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Cycling Club**

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AACC Fall “Century” Ride and Pizza: Sweetwater Pass — Saturday, October 10, 2014

David Scarborough, Spring/Fall Century Coordinator

We’re holding an Alta Alpina end of the year club ride and pizza dinner for club members again this year!

We will start in Wellington, NV and ride to Bridgeport and back over Sweetwater Pass.

There will be a club rest stop on top of Sweetwater Pass. Participants will be on their own for support in Bridgeport. Food is available there so bring money for that, if needed. Upon returning to Wellington, the club will buy all participants dinner so don't eat too much before hand!

Meet at Lampe Park in Gardnerville at 8:30am to carpool as parking at the start is limited.

We'll then meet at CG Bar and Pizza in Wellington. We'll roll out at around 9:15am so get there before 9:15am and be ready to roll.

We'll take Wellington Cutoff (NV SR 829) out of Wellington. 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. On the way back we're likely to encounter a bit of a headwind climbing back up to the rest stop and descending back to Wellington.

The whole ride is 88 miles.

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 catch up with what's been going on with fellow club members and doing it at a leisurely pace. Pizza will be served when the group returns—around 4:00pm.

Please RSVP if possible so we can get a rough idea of how much pizza to order.

RSVP to: davescar30@gmail.com .

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AACC Weekend Ride Schedule—September/October

Garth Jackson, Weekend Ride Coordinator

Club Weekend rides are indicated below. Fast and slow riders will all be accommodated with regular re-group points. Refreshments are served at the conclusion of club weekend rides.

Saturday, October 3, 2014 — WEEKEND RIDE: Climb into October:Carson City-Virginia City-Incline Village

The ride is a classic 79 mile loop that takes in Geiger, Mt. Rose, and Spooner. We'll meet in the parking lot of Governor's Field in Carson City -(500 East Evalyn Drive at South Roop St.). We'll roll at 8:30am. The first section takes the bike path through Carson City and back roads to US50. We'll take NV 341 to Virginia City and over Geiger Summit and the climb Mt. Rose on NV431. In Incline Village we'll take NV 28 to Spooner Summit and descend US 50 back to the start in Carson City. We'll regroup at appropriate points with specific stops for food and water in Virginia City, at the Raley's shopping center (1.5 mi. up Hwy 431 with different food options), and at the 7/11 in Incline Village. We'll have refreshments back at the start—please RSVP to berunnin@sbcglobal.net if you think you might be joining us so we'll have enough food and drinks.

Saturday, October 10, 2014 — WEEKEND RIDE: Fall (Almost a) Century

Don't miss our big end-of-the-season ride! This 88 mile out-and-back follows the old Sweetwater Century route. With a rest stop for club members at the top of Sweetwater Pass (both directions) and dinner at the end of the ride. (See Previous Page.)

PLEASE RSVP if you think you'll be able to join us. Send an email to: davescar30@gmail.com We want to have an indication of how many members will be riding so that we have enough food and drinks.

Highway Cleanup

Tammy DeGiovanni, Highway Cleanup Coordinator

We've had some great mornings doing Highway Cleanup this year. Watch the ride schedule for the next cleanup day.





Presidential Posting

Chris Rhiner, President

Well summer has come and gone but fortunately the weather remains rideable. We have a few more club rides this season and my favorite, Wellington to Bridgeport and back with the post ride pizza party afterwards.

I just returned from Oregon from a weeklong bicycle tour that was re-routed due to fire. Our sister communities on HWY 4 have suffered tremendously due to fire. As it turns out our "Washington" fire seems to have been the least destructive in comparison to the big California fires. I am always happy to be smoke free!

If you are new to the club we end our year with a Fall Dinner in November, this is our last get together until our Spring Party in April.

I want to congratulate our 2 youngest members Liam and Grif Allen on doing their first half century ride with Edible Pedal, way to go! And thanks for wearing our Alta Alpina kit. I heard Grif ate 6 eggs at one of the rest stops with no troubles later. We will have to have a junior clinic on food recommendations! See you on the road.

