

# The Colorado Bicyclist

Newsletter of the Denver Bicycle Touring Club

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## Geocaching with Bicycle Aurora

Richard Shelton

Want to try something different? Like mysteries? Like a challenge? Join Bicycle Aurora for an introduction to geocaching. This intriguing sport uses GPS signals and sometimes cryptic clues to find hidden treasures. Go to <https://www.geocaching.com/play> for more information. Meet at Treads Bicycle Outfitters, 16701 E Iliff Ave, for a 9am start on Saturday, August 1st. A GPS receiver is not required. Contact Dick Shelton (720-934-9824) with questions.

## Seeking Board Member Candidates

### Job Description:

participate in monthly meetings (including dinner), and assist with club events. Benefits include comraderie with fellow Board members, gratitude of all DBTC members and if needed, proof of volunteer hours for your probation officer. Best of all, the pay rate will not affect your tax bracket, nor are super-human skills needed! Interested DBTC members should apply directly to the President, Kathy Stommel, at [cyclekats@gmail.com](mailto:cyclekats@gmail.com).



## Meet-Up Reminder

Did you know many of the club's activities, including last-minute rides, are posted on the popular Meet-up site. If you're interested in learning what's happening by getting reminders, sign up



for Meet-up today! We have over 400 members – and it grows every day. Remember, it is still better to plan ahead and get your ride into the monthly schedule. The coordinators are listed on page 2 of the newsletter.

Posts cannot compete with a ride scheduled in the newsletter. To receive credit for posted rides you must be a DBTC member and submit a completed Waiver Form (available on the website) with at least 3 attendees to [ridecoordinator@dbtc.org](mailto:ridecoordinator@dbtc.org).

## Summer Trails etiquette link:

<http://bicyclecolorado.org/multi-use-path-trail-etiquette/>



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### Board Meeting

Any member wishing to attend a board meeting is welcome. The next board meeting date is Monday, August 10 at Southwest YMCA, 5181 W. Kenyon Ave, at 6:30PM. If you wish to address the board, contact the president, Kathy Stommel: [cyclekats@gmail.com](mailto:cyclekats@gmail.com), or call 719-671-5579 so that your topic can be placed on the agenda.

## The President's Page

Kathy Stommel



### It was a great day for a picnic !

Prospect Park was filled to the brim with DBTC members and guests on July 11 for the annual picnic. Six pre-picnic rides were offered with a variety of distances and routes—something for anyone who felt like going for a ride. This year's event was the largest draw in recent years with around 110 in attendance. Delicious barbequed pulled pork, rolls, potato salad, baked beans were catered by Tony Rosacci Fine Catering—a nice change of pace from burgers and dogs. My biggest fear was running out of food so we started everyone off with small portions; however, in the end there was more than enough so everyone got their fill. In fact, anyone interested walked away with leftovers to take home and the remainder was donated to the downtown Denver Rescue Mission.

Only a few people took advantage of the bike equipment swap held in conjunction with the picnic; hopefully it will grow in popularity next year. My personal THANK YOU to all those who volunteered to help make the picnic a huge success.

### Stay Connected to DBTC

Are you aware of the various DBTC communication tools? We certainly hope you read and enjoy this newsletter, but it is only one way to get information. Other online options include the DBTC Yahoo Group and MeetUp – both of which send emails announcing upcoming rides and events. It's simple to sign up. Go to [www.meetup.com](http://www.meetup.com) then search for Denver Bicycle Touring Club and simply hit "join". MeetUp is open to the public and many new members have found us through this program. Yahoo Group is exclusive to DBTC members that elect to enroll at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ColoradoBicyclist>. I strongly urge all members to take advantage of these tools and get involved with YOUR bike club.

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**I really don't like the gym. I like experiences, so I take any chance I get to go on a bicycle or on a hike.**

**– Blake Lively**

**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](mailto: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.



Top to bottom: about to take the healing waters of Glenwood's Hot Springs Pool; lining up for a great day's ride; Richard (aka "Frenchy") hamming it up with Lin, as usual; DBTC-ers go spelunking!



## Good Times in Glenwood

Lin Hark and Richard Giesler

DBTC's first Leisurely Paced Out of Town Tour to Glenwood Springs was a great success! There were many great reviews and comments on the 99% bike path rides along beautiful rivers in Garfield and Pitkin Counties. Four days the colorfully clad, cheerful group rode out the door of the Caravan Inn in Glenwood Springs in a different direction along the Colorado, the Roaring Fork and the Crystal Rivers. A hike up to beautiful and popular Hanging Lake was enjoyed by all with spare energy after the ride to the trailhead. Included in the tour was a free day when they rode up the Iron Mountain Tramway to the Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park to cave tours and thrilling rides then hopped on bikes and rode to the Glenwood Hot Springs to soak in the healing waters of the pools. A wonderful dinner was included at a high end restaurant, The Rivers, for a choice of Prime Rib, Poached Salmon, Roasted Asparagus or Grilled Chicken Breast entree. The trip was energizing and relaxing at the same time, with leisurely paced and varied distance ride options and lots of hot tub and happy hour time. Thanks to Ellen Chilikas' first-time-offered Out of Town Tour training this trip happened with new tour leaders Richard Giesler and Lin Hark. Watch for more fun trips offered by the hard working DBTC OOTT leaders!

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Ride leaders were Don Pearson – Short; Merri Brutz – Leisure; Wayne Tomisello – Fun; Jeff Krinsky, Fun/Int; Donald Schmertz – Int and Jeff Baysinger – MTB.

### Reminders to Ride Leaders

Thanks to all the generous members who have stepped forward to lead rides—I think we've had a great year so far with a nice compliment of ride choices. I would remind ride leaders that your ride announcement must include your name, phone number, and an accurate description of the starting point. Although you may have done the same ride numerous times, we should always expect and welcome new participants. There is nothing more frustrating than getting excited about a ride and then not being able to find the group or contact the leader. Remember also that **any ride leader with five or more rides will be invited to participate in CPR & First Aid training with DBTC paying all but \$25 of the cost.**

Be sure to save the date for our Volunteer Recognition Luncheon to be held on Saturday, November 14 at the Holiday Inn on S. Colorado Blvd. Watch the website for registration to open soon.

