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SCBC Meetings



Canal Grille

2223 Locust St
Canal Fulton, OH

Date: The first Tuesday of the month
Time: 6:00 pm - Dinner (Optional, cost on your own)
7:00 pm - Business Meeting
7:40 pm - Program

Visit the Stark County Bike Club on the World Wide Web!

www.bikescbc.com



Join our Facebook group "Stark County Bicycle Club"
Set your notifications to stay in touch.
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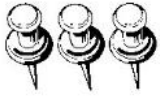
Dave Cardarella - Editor-

Articles should be sent to: davecardarella@gmail.com
Submissions are due by the 25th of the month.

Sally Griffiths - SCBC Plus Chairman

Spokin' Word SCBC Plus membership
Small - includes 2 memberships & 1/4 page photo \$50
Medium—includes 4 memberships & 1/2 page photo \$95
Large—included 8 memberships & Full page photo \$160

Questions regarding SCBC Plus should be directed to
sagriff64@gmail.com



Meeting Programs:

See you there!

No meeting in January or February

March 4—TBA

Programs needed, contact Dave Swinehart if you have a program idea.



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Sally Sez So...

from SCBC President Sally Griffiths

Happy New Year and Welcome to 2025!

I hope that all of our members had a wonderful holiday season with their families and friends.

As we begin a new year I want to thank our outgoing board members for their time, commitment, and service to the SCBC:

Vice President - Don Richards
Secretary - Karen Erdos
Treasurer - Paul Larsen
Trustee - Nikki Deligny
Trustee - Mike Johnson
Trustee by virtue of past VP- Paul Tucci
Trustee by virtue of past Pres.- Jim Weinschenk

A special thank you to Paul Schroedl for managing our website for the last decade and beyond!

I would like to give a warm welcome to our new board members:

Vice President - Dave Swinehart
Secretary - Fran Massaro
Treasurer - Roy Schlabach
Trustee - Bruce Treiber
Trustee - James Ruberti
Trustee by virtue of Past VP - Don Richards

The SCBC annual banquet is Saturday January 11, 2025, if you have not sent in your reservation you have until January 4 to send it in. The reservation form can be found on the SCBC website, as well as, the December Spokin word.

As we enter this new year, it is important we work together to bring this membership a monthly ride schedule that is accurate and user friendly. There has been a lot of work done over 2024 to bring a possible workable solution in 2025. In February, we will have a required meeting for all ride leaders to review important information. At this meeting Ben and Sharon will be sharing the new format that has been developed as well as reviewing the current Ride with GPS format. It is important for all ride leaders to attend this meeting so everyone is part of the decision making process as we ensure the best format for all ride leaders to load rides for the ride schedule. Date, time and location will be posted in the February Spokin Word.

Our Florida tour starts on Saturday, January 18 through Saturday, February 1, 2025. We currently have 39 members attending this year. The Florida ride schedule is in the works, with multiple rides modified and new rides added in order to work around clean up after the Hurricane. We will have copies of the Florida ride schedule available in Florida, as well as, daily updates sent via email to attendees. All rides will be posted in Ride with GPS. I wish everyone safe travels and I will see you in Florida!



If you have moved or had a change to your phone number in the past year, please send those updates to Thom Spellman so the members directory can be updated.

Safety Tip:

- Winter riding conditions are more challenging than in warmer weather, shorter rides and slower pace are better this time of year.
- Gear up to be seen with headlights, taillights and reflective gear.
- Check and adjust your tire pressure as air pressure loss happens in cold temperatures.
- Inflate your tires to the low end of recommended range.
- If the bike lane or shoulder has muck or ice, take the right traffic lane instead.
- Clean your bike to avoid grime build up from winter roads.

As always, we want all our members to be safe and enjoy their rides! Let's be proactive for a positive and most importantly, have a safe riding experience.

Sally G



Cycling Is Our Happy Place!

SCBC Banquet Celebrating 2024

The theme for the upcoming banquet was inspired by a charming bicycle-themed quilted wall hanging made and donated by Lucy Figg. It illustrates perfectly how riding can take us "away from all our cares and woes" to a very special and beautiful place. Somehow just getting on the bike makes everything alright. Indeed, "Cycling Is Our Happy Place."

The banquet is Saturday January 11 at Tozzi's on Twelfth St. NW in Canton. This year will have an earlier start: Social Hour begins at 5 PM, dinner is at 6 PM and the program including awards and prizes begins at 7 PM. The Reservation Form is in the December Spokin' Word and on the SCBC Website.

Back by popular demand are the Raffle Baskets which debuted last year and were well received. The committee will assemble a number of them and members are welcome to make and donate others if they wish and/or to donate items for placing in the baskets or on the Door Prize Table. The Triple Crown Raffle will be held again also. Three winners split the pot.

We also have a New Class of 80 Year Olds (Members Emeritus) being inducted. Qualifying for both free membership in SCBC and a complimentary banquet meal are Ed Dolby, Karen Erdos, Mary Lou Safran, Sara Schroedl, Stephen Spring and Linda Zaleski. We will be contacting the new 80 Year Olds with details.

So get your reservations in! The cost this year is \$32.00. Deadline to mail is January 4. Mail to SCBC Banquet, PO Box 592, Uniontown, OH, 44685. You can also use PayPal or bring cash or check to the December 3 membership meeting to be held at Cherry Blossom Banquet Center at 735 E. Cherry St., Canal Fulton 44614. If you think you've missed the deadline, call Karen to see if you can still make a reservation.

The now Fab Five Banquet Chairmen this year are Fran Massaro, Donna Benzing, Elaine Snively, Karen Erdos and new member Debbie Mohler. Welcome Debbie!! We are so glad that you are retired and can join us

Members may give prize table donations to any of the chairmen or to Sally Griffiths at rides, at the December meeting or by calling to make arrangements.

Questions to Karen at 330-284 7780 or kerdos77@gmail.com.



Hand Made Quilt donated by Lucy Figg

SCBC Annual Awards Banquet



Cycling Is Our Happy Place

Saturday, January 11, 2025

Tozzi's On 12th
4210 12th St. NW
Canton, OH 44708

- 5:00 pm Social Hour (with a variety of appetizers and cash bar)
- 6:00 pm Dinner
- 7:00 pm Introduction of Officers and Awards

Entrées:

- Char Grilled Strip Steak \$32
- Broiled Scrod in Butter Sauce \$32
- Grilled Breast of Chicken \$32
- Vegetarian Entrée \$32

All dinners include appetizers, entrée, house salad, baked potato, family style penne pasta/red sauce, rolls, beverage and SCBC Cake

Name	menu selection	
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
	Total	\$ _____

Make check payable to: Stark County Bicycle Club

Mail reservation form and check to: SCBC Banquet
P.O. Box 592
Uniontown, OH 44685-9998

Reservations must be mailed no later than January 4, 2025

Questions: Karen Erdos kerdos77@gmail.com 330-284-7780

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Ride Leader Qualifications and Responsibilities

As an SCBC ride leader, you are a representative of the club. As such, you should be informative and friendly and make sure that new riders feel they are part of the group. Your actions on club rides may be directly associated with SCBC by new riders. Please take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with the following guidelines.

