

Pedal Power

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The Prez Sez by Craig Meyer

The May Membership Meeting, on Monday, May 19, 2025, included a bicycle patrol demonstration by Marquette University Police Department, Patrol Officer Metz. Officer Metz stressed the silent, covert nature of bicycle patrol. Officers on bicycle patrols keep an eye on offenders and radio to officers in squads to make the stop or arrest. Bicycle patrol is definitely a key piece of the strategy at MUPD.

It appears true summer weather is finally upon us, and the membership energy at weekend rides is clearly ramping up. Keep talking to your fellow members and friends to join BVBC for rides. We welcome guests to ride with us. Do not forget to consider participating in the weekly Thursday ride from the Cool Waters Parking Lot. Ride Chair Andy has curated a winner of a route in "Calhoun Cruise." It is a mere 23 miles that has riders feeling like they are many miles away from the metro area.

Bay View Bicycle Club is making a final push to fill open spots on the Course Marshal Sign Up Genius for the Centraal Bay View Classic races on June 26, 2025,

throughout the day and evening. Visit the link below to look and register:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054EAFAB29A4FB6-55353279-2025#/>.

If you cannot volunteer or attend the BV ToAD race, try to attend another. The series runs from 6/19/2025 through 6/29/2025. See schedule in the URL below:
<https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=1361288908423645&set=a.768935017659040>.

For those members that have never attended a ToAD race, it is quite the exhibit of cycling prowess. These are timed street races held in Southeast Wisconsin's most interesting neighborhoods. Many in the club have volunteered in various capacities, including serving as Course Marshals, so racers and fans do not have contact. The ToAD race series is incredibly unique. ToAD is the largest competitive road cycling series in the US. It hosts 11 straight days of racing throughout Southeast Wisconsin. I encourage the entire membership to attend at least one race and even get involved by volunteering.
<https://www.tourofamericasdairyland.com/get-involved/>.

If anyone is struggling staying connected to current events at Bay View Bicycle Club, send a note to the club info inbox (info@bayviewbikeclub.org). We consistently communicate via the Club Facebook Page, BVBC General WhatsApp and periodic emails to club membership. If you are not connected to one or more of those mediums, send a note to the info inbox. We want everyone to be well informed.

After the dust has settled from the Bay View ToAD race, on June 26th, BVBC has another picnic on Saturday, July 5, 2025, in the 19th Hole Picnic, in Oak Creek. The format is the same, with attendees bringing a dish to pass or \$10 at the door. Please RSVP by Sunday, 6/29/2025, noon:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805084BABA72FA64-57169429-bvbc>

Ride safe everyone and have fun!



Membership Notes

by JD Rindahl

Hi there BVBC family, J Rindahl here with a membership update for June. Our current membership is up to 155 people. That's down from just over 180 last year. So, if you haven't renewed your membership yet, please take a moment to do so. I would like to introduce the new members who have signed up since my last update.

Please help me welcome,

Elizabeth Watt

Devon Watt

Jan Young

Uliana Heron

Fahmi Mohammad

Noah Basting

If you see them out on ride, please make them feel welcome.

That's all I have for now. I hope to see you on one of our amazing rides.

July Membership Meeting

by Mike Dix

Bay View Bicycle Club July Membership Meeting will be Monday July 21st 6pm, Bay View Wheel and Sprocket. The July speaker will be Willie Karidis project manager for The Route of the Badger--part of the national Rails to Trails Conservancy. He'll discuss the history of the organization, plans for the future and how you can help.

Summer Riding Plans

By Mike Dix

Share your Summer Riding Plans with Bay View Bike Club

Planning on doing any non-club rides this summer? Share your information here -- other club members may want to join you!! If you plan on doing any one day or multi day rides this summer--Like the Scenic Shore, Bike to the Beat, Race the Lake etc. consider sharing the info here--others may want to come too. We'll compile the list and publish it in the June newsletter.