Happy Trails !!

### THANKS, DBTC PICNIC VOLUNTEERS!!

Organizer: Kathy Stommel

Picnic day helpers: Marti Krusko, Kurt Koerth, June Cvelbar, Cyndy Klepinger, Sara Friedman, Dave Noble, Jill Thornburg, Mary Stewart, Jill McMahon, Clara Pulver, Karen Kennedy, Kristen Jensen, Ellen Chilikas, Marilyn Choske, Lois Williams, Sally Swartz, Lise Neer, Jeff Krinsky  
Ride Leaders - Merri Bruntz, Jeff Krinsky, Don Pearson, Wayne Tomasello, Donald Schmertz  
(Please accept our apologies if anyone was missed)

# Indian Creek Camp-Out, Bike and Hike June 5-7

By Jean and Darrell Deering

Our traditional Indian Creek Mt. bike and hike outing was another success. However, after organizing the trip for more than 6 years, this was our wettest year. We typically ride the 800 trail on Saturday from the camp area to above the Waterton Canyon, connecting to the Colorado trail. While riding the south section of the 800 trail a few days earlier to do a "Dry Run", I found flowing water on the trails with downed trees. The last bridge only crossed about 1/3 of the width of the creek. After some discussion of alternatives we decided to ride Russell Gulch, which we had never ridden. This trail was west of the campground so we ended up sharing the trail with some motorcycles. All were courteous. The trail had some challenging sections and we had a different vantage point of the Pike National forest. Friday we did a short ride up the dry section of the 800 trail. Sunday we found the Ring Tail trail was dry until just north of Roxborough State Park at which point we shortened the ride. Looking north toward Roxborough State Park from the Ring Tail trail we saw the greenest landscape we had ever seen in previous years. All the spring rain made for emerald green vistas, but delayed the blooming of the Columbine flowers.

The hiking, led by Jean and her trusty companion Umi (Jeff's dog), enjoyed at least one hike each day of the weekend. We "oohed and aahed" at views of Waterton Canyon, the front range looking north and the Divide looking northwest. Somehow, we pretty much avoided the rain during the hiking and biking. Happy Hour was happy and dry under our camper canopy until the afternoon showers passed. We even managed to have a campfire Saturday night. Those who took a chance on the weather included the hard core riders: Jeff, Fred, Russ and of course, Umi, the hiking dog. Our ski friends (and new members to DBTC) Bob and Sherrie also joined us for happy hour and a hike on Saturday. We had quite the surprise when we encountered some mercenaries on that hike!

For those who may have feared too much rain and not enough fun, they missed a great weekend.



## Bike To Work Day

Denver celebrated biking on June 24th. Doug Schuler and Judy Shure, with help from Patty Gaspar and Cyndy Klepinger, manned the booth on Bike to Work Day in Civic Center. Many companies and organizations had booths for the hundreds of riders stopped in to collect swag, eat burritos and drink free Starbucks coffee. DBTC offered a discount to new members who signed up that day. We had swag too—the inserts for your emergency information to place inside your helmet and an ID holder to stick on your phone.

Patty Gaspar led a ride from there heading west, but due to the flooding the route was changed so they came back on the light rail bike trail rather than the Clear Creek Trail. All in all, we celebrated biking in Denver.



## GOOD NEWS!

The new pedestrian and bike bridge over Interstate 25 between Colorado Boulevard and Evans Avenue is now open. The bridge connects neighborhoods on one side of I-25 between Colorado Boulevard and Evans Avenue to the light rail stop on the other side. It is said that the \$8-million bridge is longer than a football field. For more information, visit [www.bikedenver.org](http://www.bikedenver.org).



Lin Hark led a Roses Ride on May 27th that attracted some 16 riders (We lost a few riders before this picture was taken.) This being the first sunny day after so much rain in May, lots of people came out to enjoy the nice sunshine along the Highline Canal from Englewood Town Center.

Editor's Note: the wrong picture was shown in the July issue (sorry, Lin!).

## Venus de Miles

Cyndy Klepinger

Ladies, do you need a challenge? If so, consider joining some of your fellow DBTCers to ride the century (yes, you can ride 100 miles!) in the annual Venus de Miles, August 29. This ride is Colorado's first all-women's athletic event. Multiple course options welcome all ability levels and ages to this celebration of sisterhood and community. Participants are treated to healthy food, cocktails, spa services, and a lot of fun. The event benefits Greenhouse Scholars, an education organization that works with extraordinary college students from low-income communities and inspires, supports, and drives them to change the trajectory of their careers, their families, and their communities—forever. The ride is held in Boulder County with its rolling hills and meandering country roads. And as an added bonus, we hope to plan to some training rides to help! If interested, contact Cyndy Klepinger, [vicepresident@dbtc.org](mailto:vicepresident@dbtc.org). For information on the Venus de Miles, go to [www.venusdemiles.com](http://www.venusdemiles.com).



## ATTENTION MEMBERS!

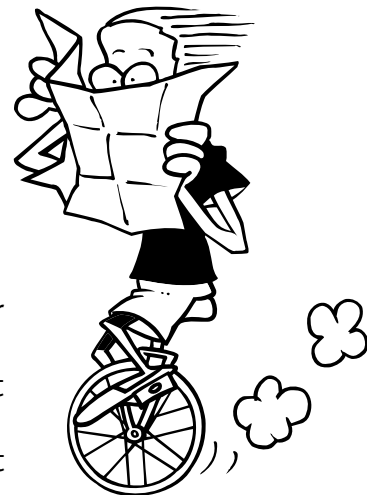
If you know any members who ride a bike (and like to go for bike rides with people), please have them call one of the ride coordinators and volunteer to lead a ride sometime.



## DID YOU KNOW ??

DBTC publishes the "Bicycling the Greater Denver Area Route Map. In fact we sold over 20,000 copies in the past three years, Do you have a copy? Maps can be purchased from Bike Denver, bookstores such as Tattered Cover, and bike shops including REI, Bicycle Village and many more.