Ride Leader Qualifications

Prior to becoming an SCBC ride leader, a rider must:

- Be an SCBC club member who has ridden with the club for at least 1 year on multiple rides and from multiple start locations.
- Mentor with multiple experienced ride leaders on at least 5 rides with the leader's knowledge that they are responsible for your training. For a list of experienced ride leaders, please see the Road Captain or a member of the board.
- Demonstrate safe riding on all club rides and show interest in promoting the development of both the cyclist and the club.

The Road Captain, mentors, and the board will subsequently review the above qualifications and have final say as to whether a person shall be permitted to lead SCBC club rides.

The Ride Leader will be trained on Ride with GPS schedule entry and will be committed to supporting the club in system utilization.

The following section outlines expected ride leader behavior.

1. RIDE SCHEDULE

- a. All rides should be scheduled in advance via the Ride with GPS system using the format of Start Location (in abbreviated form) Ride # Mileage, Time Ride leader, Ride Class, phone number of ride leader
Example: Lake Ave 478 29/52 9AM Leader, Class, phone number
- b. Any and all Cancellations should be posted as a message to Ride with GPS, edit the EVENT, and on the Facebook group page.
- c. For non-weather cancellations please attempt to seek another ride leader.
- d. Cold or inclement weather rides should have shortcut options and the group should make every effort to stay together on these rides.

2. BEFORE THE RIDE

- a. Arrive at least 15 minutes before the scheduled departure time to prepare yourself and your bike and to meet new riders.

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- b. Introduce yourself to the group as the ride leader. Let the riders know you appreciate their participation. If there are new riders, introduce yourself and attempt to determine if the person can safely do the route.
 - c. Make sure that all riders wear helmets.
 - d. Announce the route. If you have more than one route, make sure everyone knows which one they will be taking.
 - e. Discuss any potential hazards on the route.
 - f. Announce break stop locations and what services will be available. For rides over 40 miles there should be a break stop with restroom and water availability. Rides over 70 miles need at least 2 stops. It is highly advised that century rides have 3 stops.
 - g. Remind riders to inform the ride leader or another rider if they leave the route for any reason. Make sure they have your contact info, but they should be reminded that reception can be sketchy in many areas.
 - h. Remind riders that bicycles are vehicles and should obey traffic laws.
 - i. Make sure new riders who are not members are referred to www.bikescbc.com for membership information.

3. DURING THE RIDE

- a. Set an example regarding safety. It's unreasonable to expect others to ride safely if you aren't doing so yourself. Never engage with an aggressive driver. Always be prepared to de-escalate a road rage incident.
- b. If you observe unsafe actions, tactfully suggest to those committing those acts that they are endangering themselves and the group.
- c. Be careful to maintain the pace that was advertised on the ride schedule.
- d. If stronger riders decide to go faster, do not speed up to try to accommodate them.
- e. Never leave a rider stranded. The ride leader should be prepared to assist riders with mechanical problems if necessary. If you aren't especially adept at mechanical repairs, recruit someone else on the ride to lend assistance.
- f. Be cognizant of new riders during the entire ride. If they have overestimated their abilities and are not keeping up, either go back and ride with them or secure a volunteer to do so. Dropping a new rider is very poor cycling etiquette. Also, it could lead to a dangerous situation if the rider should crash, get a flat or get lost.

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- g. If an accident occurs, call 911 if you believe the rider is impaired beyond the ability to safely ride.
 - h. If a storm or dangerous environment occurs, be prepared to make a decision that all riders comply with regards to altering the route. Make sure everyone knows how to safely return.
 - i. If a road or bridge detour is encountered during the ride make sure all riders know how to navigate around the detour.
 - j. Please do NOT call "ALL CLEAR" at intersections. All riders are responsible for their own safety when crossing an intersection. Please don't assume it is safe to cross because the riders in front of you did not stop. Always slow down and look both ways before crossing.

4. SAFETY

- a. Don't block the roadway when motor vehicles are present and wanting to pass. Those at the front cannot always see the traffic behind the group. All riders should call out "car back" when a car approaches. The group should go single-file on two-lane roads when being passed by a car.
- b. Obey all traffic laws. Observe traffic control signs. Running a red light will not be tolerated.
- c. Don't pull in front of motorists at stop signs or lights. This only aggravates the motorists and forces them to have to pass you down the road.
- d. Use proper traffic lanes. Never ride left of center. Merge to the left-most lane before making a left turn. Make sure to check behind you for clearance before merging to the left.
- e. Use proper hand signals before turning.
- f. When stopped, make sure all riders are off the road.
- g. If there is a large group on the ride encourage the riders to split up in smaller groups so that traffic is not blocked on busy roads. Frustrated drivers make bad decisions that cause safety issues for everyone.
- h. Ride leaders are responsible for ensuring each rider's return to the starting location or ask for another rider to do so on their behalf.

Rider's Responsibilities

1. **YOU MUST WEAR A HELMET!** Headlights and taillights should be used on both day and night rides.
2. Riders must be ready to ride at designated ride time. We encourage all riders to be at ride 15 minutes prior to start time.
3. Obey all traffic laws. Communicate with hand signals when turning, stopping, or pointing out road hazards. Ride single file when traffic is behind you. Communicate to others in the group - car back, on your left, right turn, slowing, stopping, gravel, etc.
4. Slower riders should keep to the right side of the road to allow other riders to safely pass. Do NOT pass another cyclist on their right. If passing on the left of a slower rider, pass then get back towards the right side in case someone else wants to pass you. This is important to safely navigate climbing and descending hills. All passing should be verbally communicated.
5. **Don't confront motorists - get the tag number and vehicle description, then report the incident to the police.**
6. Make sure you have the cue sheet downloaded to your device or carry a printed copy. If you get separated from the group, you must be able to find your way. Re-grouping is up to the ride leader.
7. When stopping on the road to regroup, waiting for others, making an adjustment, etc., **get completely off the road** or trail.
8. Make sure you have your ride leader's contact info and a fully charged cell phone with which to call them if there is a problem.
9. Bring adequate water and snacks for the length of the ride. Also be prepared for sudden weather changes.

