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Cycling Club**

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Tim Rowe Memorial Sweetwater Pass Ride: Full and Half Distance Options Saturday, October 4, 2025

David Scarborough, Fall Century Coordinator

FREE FOR ALL CLUB MEMBERS

We're once again closing out the ride season with our annual fall ride held in memory of Tim Rowe.

For the full distance (88 miles) plan to start around 9:30am from CG Bar and Pizza in Wellington, NV and ride to Bridgeport, CA back and forth over Sweetwater Pass. For the half distance (41 miles) start around noon and ride to the top of Sweetwater Pass and back to Wellington.

As usual, there will be a club rest stop on top of Sweetwater Pass. Participants will be on their own for food and water in Bridgeport if needed, so bring money for that. Upon returning to Wellington, the club will buy all participants pizza so don't eat too much beforehand! (You buy your own beverages.)

Parking at the start is limited, so we're encouraging everyone to meet at Lampe Park in Gardnerville at 8:30am to carpool. We'll roll out of Wellington at 9:30am after our annual group photo so get there before 9:15am and be ready to roll. The whole ride is 88 miles, the half ride is about 41 miles.

As usual we'll park at CG Bar and the ride starts out of Wellington on the Wellington Cutoff (NV SR 829). The route to Bridgeport involves a very gentle and scenic climb to Sweetwater pass on NV state route 338. The rest stop will be located roughly half of the way to Bridgeport close to the highest point of the ride. We'll have water and snacks there. This is followed by a descent to the East Walker River. We cross into California and follow the river, ride around Bridgeport Reservoir, and reach Bridgeport.

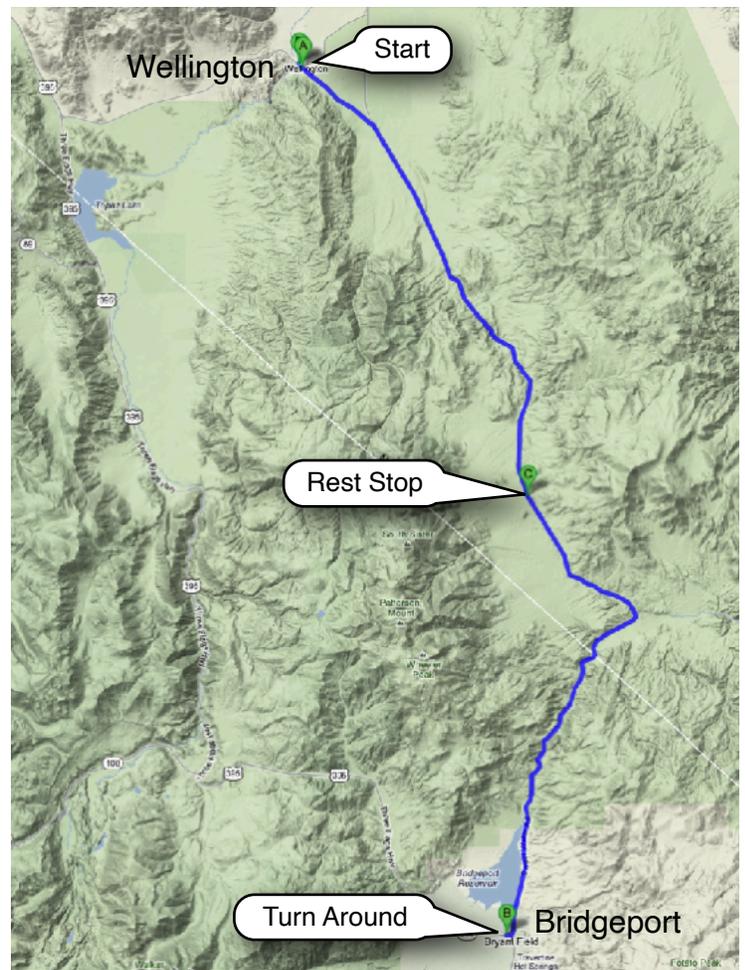
This is a great time of year to ride as the weather isn't too brutal and the roads are less busy with traffic. It's also a great time to see fellow club members and ride at a leisurely pace.

Please try to RSVP by 8pm Thursday October 2nd, if possible, so we can get a rough idea of how much pizza to order.

RSVP to: davescar30@gmail.com or 530-318-7878.

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2025 Annual Meeting - Wednesday, November 19

Mark your calendars!

This year our annual general membership meeting will once again be held in the Ranch View Room of the Douglas County Community and Senior Center located on Waterloo Lane in Gardnerville. This is the same room that we used for our 2024 meeting. The formal meeting will start at 6:30pm with elections of 2026 board members followed by dinner and presentation of race winners.

Presidential Posting

Bruce Eisner, President

Fall is here and we have light rain and wind to prove it; but the riding conditions are generally good so hopefully everyone is out enjoying the non-icy roads.

