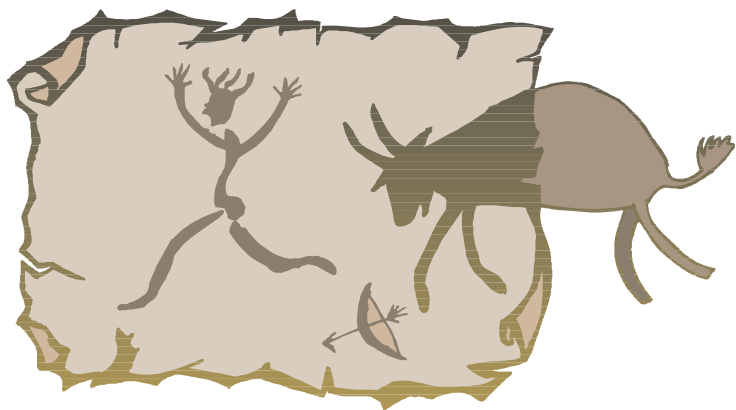
Lodging: Hotel

Leaders: Ellen Chilikas, [outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com)  
and Karen Jenneman, [karen\\_jenneman@hotmail.com](mailto:karen_jenneman@hotmail.com)

Status: Planning

Visit [DBTC.org](http://DBTC.org) and click on "Tours" for updates on the trips.





## **ABQ Multi-Sport Trip: Sunday 5/12 - Saturday 5/18/13**

Join Ellen and Karen, and get to know ABQ, NM. ABQ is a day's drive southwest from Denver and has a warm climate with blue skies that go on forever! We will be staying at a fabulous hotel just spitting distance from the ABQ Plaza (Old Town) and a handful of museums and cultural attractions.

We have 4 fun filled days of biking and hiking planned, plus, we are giving you a free day to explore on your own - you can get your kicks on Route 66 (it runs through town)!

### **Here's the plan for the week:**

Drive to ABQ on Sunday and have a pre-trip dessert happy hour. Monday we will have a group breakfast at our favorite local restaurant on the way to a 30-mile flat and scenic ride along Rio Grande Blvd and the Bosque Trail (bike path). Tuesday will be an optional 30-45 mile ride out to see the Volcanoes, or you can instead hike around/over the volcanoes and through the Petroglyph National Monument. We'll have a happy hour at the hotel on Tuesday night. Wednesday is the free day to explore ABQ on your own. Thursday we eat a hearty breakfast burrito to get us going, and head north to Bernalillo for either a 20 or 40- mile scenic round trip ride (with a nice climb!) to Jemez Dam. On the way, we stop at the Coronado State Monument to see ancient pueblo ruins. Friday you can either bike 20-40 miles round trip up, up, up to the Cibola National Forest, or you can hike up those hills. Our farewell dinner is at our favorite ABQ restaurant on Friday night, and includes your choice of an entrée plus a killer dessert.

We check out of the hotel on Saturday and head home – those who want to ride the Santa Fe Century can stop over in Santa Fe on the way – the Century Ride is on Sunday.

The tour includes double occupancy hotel accommodations and the meals mentioned above. The hotel does not provide breakfast, but rooms have refrigerators and coffee makers with Starbuck's coffee. Cost for 6 nights of lodging and 5 days of playing is \$500/person. To join us on the trip, please send \$500 (check made out to Ellen, post-dated to 2/14/13) and the tour forms at [www.dbtc.org/tours](http://www.dbtc.org/tours) to Ellen Chilikas at PO Box 471803, Aurora, CO 80047. (If you've already sent me a liability form for a trip in 2013, you do not need to send another one) The tour is first come, first served. Tour cost is transferable but not refundable. Tour is for self-reliant Intermediate level riders. Please contact Ellen ([outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com)) or Karen ([karen\\_jenneman@hotmail.com](mailto:karen_jenneman@hotmail.com)) for questions.