Bring an ID, charge card and/or money on the ride with you.
10. Make sure your bicycle is in safe working order before the ride. Make sure you have tools with you for basic maintenance; especially those required to fix a flat. You should know how to fix your own flat. If you do not, contact your local bike shop, friend, or even the ride leader.
11. Always ride within your ability
12. Please do not call out "ALL CLEAR" at intersections. All riders are responsible for their own safety when crossing an intersection. Please don't assume it is

safe to cross because the riders in front of you did not stop. Always slow down and look both ways before crossing.

13. Lastly, pack a large dose of good humor. You'll have good rides, bad rides, cold rides, hot rides, wet rides, all kinds of rides but if you bring your sense of humor you will enjoy spending time in the saddle with other bike-loving comrades regardless of the conditions!



Perry Helping Perry Bike Program Christmas Event 2024

The annual Perry Helping Perry (PHP) Christmas Event was held on December 14, 2024, at Perry Christian Church. This was the 4th year for the PHP Bike Program giveaway. There were over 380 Children represented in the entire community program which included age-appropriate gifts for selection along with a mix of new and like-new bikes. All bikes and helmets were free for any child participant who desired one. We gave away 127 bikes of all sizes from 12in wheel to 700 wheels in just over 3 hours. Bruce Mencer, Don Royer, and I worked all summer and fall to recondition used bikes into these Christmas Day Gems. Special thanks to SCBC for providing financial support and to those Members arranging for bike donations in 2024.

“Every Kid Should Have A Bike”

Dennis Updike



Photo by Dennis Updike



Photo by Dennis Updike



Photo by Dennis Updike



Photo by Rich Aeling

Dennis Updike aka Bike Santa gets two more bikes from Deacon Tom Mierzwa

A Blast From the Past

Submitted by Rich Aeling



Members of the Stark County Bicycle Club are currently riding portions of planned bikeway systems for Stark County. Some riders who participated in a ride Sunday

are shown above. From left are Geoffrey, Sherrie and Gregory Hobe, Carol Messenger and Paul Hobe.

By DEBBIE BLAKE

A 180-mile network of bikeways will crisscross the county if plans of the Stark County Bikeways Committee are realized.

The volunteer committee is headed by Alliance native Joe Quaranta and has been active in drawing up plans for a bikeway system since last April.

The current plan includes 25 miles of class one bikeways, part of which will be constructed through the Canton Park System. Class one bikeways are separate, paved roadways for the exclusive use of bicycles.

Canton park officials view the bikeway system favorably and plan to use community development funds for the construction of the route. It is hoped that work on the Canton route can begin in the spring.

The committee would also like to construct a class one route along the abandoned Penn Central tracks between

Alliance and Minerva.

The remaining miles of routes would probably consist of class two and three bikeways, linked together and joining the class one routes. Class two bikeways are special lanes marked off for bicycles along existing roads and class three routes are simply roads posted with bike route signs.

Another possibility for a class one route, hinges on the passage of the metropolitan park levy on the November General Election ballot. A route would be constructed near Hartville through Quail Hollow Park and could extend as far as the county line where it would link up with a 15-mile class one route constructed by Summit County.

Currently the committee meets monthly at Malone College, but Quaranta would like to begin meeting at various locations in the county to better present the plans to local residents.

The committee is com-

prised of representatives from all parts of the county and is working with the Stark County Area Transportation Study.

Mike Wackerly, chief transportation engineer for SCATS, serves as the liaison between the committee and SCATS.

A tentative system of routes has been selected by the committee and members are taking rides along those routes to determine if they are suitable for bikeways and to select possible alternate routes.

The committee is being assisted by members of the Stark County Bicycle Club who are planning some of their regular weekend rides along the planned bikeway routes.

Quaranta said riders are needed to survey some of the routes, particularly those planned in the Alliance area. Interested persons may contact Wackerly or Pat Dugan at the Regional

Planning Commission offices in Canton at the county office building.

The committee also has a speakers bureau and a slide program available to interested organizations. Speakers may be scheduled by calling RPC. The county telephone number for Alliance is 821-8742.

Committee members also plan to meet with city and village councils and township trustees to solicit support of the bikeway system. The Stark Bicycle Club has scheduled its November meeting at the Goodwill Center in Canton where they will present the bikeway plans to Senator Ralph Regula.

The bike club is seeking Regula's support of a county bikeway system. The meeting is open to the public and refreshments will be served. It is scheduled Nov. 21 at 7:30 p.m. Regula will discuss current legislation on bikeways.

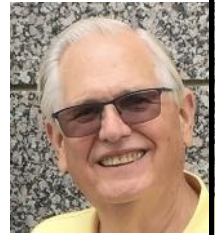
New Wheels



Photo by Bob Thompson

Dave Cardarella and Marilyn Perdue
With their new Terratrike Tandem Pro

SCBC Membership Report 12/27/2024



<u>Current Memberships</u>	249
Approximate Total Members	318
Patron 3 (\$75)	26
Patron 2 (\$55)	6
Patron 1 (\$45)	8
Family (Including 15 Patrons)	69
Individual (Including 25 Patrons)	180

The last mail pickup was Friday, December 27
New memberships since October 1, 2023 = 36

Thom Spellman
Membership Chairman



The Stark County Bicycle Club now has 20% discount Link for ROAD ID.

Road ID has impacted over 5 million lives since 1999. Road ID's mission is to educate outdoor enthusiasts about the importance of wearing ID and to provide athletes with innovative identification products that they will want to include as part of their gear.

This ID can be worn on your wrist, watchband or shoe.

The information on your ID is customized to your needs: Name, address, emergency contacts, allergies just to list a few options.

So don't hesitate to click on the link below and give you and your family a peace of mind when you are out on the road or wherever your travels may lead you.

A special thanks to Nikki Deligny for applying for this discount for our club!

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rfsn=7883216.ed270a4&utm_source=teamsprogram&utm_medium=affiliate&utm_campaign=teamsgroupsclubs-
20percentdiscount](https://roadid.com/pages/groupdiscount?rfsn=7883216.ed270a4&utm_source=teamsprogram&utm_medium=affiliate&utm_campaign=teamsgroupsclubs-20percentdiscount)

Introducing the Legacy Patron Membership

Many of you are familiar with the popular Patron Memberships that SCBC has offered the membership since Dick Akers introduced them a number of years ago. As of now there are 40 Patron Members in the club. These offer members the opportunity to support the bike club with a greater dues amount than the regular membership.

Recently the Board was approached by a member who wanted to give a larger donation to the club and wanted to be remembered by the club into the future.