OUR CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP! For months now (since November last year) you've known that this is my last year as Club President. And you've been reminded of club leadership vacancies in the August and September Club Newsletters. ONE PERSON has contacted me to say they'll stand for the Weekend Ride Director position. That leaves 2 critical positions:

President

- Plan and preside over meetings
- Oversee board member assignments
- Ensure club members stay informed

Vice-President

- Assist organization of meetings
- Preside over meetings when president cannot attend
- Assist with club events and projects

Our next club board meeting is October 30th; Please write (president@altaalpina.org) or call (530-545-9905) if you have a possible interest in either of these positions. And consider attending the upcoming meeting to see first hand how the club conducts business. Happy cycling- Bruce

2025 Thursday Race Chips

Joseph Whiteley, Race Administrator

If you have not yet turned in your RFID chip, there are a few options:

- 1) If it is still in good shape, no broken tabs etc. you can keep track of it and race with it next year. Otherwise,
 - 2) Bring it to the AACC annual general meeting in November and give it to me there in exchange for your \$20 deposit. or even,
 - 3) Turn it in at Wins Wheels or Shoreline Tahoe at your convenience when you are there supporting one of these local bike shops and we will get you your deposit.
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Leon Malmed's 88th Birthday Ride





AACC Rideboard—October

Lyn Willoughby, Weekend Ride Coordinator

Our season is wrapping up but we have two more big rides on the calendar. Everyone is encouraged to find riding partners by posting their own rides to the rideboard all year long.

Saturday, October 4, 2025 — Tim Rowe Memorial Ride

This is our annual almost-a-century to cap the season. It's an out-and-back so you can ride any distance but most opt to ride the full 88 miles or 41 miles to the rest stop and back. The club hosts a full rest stop at the top of sweet water pass and buys pizza at the finish. See Page 1 for all the details.

Saturday, October 11, 2025 — Packsaddle Pass Classic Ride

Bruce has kindly volunteered to SAG this ride for the club. This is a club classic route. Meet at the corner of Old Meyers Grade and South Upper Truckee Road in Meyers (South Lake Tahoe) and be ready to roll at 8:00am. The route goes over Old Echo Pass, down to Strawberry, over Packsaddle Pass, up to CA88, over to Picketts Junction, and back to the start via Luther Pass. View the route map at: <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/51269670> We'll have a vehicle to carry water, food, your extra clothing and a bike rack for 2. Please RSVP to Bruce Eisner (530-545-9905 or berunnin@sbcglobal.net)

TAMBA Panorama Trail building day

Chris Cherrix

We've had such a great time riding so many of TAMBA's fabulous mountain bike trails this summer, how about giving back a little by helping the folks at TAMBA build their latest route up at Heavenly Resort -- the Panorama Trail! This project will add 8 miles of scenic singletrack around Heavenly, eventually connecting to the TRT and the California Main Lodge.

We'll meet up at the base of the gondola in Heavenly Village at 9am on Friday, October 3rd, before riding up to the start point, and give a hand connecting the section from the Gondola to the TRT.

This is a great opportunity for our club to network with TAMBA, and meet some new trail buddies. Once completed, we can add this route to our list of fun trails to ride each season. Call or text Chris Cherrix at 928-600-1097 if you'll be joining us, so I can let the TAMBA trail boss know we'll be helping out on behalf of Alta Alpina. Also, let me know if you'd like to carpool from the Carson Valley that morning.

For more details on what to bring, what to expect, and to sign the required work waiver, visit the Tamba webpage at: <https://tamba.org/event/panorama-work-days-2/2025-10-03/>

Club Clothing Sale

Bruce Eisner, Clothing Coordinator

All Items Now \$25. For ordering instructions and inventory availability visit:

<https://www.altaalpina.org/clubkit/>

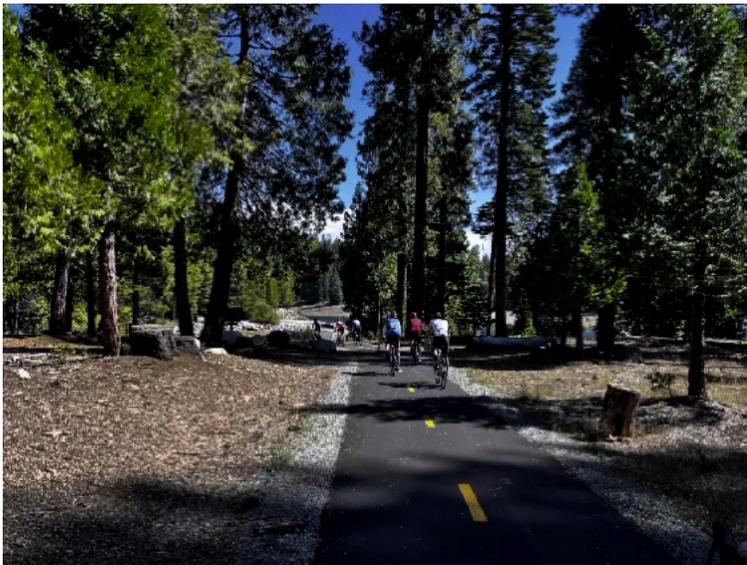




Wrights Lake Road and Union Valley Reservoir Loop, September 27

This was a well attended ride with perfect weather, specular scenery, and an awesome route. Everyone who didn't make it missed out on one of the best rides of the season.







