



# PACELINE

**Alta Alpina  
Cycling Club**

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## Alta Alpina Spring Membership Party



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## Membership Renewal

If you were a member in 2014 we just need your membership fee paid by check or Paypal payment—no forms to sign!

If you're a new or returning member, just download and complete the form on our website:

[www.altaalpina.org/attachments/AACCFORM.pdf](http://www.altaalpina.org/attachments/AACCFORM.pdf)

## Challenge Staff Ride

Most club members will be volunteering on June 27, so to give everyone a chance to ride a version of the event, we're holding a staff ride on July 18. If you'll be out of town on June 27, please volunteer to help with the staff ride.

## Ides of March Mileage Contest

Don't miss out on this year's Mileage Contest. Check out all the details on page 3 and tear out (or print) the log on page 4.

**Monday, April 20 — CVIC Hall, Minden NV — 6:00PM**

The annual Alta Alpina Spring Membership Party is the official kick-off of the cycling season in the Tahoe-Alpine-Carson City-Carson Valley region. This year the party will be back at the historic CVIC Hall in downtown Minden. This is a central location with lots of nearby parking.

There will be free food, friendly people, and lots to see and learn. We'll announce winners of the Ides of March contest and give away a variety of prizes. Again this year we're holding the big Bike Swap: Bring any bike-related items to give away or sell. Bike stuff left behind at the end of the night will go to the junior team or ROP.

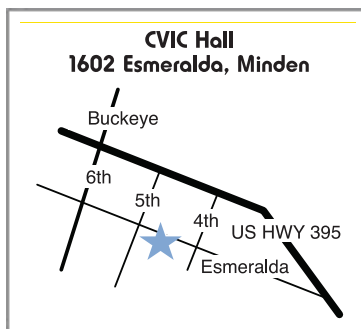
You can join or renew your membership at the party, but to avoid spending time in line, you can renew your membership now. If you were a member in 2014 we just need a check or Paypal payment for your 2015 membership.

Know any friends or neighbors just getting into cycling? Bring them along and we'll sign them up at the door!. For any questions contact Michael Bayer on the club hotline at 877-845-2453.

Doors open at 6:00 pm. See you there!

## Bike & Stuff Swap • Trade

Bring your bike related stuff for sale, or give away to other AACC members. You will have the opportunity to sell, buy, give away, or pick up bike related items.





### Upcoming Rides

Here are a few events to start planning for today:

**Sunday, March 15, 2015 — WEEKEND RIDE: Woodfords to the top of Monitor**

Meet in the upper parking area at Woodfords. Under the big pine trees, ready to roll by 11:00am. There will be 25 and 40 mile options. We'll ride out to the base of Monitor. Those wanting the shorter option will turn back and the rest of the group will climb Monitor. (If Monitor is closed we'll go to the closure on Ebbetts.)

**Saturday, March 21, 2015 — WEEKEND RIDE: Virginia City/Louse Town Loop via 6 Mile Canyon**

Meet at the Governor's Field parking lot on South Roop Street in Carson City, ready to roll by 10:00am. Ride the quiet roads east of Carson City, up to Virginia City, up Gieger Grade, Virginia Highlands, Lousetown, back to Virginia City and return to Carson City. Some of the ride is on Highway 50, a little noisy but there's a good shoulder to ride on. Be ready for mostly very nice roads, some great views, and about 4000 feet of climbing.

**Saturday, March 28, 2015 — WEEKEND RIDE: Omo Ranch Road Loop**

Meet at Minden Starbucks to carpool at 8:30am. We'll start the ride from the south side of the junction of Hwy 88 and Shake Ridge Road at 10:30am. We'll ride a 60 mile loop which will take in Fiddletown Road, Plymouth, CA, Shenandoah, and Omo Ranch Road. The roads are all fair to good pavement.

**Saturday, April 4, 2015 — WEEKEND RIDE: Carson-East-Jack's Valley Loop**

Meet at Big Daddy's Bicycle & Fitness (1546 Highway 395 in Gardnerville) at 10:00am. Ride the Pine Nut loop to East Valley to Stephanie-395-Sunridge-Jacks Valley Rd-Centerville. Everyone welcome, pace (or paces) dependent on who participants. We'll have regular re-groups along the way and there are multiple bailout spots for those who need to cut the loop short. The full loop is about 50 miles.

