



# PACELINE

**Alta Alpina  
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.

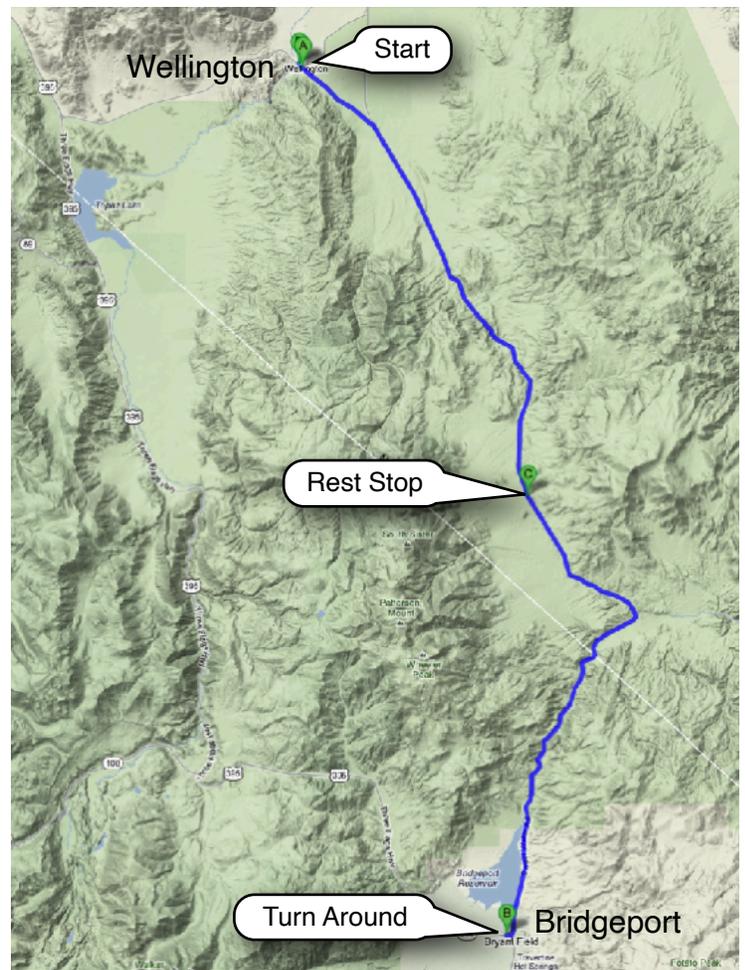
This is a great time of year to ride as the weather isn't too brutal and the roads are less busy with traffic. It's also a great time to see fellow club members and ride at a leisurely pace.

Please RSVP by Thursday night October 2<sup>nd</sup>, if possible, so we can get a rough idea of how much pizza to order.

RSVP to: [davescar30@gmail.com](mailto:davescar30@gmail.com) or 530-318-7878.

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### Presidential Posting

Bruce Eisner, President

Wasn't that late August and early September rain nice! It has made our MTB trails resemble those in more northern latitudes (for a day or two anyway). Now, if we could just get rid of the fire smoke! Road vehicle traffic seems to have slightly decreased, but remains higher than desired in places (like at the Lake where I live). Our Clothing Inventory remains on sale for \$25; that's 33-40% of our cost. You can check out the inventory and order on this link: <https://www.altaalpina.org/clubkit/index.html>. While we may not have your size, think of your friends and distant (or not so distant) relatives that might love to have one of these collector items. Need a stocking-stuffer or an extraordinary gift for an upcoming party? Expand your horizons at this price!



While I'm at a Great Grandbaby Baby Shower, I hope many of you will ride the Club's Fall Century (88 miles) on October 4th. Happy riding..

### Alta Alpina Cycling Club Annual Meeting and Fall Party

This year the club's annual meeting will be held at 6:00pm on **Wednesday, November 19** at the same venue as last year: the **Ranch View Room** in the **Douglas County Community Center**, which is located at 1329 Waterloo Lane, Gardnerville, NV 89410.