## **Weekday Skiing with DBTC**

Lin Hark and Sue Frakes will be leading weekday ski trips to Loveland, Copper Mountain and Ski Cooper this season. If you would like to join these trips you may want to get the GEMS card for a free day at Ski Cooper in February, and 2 for 1s at Loveland. They will also be doing the Ski Hooky Days at Loveland which are the first Thursday of each snowy month. To get the \$10 GEMS card go to:

[www.shopcoloradoski.com/product\\_p/cscusa\\_gems\\_card\\_2011\\_12.htm](http://www.shopcoloradoski.com/product_p/cscusa_gems_card_2011_12.htm)

There may be some snowshoe and cross country ski days too so watch on the Colorado Bicyclist Yahoo Group (send blank email to [ColoradoBicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:ColoradoBicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)) for these.

### **See you on the slopes!**



## **DBTC Members Joining in Oct-Nov.**

SUE FODY  
SAM KIRSCHBAUM  
STEVE & RACHEL MEANS

# TETON TREK II

SEPTEMBER 8-15, 2013

Leaders: JOHN CAMPBELL and ELLEN CHILIKAS

4 nights in Jackson Hole and 3 nights in Teton's Colter Bay, Wyoming

Bike 3 days in and around Jackson Hole then, on the free day, drive to Colter Bay near Yellowstone; followed by two days of riding in Yellowstone.

Most rides are 30-40 miles long, with one long loop of 60 miles. Some moderate climbing. There are also lots of hiking options for those who don't want to bike every day. These have not been scouted, so if you want to hike, please do some research prior to the trip.

We did a slightly shorter version of this trip in 2007 and everyone who went had a great time. We are adding an extra day in the Colter Bay cabins since everyone enjoyed them so much. We are looking forward to having you come and play with us in Wyoming's playground!

Jackson Hole is 500 miles from Denver.

The cost of the trip is \$625 and includes the following: 7 nights double occupancy lodging, a pre-trip planning and information party, continental breakfasts at the motel in Jackson, a few happy hours, and possibly a dinner near Colter Bay. All route maps for the rides are also included. The cost does not include your meals on the trip, unless mentioned above.

Required is a trip deposit of \$125.00 (make the check out to Ellen and post date the check to 5/1/13) and the tour forms located here: [www.dbtc.org/OTT\\_Index.aspx](http://www.dbtc.org/OTT_Index.aspx)

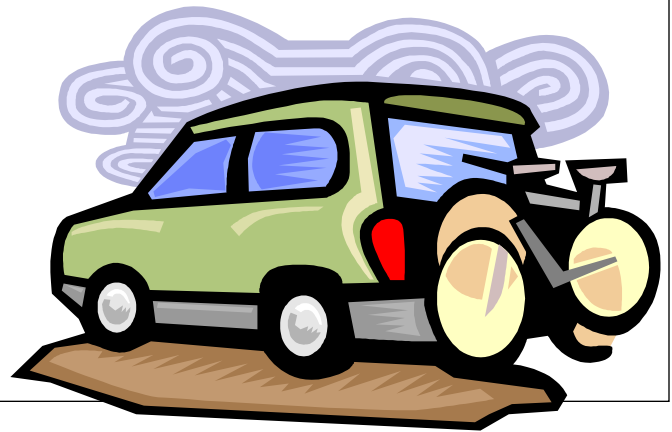
### Mail it all to:

Ellen Chilikas

PO Box 471803, Aurora, CO 80047

The additional \$500.00 is due by July 1, 2013

If you have any questions, you can contact John Campbell at [jwc@rmi.net](mailto:jwc@rmi.net) or Ellen Chilikas at [outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com).



## DBTC SPONSORING SHOPS

DBTC members receive a 10% discount off purchases (excluding bicycles and sale items) at these sponsoring retailers.

ARAPAHOE CYCLERY  
6905 S BROADWAY UNIT 169  
LITTLETON CO 80122  
303-797-1858  
[arapahoecyclery.com](http://arapahoecyclery.com)

ARVADA BICYCLE COMPANY  
6595 WADSWORTH BLVD  
ARVADA CO 80003  
303-420-3854  
[arvadabike.com](http://arvadabike.com)

BIG KAHUNA BICYCLES  
8246 W BOWLES AVE UNIT J  
LITTLETON CO 80123  
720-981-5199  
[bigkahunabicycles.com/site/intro.cfm](http://bigkahunabicycles.com/site/intro.cfm)  
Discount Includes 10% discount on bikes!