After some preliminary discussion a motion was made by Karen Erdos at the December Board meeting to create a Legacy Patron Membership. It was "I move that SCBC establish an additional Patron Membership category: that of Legacy Patron. Any Individual or Family member can become a Legacy Patron/s with a one-time payment of \$500.00 or more. That will entitle the member to a Lifetime Membership in SCBC and an "in perpetuity" listing in the Patron Membership List everywhere that list is published. Currently the list is on the homepage of the SCBC Website and in each edition of the newsletter the Spokin' Word. Friends or relatives of a current or past member may also purchase such a membership for the member. A Legacy Patron Membership would not be applicable to SCBC Plus members. (business members) The SCBC Code of Conduct would apply to Legacy Patrons. Donations made to the club for this new Patron Membership would be tax deductible." Don Richards seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

The option of Legacy Patron or Supporter has been added to the Membership Application. Any member can upgrade their current membership to Legacy Patron at renewal time (the SCBC membership year begins on April 1st) or anytime.

See Membership Chairman Thom Spellman to do so.

Karen Erdos
December 2024



The Stark County Bicycle Club Patron's List

On behalf of the Membership,

we would like to thank the following people for their support to our club



Tim Conley
Joshua & Paige Haley
Patrick Keenan
Scott Low
Steve McGinnis
Tim Robison
Tom & Beth Sinacore
Jodi Taylor



Karen Erdos
Carl Humenik
Eric Johnson
Erik & Georgeta Nedelcu
John & Fran Shaeffer
Dwight Witte



Bill Allen
Lark Dickstein-Rienerth
Bob & Shelley Doerschuk
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Robert & Cindy Eicher
Sharon & Alan Fritts
Sally Griffiths
Lindsay & Tim Hart
Ken Knabe
David McKinley
Kevin & Theresa Mikesell
Larry Petrasek
Chris Redmond
Michael Reed
Scott Rini
Sandy & Ed Robitz
James Ruberti
Denny Simon
Elaine & John Snively
Robert & Janice Spalding
Stephen & Carol Spring
Bruce Treiber
Bob & Valerie Valentine
Jim & Barbara Weinschenk
Benjamin Young

Legacy Member

Rich & Treva Aeling

January Birthdays As of 12-27-2024		
	Birthday	Spouses Birthday
Richard Hoffman	01/01	
Gordon Wyles	01/01	
Lillian Oberjohn		01/03
Phil Kneessi	01/04	
Ken Sharrock		01/04
Ernie Jr Lehman	01/08	
John Schumacher	01/08	
Clyde Steiner	01/08	
Joe Carpenter	01/10	
Thomas Kinney	01/11	
Paul Borowski	01/13	
Claire Knott		01/13
Molly Lehman	01/13	
Sue Bruce		01/14
David Cassel	01/14	
Laura Tucci		01/15
Christine Hamilton	01/16	
Susan Hoffman		01/18
David McCuen	01/18	
Janice McWilliams	01/18	
Sara Schroedl		01/19
Tim Conley	01/20	
James Ruberti	01/20	
Shelley Doerschuk		01/21
Ken Knabe	01/21	
Jodi Taylor	01/21	
Bill Oberjohn	01/22	
Larry Petrsek	01/22	
Mary Lou Safran	01/25	
Scott Kenreich	01/26	
Jim Benzing		01/28
Glen Whipple	01/28	
Sandy Robitz	01/29	
Paul Tucci	01/30	
Eric Whittington	01/30	
Leurene Hildenbrand	01/31	

February Birthdays As of 12-27-2024		
	Birthday	Spouses Birthday
Dale Seeds	02/01	
Mark Hoffman	02/02	
Mary Merritt	02/02	
Valerie Valentine		02/02
Dominic Paglialunga	02/03	
Michael Burnett	02/04	
Roy Schlabach	02/05	
Chuck Knott	02/07	
Renee Clark	02/10	
Jimmy Seal	02/11	
Joshua Haley	02/12	
Bonnie Burns		02/13
David Clark		02/15
Jeffrey Smiley	02/15	
Mindy Borowski		02/16
Barbara Weinschenk		02/16
Chet Warren	02/18	
Stuart Hamilton	02/20	
Bill Trissel	02/20	
Janice McWilliams		02/21
Ted Lawson	02/22	
Donald Bunker	02/23	
Mark Byrd	02/23	
Ken Hlavac	02/27	
Charles Johnson III	02/28	



Stark County Bicycle Club Ride Schedule Information

SCBC RIDE GUIDELINES HELMETS ARE REQUIRED ON ALL CLUB RIDES AND INVATIONALS

Participants under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or other adult supervisor on all rides and at all Club activities.

Club rides are listed with letters denoting the Ride classification so riders will know if a ride is suited to their skill level.

Registration for all rides will be 15 minutes prior to the starting time listed.

Please call the Ride Leader or Road Captain if you have any questions about weather, route or difficulty of ride

Most of our rides can easily be shortened, if you are looking for less distance. Just let the ride leader know your intentions.

Non-Members are always welcome on club rides

Dress appropriately for the weather conditions.

CLASS A - Fast pace (over 19mph). An **A** rider is in excellent condition, can maintain a 19 mph pace for extended periods, and can complete a century (100 miles), even in adverse conditions of weather, traffic and terrain, in under 7 hours.

CLASS B - Moderately fast pace (15 -19 mph). A **B** rider is a strong rider, feels comfortable sharing the road with traffic, and can complete a century (100 miles) in under 8 hours.

CLASS C - Moderate pace (10 -14 mph). A **C** rider is a competent rider, in good conditions, can handle most traffic conditions, and can complete a 50 mile ride in under 6 hours.

CLASS D - Slow pace (5—9 mph). A **D** rider is a steady rider who may not feel comfortable in traffic and does not wish to attempt rides in excess of 20 miles. Should be able to complete a 20 mile ride in 3 hours

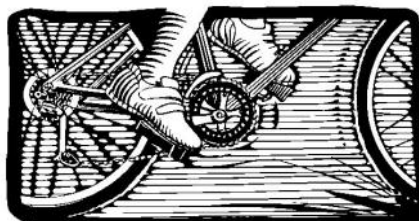
CLASS O - Open pace. Class **O** is given to a ride on which riders, including the ride leader, will be riding at whatever pace they choose.

CLASS MTB - Trail rides which may require technical ability or special bikes. These trails may have obstacles such as rocks, mud, logs or stream crossings.

CLASS NR - New Rider. Class **NR** is given to a ride specifically intended for new riders, who may be new to group riding. The ride leader will attempt to communicate "rules of the road" and will always stay with the slowest rider. Everyone is encouraged to ride together at the pace determined by those participating.

CLASS TRL - Rides which are entirely on trails or bike paths. They may be paved or hard packed

TOURIST CLASS - A special designation given to **C** and **D** rides which are designed to appeals to those who don't mind riding long distances, but who also like to take their time and stop to see places of interest along the way. These rides will generally have a destination of special interest where time will be taken to explore, investigate and enjoy the sights. All riders will be encouraged to ride together in a group with the ride leader.