And next time you're patronizing your local bike shop, ask them if they stock our map—if they don't (or have run out of maps), PLEASE have them contact Map Sales Coordinator, Doug Schuler at [mapsales@dbtc.org](mailto:mapsales@dbtc.org).



# DBTC Summer Picnic • July 11 at Prospect Park

For more Summer Picnic photos,, and those from other recent rides, visit <http://www.meetup.com/Denver-Bicycle-Touring-Club/photos/>.



Don Pearson, our eldest member (at 90 he's still hopping curbs on his bike), and Patty Gaspar, tireless Ride Coordinator.



One of many riding groups gets ready to build up an appetite.



Shoppers at the bike gear swap.



MTB ladies who lunch.



Lots of fun games were on hand at the picnic... so THAT's how it's done!



President, Kathy and her husband, Joe Stommel served up a great meal!

# Buena Vista Weekend Getaway

August 8

Make reservations per info provided by Mary Kay. This is always a busy time in the high country. She has a fine weekend planned.

## Buena Vista advance planning/reservations:

Join Mary Kay in Buena Vista August 8th for the superb single track of the Colorado Trail (for the experts and hard core) or the Midland Railroad Grade along the Arkansas River. See ride descriptions at Buena Vista, Colorado Mountain Biking.

## Buena Vista, Colorado Mountain Biking

Mountain Biking Buena Vista offers a wide range of riding options for visiting mountain bikers.

View on [www.buenavistacolorado.org/buena-vista-colorado-mountain-biking](http://www.buenavistacolorado.org/buena-vista-colorado-mountain-biking)

We can split into two groups. We will also visit the Cottonwood Hot Springs for a soak after riding.

## Camping – Collegiate Peaks Campground (complete with bears):

Collegiate Peaks campground is heavily wooded with 56 campsites arranged along 3 loops. This campground offers visitors an opportunity for a quiet camping experience with plenty of space between campsites. The Middle Fork of Cottonwood Creek flows along the south side of the campground. Nearby hiking trails include Ptarmigan Lake and the Denny Creek Trail. The Ptarmigan Lake trailhead is located about 2.75 miles west of Collegiate Peaks campground. Denny Creek is located 1

mile west of the campground and accesses the Collegiate Peaks Wilderness area, Pike and San Isabel National Forest.

Any questions or comments email: [mengel@clubholdings.com](mailto:mengel@clubholdings.com)



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## Tongue Twister Ride

*It looked like rain that morning so only Rick and I showed up.*



## Door County Ditto Training Ride

*Door County Tour participants and a few additional riders enjoyed a great loop in the SW area on July 18.*



# Ice Cream Social in Frisco • June 20



One of the groups gathering in Frisco where the rides began and ended.



"We started from over there on the other side of the lake somewhere!"



At left, the ultimate backdrop from the top of Swan Mountain!



Clockwise, from center, riders relax and enjoy ice cream after their mountain tours. Non-riders joined in the social gathering as well.







## Switzerland Trail Ride July 12

*Complete with the Standard Afterpicnic... notice how there are more of them imbibing than riding?*

The ride followed the old railroad grade of the Greeley, Salt Lake and Pacific Railroad, which started hauling gold and silver out of places such as Ward and Gold Hill in 1883. After the ore ran out, the line became a tourist route touting the beautiful scenery with advertisements such as, "One need not go to Switzerland for sublime mountain scenery." A lodge, named Mont Alto was built for dancing and is now a picnic area.



## Littleton Ride, June 28

*Bob Shedd led seven riders on the "secret" fully paved bike paths of Littleton culminating in this group shot at Chatfield Reservoir!*



## Still Signs of Flooding...

*Some creek trails were still subject to high waters into mid-July. Watch out for heavy rainstorms this Summer, and ride carefully when approaching an underpass; often, there are other ways around them if you're unsure.*

## 2015 DBTC Activity and Tour Calendar

Email the tour contact for more information.  
Email Ellen (outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com) to add your tour or trip to this list.

### August 23-29, 2015 Door County Ditto Tour

Road riding  
Lodging: Hotel  
Location Details: Fish Creek, WI  
Leader: Kathy & Joe Stommel,  
[cyclekats@gmail.com](mailto:cyclekats@gmail.com)  
Status: Only 3 spots left!

Visit [DBTC.org](http://DBTC.org) and click on "Tours" for updates on trips, and to learn how to organize your own tour or trip!

## Ride Leaders:

Remember, if you have a guest/non-member on any of your rides, the Membership Committee needs to know so we can invite them to join us on future rides as a NEW (or renewing) MEMBER! Please photocopy your Sign-in Sheet and mail it to: DBTC Guest Relations (Attn. Lise Neer), 1735 Bellaire St., Denver, CO 80220

OR email a scan of it to: [guestrelations@dbtc.org](mailto:guestrelations@dbtc.org). Thanks for helping us grow our Club!



## Online Construction Detours & Updates from RTD:

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?ll=39.805899,-104.984665&t=m&source=embed&ie=UTF8&msa=0&spn=0.158248,0.342636&z=11&mid=zVMlvSdJQnac.kopSvxexlmc>

## Ditto from Denver Parks & Recreation:

[www.denvergov.org/parksandrecreation/DenverParksandRecreation/Parks/Trails/TrailDetours/tabid/445331/Default.aspx](http://www.denvergov.org/parksandrecreation/DenverParksandRecreation/Parks/Trails/TrailDetours/tabid/445331/Default.aspx)

## DBTC SPONSORING SHOPS

DBTC members receive a 10% discount off purchases (excluding bicycles and sale items) at these sponsoring retailers. Is your favorite shop a DBTC sponsor?

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720-981-5199  
[bigkahunabicycles.com/site/intro.cfm](http://bigkahunabicycles.com/site/intro.cfm)  
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[campuscycles.com](http://campuscycles.com)

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[sampsonsports.com](http://sampsonsports.com)  
No discount on labor.