BIKESOURCE #7  
2665 S COLORADO BLVD  
DENVER CO 80222  
303-759-5099  
[bikesourcedenver.com](http://bikesourcedenver.com)

BIKESOURCE #8  
2690 E COUNTY LINE RD  
LITTLETON CO 80126  
303-221-4840  
[bikesourcedenver.com](http://bikesourcedenver.com)

CAMPUS CYCLES  
2102 S WASHINGTON ST  
DENVER CO 80210  
303-698-2811  
[campuscycles.com](http://campuscycles.com)

CHERRY CREEK VELO  
1435 S HOLLY ST  
DENVER CO 80222  
303-691-5650  
[sampsports.com](http://sampsports.com)  
No discount on labor.

CYCLE ANALYST  
722 S PEARL ST  
DENVER CO 80209  
303-722-3004  
[cycleanalystinc.com/](http://cycleanalystinc.com/)

DERBY BICYCLE CENTER  
410 E 104TH AVE  
THORNTON CO 80233  
303-288-4100  
[derbybicyclecenter.com](http://derbybicyclecenter.com)

ELEVATIONS  
2030 E COUNTY LINE RD  
LITTLETON CO 80126  
303-730-8038  
[bicycledalr.com/](http://bicycledalr.com/)

FOOTHILLS CYCLING  
4990 KIPLING PKWY SUITE B-7  
WHEAT RIDGE CO 80033  
303-420-0815  
[foothillscycling.net](http://foothillscycling.net)

GOLDEN BEAR BIKES  
290 NICKEL ST SUITE 100  
BROOMFIELD CO 80020  
303-469-7273  
[goldenbearbikes.com](http://goldenbearbikes.com)

GOLDEN BIKE SHOP  
722 WASHINGTON AVE  
GOLDEN CO 80401  
303-278-6545  
[goldenbikeshop.com](http://goldenbikeshop.com)

GREEN MOUNTAIN SPORTS  
12364 W ALAMEDA AVE  
LAKEWOOD CO 80228  
303-987-8758  
[greenmountainsports.com](http://greenmountainsports.com)

PEAK CYCLES  
1224 WASHINGTON ST STE 145  
GOLDEN CO 80401  
303-216-1616  
[bikeparts.com](http://bikeparts.com)

SCHWAB CYCLES  
1565 PIERCE ST  
LAKEWOOD CO 80214  
303-238-0243  
[schwabcycles.com](http://schwabcycles.com)  
No discount on Shimano and Campagnolo

SPORTS PLUS  
1055 S GAYLORD ST  
DENVER CO 80209  
303-777-6613  
[sportsplusdenver.com](http://sportsplusdenver.com)

TREADS BICYCLE OUTFITTERS  
16701 E ILIFF AVE  
AURORA CO 80013  
303-750-1671  
[treads.com](http://treads.com)

TREADS BICYCLE OUTFITTERS  
16701 ILIFF  
AURORA CO 80013  
303-690-2900  
[treads.com](http://treads.com)

TREADS BICYCLE OUTFITTERS  
3234 S WADSWORTH BLVD  
LAKEWOOD CO 80227  
303-781-1162  
[treads.com](http://treads.com)

# Volunteer Recognition Dinner – 2012

Patty Gaspar



Eighty-eight folks enjoyed the potluck dishes brought by members and the ham and turkey supplied by the club. We all wish to thank Karen Kirby and her hard working corps of volunteers for organizing a wonderful evening. As we ate our desserts our own Gaar Porter lead a sing-a-long on his banjo.

As is our tradition, at various time throughout the evening well-deserving members received special awards. This year Jeff Krinsky received recognition for helping push members up Swan Mountain. Ladies, he now owns a Mickey Mouse hand to make it easier so look for Jeff next time you have to head up a hill.

John Campbell, our retiring club President, introduced the Board of Directors for 2012. We all thank John, Karen Kirby (Treasurer), Guy James (Vice President), Carolyn Bauer (Secretary), Jeff Krinsky, Kevin Purdy, Doug Schuler and retiring board member Tom Casadevall for their service to the club in 2012. For 2013 the Board of Directors is in need of someone to take the President's position and there is one open seat. John made an appeal for someone to step forward to lead the club.