**Saturday, April 11, 2015 — Tierra Bella Bicycle Ride**

Join Almaden Cycle Touring Club (ACTC) on their 37th annual Tierra Bella Bicycle Tour. There are four route options on pretty roads in Santa Clara County. Great food, excellent ACTC support, and a post ride hot meal. 2015 Tierra Bella patch included and beautiful jersey available for purchase For more see the website: [www.tierrabella.org](http://www.tierrabella.org)

**Saturday, April 18, 2015 — Cinderella Century**

The Valley Spokesmen Bicycle Club is hosting the 39th annual Cinderella Classic® & Challenge for women and girls only. The ride starts from the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton CA and offers 65 and 85 mile distance options. For more see the website at: [www.valleyspokesmen.org/cinderellaclassic](http://www.valleyspokesmen.org/cinderellaclassic)

**Sunday, April 26, 2015 — Chico Wildflower Century**

The Chico Velo Cycling Club's Wildflower Century will be on April 26 this year and features a new 60 mile flatflower route. Other options include the Wildcat 125 and 100, Wildflower 100 and 65, the Flatflower 30 or 12, and the Childflower 12. For more see the website at: [www.chicovelo.org/wildflower-april.html](http://www.chicovelo.org/wildflower-april.html)

**Sunday, May 24, 2015 — Alta Alpina Ray Rickard Memorial Spring Century**

Put this must-do ride on your schedule! Remember your membership must be current to participate in this ride. We will once again have the Diamond Valley Loop, Metric Century, and Full Century rides.

The following is the *preliminary* weekend ride schedule for the months ahead:

**April**

- Sunday, 5 — Mountain Bike Ride (TBD)
- Saturday, 11 — Johnson Lane to Dayton by Dirt,  
return by Road
- Saturday, 18 — Mountain Bike Ride (TBD)
- Sunday, 19 — Spooner-Kingsbury Loop
- Saturday, 25 — Kingsbury-Luther from Genoa

**May**

- Saturday, 2 — Camino, CA to Stumpy Meadows Lake

- Saturday, 9 — Mountain Bike Ride (TBD)
- Saturday, 16 — Alta Alpina's Pinenut Cracker MTB
- Sunday, 24 — Ray Rickard Memorial Spring Century
- Sunday, 30 — Ride Around the Lake

**June**

- Saturday, 6 — MTB: Pinenuts to Topaz & Return
- Saturday, 13 Gold Lakes Loop from Sierraville
- Sunday, 14 Donner Lake to Cisco Grove
- Sunday, 21 Carson Valley Ride



## Presidential Posting

Chris Rhiner, President

Howdy cyclists! The AACC board has been busy meeting each month trying to come up with some new ideas to make this 2015 cycling season the best ever.

### Weekend Rides

A top priority for this year is enticing more people to ride with our club rather than going it alone. Much can be learned from riding with others, whether its a tip from an experienced cyclist, trying to keep up with someone slightly faster or seeing the latest bike that Jim Sadilek has built from his ebay purchases. There is much that can be gained by group rides and you will probably find that you ride a little faster and have a new route to add to your favorite places. Check the ride board for weekend rides posted by our "Gang of Five."

### Race Season

Also, clear your schedules on Thursday evenings starting in April for the "Road Races," hosted by Di & Corey Bolton, these are lots of fun and great for improving your fitness! If you think you are not fast enough then try the "D's" and race against me! I will buy you a drink if I beat you! (it might be a root beer...)



### Club Clothing

If you would like to buy club kit, jerseys and more will be available to purchase at board meetings, events, and at the start of all races. (Don't worry Di we won't make you sell Jerseys too!) You can also order jerseys online at [www.altalpina.org/clubkit/](http://www.altalpina.org/clubkit/)

Both Yellow/Blue and Red/Orange clothing is available

### Spring Membership Party 2015- "the details"

Our annual party is back at the CIVIC hall in downtown Minden and it promises to be a great time! Our format is going to be slightly more casual. We're skipping the formal presentations and instead will have a "health fair" style set up with various tables to visit.

Renew your membership online or sign up at the Party. Join us for pizza, snacks, and dessert. There will be lots of time to catch up with old/new friends and meet your new board members. Check out the Volunteer opportunities with the Alta Alpina Challenge in June. Free raffle style tickets will be handed out for attending, for recruiting and bringing a new member, and for visiting all the tables. We'll also be handing out prizes for the Ides of March Mileage Contest (see below).