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## DBTC MEMBERS JOINING OR RENEWING IN JUNE

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NINA DEATS  
DAVID LEBLANG  
CAROLYN ROBERTS  
DIANE SILL  
AMY STARKS  
DARLENE TRUJILLO

# DBTC Summer Season 2015

Summer is so much shorter than winter. Now is the time to get on your bike and make the most of the last full month of summer and to let the ride coordinators know about your fall rides.

If you'd like to include an activity in the newsletter, please email it to [ridecoordinator@dbtc.org](mailto:ridecoordinator@dbtc.org) by the 20th for the next newsletter or contact Patty at 303-989-8268.

Pace of Ride	Difficulty of Terrain	Distance	Quadrant of City	Departure Time
Roses – Leisurely (Avg. 8-10 mph) Fun – Comfortable (10-12) Int. – Brisk (12-16) Road – Fast (16-20+) ATB – Unpaved Roads MTB – Mountain Bikes	H1 – Flat H2 – Some Hills H3 – Hilly H4 – Serious climbs Two ratings: technical skill T1 to T4 and Physical exertion P1 to P4	This is an estimate – options may be offered	NW NE SE SW W	Arrive early enough to unload your bike and be ready to leave at the time shown.

## Summer Riding Guidelines

**Weather:** No thunder, lightning or rain • **Clothing:** wear layers and SUNSCREEN!! • **Other:** bring water, repair items and a snack

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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. Be ready to start at the time listed – tires pumped up and bike ready. The ride leader is not a mechanic so if your bike needs repair, please take it to the shop.

**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 or Google Maps to make a map to the starting location.

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### 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. If the weather is "iffy", a ride leader can post a notice to let you know if the ride will go or be cancelled.

**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)

### DBTC Mountain Biking E-Mail List

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**Twitter** account is @DenverBikeClub – note that many members do not tweet.

**DBTC Meetup group** at [www.meetup.com/Denver-Bicycle-Touring-Club/](http://www.meetup.com/Denver-Bicycle-Touring-Club/) be used to post rides as well. Once you have posted your ride, we will review the ride information to be sure it complies with the club requirements then upload it to the MeetUp web site where you can edit your ride. MeetUp is open to the public and can increase the number of riders on your rides and, hopefully, club members. Rides cannot conflict with the ride schedule. If you have registered with MeetUp, we will post your scheduled rides.

**We are also on Facebook** if you want to share pictures or bike related news.

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.

**You can join any or all 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. See the website for posting rules.

### Please Note:

Joining Facebook or any other group does not make you valid member of the DBTC.

If your e-mail address changes, you must send your new e-mail address to the DBTC webmaster ([webmaster@dbtc.org](mailto:webmaster@dbtc.org)). The DBTC monthly Newsletter, The Colorado Bicyclist, is sent to you from the DBTC Website via e-mail only if you have so requested.

# AUGUST RIDE & EVENT SCHEDULE

**REMINDER: Lead 5 rides and be our guest at the DBTC Volunteer Recognition Lunch in November. You still have September and October to qualify.**

**Note:** A frustrating month for Gaar Potter and Rick Clauder, despite their repeated pleas we were not able to completely fill the schedule in a summer month. This is the first time it has happened in the 12 years I have been doing the schedule. We are relying more and more on the same people. To have a vibrant, varied schedule we need some new leaders. It is not difficult to lead a ride – everyone has a favorite bike route. We will be glad to give you some suggestions if you want to try something different. I'll add some show and go rides or you can add a MeetUp ride on the days when a ride in your category is not already in the schedule.

**Saturday, August 1st** **FUN-H1-10-SE 9:00 AM** Join *Bicycle Aurora* for an INTRODUCTION TO GEOCACHING ride. This intriguing sport uses GPS signals and sometimes cryptic clues to find hidden treasures. Go to <https://www.geocaching.com/play> for more information. Meet at Treads Bicycle Outfitters, 16701 E Iliff Ave, for a 9am start. A GPS receiver is not required. Contact Dick Shelton (720-934-9824) with questions.

**FUN-H1.5-22-NW 9:00 AM** Jeff Krinsky (720-373-9107) The Great American Joke Ride has a new location!!! See you all at the Westwoods Golf Course two blocks north of 64th Ave on the west side of Quaker where we will begin this jovial trail ride mainly on the Ralston Creek and Clear Creek Trails. Learn the answer to the age old question of "Why did the biker cross the road?" as we share our favorite jokes, riddles, and anecdotes at each rest stop. We can consider eating lunch afterwards at the golf course itself!

**Sunday, August 2nd** **FUN-H3-22-NW 9:00 AM** Meet *Merri Bruntz* (303-517-9781) at Prospect Park (44th & Robb St.) for a ride west along the Clear Creek Trail to Easley Rd to the Arvada Reservoir. We will ride a loop over the reservoir and back to the start via the same route.

**FUN-H2-24-SW 9:30 AM** Meet *Bob Shedd* (720-290-6014) at the RTD Littleton Downtown Station, on the west edge of the parking lot located at Alamo Avenue & Prince Street. Ride will go south and west on "secret" bike paths (all fully paved) and streets that Bob has scouted in the Columbine and Ken Caryl areas. Optional lunch afterward is at Merle's Restaurant on Main Street, within 3 blocks of the starting location.

**INT-H2-25+-NE 7:30 AM** Meet *Doug Schuler* at Cake Crumbs Bakery and coffee shop located at 2216 Kearney Street, Denver. Each Sunday we pick a different route and the distances vary from 25 miles up. We generally ride east towards DIA and Watkins, but sometimes north to Brighton or southeast Aurora. The rides are coordinated by Doug Schuler, but sometimes are led by other club members. Reminders will be announced on Meet Up and Yahoo as well as June, July and August start times.

**MTB P3, T2 10:00 AM Centennial Cone** *Ron Reid* (303-941-1471) will be leading you on a loop around Centennial Cone 12.1 miles. Meet at the north parking lot, 4306 Camino Perdido Road. Car Pool if you can, as Parking is Limited. Bring Snacks and a Chair for after ride tailgate party.