Patty Gaspar, the Director of Ride activities, thanked all the 2012 Ride Coordinators. Rick Clauder (North Fun and Intermediate Rides), Gaar Potter (South Fun Rides), Joyce Terlaje (retiring as Coordinator for Wednesday Rides) and Dick Plastino (MTB Rides) and Melba Bouquet (Roses Rides). All these Coordinators depend on members to step forward and lead rides from April through October. Patty discussed the drop in the number of ride leaders in 2012.

Steve Ingraham next introduced the group of On-going Volunteers, most of who have served for a number of years and they keep the club running smoothly. They are Patty Gaspar (Director of rides and Newsletter Editor), Dave Grimes (Webmaster and Data Base Manager), Gaar Potter (Bookkeeper and Bike box Manager), Sally Swartz (New member welcomer), Ellen Chilikas (Out-of-

Town Tour Director), Jeff Krinsky (Photo Gallery Manager), Cindy Ferry (Club eMail Manager), and Dale Trone (Yahoo Group Moderator). Each of the Ride Coordinators and these On-Going Volunteers received a special gift from the club.

The Denver Bicycle Touring Club wouldn't be a "touring" club without the Out Of Town Tour Leaders. Ellen Chilikas reviewed the 2012 tours and talked about the upcoming 2013 tours. John Campbell thanked Ellen Chilikas, Darrell Deering,



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# DBTC WINTER FUN RIDES 2013

We have a schedule that should appeal to you snow or shine. Remember to watch the yahoo group for additional rides or snow trips, or cancellations.

If you'd like to include an activity in the newsletter, please email it to [ridecoordinator@dbtc.org](mailto:ridecoordinator@dbtc.org) by February 15th for the March newsletter or contact Patty at 303-989-8268.

Many of our members love winter sports and want to continue enjoying the outdoors with their DBTC friends. The DBTC Message Board will be our main means of communication through the winter months. If you'd like to post an event, simply go into the site. Remember not all members have email so if you have it in the newsletter all members are notified.

**Rides are cancelled if the temperature is below 40 degrees at start time or it is raining or snowing.**

| Pace of Ride   | Difficulty of Terrain  | Mileage                                      | Quadrant of City          | Departure Time   |
|--|--|--|---------------------------|--|
| Roses – Leisurely<br>Fun – Comfortable<br>Int. – Brisk<br>Road – Fast<br>ATB – Unpaved Roads<br>MTB – Mountain Bikes | H1 – Flat<br>H2 – Small Hills<br>H3 – Some climbs<br>H4 – Serious climbs<br>T1 Beginner to T4 Highly skilled riders<br>P1 to P4 physical conditioning required | This is an estimate – options may be offered | NW<br>NE<br>SE<br>SW<br>W | Arrive early enough to unload your bike and be ready to leave at the time shown. |

**Ride Locator:** There is a guide to the most frequent start locations on our website, [www.dbtc.org](http://www.dbtc.org). It provides the information you need to use Map Quest to make a map to the starting location.

**If you'd like to include** an activity in the newsletter, please email it to [ridecoordinator@dbtc.org](mailto:ridecoordinator@dbtc.org) by the 10th for the following newsletter or contact **Patty** at **303-989-8268**.

#### DBTC's E-Mailing Lists

Get late breaking news, last minute ride updates, and short-notice of weekday rides, all e-mailed directly to you as soon as the information is posted.

#### DBTC Message Board is the DBTC General E-Mail List

To join, send an e-mail to: [ColoradoBicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:ColoradoBicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com). Get late breaking news, last minute ride updates, and short-notice of weekday rides, all e-mailed directly to you as soon as the information is posted.

#### DBTC Mountain Biking E-Mail List

To join, send an e-mail to: [COMtnbikers-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:COMtnbikers-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

**You can join BOTH groups.** After you send the e-mail requesting to join, you will be contacted via e-mail with a confirmation. If you'd like to post an event, simply go into the site. Remember that only club-related activities can be posted. We reserve the right to cancel any posting we don't think is appropriate.

#### Please Note:

- Joining either of these Yahoo Groups does not make you valid member of the DBTC.
- If your e-mail address changes, you must send your new e-mail address to both the Yahoo Group and to the DBTC webmaster ([webmaster@dbtc.org](mailto:webmaster@dbtc.org))
- The DBTC Website operates independently from the Yahoo Groups. The Yahoo Groups send only e-mail messages concerning some upcoming events. The DBTC monthly Newsletter, The Colorado Bicyclist, is sent to you from the DBTC Website via e-mail only if you have so requested.