Please make an entry in your calendar right now! We're hoping to have a great turnout.

### AACC Ride Schedule—September

Lyn Willoughby, Weekend Ride Coordinator

Below are the upcoming weekend rides. Everyone is encouraged to find riding partners by posting their own rides to the rideboard all year long.

#### Sunday, September 14, 2025 — Third Highway Clean-up

This is the third highway cleanup for the season. It's an easy way to help the club, the environment, and your community! We'll meet at Turtle Rock Park community building at 8:00am and break into groups to clean the highway roadside of litter. Please wear long pants and long sleeves for this. After the cleanup we'll regroup and set off to ride either Monitor or Ebbetts, whichever the group prefers. The more folks who show up, the easier, faster and more fun this goes, so if you're on the fence, c'mon out!.

#### Saturday, September 27, 2025 — Wrights Lake Road and Union Valley Reservoir Loop

This is a beautiful lollipop ride on lightly travelled roads and good pavement around Union Valley Reservoir and thru the surrounding forests. Mileage for the ride is 62 with 7200 feet of climbing. We'll start out with a moderate climb up Wright's Lake road for 6 miles before turning onto (mostly) quiet forest service roads, passing Ice House Reservoir before looping around Union Valley Reservoir. New bike paths connecting the campgrounds on the east side of the reservoir will make for a pleasant tour around the lake. Water and restrooms should be available at several points along the ride (miles 13, 28, 43 and 49). Near the end of the tour, we'll have the option of riding up to Wright's Lake and back (4 miles total). Those wishing to avoid the 1300' climb over the first six miles can meet us at the intersection of Wright's Lake Road and FS 32. We'll meet at the dirt pullout on the right side of Wrights Lake road, just a couple hundred feet off of Highway 50. (<https://goo.gl/maps/JeW2izWqfojGto0N8>).

#### Sunday, September 28, 2025 — Leon's 88th Birthday Ride

Open to all bike riders. E-bikes welcome. Birthday lunch by Patricia across the parking lot at 12:00pm. The ride starts at Bowers Mansion Regional Park, Carson City parking lot. To get there from Carson City take I-580 north towards Reno and take Exit 10 (Eastlake Blvd.) then turn left onto Eastlake Blvd. and go under the freeway. Turn right (north) onto Old US Highway 395 for a few miles. The park is on the left. The ride will start at 9:30am. We'll ride around the lake at an easy pace. Some people will do one lap of 15 miles and others will do two laps for about 30 miles.



## Board Members Needed for 2026

Please seriously consider getting more involved with your club and make a positive impact on our community. We're looking for members to step up and serve as Club President, Vice-President, Weekend Ride Director, and Death Ride Bib Check Captain.

### 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

### Weekend Ride Coordinator

- Organize weekend rides April through October
- Recruit ride leaders
- Create, communicate, and promote ride schedule

## Club Clothing Sale

Bruce Eisner, Clothing Coordinator

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

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



## Boca Reservoir to Cisco Grove Ride





### NICA Team Update

Timari Pruis, NICA Team Director

Exciting news! Our NICA (National Interscholastic Cycling Association) team (South Tahoe/Douglas High School) is two races into their season so far, and it has experienced significant success. On August 24th we raced the Kirkwood Krank (a brand new venue this season), where our team placed first amongst Division 2 teams. Notable podiums for that day were as follows (and highly commendable to these young athletes, as the league has transitioned to ability-based racing this year, which placed a few of our athletes "outside their comfort zone"):



- Mollie Vankirk 5th place Varsity girls (as a sophomore!)
- Ellery Blachman 3rd place JV girls (as a freshman!)
- Olivia Cupaiuolo 5th place JV girls (as a freshman!)
- Abigail Forehand 2nd place Level 2 girls
- Eyvinder Stromberg 3rd place Level 1 boys (after joining the team the week prior)
- Townes Caskey 3rd place Level 2 boys
- Silas Forehand 4th place Level 2 boys
- Jeremy Siedinskyi 5th place Level 2 boys
- Sylas Deinken 4th place Level 3 boys