**Monday, August 3rd** **FUN-H2-20-SE 9:00 AM** Meet *Wayne Tomasello* (720-854-8767) at DeKoevend Park at the entrance to the Goodsen Rec center for a ride on the Big Dry Creek Trail to Colorado Blvd to the C-470 Trail to the Highline trail to Lee Gulch to Platte River to Big Dry creek back to the Highline trail. The ride is on paved and gravel bike paths. An optional lunch is at Shanghai Gardens.

**Wednesday, August 5th** **"Roses" H1-12 SW 8:30 AM** Meet *Jean Stevenson*, 303-699-5135 for a ride up lovely Waterton Canyon. South on Wadsworth past Chatfield State Park, L on Waterton Rd 1/8 mile to the parking lot on the left. Hope to see those big horn sheep. Bring a snack and money for an optional restaurant lunch following the ride.

**FUN/INT-H2-20to25-SE 9:00 AM** Meet *Patty Gaspar* (303-618-5069) at Village Greens Park – NE corner of Union and Dayton for a loop ride from the park through Denver and Aurora on trails and then a lap around the reservoir on our return. We haven't been there for awhile so seems like something we should do. Lunch, of course. This may become a Show and Go.

**MTB p2,t2 Green Mountain 6:00 PM Show and go.** Come to main Hayden trail head at 13851 W. Alameda Pkwy, Lakewood. This is the east side. Take an hour or so ride, then get something to eat at one of the many nearby restaurants.

**Thursday, August 6th** **FUN Show and Go 6:00 PM** Join *Bicycle Aurora* at Peak to Peak Taproom next door to Treads in Aurora. Routes and distance will vary depending on weather and whims of the riders. Then relax to enjoy a craft beer (or two) and cheese steak sandwiches.

**Friday, August 7th** **MTB Weekend in Buena Vista** advance planning/reservations: Join *Mary Kay* in Buena Vista Friday-Option on your own to meet for Happy Hour if you are in town. Many pubs on Main Street. Text me if you plan to be in town Friday. 303-915-4770.

**Saturday, August 8th** **Show and Go: 9:00 AM SE** – South High School, E. Louisiana & S Franklin, near Wash Park.

**MTB 10:30 AM – River Park** (East on Main St. past the ball fields to your LEFT.) The River Park is located on the Arkansas River and there is plenty of parking, and restroom facilities. We will ride Midland Railroad Grade along the Arkansas River. See ride descriptions at <http://www.buonavistacolorado.org/buena-vista-colorado-mountain-biking>. After biking we will have a picnic and a water fight at the river. May the best water gun win. There is a shallow swim/float spot on the river at the river park. Later that night we can meet up for dinner.

**Sunday, August 9th** **FUN-H2-30-SW 8:00 AM** Meet *Gaar Potter* (303-691-0938) at the Stone House (2900 S. Estes Street, Lakewood, CO 80227, Just South of Yale, about a mile West of Wadsworth) for a ride to Chatfield Dam via Bear CK – Platt trails returning DIRECTLY THROUGH THE W. LITTLETON MAZE. Never culled a sac like this! – make sure your affairs are in order.

**FUN/LEISURE-H2-17-NW 9:00 AM Let DBTC Buy You a Cup of Java Ride.** Meet *Merri Bruntz* (303-517-9781) at Crown Hill Park (26th & Garrison) for a ride for a morning coffee break at the new Wheat Ridge Starbucks. We will then ride the Clear Creek Trail to Tabor St., which we will take to Ridge Road and through the Skyline Estates neighborhood to the Ralston Creek Trail and then ride east to the Clear Creek trail. After riding through some Wheat Ridge neighborhoods we will return to the park.

**INT-H2-25+-NE 7:30 AM** Meet *Doug Schuler* at Cake Crumbs Bakery and coffee shop located at 2216 Kearney Street, Denver. Each Sunday we pick a different route and the distances vary from 25 miles up. We generally ride east towards DIA and Watkins, but sometimes north to Brighton or southeast Aurora. The rides are coordinated by Doug Schuler, but sometimes are led by other club members. Reminders will be announced on Meet Up and Yahoo as well as June, July and August start times.

**MTB 10:30 AM** – Bike on your own on the superb single track of the Colorado Trail (for the experts and hard core) see above link for info OR Hike – Ptarmigan Lake Trail is a 6.6 mile round trip trail located near Nathrop, Colorado that features a lake and is rated as moderate. The trail is primarily used for hiking and is accessible from June until October. Dogs are also able to use this trail but must be kept on leash. Directions: From the stoplight in Buena Vista, travel west on County Road 306 for 14 miles to the trailhead. It is located on the left side of the road. MEET AT THE ALCOA PARKING LOT OFF HWY 24 AT 10:30. Let's carpool to the trailhead since parking is limited. Parking: Parking is available for 8-10 vehicles.

Camping Option: Camping-Collegiate Peaks Campground (complete with bears): Collegiate Peaks campground is heavily wooded with 56 campsites arranged along 3 loops. This campground offers visitors an opportunity for a quiet camping experience with plenty of space between campsites. The Middle Fork of Cottonwood Creek flows along the south side of the campground. Nearby hiking trails include Ptarmigan Lake and the Denny Creek Trail. The Ptarmigan Lake trailhead is located about 2.75 miles west of Collegiate Peaks campground. Denny Creek is located 1 mile west of the campground and accesses the Collegiate Peaks Wilderness area, Pike and San Isabel National Forest.

**OPTIONAL POST RIDE MEET UP-River Runners at Browns Canyon** Relax on the banks of the Arkansas River. The Browns Canyon Riverside Grill has a Baja-style menu and order-up style service for a unique, but casual dining experience. Menu items include carne asada burritos, fish tacos, quesadillas, chips and salsa, and much more. All products are purchased locally when possible. The bar features local micro brews, the legendary River Rummer, and hand-made margaritas. Other beverage options include natural sodas and ice tea. **Any questions or comments email [mengel@clubholdings.com](mailto:mengel@clubholdings.com) or 303-915-4770.**

**Monday, August 10th** **FUN-H2-20-SW 9:00 AM** Meet *Wayne Tomasello* (720-854-8767) at SW corner of Kipling and Jewell, Lakewood, at Safeway Shopping Center for a ride on the Bear Creek Trail to the Platte River Trail to the Sanderson Gulch Trail. An optional lunch is at Café Jordano.