**Be Ready To Ride:** DBTC Ride Leaders and members are NOT bike mechanics. Before showing up for a ride, check your tubes and tires. Fix flats in advance of start time. Check your brakes and shifters, and, if any part of your bike needs maintenance, take it to an authorized mechanic. A complete tune up once a year is recommended. Your ride is only as safe and enjoyable as the condition of your bike.

#### DBTC on Facebook

Discover more about events and happenings in the club and other bicycling-related stories. Search "Denver Bicycle Touring Club" within Facebook to find us. [www.facebook.com/pages/Denver-Bicycle-Touring-Club/122447584186](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Denver-Bicycle-Touring-Club/122447584186)

#### DBTC has a MeetUp page:

[www.meetup.com/Denver-Bicycle-Touring-Club](http://www.meetup.com/Denver-Bicycle-Touring-Club). Rides can be posted there and will be available both to members and non-members. Not all members are signed up for MeetUp, so you can post to both MeetUp and the Yahoo Group at [ColoradoBicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:ColoradoBicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).

#### Yahoo Group - Posting Requirements For Rides & Events

During the winter most of our events are Show and Go. We always prefer to have rides with designated leaders so you can post a Yahoo Group ride even if a Show and Go is listed in the newsletter.

#### 1) Description Checked:

- DBTC Moderators (currently Lin Hark, Dale Trone, and Jeff Baysinger) post rides or events only if the requester is a current DBTC member,
- AND for rides the posted description conforms to the standard DBTC posting format: (e.g., FUN-2-25-NW-10:00 AM Location, Contact person & info, brief description)

#### 2) Rules For Posting Rides To Yahoo Group:

- To prevent drawing participants from scheduled rides, your Yahoo-posted ride must NOT be of a similar length, category, location (city quadrant), and length as a ride posted in the Newsletter.
- It must be posted at least 2 days prior to the event.

#### 3) Ride Credit For Ride Posted Only To The Yahoo Group:

- Ride leader must send the completed sign-in sheet (snail-mail or eMail) to the Yahoo Event Compiler (currently Steve Ingraham [singraham046@aol.com](mailto:singraham046@aol.com)) within one week of the ride.
- No actual ride, no credit. No sign-in sheet, no credit. If only the ride leader signs in, no credit. If the ride leader does not sign in, no credit.

#### 4) Credit For Other Recreational Events (Ski Trips And Hikes) Not In Newsletter:

- The event leader must send the completed sign-in sheet (snail-mail or eMail) to the Yahoo Event Compiler (currently Steve Ingraham [singraham046@aol.com](mailto:singraham046@aol.com)) within one week of the event.
- No actual event, no credit. No sign-in sheet, no credit. If only the event leader signs in, no credit. If the event leader does not sign in, no credit.



## **DBTC WINTER (FROZEN WATER BOTTLE) ROAD RIDES**

These off-season rides are set up for Road Riders who wish to maintain their overall cycling fitness during the months of November - February.

These rides will be posted on the Yahoo group site (<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ColoradoBicyclist>) on or after each Wednesday. This will allow time to see if the weather is good for a Saturday or Sunday ride. Cancellation of the ride can occur if temperatures are below 30 F and/or roads are wet. Start times will be 10:00AM unless weather determines a later start.

All rides will start at Lucero's, 10151 W. 26 Ave (just W. of Kipling), Wheat Ridge, CO. This location is just across Kipling St. from the Crown Hill Park. Please park your car on the northwest corner of the parking lot. Mileage is from 20 miles to 35 miles. The routes are not too hilly and have been used before. This time of the year, there is no reason to climb mountains. Winter road rides pace will be 15 + MPH with regrouping. Please reply to Donald Schmertz by email if you have any questions. Hope to see you there!!!  
[roadrider80226@yahoo.com](mailto:roadrider80226@yahoo.com)

### **Wednesday FUN Group Continues Through Winter**

**FUN/INT- 1/3-TBD 11:00 AM** The Wednesday Fun group will continue to ride throughout the winter. We will be meet at various places. You can use the DBTC Message Board to post additional rides.