NICA Team Wins!

Timari Pruis, NICA Team Director





Board Meeting Minutes—October 1, 2025

Secretary: Michael Bayer; Other Board Members: Chris Cherrix (Spring Century); Frank Dixon (Deputy Treasurer); Bruce Eisner (President); Allen Forbes (Membership); Jennie Hamiter (Assistant Treasurer); Greg Kogut (Website); Nigel Leigh (Vice-President); Bill Magladry (Treasurer); Joseph Whitely (Race Director); Lyn Willoughby (Weekend Rides)

Meeting at CV Swim Center and by MS Teams
 Meeting called to order at 5:43pm
 Minutes of the September meeting approved presented.
 [Bruce | Joseph | Unanimous]

1. **Monthly Status Reports:**

- **Membership:** There are 129 fully paid memberships with 161 active members. There is one pending new member.
- **Weekend Rides:** Lyn’s term as weekend ride coordinator is wrapping up. Last weekend saw a great turnout but we’re still seeing primarily the same core group of riders with no significant difference between Saturdays and Sundays. The Tim Rowe Memorial Ride and the supported Packsaddle Pass ride will end the organized season.
- **Weekly MTB Rides:** MTB rides will continue until the start of daylight savings time.
- **Weekly Road Races:** No update.
- **Fall Century:** Bruce sent a reminder to members using the president email account. RSVPs are rather low right now and it’s hoped that Bruce’s email and the newsletter will remind people to RSVP.
- **Treasurer:** The current checking account balance is \$9,385.22. The Paypal balance is \$3,842.01 (unchanged). CDs were at \$12,150.15, \$14,142.36 and \$12,200.42. Checks were cut last month for venue rental and NICA. Year to Date we have net income of \$3,530.30. Total is \$51,821.34. Work to set up tracking of NICA funds continues.
- **NICA Team:** The team came in 2nd in Division 2 at the races in Mammoth last weekend.
- **Adopt A Highway:** The third cleanup was cancelled at the last minute because Jordan got sick.
- **Cyclorama:** No update.
- **Newsletter:** Michael will get the newsletter out in the next 24 hours to remind everyone of the Tim Rowe Memorial ride coming up on Saturday. Bruce will have his posting ready.

2. **Club Budget:** Frank and Bill summarized YTD and projected spending as a basis for budgeting. Bruce distributed a spreadsheet with these numbers to the board. With no inflation, and assuming the NICA team

income balances it’s expenses, the club would have a deficit of approximately \$3500 before any Challenge or DRTS revenue. Michael prepared a forecast of likely inflation in all the spending categories he is familiar with and sent it to Bruce and Frank to incorporate into the 2026 budget. Concern was expressed that over the years the club’s chart of accounts has become too unwieldy, and accounts don’t line up well for budgeting purposes. There was a consensus that the chart of accounts should be revised and simplified to make the job of the treasurer easier and to simplify the budgeting process.

3. **Death Ride Training Series:** Bruce reported that he and Michael met with Meghan by Zoom. Meghan indicated that she would distribute a recording of the meeting to the whole Chamber Board. The Chamber lost their Death Ride marketing director but is hiring a new part time marketing employee and a separate Death Ride director. Meghan committed to having their new employee up to speed by the end of October. The club’s position continues to be that for the DRTS to be successful, DRTS registration must be on the Death Ride registration webpage. Meghan indicated that no other partner has this type of relationship with Chamber now. However, Joseph observed that on the 2nd page of the 2026 Death Ride registration sequence hosted by BikeReg, participants registering for the Death Ride can pre-purchase their photographs from the Death Ride from FinisherPix. It was agreed that we should reprice the DRTS so that it could be purchased on this page in a similar fashion. We’ll offer the DRTS including three of the five rides for a single price. Through our follow-up process riders will indicate which rides they will do and can add on a fourth and fifth ride. Michael will mock up the updated registration page and Bruce will follow up with Meghan on this specific proposal.
4. **Challenge:** Michael gave a presentation outlining options and considerations for the 2026 Alta Alpina Challenge. Including metrics for aligning priorities and new marketing initiatives.
5. **Next Meeting:** Thursday, October 30, 2025, 5:30pm, Carson Swim Center in Minden.
 Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm

Local Merchant Discount Program

Details about local merchant offers is listed under “Merchant Discounts” on our website www.AtaAlpina.org.





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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Tim Rowe Memorial Sat, Oct 4
 Century
Packsaddle Pass Ride Sat, Oct 11
End of Daylight Savings Sun, Nov 2
 Annual Meeting and Wed, Nov 19 @6:00
 Fall Party

MOVED? GOT NEW CONTACT INFO?
Have you moved? Has your e-mail address changed?
Don't miss out on the latest AACC happenings!
Send your new contact information to :
membership@altaalpina.org

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The club is about and for you! All AACC members are welcomed to participate in our **Board Meetings** typically held the **first Monday of each month at 5:30 pm.** In-person meetings alternate between the Carson Valley and South Lake Tahoe.. Join us on **October 30** at the **Carson Valley Swim Center** in **Minden.**

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