**FUN-H1to2-20 SE 9:00 AM MONDAY MENOPAUSAL RIDE** Meet *Cyndy Klepinger* at Lowry Soccer Fields, Fairmont Blvd and Sports Blvd near the outdoor restrooms on the west end of the park. (303) 725-1565. We'll ride a loop on Highline Canal and other bike paths to enter the Cherry Creek Reservoir on the east. Depending on the group, a loop around the reservoir is possible. Return on Cherry Creek and Highline Canal Path. This is a no-drop ride, and guys welcome, too!

**Wednesday, August 12th** **"Roses" H2-15-SE 8:30 AM** Meet *Judy Deist*, 303-841-4792/303-906-4305/303-906-4305. Meet at the south side of the Walmart parking lot off of Aurora Parkway and Commons, which is in the Southlands shopping mall north of Smokey Hill road and west of Aurora Parkway in Aurora. Walmart is just north of Sams Club. From Parker Road, take E. Quincy east to Smokey Hill Road which is 2 blocks east of Parker Road. Stay in the far right lane of E. Quincy and turn right onto Smokey Hill road for about 6 miles. Go past E-470 about half a mile and turn left (North) on S. Aurora Parkway. Take the second left onto E. Commons Avenue and the Walmart is on your right (North). Stay in the parking lot close to E. Commons Ave and Sam's Club which is on the left (South) side of E. Commons and Walmart. From E-470 get off at Smokey Hill exit and go East to S Aurora Parkway. Also you can go south on S. Gun Club road that turns into S. Aurora Parkway. We will ride around the Aurora reservoir and more. Shorter, less hilly option available. Bring a snack and money for a restaurant lunch after the ride.

**FUN/INT-H2-@25-SW 9:00 AM** Meet *Patty Gaspar* (303-618-5069) between McDonalds and WalMart in Bear Valley (Sheridan & Dartmouth) we will try a new route west and over Mt. Carbon (okay that segment is an H3) then onto C-470 trail back to Dakota Ridge and one of the best downhill rides you'll ever find back to the Platte. Lunch at a new place.

**MTB p2,t2 Green Mountain 6:00 PM** Show and go. Come to main Hayden trail head at 13851 W. Alameda Pkwy, Lakewood. This is the east side. Take an hour or so ride, then get something to eat at one of the many nearby restaurants.

**Thursday, August 13th** **FUN Show and Go 6:00 PM** Join *Bicycle Aurora* at Peak to Peak Taproom next door to Treads in Aurora. Routes and distance will vary depending on weather and whims of the riders. Then relax to enjoy a craft beer (or two) and cheese steak sandwiches.

**Saturday, August 15th** **FUN-H2-3-30-SW 9:00 AM – LAKEWOOD / MORRISON AMAZING MAZE RIDE** Meet *Jeff Messerschmidt* (303-904-0573, leave message) at the Stone House. The Hutchinson Park area was designed to thwart bicyclists. We're going right through it, and continuing through Morrison to the West Littleton Maize. We'll be looking for the riders we lost the last time we tried this!

**MTB, P3, T2, 9:45, Colorado Trail Breckenridge** Breckenridge area loop ride on a portion of segment 6 of the Colorado Trail. We'll start with a warm-up on Tiger Road as it leads us up to the Colorado Trail where it intersects with Middle Fork Swan Road. From Swan Road, we will ride back to our start location via the Colorado Trail. There is a grunt of a climb approximately 3 miles after picking up the trail but after that, we will be rewarded with wonderful downhills and stunning views. The scheduled ride is approximately 24 miles (8 on Tiger Road, the remaining 16 on the Colorado Trail). There are shorter options available within the main loop. Parking lot picnic after ride. Ride start and carpool info will be sent out prior to ride. Call *Alison Preble* (720-854-9923) if you have questions in the meantime.

**Sunday, August 16th** **FUN-H2-approx 18 miles-SE 8:30 AM Miles, Music & Munchin'** Join *Kathy Stommel* (719/671-5579) for a day of fun in Parker starting and finishing in O'Brien Park (located at Main St & Parker Road – East on Main St, left on Victorian DR). This three-part adventure day will go like this: #1 - Ride some MILES along the Cherry Creek Trail and Parker area; #2 Return to Parker's Main Street to stroll their weekly Farmer's Market and purchase something yummy to MUNCH; #3 Find the perfect spot in O'Brien Park to enjoy your lunch and listen to the free outdoor concert starting at noon. The acoustic band "Bad Candy" promises a variety of MUSIC including Bluegrass, R & B, and of course some good old Rock & Roll. Since this is an outdoor concert, you might want to pack a chair or blanket in your vehicle.

**INT-H2-25+-NE 7:30 AM** Meet *Doug Schuler* at Cake Crumbs Bakery and coffee shop located at 2216 Kearney Street, Denver. Each Sunday we pick a different route and the distances vary from 25 miles up. We generally ride east towards DIA and Watkins, but sometimes north to Brighton or southeast Aurora. The rides are coordinated by Doug Schuler, but sometimes are led by other club members. Reminders will be announced on Meet Up and Yahoo as well as June, July and August start times.

**Wednesday, August 19th** **"Roses" H1-23-SE 8:30 AM** Meet *Dave Noble* (home [303-694-2008](tel:303-694-2008), cell [303-906-3163](tel:303-906-3163)) in the parking lot of South High School, corner of Louisiana and S. Franklin, near SE corner of Washington Park, for a ride including Westerly Creek, Stapleton, City Park, and Cheesman Park. Bring a snack and money for an optional restaurant lunch at Hansen's after the ride. Shorter option of about 16 miles available.