**Jan 2nd & Feb 6th** Meet at Village Green parking lot by the Dam Road and E Union Ave.

**Jan 9th & Feb 13th** Meet at Crown Hill Park in Lakewood, in the parking lot with bathrooms at Garland Street and 26th Ave, just east of Kipling St.

**Jan 16th & Feb 13th** Meet at Carson Nature Center, Santa Fe Drive at Mineral.

**Jan 23th & Feb 27nd** Meet at Washington Park in the parking lot at the SW edge of Smith Lake, near the intersection of Downing Street and Exposition Avenue.

**Jan 30th** Meet at SE S Parker Rd at Cottonwood Dr

### **Wednesday "Roses" Group**

These hardy riders continue all winter. Wednesday's "Roses" rides are 1-20, SW, 11AM. "Roses" will meet when the temperature is 50 or above and trails are clear, for "Show and Go" rides from Reynolds Landing ( 1 mile north of Carson Nature Center at 6745 S Santa Fe Dr. -use the driveway with a sign for Silver Sage Garden Center and go all the way to the end.) Riders attending will determine route. Bring a snack and money for lunch at a favorite restaurant after the ride. Questions? Call Melba Bouquet 720-493-0564.

### **Weekday Skiing with DBTC**

Lin Hark and Sue Frakes will be leading weekday ski trips to Winter Park and possibly Loveland, Breckenridge and/or Ski Cooper this season. If you would like to join any of these trips you will want to be on the Yahoo Group email list. Loveland will be doing the Ski Hooky Days which are the second Thursday of the months December thru March for \$25 this year. Sue and I have decided to NOT do December or January, but we may do February or March.

I will send out the information each month in case you would like to lead a trip or go on your own. Ski Cooper's Senior Days are on the first and third Wednesdays of January, February, March and April. The rate is \$27 for age 55-69 and \$15 for 70+. So we may schedule a day at Ski Cooper.

Watch for updates and more info on the yahoo group emails. There may be some snowshoe and cross country ski days too so watch for these. We have decided NOT to get the GEMS card this year. To join the Colorado Bicyclist Yahoo Group send blank email to [ColoradoBicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:ColoradoBicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) . See you on the slopes!

**Tentative ski dates so far are:**

**Jan 14th Winter Park**

**Jan 28th Winter Park**

# SATURDAY & SUNDAY AND HOLIDAY WINTER RIDES

**FUN/INT-2/3-20/30-NESW-11:00AM** Unless there is a leader named, WINTER rides will be Show-N-Go. The riders who show up on these days will decide among themselves the route, the mileage, the pace and the after-ride restaurant. The starting locations will be places where many rides have begun in the past and thus several riders will have an idea of possible routes to be taken. You can go to [www.dbtc.org](http://www.dbtc.org) and hit the start locations button for more detailed directions to most of the starting points.

## Winter Riding Guidelines

- Weather:** forecast temperature above freezing with dry conditions.  
**Clothing:** wear layers, outer windbreaker, hat/ear covers, gloves, toe covers and riding/sports pants – knees should be covered if it is below 50.  
**Other:** bring water, repair items and a snack  
**Reminder:** Adding a bright colored vest over a winter jacket makes you much more visible

## New Year's Day Fifth Annual Not Quite Memorial Bill Orchard Annual New Year's Day Ride

**FUN-H1-20-C 11:00 AM** *Stuart Black* (303-433-9041) will lead the Fourth FANQMBOANYD Ride at 11:00 AM from the City of Cuernavaca Park at 21st and Platte, just north of the Denver Skate Park. (Going North or South on I-25: Take the 20th St Exit southeast. Take a right on Little Raven, a right on 19th St and right on Platte St. Go a couple blocks to the parking lot.) This will be a 20+mile ride (depending on the weather) with lunch afterwards at a location yet to be determined. This will be a leisurely ride, fairly flat, on trails and bike friendly streets.