Please try to attend even if you can't stay the whole duration, or if you will arrive late. Its a PARTY! Come hang out Monday April 20th, 6pm.

## Ides of March Mileage Contest

### The Ides of March Mileage Contest is Back!

We're holding the Ides of March Mileage Contest once again. Here's how to participate:

1. Use the official mileage log on the next page or download it:

[www.AltAlpina.org/attachments/IdesofMarchLog2015.pdf](http://www.AltAlpina.org/attachments/IdesofMarchLog2015.pdf)

2. Ride as many miles as you can over 5 weeks starting on March 15 (the Ides of March).

3. Record the number of miles you ride each day and where you rode. If you ride dirt, those miles count for double.

4. Bring your mileage log to the Spring Party on April 20. You must be present to win!

We'll announce the three men and three women who rode the furthest. The man and woman who log the most miles will each win a prize. A prize will also be awarded to a third person who logged their miles chosen at random from everyone else who submits a mileage log. So everyone who enters has a chance to win!

Tip: Kick-off your month of mileage by joining the club ride starting at Woodfords on March 15.



# Alta Alpina Cycling Club 2015 Ides of March Mileage Contest Log

Bring completed log to the Spring Membership Party on April 20

Name:

Gender:  M /  F

	Sunday 3/15	Monday 3/16	Tuesday 3/17	Wednesday 3/18	Thursday 3/19	Friday 3/20	Saturday 3/21
Where?							
Mileage							
Week Total							<input type="text"/>

	Sunday 3/22	Monday 3/23	Tuesday 3/24	Wednesday 3/25	Thursday 3/26	Friday 3/27	Saturday 3/28
Where?							
Mileage							
Week Total							<input type="text"/>

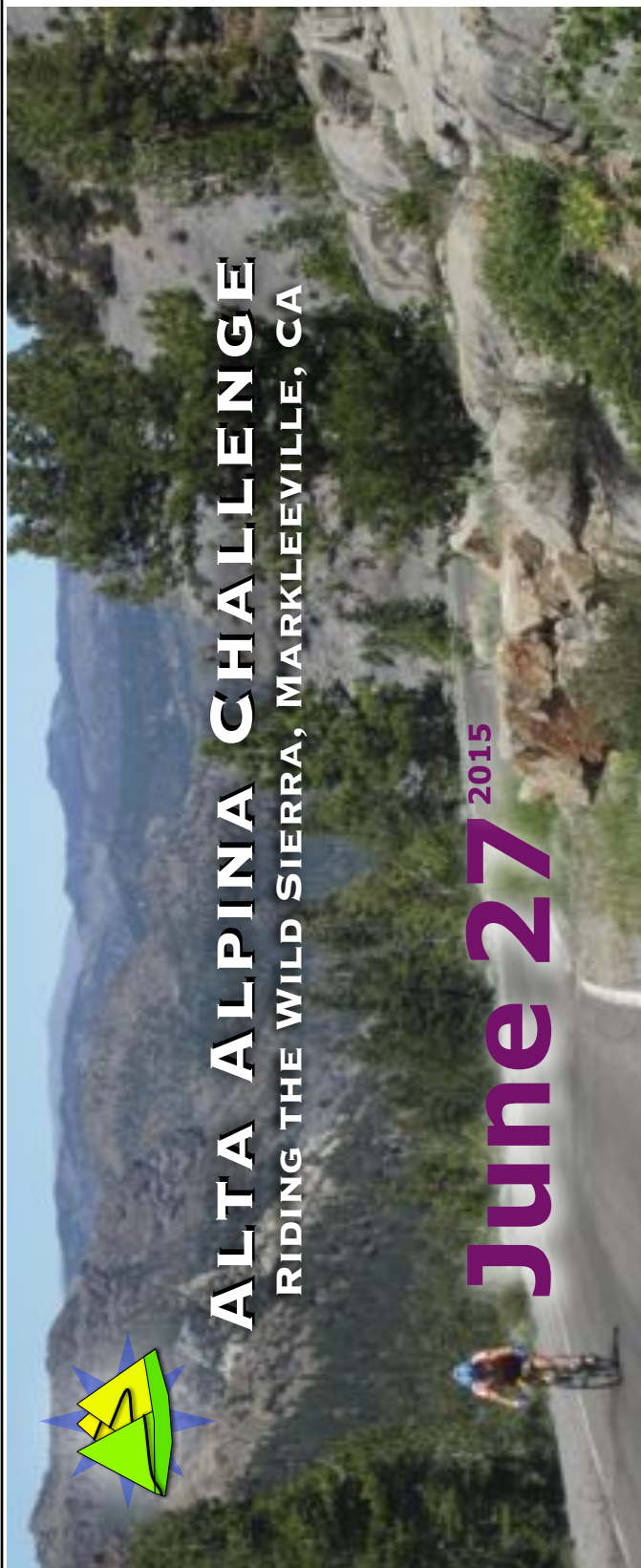
	Sunday 3/29	Monday 3/30	Tuesday 3/31	Wednesday 4/1	Thursday 4/2	Friday 4/3	Saturday 4/4
Where?							
Mileage							
Week Total							<input type="text"/>

