

Where can I find the ride schedule?

The ride schedule is published on the web at [www.bikescbc.com](http://www.bikescbc.com) and in our monthly newsletter.

What equipment is required for a club ride?

Any manually propelled bicycle with brakes and approved bicycle helmet for all riders. A water bottle is also recommended as well as a map of the ride. Maps can be downloaded on our web site at [www.bikescbc.com](http://www.bikescbc.com).

Where do the rides start?

We have numerous starting locations in the local area. Directions are found at [www.bikescbc.com](http://www.bikescbc.com).

When should I show up for a ride?

A minimum of ten minutes before a ride is usually sufficient but you should be ready to ride by the published start time so as not to hold the group up.

Are non-members allowed on club rides?

Non-members are welcome on all local rides but some touring rides out of the local area are reserved for members only. Of course we encourage people to officially join to help us promote cycling.

How do I contact a ride leader to get more information?

The ride leader is listed on the monthly schedule with contact information.

How fast are the rides?

Rides are designated by the ride leader as to ability. "A" rides are for the fast riders with the ability to average above 18mph. "B" rides for those between 16-18. "C" rides for those 13-15. Open rides are available to riders of all abilities. "NR" is a designation for rides designed for new riders. It is suggested that new riders select a NR ride and inform the ride leader that you are concerned about being dropped.

I am under 18 years old. May I ride a SCBC ride?

Riders under 18 must be accompanied by an adult parent or guardian.

I would like to ride a SCBC published ride but I can't ride that far?

Any ride can be cut short. Inform the ride leader what you are doing and mark the actual number of miles ridden on the ride sheet.

The ride schedule lists a ride that starts at a different location. Where do I go?

Go to the location listed in the ride schedule. For a variety of reasons, a ride location may not be available but rides can be adjusted to fit the start location.

Where can I purchase the cool SCBC merchandise?

Club merchandise may only be purchased by club members. Club members may purchase club merchandise at (1) club meetings, (2) by contacting the merchandise manager by phone or email (contact information on web site) to make special arrangements.

What are some other benefits of SCBC membership?

Many local bike shops offer discounts to SCBC members, and most SCBC tours are for club members only. SCBC also offers July 4, New Year and Octoberfest picnics for members.

When I try to download a map, I get an error message that the file is corrupted. What do I do next?

This problem is caused if a file somehow gets corrupted during the original download. The problem is persistent because the browser knows that you already have that file but it doesn't realize that your copy is corrupt. Therefore it doesn't actually repeat the download process and you get the error message every time you try. The solution is to use the Tools tab in the browser, delete the browser history and then redo the download.

May I use the FB page to advertise items for sale?

The site is not meant for commercial purposes. It is meant to be used by SCBC members to share information on bicycling related topics and events. It is also meant to provide a forum to discuss topics of interest to SCBC members. Personal bicycling items may be advertised. You are welcome to add pictures appropriate to group rides or cycling activities. Posters should exercise good judgment and discretion in their comments and posts. Inappropriate posts will be deleted.

How do I join SCBC?

Application forms are found on the SCBC web at [www.bikescbc.com](http://www.bikescbc.com) or in a SCBC newsletter

at one of our local bike shops. Dues are \$20 for single member or \$28 for family.

My club mileage stats are way off.

Your club mileage reflected on the web and in the Spoken Word may vary considerably from your actual miles. Ride leaders may not turn the ride sheet in until several weeks after the ride. Your mileage may lag your actual total by over a month but it usually catches up toward the year end. With close to 1600 rides to process every year, some error is inevitable. An error rate of about 3% is considered normal. If you experience an error greater than that, please contact the statistician.