Send info to Mike.dix470@gmail.com

Message from our Ride Chair

By Andy Sikorski

As the calendar turns to April, we anticipate the start of another BVBC season. We had a great turnout at the kickoff party a couple of weeks back, where the season schedule was annou... Wait...what's that you say...?

I'm sorry, I'm now being told that the current newsletter deadline is for the June issue, not April, when this season preview article was originally scheduled to appear. I'm not sure how I keep missing deadlines - it sure hasn't been because I've been out riding in the beautiful Wisconsin spring weather.

My tardiness means you already know about the two brand new routes for the year - Pike River was ridden on April 26th and Calhoun Cruise is our primary Thursday evening route every week through July. We've also already ridden the two routes which had their start location moved to Oakwood Golf: Southern Sodbuster - and- Oakwood to Gorney (formerly named Gorney Park).

However, there are a few updates still worth discussing. After releasing an initial schedule with many more than the usual number of 'TBD' dates, a bunch of our favorite routes have been added back. Bugline, Classic Mash Up, Elm Grove Stonecutter, Oconomowoc Eagle, Three Trails West, and Waukesha - Wern Valley were temporarily on hold until we worked with the folks at the Waukesha County

Parks department to ensure we would be permitted to use portions of their county trails.

Another 'new' route is scheduled for June 28th. After too much tinkering by me and my predecessor (I'm looking at you, Joe), Gil's Ride TO Rome returns in its original form and with Dousman once again the start location. I'm looking forward to riding it as Gil intended it.

You'll also see a ride entitled Glacial Lake Scuppernong scheduled for July 12th. Many of the roads will be familiar from the former LaGrange - Southern Kettle, but the start location has been moved to Eagle Town Park. The name change is thanks to a suggestion from Helen, who through her exploration of the Ice Age Trail, felt it was fitting to recognize the huge body of water which once covered much of the area through which our Kettle Moraine routes pass.

The thing which many of these changes have in common is that they reduce driving times to the start locations. This has been a recurring theme of feedback received from members over the past few years. Hopefully this has been improved, but without sacrificing our traditional balance between the beautiful suburban and rural areas Southeastern Wisconsin has to offer.

The other change announced at the kickoff party is that this will be my final season as Ride Chair, and that's a topic I'll discuss further in the July edition (I'll set a reminder so I don't miss another deadline).

Stay safe, and I hope to see all of you on an upcoming ride.

We Have the Following Opportunities Available!

Ride with GPS savvy tech!

We're looking for a volunteer, who's willing to provide technical support, and guidance, to club members on how to use Ride with GPS, when needed.

If interested, please contact Andy Sikorski @ ajsikorski@hotmail.com.

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Newsletter

By Robin Beattie

Don't forget, all club members are welcomed and encouraged to submit articles of interest and pictures to the newsletter.

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Thanks Dean for keeping
our website updated!!

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Check out our club Facebook page for up-to-date information and events.

A Word About Your Electronic Information

Your privacy is important to us. We don't share any of our membership information with anyone except the current membership. We don't sell or forward your email address to any outside organizations. The BVBC board will distribute a club membership roster to current, paid club members once during the later part of the riding season. The roster will include name, address, phone and e-mail. It will be distributed in .pdf format. We will no longer print a membership directory on paper. If you do not want your contact information to be a part of the roster, you may indicate that by marking the check box on your membership application or renewal or by sending an e-mail to [membership-info@bayviewbikeclub.org].

With very few exceptions, all e-mails you get from us will be directly related to club activities. Please don't ask us to forward any e-mails to our membership. Please don't ask us to put you in contact with specific members. We don't do those things. If you would like to share your experiences about a particular ride, feel free to do that by submitting a comment or article for the newsletter. Many bicycle event organizers ask us to forward information about their ride to our members. In order to limit the number of e-mails you get from the club, we don't forward e-mails from outside organizations. We will publish information about rides, events etc. if it is submitted to the newsletter. You may also find information about the club, club rides and other bicycling events on the club Facebook page.



Let's Be Safe Out There!