	Sunday 4/5	Monday 4/6	Tuesday 4/7	Wednesday 4/8	Thursday 4/9	Friday 4/10	Saturday 4/11
Where?							
Mileage							
Week Total							<input type="text"/>

	Sunday 4/12	Monday 4/13	Tuesday 4/14	Wednesday 4/15	Thursday 4/16	Friday 4/17	Saturday 4/18
Where?							
Mileage							
Week Total							<input type="text"/>

Note: Miles on dirt count for double. If you rode dirt miles, write down twice the mileage ridden.

Grand Total



**ALTA ALPINA CHALLENGE**  
**RIDING THE WILD SIERRA, MARKLEEVILLE, CA**

**June 27 2015**



**ALTA ALPINA CHALLENGE**  
**June 27, 2015**

**RIDING THE WILD SIERRA**

Come to Tahoe and experience the breathtaking scenic beauty of classic, wild sierra roadways and panoramas on some of the best pavement you'll find on any organized ride. The route travels through wilderness areas—there are no traffic lights and just a dozen stop signs. Choose your favorite pass(es) or pick one of these popular routes:

**THE FOOTHILL FUN RIDES**

Take in the views of Diamond Valley, Carson Valley, and/or the Carson River Canyon with options from 15 to 37 miles.

**THE WILD SIERRA METRIC**

Featuring Luther Pass and Blue Lakes Road along with a scenic loop through Diamond Valley, this is a beautiful 64 mile ride with 5000 feet of climbing.

**THE WILD SIERRA CENTURY**

The Wild Sierra Century features three passes: Kingsbury, Ebbetts East, and Monitor West. This is a challenging 110 mile ride with 11000 feet of climbing.

**5 PASS CHALLENGE**

A classic combination of passes: Carson, both sides of Ebbetts, and both sides of Monitor. We add Diamond Valley and Emigrant Trail for a scenic warmup for a ride that is 134 miles with over 16,000 feet of climbing.

**8 PASS CHALLENGE**

This is the ultimate single day ride—the world's toughest double century with over 20,300 feet of climbing, nearly half over 7000 feet of altitude, Those who complete this challenge earn the right to wear the 8 Pass Finisher Jersey.

Scan for information or to register.



ENDURANCE FUELS



**www.AлтаAlpina.org/challenge**  
**877.845.2453**



## Board Meeting Minutes—March 2, 2015

Secretary: Jim Sadilek; Other Board Members: Chris Rhiner, President; Tammy Lundquist, Vice President; Frank Dixon, Treasurer; Michael Bayer, Alta Alpina Challenge Ride Director/ Newsletter Publisher/Membership Coordinator; Garth Jackson, Weekend Ride Coordinator; Dave Scarborough, Spring Century Coordinator; Wayne Trelloggen, PR Coordinator.

Other Attendees: Charles Pankey, representing Adventure Sports Journal and Sierra REC Magazine (online at <http://sierrarecmagazine.com/> )

Meeting called to order at 6:14 pm

1. **Presentation by Charles Pankey:** Mr. Pankey made a presentation to the Board regarding AACC Challenge advertising in the Adventure Sports Journal magazine. The recommendation from Mr. Pankey was that the Board should consider a two months advertisement for the months of April and May at a cost of \$250. Pankey described the April/May issue as a “keeper issue” because it contains a season long bicycling calendar.