Alta Alpina Needs a Social Media Coordinator

Do you spend a lot of time on FaceTime? Twitter? Instagram? Other social media networks? If so, the club could use your help. We're looking for a club member to take over the club's social media accounts to keep our membership and the whole community informed about all of Alta Alpina's events and activities.

Can you spend a little time each week helping out? Please contact Chris Rhiner at President@AltaAlpina.org

Davis Creek Cyclocross Race set for November 14. Volunteers Needed.

Our annual Davis Creek cyclocross race is coming up on November 14. This is a really fun event for both participants *and* spectators. Please put this race on your calendar. Consider racing or volunteering or just come out and watch.

If you can help as a volunteer, please contact Robert Braun at robertingville@yahoo.com



The **League of American Bicyclists** is leading the movement to create a Bicycle Friendly America for everyone.

For more information or to support the League, visit www.bikeleague.org



Become a member of the Lake Tahoe Bicycle Coalition!

You'll be joining a community of people who love biking, while contributing to efforts to make biking in Tahoe more safe and convenient for everyone.

Join today at tahoebike.org





BikeSPOKEsman

Tim Rowe, AACC Bicycle Advocacy

New Nevada Traffic Laws – **Starting October 1, 2015:**

New School Zone Laws (SB 144): No U-turns in Active School Zones and School Crossing Zones and No Passing in Active School Zones and School Crossing Zones.

New Pedestrian Safety Zones (SB144): Enables the use of signed "Pedestrian Safety Zones" with discretionary enhanced fines for traffic law violations. These zones must be signed as such and can be permanent or temporary.

Also new law requires drivers to yield to pedestrians when turning on a flashing yellow arrow.

Possible new Speed Limit (SB002): Enables the Dept. of Transportation to increase the maximum speed at which a person may drive or operate a vehicle from 75 miles per hour to 80 miles per hour. Existing law provides further for the imposition of a limited \$25 fine for certain speeding violations that are within certain incremental parameters. This bill expands the incremental parameters up to 85 miles per hour.

New maximum penalty for leaving scene of crash (SB 245): Increases maximum penalty related to drivers leaving the scene of a crash resulting in bodily injury (Hit and Run).

Board Meeting Minutes— September 14, 2015

Secretary: Jim Sadilek; Other Board Members: Tammy Lundquist (presiding), Vice President; Frank Dixon, Treasurer; Michael Bayer, Alta Alpina Challenge Ride Director/Newsletter Publisher/Membership Coordinator; Di Bolton, Thursday Road Race Director; Tim Rowe, Bicycle Advocacy Coordinator

Venue: Lakeside Inn and Casino – Stateline NV
Meeting called to order at 6:10 by Vice President Tammy Lundquist in the absence of President Chris Rhiner.

Minutes of the August meeting are approved as circulated

1. Monthly Status Reports:

- **Treasurer:** The current checking account balance is: \$47,024.94. The PayPal account balance is \$2047.01. Frank has delayed the purchase of the CD with the hope of increased interest rates. The rate increase not having materialized, Frank will proceed with the purchase in the coming week. The CD represents a set aside of entry fees transferred from this year's cancelled Challenge ride to next year's Challenge ride.
- **Membership:** There are 144 members, as well as the 279 honorary memberships granted to the entrants from this year's cancelled Alta Alpina Challenge ride.
- **Weekend Rides:** No report.
- **Newsletter:** Michael needs a list of remaining weekend rides as well as information from recent ride leaders to cover the period of Michael's

vacation. Di Bolton and Tim Rowe volunteered to submit articles. In the newsletter will be a reminder of the coming Fall Century.