**Sat, Jan 5th** SE S Parker Rd at Cottonwood Dr

**Sun, Jan 6th** NW Crown Hill Park, just east of 26th & Kipling

**Sat, Jan 12th SE** South High School, E. Louisiana & S Franklin, near Wash Park

**Sun, Jan 13th C** REI Flagship Store – river side

**Sat, Jan 19th SW** Stone House, east side of S Estes, just south of Yale.

**Sun, Jan 20th SE** Goodson Recreation, near S University Blvd and Arapahoe Ave

**Sat, Jan 26th SE** Village Greens Park, just east of Union and Dayton

**Sun, Jan 27th NW** Olde Town Park-N-Ride, just north of W 55th Ave & Wadsworth on Vance

## February Winter Fun Ride Schedule

**Sat, Feb 2nd NW** Prospect Park, W 44th Ave at Robb St

**Sun, Feb 3rd SW** Morrison PNR, NW corner of C470 and Morrison Rd

**Sat, Feb 9th SW** Carson Nature Center, (N on So Platte Parkway, West of Mineral and Santa Fe

**Sun, Feb 10th NW** Scott Carpenter Park, SW corner of 30th & Arapahoe in Boulder

**Sat, Feb 16th NW** Westminster Mall, southeast corner of W 92nd Ave & Harlan St

**Sun, Feb 17th SE** S Parker Rd at Cottonwood Dr

**Sat, Feb 23rd SW** Stone House, east side of S Estes, just south of Yale.

**Sun, Feb 24th NW** – Park-N-Ride, NW corner of 70th and Broadway

## 2013 Advance Planning Calendar

March 9-12  
**Moab Skinny Tire Festival**  
[skinnytirefestival.com](http://skinnytirefestival.com)  
 Moab, UT

April 25-28  
**Fruita Fat Tire Festival**  
[emgcolorado.com](http://emgcolorado.com)  
 Fruita, CO

May  
**Fort Collins Cycling Club Spring Warmup Ride**  
[fccycleclub.org](http://fccycleclub.org)  
 Fort Collins, CO

May  
**Community Classic Bike Tour**  
[McKeefoundation.com](http://McKeefoundation.com)  
 Loveland, CO

May 19  
**Santa Fe Century**  
[santafecentury.com](http://santafecentury.com)  
 Santa Fe, NM

May 24-27  
**Iron Horse Bicycle Classic**  
[ironhorsebicycleclassic.com](http://ironhorsebicycleclassic.com)  
 Durango, CO

June 1  
**Buena Vista Bike Fest**  
[bvbf.org](http://bvbf.org)  
 Buena Vista, CO

June 2  
**Elephant Rock Ride**  
[elephantrockride.com](http://elephantrockride.com)  
 Castle Rock, CO

June  
**Starlight Spectacular**  
[starlightspectacular.org](http://starlightspectacular.org)  
 Colorado Springs, CO

June 8-15 (tentative)  
**Ride the Rockies**  
[ridetherockies.com](http://ridetherockies.com)  
 TBD

June  
**Greenwood Goosechase**  
[goosechase.org](http://goosechase.org)  
 Greenwood Village, CO

June 15  
**Tour de Cure**  
[diabetes.org](http://diabetes.org)  
 Colorado Springs Area

June 15  
**The Denver Century Ride**  
[denvercenturyride.com](http://denvercenturyride.com)  
 Denver, CO

June 23-29  
**Bicycle Tour of Colorado**  
[bicycletourcolorado.com](http://bicycletourcolorado.com)  
 Canon City, CO (Canon City – Crested Butte Loop)

June  
**Bike to Work Day**  
[drcog.org](http://drcog.org)  
 Denver Metro area

June  
**Sunrise Century**  
[bikerpelli.com/boulder-sunrise-century](http://bikerpelli.com/boulder-sunrise-century)  
 Boulder, CO

June  
**Tour de Prairie**  
[cheyennecity.org/index.aspx?NID=735](http://cheyennecity.org/index.aspx?NID=735)  
 Cheyenne, WY

June 29-30  
**MS 150 Bike Tour**  
[nationalmssociety.org/chapters/COC/index.aspx](http://nationalmssociety.org/chapters/COC/index.aspx)  
 TBD

July 13-14  
**Triple Bypass**  
[teamevergreen.org](http://teamevergreen.org)  
 Evergreen, CO

July 14-19  
**Tour de Wyoming**  
[cyclewyoming.org](http://cyclewyoming.org)  
 Cody, WY

July  
**Tour de Steamboat**  
[rockypeakproductions.com](http://rockypeakproductions.com)  
 Steamboat Springs, CO

July 19-22  
**Courage Classic**  
[couragetours.com](http://couragetours.com)  
 Copper Mountain, CO