The consensus of the directors was that the advertising campaign should cover the months of April, May and June. June being the month where one-third of the Challenge registrations are received. Final decision is dependent on budget considerations.

2. **Monthly Status Reports:**

- **Treasurer:** The checking account balance is \$34,251.97. The Paypal balance is \$17,005.23.
- **Membership:** Spring Membership Party will be April 20, 6:00pm at CVIC in downtown Minden—1604 Esmeralda Street. Rental cost to AACC is charged at the non-profit rate of \$162.50  
Motion 03/01: Set a budget amount of \$1000 (based on last year’s budget) for the Spring Membership Party. Frank Dixon/Tammy Lundquist -- Carried unanimously.
- **Weekend Rides:** Member Alex Kuhlmann requests to be part of the Gang of Five to lead mountain bike rides. Motion 03/02: Appoint Alex Kuhlmann to the Gang of Five as a mountain bike ride leader. Michael Bayer/Garth Jackson -- Carried unanimously.
- **Newsletter:** Anticipated publication date is 3/9.
- **Website:** There was discussion regarding possible changes to the web site, but no decisions were made.
- **Weekly Road Races:** The 2015 Thursday night road race schedule is nearly complete, insurance details remain to be finalized.

- **Mountain Bike Races:** The Board of Directors would be most grateful for a volunteer to step forward and fill this position. Contact President Chris Rhiner.
- **Junior Team:** Randy Jacobs and Kate Blake have volunteered to lead Junior Team rides on Monday and Friday.
- **Spring Century:** The Ray Rickard Spring Century is set for May 24. Post ride party at Tina Keegan’s, off Centerville Road. See AACC Ride Board for details. More information will be in the April newsletter.
- **Pinenut Cracker:** No report.
- **Cyclocross Race:** No report.
- **Bike Advocacy:** No report.
- **Adopt A Highway:** Next clean up day scheduled for Sunday June 7 8:00am at Turtle Rock park. Tammy will provide coffee and yummy bagels.
- **Clothing:** The Board is earnestly seeking a volunteer to act as Clothing Coordinator. Contact President Chris Rhiner.
- **Public Relations/Publicity:** Larger regional newspapers, Reno Gazette, Sacramento Bee, no longer print Challenge press releases. They suggest social media. Record Courier has printed several articles. Laura Caimi continues to post Challenge information on Facebook. Local online sites, Sierra REC, Carson Valley Times and Carson Now are publishing AACC/ Challenge press releases. Challenge lodging accommodations information is up to date. Dining information inquiries are not getting responses. Laura is co-promoting the Challenge with regional rides: Terra Bella, 04/11; Cinderella, 04/18; Chico Wildflower, 04/26 and Planet Ultra Solvang Century 10/17. Wayne Trelloggen, who has done an outstanding job of publicizing AACC and most especially the Challenge, informs the Board he will be leaving his position to travel (new volunteer is needed).



- **Challenge:** For the month of February, 12 Challenge registrations were received. February is traditionally a very slow month for Challenge registrations. Michael continues to work on a new Challenge web site. Challenge insurance arrangements for the 2015 event are complete. Michael asks for descriptions, from a rider's point of view, of each Challenge pass as if it were a separate ride. The descriptions to be included in the new web site to assist those building their own ride to make decisions about which passes to include in the choices. Tammy Lundquist suggested having magnetic vinyl automobile signs made up to publicize the Challenge. The rationale being that members traveling to area rides could place the signs on their automobiles.

3. **Alta Alpina Challenge Budget:** Michael Bayer presented the 2015 Challenge budget document and outlined unknowns and risks that include a possible increase in USFS permit fees. A suggestion was made to substitute bandannas, with an image of the Challenge map, rather than T-shirts for the Challenge. Michael will investigate this option. Motion 03/02: Approve 2015Challenge budget. Michael Bayer/Frank Dixon -- Carried unanimously.

4. **Next Meeting:** Monday, April 6, 2015, 6 pm, Katie's Country Kitchen, Carson Valley Inn, 1627 US-395, Minden, NV.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm

### Where in the World...

Michael Bayer, Newsletter Editor

Have you been traveling? Don't forget to send us pictures showing your Alta Alpina jersey in locations outside our region.



### Local Merchant Discount Program

Details about local merchant offers is listed under "Merchant Discounts" on our website at [www.AltaAlpina.org](http://www.AltaAlpina.org).