January 2025 Ride Schedule from RWGPS

Note: This schedule was accurate on 12/30/2024.
The RWGPS schedule can change anytime.
Please check the online schedule everyday for changes.

Jan 1 [Dalton 518-50, 12:00pSF418.5285](#) Dalton Village Green Park
Jan 2 12:00 pm, [CF-545-30 12:00 MB 330-754-8753 O](#) Canal Fulton
Jan 3 10:00 am [LCP 449-23 Lt John 10:00 354-9971 O](#) Lake Community Park
Jan 3 10:00 am [JackP 567-24,10:00am, Peg S 330-575-5334 CLO. Canceled](#) Jackson Community Park
Jan 4 11:00 am [AL 131 22 11a SG O](#) Al Leno Park
Jan 4 12:00 pm [Lake Ave 478-52/29 12p SF 418.5285](#) Lake Avenue Trailhead
Jan 5th [NP 140-28, 9:30 AM Treiber B](#) New Philadelphia Southside Community Park , 330.844.1434, Class B ride
Jan 5 12:00 pm [LC 122 21 12p SG O](#) Lake community Park
Jan 5 12:00 pm [Dalton 537-55 12pm SFritts](#) Dalton Village Green Park
Jan 6 10:00 am [LCP 513-25 10:00 Lt John 354-9971 O](#) Lake Community Park
Jan 6 12:00 pm [CLN 210-25 12:00 MB 330-754-8753 O](#) Clinton Trailhead
Jan 7th [FL 144-24, 3:30 PM Treiber B](#) Fort Laurens Bolivar, Bruce Treiber 330 844-1434 B ride
Jan 7 12:00 pm [Dalton 560-26/53, 12 p SF 418.5285](#) Dalton Village Green Park
Jan 8 1:15 pm [CRP-203-19 MB 330-754-8753 1:15pm O](#) Craig Pittman Park
Jan 8 1:30 pm [Al Leno 248- 26, 1:30 PM Lt John O](#) Al Leno Park
Jan 9 12:00 pm [CF-378-30/47 12:00 MB 330-754-8753 O](#) Canal Fulton
Jan 10 10:00 am [LCP 452 - 25/30 - 10:00 AM Lt John 354-9971 O](#) Lake Community Park
Jan 10 10:00 am [Jack,526-26,10:00am,Peg S 330-575-5334. Cl O](#) Jackson Community Park
Jan 11th [FPS 231-30, 9:00 AM Treiber B](#) Franklin Park Strasburg Bruce Treiber 330 844-1434 Class B ride
Jan 11 11:00 am [AL 246 21 11a SG O](#) Al Leno Park
Jan 12 12:00 pm [LC 245 23 12p SG O 705-4435](#) Lake Community Park
Jan 12 12:00 pm [CF-344-18 12p MB 330-754-8753 O](#) Canal Fulton Park
Jan 12 2:30 pm [LakeT,182,16-27,2:30pm,Peg S Cl O](#) Lake Avenue Trailhead
Jan 13th [LCP 563-28 10:00 Lt John 354-9971 O](#) Lake Community Park
Jan 13 12:00 pm [CLN 568-26 12:00 MB 330-754-8753 O](#) Clinton Trailhead
Jan 14th [MTZ 367-27, 3:30 PM Treiber B](#) Metzger Park, Bruce Treiber 330 844-1434 B ride
Jan 14 12:00 pm [CF 559-41 12p SF O](#) Canal Fulton Park
Jan 15 1:15 pm [CRP-466-21 MB 330-754-8753 1:15pm O](#) Craig Pittman Park
Jan 15 1:30 pm [Q H 512-22/29, 1:30 PM, Lt John O](#) Quail Hollow Park
Jan 16th [CRP-225-33 12:00 MB 330-754-8753 O](#) Craig Pittman Park
Jan 17 12:00 am [LCP 245 23/30 10:00 AM Lt John O](#) Lake Community Park
Jan 18th [Crs 427-31, 9:00 AM Treiber B](#) Crossroads Plaza Bruce Treiber 330 844-1434 Class B ride
Jan 18 8:30 am [IS FW 938-28/34 8:30am Fritts 418.5285](#) Island Sun to First Watch for Breakfast
Jan 18 2:00 pm [IS 962-38 2p SF 418.5285](#) Island Sun, Legacy Trail to DerDutchman
Jan 19 9:30 am [IS Moon 911-34/46/66 SF 418.5285](#) Island Sun to Moon or Northport
Jan 20 9:30 am [IS Costco 943-47 9:30 Sally](#) Island Sun/New Honore/Costco
Jan 20 10:00 am [LCP 564-29 10:00 AM 354-9971 Lt John O](#) Lake Community Park
Jan 20 12:00 pm [CLN 420-21 12:00 MB 330-754-8753 O](#) Clinton Trailhead
Jan 20 2:30 pm [IS 908 15 2:30PM DM O 575-1399](#) ISLAND SUN TO SHARKEYS
Jan 21 [AL 389-29, 3:30 PM Treiber B](#) Al Leno Community Park, Bruce Treiber 330 844-1434 B ride
Jan 21 9:00 am [IS/LT 967-49 \(10a\);/75 \(9a\) SF](#) Start at Macintosh Rd Access pt on Legacy Trail; start at IS for long