- **Website:** It is acknowledged that the club's web site needs to be redone. Michael's response, "My fall project". Target for the new web site, is January/February 2016.
- **Weekly Road Races:** Di reports the Thursday night races are over. The season was up and down because of the weather. Di proposes separating the juniors who are now racing in the adult classes.
- **Mountain Bike Races:** The position of Mountain Bike Coordinator is open. The Board of Directors would be most grateful for a volunteer to step forward and fill the position. Contact President Chris Rhiner.
- **Junior Team:** No report.
- **Fall Century:** Scheduled for Saturday, October 10, 2015.
- **Pinenut Cracker:** Robert Braun reports that this year's Pinenut Cracker paper work is being finalized and should be finished by month's end.
- **King of Kingsbury Time Trial:** No report.



- **Cyclocross Race:** According to Robert, a cyclocross race at Davis Creek Park is scheduled tentatively for November 14, 2015. Volunteers are needed for the day before and the day of. Mark your calendars—contact Robert robertingville@yahoo.com.
 - **Bike Advocacy:** NHP is continuing a program begun a few weeks ago on Highway 50 between State Line and the Cave Rock Tunnel in an effort to educate drivers of the need to move over and give bicyclists the three feet clearance required by state law. Last week a similar effort was made between Carson City and Mound House. There is a new law in Nevada prohibiting U-turns in school zones, and no passing in school zone. CalTrans has come out with a very strong letter regarding bicycle events in the Tahoe Basin referencing what is termed, a willful disregard for the law. The implication is that CalTrans may decline to issue permits for bicycle events in the basin unless there is more compliance on the part of the riders to ride single file, to allow automobiles reasonable passage, and to generally abide by the rules of the road, i.e. obey traffic signals and stop signs. NDOT will be extending the entrance to the southbound tunnel in order to prevent rocks from falling onto the roadway, which is now an ongoing problem. Also NDOT will be painting the concrete portions of the tunnels white and adding LED lighting. A radar detector for bicycles is planned to replace the current push button to indicate “Bicyclists in Tunnel” A much more visible electric message board sign is to be installed for not only bicyclists and pedestrians in the tunnel, but also to transmit road condition information. Studies are to be done on possible 'Road diet' and also a 'speed study' to be conducted in area. As then lane number and speed might be possibly reduced.
 - **Adopt A Highway:** The recent clean up, September 13, was attended by four people. No date has been announced for the next clean up day.
 - **Clothing:** No report.
 - **PR:** Michael brought up the need for a new Challenge marketing team. It is suggested that we also consider creating a Social Media Coordinator position. The Board is seeking input/ volunteers for this position, please contact Michael if interested.
 - **Challenge:** Michael Bayer has been following up with various vendors in response to the cancellation of the Challenge. Mainly, this follow up consists of determining whether the vendors will refund or credit the club's expenditures for various contracted services. Next year's Challenge registration may require special programming to handle the riders credited with entry fees from this year.
2. **Fall Party and Annual Meeting:** The board is considering possible venues for the Fall Party and asks for input from the membership.
- Next Meeting:** Monday, October 5, 2015, 6 pm, Jethro's in the Gardnerville Ranchos.
Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm

Local Merchant Discount Program

Visit the merchant, peruse their shops and find out what you can buy as a benefit of being an AACC member. Details about local merchant offers is listed under “Merchant Discounts” on our website at www.AtaAlpina.org.

Show your AACC Membership Card at time of purchase. If are an active AACC member, the mailing label on the first Paceline you received upon renewal has the club logo and note indicating that it is your membership card.





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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Climb into October Saturday, Oct 3
 Fall Almost-A-Century ...Saturday, Oct 10
 End of Daylight Savings Sunday, Nov 1
 Davis Creek Cyclocross ..Saturday, Nov 14

MOVED? GOT NEW CONTACT INFO?
 Have you moved? Has your e-mail address changed?
 Don't miss out on the latest AACC happenings!
 Update your info at www.AltAlpina.org; click on "Membership"

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The club is about and for you! All AACC members are welcomed to participate in our **Board Meetings** held the **first Monday of each month at 6:00 pm.** The location alternates between the Carson Valley and South Lake Tahoe.. Join us on **October 5** at **Jethros** in the **Gardnerville Ranchos.**

Newsletter Publisher:
 Michael Bayer