July 21-27  
**RAGBRAI**  
[ragbrai.org](http://ragbrai.org)  
 TBD, Iowa

July 27  
**Moonlight Classic**  
[moonlight-classic.com](http://moonlight-classic.com)  
 Denver, CO

July  
**Colorado-Eagle River Ride**  
[vailvelo.com](http://vailvelo.com)  
 Beaver Creek, CO

August 3  
**Copper Triangle Alpine Classic**  
[coppertriangle.com](http://coppertriangle.com)  
 Copper Mountain, CO

August 3-10  
**CANDISC - Cycling Around North Dakota In Sakakawea Country**  
[parkrec.nd.gov/activities/candisc.html](http://parkrec.nd.gov/activities/candisc.html)  
 TBD, North Dakota

August 4-10  
**Colorado Rocky Mountain Bike Tour**  
[crmbt.com](http://crmbt.com)  
 Fort Collins – Steamboat Springs Loop

August  
**Stonewall Century Ride**  
[spcycling.org](http://spcycling.org)  
 La Veta, CO

August 17  
**Circle the Summit (aka Bob Guthrie Memorial Ride)**  
[Circlethesummit.com](http://Circlethesummit.com)  
 Frisco, CO

August 17  
**Tour de Cure**  
[diabetes.org](http://diabetes.org)  
 Longmont, CO

September  
**Ride Westcliffe Adventure**  
[ridewestcliffe.com](http://ridewestcliffe.com)  
 Westcliffe, CO

September 8  
**Buffalo Bicycle Classic**  
[buffalobicycleclassic.com](http://buffalobicycleclassic.com)  
 Boulder, CO

September  
**Mickelson Trail Trek**  
[MickelsonTrail.com](http://MickelsonTrail.com)  
 Custer, SD

September  
**Cycle for Life**  
[cff.org/GetInvolved/CycleForLife/](http://cff.org/GetInvolved/CycleForLife/)  
 Longmont, CO

September  
**Tour of the Vineyards**  
[Coloradowinefest.com](http://Coloradowinefest.com)  
 Palisade, CO

September 20-22  
**Moab Century Tour**  
[skinnytirefestival.com](http://skinnytirefestival.com)  
 Moab, UT

September 29  
**Venus de Miles**  
[venusdemiles.com](http://venusdemiles.com)  
 Boulder County, CO

October  
**Tour of the Moon**  
[tourofthemoon.com](http://tourofthemoon.com)  
 Grand Junction, CO

October  
**Santa Fe Gourmet Classic**  
[santafegourmetclassic.com](http://santafegourmetclassic.com)  
 Santa Fe, NM

October 20  
**Rock 'n' Roll Denver Bike Tour**  
[runrocknroll.competitor.com/2012/04/denver/denver-bike-tour\\_26092](http://runrocknroll.competitor.com/2012/04/denver/denver-bike-tour_26092)  
 Denver, CO



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Lin Hark, Linda Wheeler, Don and Marilyn Swett, and Diane Short for leading Out-of-Town Tours. Also recognized were MTB weekend trip leaders Jeff Baysinger, Fred Berry and Darrel Deering.

Our club now has 43 members over the age of 75. This group of experienced riders received a rousing round of applause as they stood and were recognized.

During 2012, 76 members led 263 rides. Of these, 37 members led 3 or more rides and received the 2012 Ride Leader Pin.

This year we recognized these members by giving them some of our swag from prior years – starting with those leading the most rides the members picked what they wanted from the prize table. 6 members, who led 3 or more rides for the first time, received the DBTC baseball hat. They are Mary Jenkins, Derek Paris, Lili Schumann, Kathy Basel, Wes Chowen and Jeannie Clayton. Remember that you never know what nice gifts



await volunteers at the end of the year—please volunteer!!



Special recognition and gifts went to our top Premier Ride Leaders. Donald Schmertz led 19 rides, Jeff Baysinger led 13 and Wayne Tomasello 12. Our Volunteer of the Year is Rick Clauder, who was bike riding in

Vietnam during the VRD, so we'll recognize him at the Kick Off.

To sum up the evening: good food, good friends, and great entertainment. See you all at the DBTC Kick Off Dinner in the Spring. And a special thanks to Steve Ingraham for being our Master of Ceremonies.