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Jan 22 9:00 am [IS/BOCA 968-78 9am Fritts 418.5285](#) IS to Boca Grande Need \$3 for bridge
Jan 22 10:00 am [LB/Boca 907-53 10:00 MF, O, 330-323-7039, Wed. 1/22](#) Island Sun
Jan 22 10:00 am [AL 248-26 10am TS 807-7651 O](#) Al Leno Community Park
Jan 22 11:00 am [Pioneer to Boca 928-32 11 am](#) Pioneer Trailhead
Jan 22 1:15 pm [CRP-515-28 MB 330-754-8753 1:15pm O](#) Craig Pittman Park
Jan 23 10:00 am [Myakka 903-36/61 10am](#) Myakka State Park, Myakka FL
Jan 23 12:00 pm [MTZG-367-27 12:00 MB 330-754-8753 O](#) Metzger Park
Jan 24 9:30 am [IS/Mote 966-45/54 9:30 Fritts 418.5285](#) Island Sun to Mote Aquarium or
stop in Sarasota at Bay Front Park for 45 miles
Jan 24 10:00 am [CraigP,466-21, 10:00am PegS330-575-5334 CLO](#) Craig Pittman Park
Jan 24 10:00 am [LCP 452-25/30 10am TS 807-7651 O](#) Lake Community Park
Jan 25 9:00 am [IS-CapeHz 969-63 9:00SF](#) Island Sun-Venice Cape Haze Loop
Jan 25 9:30 am [IS 964 43 9:30AM DM O 5751399](#) ISLAND SUN NORTH POINT BUTLER
Jan 26th [LAT 444-34, 1:00 PM Treiber B](#) Lake Ave Trailhead Bruce Treiber 330 844-1434 Class B ride
Jan 26 9:30 am [IS Casey 910-33/44 SG](#) Island Sun-New Honore-Casey Key Loop
Jan 26 9:30 am [IS Moon 911-34/46/66 SF 418.5285](#) Island Sun to Moon or Northport
Jan 26 12:00 pm [CF-348-27 MB 330-754-8753 12:00 O](#) Canal Fulton
Jan 26 2:30 pm [LakeT,182,16-27,2:30pm,Peg S.330-575-5334CO](#) Lake Avenue Trailhead
Jan 27 10:00 am [IS Siesta 917-45 10am Fritts 418.5285](#) Island Sun to Siesta Key
Jan 27 12:00 pm [CLN 423-26 12:00 MB 330-754-8753 O](#) Clinton Trailhead
Jan 28th [CPN 585-28, 3:30 PM Treiber B](#) Craig Pittman Memorial Park , Bruce Treiber 330 844-1434 Class B ride
Jan 28 9:00 am [IS/LT 967-49 \(10a\);/75 \(9a\) SF](#) Start at Macintosh Rd Access pt on Legacy Trail; start at IS for long
Jan 29 9:30 am [IS Costco 943-47 9:30 SG](#) IS New Honore to Costco Loop
Jan 29 10:00 am [AL 248-26 10am TS 807-7651 O](#) Al Leno Community Park
Jan 29 1:15 pm [CRP-436-18 MB 330-754-8753 1:15pm O](#) Craig Pittman Park
Jan 30 9:00 am [IS/AnnaMarie 924-88 9:00 SF](#) IS to Anna Marie Island;
Option to start at Mote Aq and ride up to Anna Marie
Jan 30 9:30 am [Is/Mote 966-45/54 9:30 SG O](#) IS to Mote Aquarium or turn around early at Bay Front Park;
Option to start at Mote and ride to Anna Marie
Jan 30 12:00 pm [CF-303-28 12:00 MB 330-754-8753 O](#) Canal Fulton
Jan 31 9:00 am [IS/BOCA 968 9am Fritts 418.5285](#) IS to Boca Grande Need \$3 for bridge
Jan 31 10:00 am [IS 965 3710a DM O 5751399](#) ISLAND SUN POP'S SUNSET GRILL
Jan 31 10:00 am [LCP 245-23/30 10am TS 807-7651 O](#) Lake Community Park
Feb 2 9:30 am [IS-CapeHz 969-63 9:30SF](#) Island Sun-Venice Cape Haze Loop
Feb 2 9:00 am [IS Moon 911-34/46/66 SF 418.5285](#) Island Sun - North Port



January Map News

Ride with GPS Club Account If you want to join the SCBC RideWithGPS Club Account, which is where all our digital maps are stored and listed, send a request to the SCBC Membership Chairman, currently Thom Spellman. You will receive an invite link. Click on the link and follow the directions provided. There are a number of benefits to joining, including voice navigation as you ride using either your cell phone, Garmin, or other GPS device. You must be a club member to join. And don't forget that all of our "paper" maps are available in pdf format at bikescbc.com. Also a list of Starting Locations, a map of Starting Locations, and a complete downloadable Map List providing information about each of our rides can be found on the club website.



New Routes:

967-49 Sarasota Lakes

Route starts in Sarasota at the McIntosh Rd. access point for the Legacy Trail. A 49 mile route with a rest stop at mile 28 at Publix.

Originated by Bill Mishler, Dec. 2024

Ride with GPS link: ridewithgps.com/routes/49276893

967-74 Sarasota Lakes

Route starts at the Island Sun in Venice, total mileage 74 miles. A 49 mile route also available. Rest stop at mile 40 at Publix.

Originated by Bill Mishler, Dec. 2024

Ride with GPS link: ridewithgps.com/routes/49341450

968-Island Sun to Boca Grande-No Manasota Key

Starts at the Island Sun Inn, 625 Tamiami Trail S, Venice FL 34285.

Originated by Sharon Fritts Dec 2020

958 uses the Venetian Waterway Trail, local neighborhood streets bypassing Manasota Key, a few miles of major highways with bike lanes, passes through the Rotonda to Cape Haze Pioneer Trail, and onto Gasparilla Island by way of the Boca Causeway. \$3.00 per bike at the toll booth. The Ride Leader should collect money in advance and pay for the group. The route is out and back. The historic Lighthouse and Museum at the turnaround point on the Southern tip of Gasparilla Island is well worth a visit.

RideWithGPS Map: ridewithgps.com/routes/34838125

969-Island Sun Cape Haze Loop via Pioneer Trail

Starts at the Island Sun Inn, 625 Tamiami Trail S, Venice FL 34285.

Originated by Sharon Fritts Dec 2020. Revised Dec 2024

Route goes through Englewood to the Rotonda. Route stops at Publix and Continues on the Pioneer Trail to Cape Haze. New route avoids traffic on Placida into Eglewood.

Ride with GPS link: ridewithgps.com/routes/49341495

If you would like to submit a new route or update an existing route please contact me.

Rob Stewart

bikerstew@icloud.com

330-807-5594

Map Librarian/Cartographer



January 2025 Florida

Stark County Bicycle Club Florida Tour dates for 2025 are Saturday Jan.18 to Saturday Feb. 1, 2025.

The SCBC was able to negotiate and secure 20 rooms at the Island Sun for 139.99 plus tax for a standard King or Double Queen room. Rooms with Kitchenette are 149.00 plus tax and Deluxe Suites are 159.00 a night plus tax. These rates are only valid until Dec 15, 2024. After that all unreserved rooms will be released and rate change may apply. I urge you to book your rooms as soon as possible as it is my understanding that we will be sharing the hotel with another Bike club out of Indianapolis.

Cancellation Policy: The guest can cancel free of charge until December 15th 2024. Should you cancel after Dec. 15th you will be responsible for charges of the first night room rate plus tax.

No Show Policy: No show policy applies to the guest who has a reservation at the Island Sun, who does not appear on the reservation date of arrival. No show will be charged a penalty equivalent to the 7 nights room rate plus tax and fees per room.

Once you have made your reservation, please sent me text or email so you may be added to communication list

Thank you
Sally

Insurance Waiver Reminder

All Club members must sign the insurance waiver in order to participate on SCBC rides.

You may find this form on the SCBC Web page on the left hand side 5th item down titled Insurance Waiver.

There are 2 insurance waivers, one for adults and one for a minor. A separate copy for each adult and minor is needed.

If you did not fill out an insurance waiver and sent in with your 2024 membership form, please do so as soon as possible. You may also give to any ride leader or mail in to SCBC, P.O. Box 592 Uniontown, Ohio 44685.