This last weekend, we were successful again in solidifying 1st place (in a very tight points battle with Bishop Manogue High School) in Division 2, at the Northstar Navigator—another new venue for the league (and another "true" mountain bike course). Unfortunately a few fell victim to flat tires, but even those athletes stuck it out till the finish. Notable podiums this weekend were as follows (with many of the athletes just out of reach of the podium):

- Ellery Blachman 1st place JV girls (winning by over a minute!)
- Abigail Forehand 1st place Level 2 girls (winning by almost 5 minutes!)
- Eyvinder Stromberg 1st place Level 1 boys (in a sprint finish!)
- Townes Caskey 3rd place Level 2 boys



We are super proud of all of the athletes, and the hard work that they have put in thus far!

Our next races are:

- Mammoth Mountain (Sept 27/28),
- Capital City Crusher (WNC College Oct. 11/12), and
- Tahoe Donner Dash (Oct 18/19).

Come out and support the team at these events!

### Local Merchant Discount Program

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





## 2025 Thursday Race Season

Joseph Whiteley, Race Administrator

Thank you for participating in the 2025 season and for your support. Please take a moment to review your point tallies on the next page and let me know if you see any mistakes.

For the 2nd year in a row we have been able to hold each race as scheduled without cancellation due to fire (smoke), lightning, or snow, etc. Thanks for all your support and help throughout the season.

I will be refurbishing and updating chips over the winter so it's important that I get the race chips back. If you were not able to turn in your RFID tag at your last race there are a few options for getting them back to me:

- 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 AACCC annual general meeting on November 19 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.

I hope you all have a great fall and winter and hopefully we will see you again next spring, ready to race.

Please plan to attend the club's annual general meeting and fall party for the presentation of medals for this year's series winners.





2025 AACC Thursday Evening Twilight Race Series

Fredericksburg Prologue - (17 Apr)
DV Short Course - (24 Apr)
Grandview Criterium\* - (1 May)
East Valley Time Trial - (8 May)
Pinenut Road Race - (15 May)
Grandview Criterium\*\* - (22 May)
Kingsbury Time Trial - (29 May)
Diamond Valley Road Race - (5 Jun)
Jacks Valley Time Trial - (12 Jun)
DV Double Back - (19 Jun)
Fredericksburg 2 UP TT - (26 Jun)
Eagle Ridge Circuit Race (10 Jul)
Blue Lakes Time Trial - (17 Jul)
Pinenut Road Race - (24 Jul)
Kingsbury Time Trial - (31 Jul)
Diamond Valley Road Race - (7 Aug)
Blue Lakes Time Trial - (14 Aug)
Grandview Criterium - (21 Aug)
Fredericksburg Time Trial - (28 Aug)
DV Road Race (Short Course) - (4 Sep)
Season Total Points

A

Table A: Race results for Group A. Columns include rank, name, gender, and points for each race. Total points are listed in the final column.

B

Table B: Race results for Group B. Columns include rank, name, gender, and points for each race. Total points are listed in the final column.

C

Table C: Race results for Group C. Columns include rank, name, gender, and points for each race. Total points are listed in the final column.

D

Table D: Race results for Group D. Columns include rank, name, gender, and points for each race. Total points are listed in the final column.



## Board Meeting Minutes—September 8, 2025

Secretary: Michael Bayer; Other Board Members: Michelle Brooks (Social Media); Frank Dixon (Deputy Treasurer); Bruce Eisner (President); Greg Kogut (Website); Nigel Leigh (Vice-President); Bill Magladry (Treasurer); Timari Pruis (NICA Team Director); Joseph Whiteley (Race Director); Lyn Willoughby (Weekend Rides)

Meeting held by MS Teams Live

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm

Minutes of the August meeting approved as presented.  
[Bruce | Joseph | Unanimous]