**FUN-H2-25-NW 9:00 AM** Meet *Merri Bruntz* (303-517-9781) at 55th Pl & Lowell (parking lot east of Lowell just north of 55th Pl) for a ride west on the Clear Creek Trail to Golden. We will return via 32nd and 26th to Crown Hill Park and then back to the Clear Creek Trail riding east to the start

**MTB, p2, t2 Green Mountain 6:00 PM Show and go.** Come to main Hayden trail head at 13851 W. Alameda Pkwy, Lakewood. This is the east side. Take an hour or so ride, then get something to eat at one of the many nearby restaurants.

**Thursday, August 20th** **FUN Show and Go 6:00 PM** Join *Bicycle Aurora* at Peak to Peak Taproom next door to Treads in Aurora. Routes and distance will vary depending on weather and whims of the riders. Then relax to enjoy a craft beer (or two) and cheese steak sandwiches.

**Saturday, August 22nd** **FUN-H1-(or H3) 22 (or 26 miles)-NW 8:30 AM** Meet *Dave Noble* (home 303-694-2008, cell 303-906-3163) at the Westwoods Golf Club (1 block north of 64th and Quaker) for a loop of the Clear Creek and Ralston Creek trails. We could extend this ride over Arvada Reservoir. Lunch will follow.

**FUN-H2-20-SE 9:00 AM - Sulfur Gulch** Meet *Gary Pratt* at Cornerstar Shopping Center (SW corner of Parker RD and Arapahoe RD, just east of Panera's) for an interesting ride south along Cherry Creek and east up Sulfur Gulch into Parker. This route includes a modest climb.

**INT-H2-25+-NE 7:30 AM** Meet *Doug Schuler* at Cake Crumbs Bakery and coffee shop located at 2216 Kearney Street, Denver. Each Sunday we pick a different route and the distances vary from 25 miles up. We generally ride east towards DIA and Watkins, but sometimes north to Brighton or southeast Aurora. The rides are coordinated by Doug Schuler, but sometimes are led by other club members. Reminders will be announced on Meet Up and Yahoo as well as June, July and August start times.

**MTB P2, T1-3, 10:30 AM, Waterton Canyon** Take a leisurely ride through Waterton canyon and then climb to Lenny's Bench. Meet at the Waterton Colorado Trail head parking lot. This is found by taking Wadsworth south from C-470 about 4 miles, then a left turn where the info signs indicate. Go past the Audubon Center and find the parking lot in about 0.1 mile further. Ride distance is 6.5 miles up the canyon to Strontia Dam, then about another 1.5 mile on singetrack trail to Lenny's Bench. *Jeff* 303-969-9241.

**Sunday, August 23rd** **Show and Go: 11:00 AM** Prospect Park ride to Golden to watch the US Pro Challenge. Starting at 1:00 PM: After a short loop north of Golden the race will tackle its main obstacle of the day, the 4-mile climb of Lookout Mtn. Another quick pass of Golden and the race is screaming through Wheat Ridge and Lakewood en route to downtown Denver. Four laps of the familiar Denver circuit await and Civic Center Park, City Park, and 17th street will be treated to blazing speeds as the last prizes of the week are fought over tooth and nail.

**INT/ROAD-H1-25-40 miles-NW 10:00 AM – Ride to watch the US Pro Challenge** with *Donald Schmertz* 720-785-0616 ([roadrider80226@yahoo.com](mailto:roadrider80226@yahoo.com)). Meet at Davie's Chuck Wagon Diner 10151 West 26th Avenue, Wheat Ridge. This year's US Pro Challenge race will have stage 7 starting in Golden and visiting Lookout Mountain and finishing in downtown Denver. This DBTC ride to Golden where there are options to watch the race as it departs by 1:00PM. All cyclists are welcome. One option is to stay in Golden and seeing the race go thru town twice. Another option is to climb Lookout Mountain and stake out a place to see the racers as they climb.

**Monday, August 24th** **FUN-H2-21-SE 9:00 AM** Meet *Wayne Tomasello* (720-854-8767) at the corner of Alameda and Sable rd. in the parking lot of BJ's restaurant for a ride on the Highline trail to the Tollgate trail to the Cherry Creek trail for a loop. The ride is on paved bike trails. An optional lunch is at BJ's.

**FUN/INT-H1to2-20-30 Central 9:00 AM MONDAY MENOPAUSAL RIDE** Meet *Lise Neer* (303-249-8621) at REI Confluence (between the bike racks and B-Cycle Station) for a tour along the West Light Rail line to Garrison and points South, depending on how far the group wants to ride. Hint: there is a wonderful little marsh at Sanctuary Park at Florida Ave., just off Garrison. Bring a snack and plenty of water, and we'll discuss lunch options on the way back!

**Wednesday, August 26th** **FUN-H2-21-NW 9:00 AM** Meet *Dave Noble* (home 303-694-2008, 303-906-3163 cell) to ride the Signal Ditch trail, Brantner Gulch trail, Riverdale Road, and Grange Hall Creek trail. Lunch afterwards is at Cinzetti's restaurant. (Directions to start: From I-25 and 104th – exit 221 – go west and take first north/right turn into the Marketplace Shopping Center. Drive north to rear of shopping center and park in front of Cinzetti's.)

**Roses/ATB or MTB P1-T1-16 or 24 miles-W 9:00 AM** Meet *Lin Hark* (303-578-9369) at 9am at the trailhead, or 8:15am at the Conifer Staples (Directions will be emailed on [ColoradoBicyclist@yahoogroups.com](mailto:ColoradoBicyclist@yahoogroups.com)) to carpool to Foxton Rd and the South Platte River for a fun ride on a well graded dirt road. We will see the beautiful canyon, the old Hotel in South Platte, the Two Forks Confluence, Strontia Springs Reservoir, AOUW historic railroad marker, the old town of Foxton, the most beautiful section of the South Platte River, an old resort, the historic Buffalo Creek General Store. Lunch after at the Historic Bucksnot Saloon in Sphinx Park near Pine. This is the first time for the Roses to bike this lovely scenic route.