Thank you

New & Featured Member Articles

We all have a story to tell, New Members and Seasoned Veterans alike. What is better than sharing that story with other members of the Club in the "Spokin' Word". We need New and Existing Member articles to feature in our newsletter, so we can enjoy those stories and get to better know each other.

We always need articles for upcoming newsletters, so I urge anyone who would like to share a story about themselves with photographs to please contact me by e-mail or phone. The deadline for submitting articles is the 10th day of the prior month. My phone number is 330-453-6360 and e-mail lshaheen14@icloud.com. I look forward to hearing from you.

This position is open, Please contact Sally Griffiths if you are interested.

New & Featured Member Representative

Ride With GPS - Year To Date Mileage

SCBC 2024 Road 38574 Total Miles as of 12/27/2024

Michael Johnson	8923	Mary Ellen Valentino	2022	Beth Sinacore	558
Sally Griffiths	5798	John Shaeffer	1899	Matthew Brown	378
Bill Allen	4747	Bill Simons	1495	Erik Nedelcu	366
Bill Trissel	4106	Kate Potashnik	847	Dwight Witte	101
Bruce Treiber	3501	Mark Bruce	757		
Thom Spellman	2474	David Klausner	602		

SCBC 2024 Open 237627 Total Miles as of 12/27/2024

Sharon Fritts	16616	Don Royer	4521	James Ruberti	1672
Bill Allen	11004	Jim Vaccaro	4443	John Snively	1609
Bill Mishler	10335	Karen Mueller	4196	Mark Erzen	1604
Roy Schlabach	9834	Donald Richards	4023	Frances Massaro	1508
Michael Johnson	9479	Bob Evans	3990	Dave Swinehart	1332
Peg Stoner	8474	Greg Dyer	3782	Benjamin Young	1283
Steve Silver	8049	Mark Coventry	3669	Carl Humenik	1130
Dave Cardarella	7550	Lucy Figg	3474	Linda Christman	1077
Deborah Hunter	7532	Nick DiMauro	3403	Kate Potashnik	847
Rob Stewart	7217	Ryan Grewell	3370	Steve McGinnis	753
Mike Figg	6876	Dirk Doverspike	3039	Diana Stutzman	660
Sally Griffiths	6470	Rick Davis	2545	Karen Schlabach	582
Jim Weinschenk	6434	Lyn Baker	2524	Don Kessel	522
Chuck Knott	6137	Matthew Long	2130	Phil Christman	505
Robert Valentine	5922	Steve Kosunick	2111	Erik Nedelcu	366
Deborah Mohler	5560	Barb Howley	2091	Buck Kidd	271
Bruce Treiber	5494	Donna Benzing	2030	Paul Larsen	236
Pamela Sayre	5083	Ed Howley	1966	Bruce Mencer	200
Mel Slebert	4978	Paul Chip Klingaman	1930	Paul Mallue	192
Tom Bower	4826	Jim Herberger	1698	Karen Erdos	82
Andrew Hodgson	4658	Denny Simon	1677	Monica Coventry	56

SCBC 2024 Ebike 678 Total Miles as of 12/27/2024

Dennis Updike	678		
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Commuter Miles

Commuting miles are defined as any miles on the bike during which you substitute a bicycle for a motor vehicle. You can include trips to work, school, appointments, errands and riding to a club ride (SCBC scheduled ride miles should not be included in your commuter miles).

Reporting will be on the Honor System. Send your miles via email to davecardarella@gmail.com once a month. I will track your miles and they will be reported in the newsletter. If you miss a month, just send me your miles and I will include them.

Dave

2024 SCBC Commuter Miles

	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Mark Bruce	163	201	160	214	262	110	152	152	201	306	164	101	2186
Dave Cardarella	67	286	423	121	178	31	386	226	80	241	15	32	2086
Rich Grella													0
Ken Hlavac	273	337	275	85	139	96	108	134	81				1528
Mary Hlavac	30	38	67	10	8	6	0	9	0				168
Marilyn Perdue	67	286	423	121	178	61	386	226	105	241			2094
Toni Powell		48	192	16	83	44			46	10		32	471
Don Royer	116	416	694	152	160	100	54	53	122	133	101		2101
Linda Shaheen					20		19		39				78
Alex Swinehart													0
Bella Swinehart													0
Dave Swinehart													0
Jacquelyn Swinehart													0
Madalyn Swinehart													0
Paul Tucci			51										51
Benjamin Young		10		17		101	240	117	38				523
SCBC total													11286

**Congratulations
to the 2023
Commuter
Miles winner

Ben Young**



Commuter miles	
2023	17,657
2022	13,912
2021	22,728
2020	16,907
2019	11,852
2018	11,588
2017	18,747
2016	14,547
2015	20,164

How Much Air Pollution Is Prevented When Commuting by Bicycle?

10 mile round trip commute 5 days a week for a year (2600 miles annually)

Small car	35 mpg	68 gallons of gas	.7 Tons of CO ₂
Midsize car	20 mpg	124 gallons of gas	1.3 Tons of CO ₂
SUV or 4x4	14 mpg	170 gallons of gas	1.9 Tons of CO ₂

And those are just the pollutants from fuel use. From the foam and plastic in its seats to the petroleum in its tires, each car is a small pollution factory. Several tons of waste and 1.2 billion cubic yards of polluted air are generated in its manufacture alone! In 2008 the US produced 1.6 million billion metric tons of waste mining ore for automotive production. In the US each year, painting and coating cars produces 40 million pounds of air releases and 24 million pounds of hazardous wastes.

During its lifetime, on the road, each car produces another 1.3 billion cubic yards of polluted air and scatters an additional 40 pounds of worn tire particles, brake debris and worn road surface into the atmosphere.

Bicycling significantly reduces transportation emissions while also reducing traffic congestion and the need for petroleum. The total number of pounds of pollutants, (comprised of hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides and carbon dioxide), emitted per year is 12,140.30 lbs/year (or 0.97 lbs/mile) for passenger cars and 17,025.80 lbs/year (or 1.21 lbs/mile) for light trucks.



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SCBC Membership Meeting Minutes December 3, 2024

President Sally Griffiths opened the meeting at 7:00 PM at the Cherry Blossom Banquet Center on Cherry St. in Canal Fulton. 20 members attended and enjoyed a potluck of appetizers and desserts prior to the meeting. Attending were Fran Massaro, Bob Evans, Karen Erdos, Thom Spellman, Dave Swinehart, Rob Stewart, Sally Griffiths, Sharon Fritts, Ben Young, Lindsay Hart, Dirk Doverspike, Debbie Mohler, Don Richards, James Ruberti, Mike and Lucy Figg, Jim Herberger, Peg Stoner, Paul Larsen and Ray Durkee.