### 1. Monthly Status Reports:

- **Treasurer:** The current checking account balance is \$11,793.95. The PayPal balance is \$3,842.01. CDs are currently at \$12,150.15, \$14,142.36 and \$12,200.42. Frank is still working on budgeting. Bill and Frank will work to reassign accounts for tracking NICA income and expenses. Timari will get the NICA team expense spreadsheet to them so we can confirm the numbers. She will also submit a check request for recent NICA team expenses and write a check for money that has come to the NICA team from the latest fundraiser. We don't yet know what, if any, donation the club and team will receive from the Death Ride.
- **Membership:** Two new members joined Alta Alpina in the last month.
- **Weekend Rides:** Lyn reported that we're winding down the season. He noted that Bryan is already posting lots of rides.
- **Weekly MTB Rides:** Chris and Jennie continue to post rides for the series although rain has impacted the last two weeks.
- **Social Media:** Michelle reported that she will be posting about the Tim Rowe Century, the general meeting, and the success of the NICA team..
- **Newsletter:** Michael plans to get the September newsletter out right away. The October newsletter will go out October 2nd so that it serves as a last minute reminder for the Tim Rowe Century.
- **Website:** Twain contacted Greg regarding fixing the last of the old rides in the favorite routes library.
- **Insurance:** No insurance activity until next February when the main policies renew.
- **Clothing:** Nothing has sold recently but Bruce is putting another reminder in the newsletter.
- **Weekly Road Races:** Joseph reported that the season has wrapped up and portapotty was returned. All the gear except for the electronic gear is back in the storage unit. Joseph is working to get the chips back. Joseph proposed a new points scheme that reduces the weighting on participation

and it was agreed that the new scheme should go into effect for the 2026 season.

- **Adopt A Highway:** The third cleanup is set for this Sunday, September 14 at 8:00am.
  - **Death Ride Training Series:** We haven't had a response from the Chamber with respect to Bruce's meeting request so Bruce reached out again. Michael has contacted BikeReg regarding the revenue discrepancy.
  - **NICA Team:** Timari reported that the team is leading its division after the last two races with the team beating the very strong Mammoth and Truckee teams. Multiple team members dominated the podium across multiple categories. The Douglas team is down to 6 but she's still trying to recruit more students. The flyers that Michelle worked on with Timari had a really positive impact. The next race in the NICA series is on the September 26 weekend.
  - **Tim Rowe Memorial Century:** Dave Scarborough has reviewed the ride details for the newsletter.
  - **Challenge:** Michael is working on three possible options for the 2026 Challenge: 8 Pass Only, 8 Pass Plus Brush with Death, and a repeat of the 2024 format. He is also working on a marketing plan and new staffing plans to reduce volunteer workloads.
2. **General Meeting:** The meeting is scheduled for November 19 and the venue is booked. The board agreed to repeat last year's menu. Michael asked if anyone has a larger screen we can borrow.
  3. **2026 Nominations:** We need to recruit for President, Vice-President, and Weekend Ride Coordinator. Everyone should be working to recruit nominees..
  4. **CVIC Rentals:** It was agreed to rent CVIC hall for the 2026 Spring Party and Annual Meeting. Michael will file the paperwork and Bill will write the \$800 deposit check [Michael | Bill | Unanimous].
  5. **Logos & Branding:** Board members expressed an interest in updating the club's branding and not just evolving the existing logo but this requires the work of a professional designer. Joseph suggested contacting Corky and Michael will follow-up with her.
  6. **Budget:** Frank has an outline for the budget document that he will review with Bruce and Bill and then distribute before the next meeting.
  7. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, October 1, 2025, 5:30 pm, Swim Center in Minden AND by MS Teams Live.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm



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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Tim Rowe                                      Sat, Oct 4  
Memorial Century  
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 :  
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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 6:00 pm.** In-person meetings alternate between the Carson Valley and South Lake Tahoe.. Join us on **Wednesday October 1** at the **Carson Valley Swim Center** in **Minden.**

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