**MTB p2,t2 Green Mountain 6:00 PM Show and go.** Come to main Hayden trail head at 13851 W. Alameda Pkwy, Lakewood. This is the east side. Take an hour or so ride, then get something to eat at one of the many nearby restaurants.

**Thursday, August 27th** **FUN Show and Go 6:00 PM** Join *Bicycle Aurora* at Peak to Peak Taproom next door to Treads in Aurora. Routes and distance will vary depending on weather and whims of the riders. Then relax to enjoy a craft beer (or two) and cheese steak sandwiches.

**Thursday, August 27th to Saturday, August 29th** **MTB P2-3, T2-3 Steamboat Springs trails** Explore a bronze level bike town. Last year we go rained out the last day, so this is a second time repeat. Head up on Thursday morning, stopping for a ride to explore trails on Rabbit Ears Pass in the afternoon then camp outside Steamboat that night on Buffalo Pass Road. Friday, ride Spring Creek down and venture onto the Emerald Mountain trails. This is an extensive trail network on the famous Howelsen Hill, near the rodeo grounds. Get some lunch in town afterward. Save yourself for ascending up Spring Creek on the return. Saturday, investigate the Red Dirt Loop on the County Road 129 (Elk River Road) just north of town. Start from the Mad Creek trail head, about 5 miles north of town. *Jeff Baysinger* 303-969-9241.

**Saturday, August 29th** **FUN/INT- H1.5-23 - Downtown 9:00 AM** Meet *Jeff Krinsky* (720-373-9107) for this Incredible FREE DRINK Summer Adventure! We will meet at the City of Cuernavaca Park downtown (23rd Ave Exit from I25, go down the hill, drive by the REI Superstore going NE, cross 15th St and keep going till you see the parking lot directly in front of you) for this fantastic ride down the Platte River Bike Path towards the infamous Hudson Gardens and back. A complementary beverage of your choice will be provided to all riders by DBTC at the break at Hudson Gardens.

**Sunday August 30th** **FUN/LEISURE-H1-19-SW 9:00 AM** Meet *Merri Bruntz* (303-517-9781) at the Stone House (Estes & Yale along the Bear Creek Trail). We will ride east on the Bear Creek Trail to the South Platte Trail taking it south to Hudson Gardens for a break. We will return via the same route.

**INT-H2-25+-NE 7:30 AM** Meet *Doug Schuler* at Cake Crumbs Bakery and coffee shop located at 2216 Kearney Street, Denver. Each Sunday we pick a different route and the distances vary from 25 miles up. We generally ride east towards DIA and Watkins, but sometimes north to Brighton or southeast Aurora. The rides are coordinated by Doug Schuler, but sometimes are led by other club members. Reminders will be announced on Meet Up and Yahoo as well as June, July and August start times.

**Monday, August 31st** **FUN-H2-26-SW 9:00 AM** Meet *Wayne Tomasello* (720-854-8767) at the Stone House in Lakewood (Estes, a couple of blocks south of Yale). Will ride down Bear Creek trail to Platte River trail, up Platte River trail to bike bridge across Platte River south of Union, cross on bridge and ride up Big Dry Creek (Englewood) trail and streets to high line canal, down high line canal to Quincy, west on Quincy to Clarkson, follow trail & streets to Dartmouth, then Platte River trail and Bear Creek trail back to Stone House. An optional lunch is at a local restaurant.

## 2015 Advance Planning Calendar

August 1  
**Copper Triangle Alpine Classic**  
[coppertriangle.com](http://coppertriangle.com)  
Copper Mountain, CO

August 1-8  
**CANDISC - Cycling Around North Dakota In Sakakawea Country**  
[parkrec.nd.gov/activities/candisc.html](http://parkrec.nd.gov/activities/candisc.html)  
Garrison, North Dakota

August 2-8  
**Colorado Rocky Mountain Bike Tour**  
[crmbt.com](http://crmbt.com)  
Gunnison, CO

August 16  
**Circle the Summit (aka Bob Guthrie Memorial Ride)**  
[Circlethesummit.com](http://Circlethesummit.com)  
Frisco, CO

August 15  
**Tour de Cure**  
[diabetes.org](http://diabetes.org)  
Longmont, CO

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

August 29  
**CF Cycle for Life**  
[http://fightcf.cff.org/site/TR/Cycle/22\\_Colorado\\_Denver?fr\\_id=2546&pg=entry](http://fightcf.cff.org/site/TR/Cycle/22_Colorado_Denver?fr_id=2546&pg=entry)  
Highlands Ranch, CO

September 6  
**West Elk Bicycle Classic**  
[westelkbicycleclassic.com/](http://westelkbicycleclassic.com/)  
Gunnison, CO

September 13  
**Buffalo Bicycle Classic**  
[buffalobicycleclassic.com](http://buffalobicycleclassic.com)  
Boulder, CO

September 17-20  
**Tour of the Vineyards**  
[Coloradowinefest.com](http://Coloradowinefest.com)  
Palisade, CO

September 18-20  
**Mickelson Trail Trek**  
[MickelsonTrail.com](http://MickelsonTrail.com)  
Custer, SD

September 18-20  
**Pedal the Plains**  
[pedaltheplains.com](http://pedaltheplains.com)  
TBD, CO

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

September 27  
**Tour de Cure**  
[diabetes.org](http://diabetes.org)  
Colorado Springs Area

October 4  
**Tour of the Moon**  
[tourofthemoon.com](http://tourofthemoon.com)  
Grand Junction, CO

October 4  
**Santa Fe Gourmet Classic**  
[santafegourmetclassic.com](http://santafegourmetclassic.com)  
Santa Fe, NM

October 17  
**VeloSwap**  
[veloswap.com](http://veloswap.com)  
Denver, CO

Visit [www.kansascyclist.com/events/Colorado\\_Calendar.html](http://www.kansascyclist.com/events/Colorado_Calendar.html) OR [www.pedaldancer.com](http://www.pedaldancer.com) for more info and updates on events.