Secretary Karen announced that Get Well wishes went out to Marilyn Perdue who had surgery after a cycling fall in Florida several weeks ago. Karen announced that Dave Swinehart had a birthday on December 28.

Karen announced that the Annual Banquet will be held on Saturday January 11 at Tozzi's on 12th St. NW in Canton. Start time is 5:00 PM. Chairmen are Debbie Mohler, Fran Massaro, Donna Benzing, Elaine Snively and Karen Erdos. Cost is \$32.00 per meal this year. The Reservation Form is on the website. Items for the Raffle Baskets and Prize Table are welcome. Contact any of the chairmen or Sally to make arrangements. The theme is Cycling Is Our Happy Place and was taken from a lovely bicycle themed quilted wall hanging made and donated by Lucy Figg.

VP Don Richards announced that 18 members were trained in CPR in November. The club provided all the funding for this project. Newly Red Cross certified are Don Richards, Don Royer, Debbie Mohler, Karen Erdos, Mike Figg, Lucy Figg, Dennis Updike, Thom Spellman, Tom Bower, Linda Christman, Phil Christman, Jim Herberger, Mindy Clancy, Dave Swinehart, Donna Benzing, Ron Curati, Bruce Mencer and Paul Larsen. The program for tonight will be members sharing how SCBC adds value and meaning to their lives followed by cards.

Treasurer Paul Larsen reported that the ending balance in our Key Bank checking account is \$12,323.99. Receipts were \$20.00 and Disbursements were \$1519.22. He announced that on Sunday the Budget Committee met and worked on the 2025 SCBC Budget. Several line items were still being finalized. On the Budget Committee are Paul Larsen, Roy Schlabach, Sharon Fritts, Sally Griffiths and Dave Cardarella. Karen Erdos attended the meeting to represent the Banquet Committee.

Road Captain Sharon Fritts reported that there are 71 rides by 10 ride leaders in December. Some additional Ride Leaders are needed for the Florida Tour.

Sally is now the SCBC Plus Member chairman. She announced that all the new and renewal Plus members will have their memberships carry over through 2025. Eddy's renewal was received. Mike Jones did not renew, so his Plus membership will expire on December 31.

Thom Spellman gave the Membership report. There are 317 members currently, up from 313. There are 3 new members: Jason Hull of Canton, Andy Fussell of North Canton and Eddy's Bike Shop of Stow. There are 40 patrons.

Cartographer Rob Stewart reported that there is one new route: Map 605-Off to Apple Creek starting at Clinton Trailhead. 51 miles with a rest stop at the Bell Store in Apple Creek. Total elevation gain of 2415 feet for an average of 47 feet per mile. Originated by Rob Stewart in October 2024.

There are 3 revised routes: Map 519 Alliance Roundabout Metric from Lake Community Park in Hartsville and the Out and Back rides to Findley State Park out of Lake Ave. Trailhead. These 55 mile rides were revised by Rob Stewart in November 2024.

Not present at the meeting were Mike Johnson, Jim Weinschenk and Dave Cardarella.

The Spokin' Word is due to be published December 3.

Community Outreach: Lucy Figg is in charge of the North Canton Police Kids' Bike Rodeo. The chairmanship of the North Canton YMCA Kids' Triathlon is still open as is the overall appointed position of Community Outreach Chairman.

Club Tours: Florida is January 18-31. There are still several rooms available at the Island Sun at the club rate. James Ruberti said that he may be willing to lead a bike tour in Texas, possibly around Austin. He belonged to a local bike club in Texas for many years.

RWGPS Options for loading rides onto the Ride Schedule will be discussed at a Ride Leader Workshop to be conducted by Sharon in February. There will be a similar workshop for members at the March membership meeting.

Sally invited members to attend both the Board and Membership meetings at any time to give their suggestions for improving any aspect of the club, not just RWGPS issues. Please speak up-don't just complain without offering suggestions for improvement. Jim Herberger brought up having an online forum to be used anytime a member has a concern to voice. He suggested that they put it in writing to be reviewed by the Board and to work towards a resolution.

Ben announced the election results. 81 members voted. All the candidates were elected and the results of the ballot issue were 38 against and 36 for bringing back ride sign up sheets. (Not everyone voted on the Issue.) So the ballot issue failed by 2 votes.

The SCBC 2025 Elected Officers are as follows and will be installed at the January 11 Banquet. Congratulations to all and thank you for serving the club.

President	Sally Griffiths
Vice President	Dave Swinehart
Secretary	Fran Massaro
Road Captain	Sharon Fritts
Treasurer	Roy Schlabach
At Large Trustees (2 nd year of 2 year terms)	Donna Benzing and Ben Young
At Large Trustees (new 2 year terms)	James Ruberti and Bruce Treiber
Trustee By Virtue/past VP	Don Richards

Sally, Sharon and the members present thanked outgoing officers Treasurer Paul Larsen, VP Don Richards and Secretary Karen Erdos. Thanks also to outgoing Trustees Nikki Deligny and Mike Johnson.

Sally announced that on Sunday at the Board meeting a new Legacy Patron Membership was approved by the Board. Upon a motion by Karen Erdos, a second by Don Richards and a unanimous Yea vote, the motion passed. The motion read "I move that SCBC establish an additional Patron Membership category: that of Legacy Patron. Any Individual or Family member can become a Legacy Patron/s with a one-time payment of \$500.00 or more. That will entitle the member to a Lifetime Membership in SCBC and an "in perpetuity" listing in the Patron Membership List everywhere that list is published. (currently is on the homepage of the SCBC website and in each edition of the newsletter the Spokin' Word.) Friends or relatives of a current or past member may also purchase such a membership for the member. A Legacy Patron Membership would not be applicable to SCBC Plus members. The SCBC Code of Conduct would apply to Legacy Patrons.

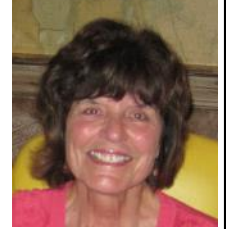
VP Don conducted the program by leading a discussion of how SCBC adds value and meaning to members' lives. There were a large number of heartfelt comments on what SCBC has meant to members over the years.

Debbie Mohler conducted the Mystery Photo Contest. Fran Massaro won a gift card to the Canal Grille. She correctly identified the photo which was of bicycle chain links.

Sally adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM. Members stayed for conversation and more food!

Six members played Killer Hearts as several kibitzers watched and learned.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen G. Erdos
Recording Secretary




Mystery Photo of the Month



Can you guess the person, place or thing?
Where was this picture taken?
Win a \$20 gift certificate for dinner
You must be present at the SCBC meeting to win
*One winner will be drawn from all correct entries at the next club meeting.
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