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#### STBC is on the Internet.

Thanks to Regina's efforts, we have a new home page www.southerntierbicycleclub.org

Check it out for the latest club information.

For Jay's extensive Tuesday Ride database, go to: http://home.stny.rr.com/jaysweb/tuesbike/tuesbike.html

To subscribe to the club e-mail list, send a blank message to: stbc-subscribe@topica.com

To write to the list, send a message to: stbc@topica.com.

You can also do these things by visiting the topica web site at: http://www.topica.com

#### **Nearby Clubs with Web Pages:**

Finger Lakes Cycling Club: www.flcycling.org
Tioga Velo Club: www.tiogavelo.com

Onondaga Cycling Club: www.onondagacyclingclub.org Endless Mountain Bike Club: www.newmilfordbike.com/rides.htm

#### **ABOUT THIS NEWSLETTER**

This newsletter is published 3 times a year: Spring, Summer, and Fall. Any items for sale by club members, or other listing, must be submitted by August 1<sup>st</sup> for the Fall newsletter. Send all submissions to:



PO Box 0601 • Binghamton, NY 13902-0601 or e-mail: bob2helen@juno.com











# **WANTED: RIDE LEADERS**

STBC is looking for ride leaders for future club rides. All a ride leader is required to do is:

- 1. Know where you want to go
- 2. Have an idea of how to get there
- 3. Know the level of difficulty based on the ride grading so we can provide correct rating
- 4. Have a starting point and time
- 5. Get parking permission for your meeting place
- 6. Find a sub if you cannot lead your scheduled ride
- 7. Show up on time
- 8. Get rider signature on waiver of liability form (available on-line at www.southerntierbicycleclub.org/images/Release\_and\_waiver\_of\_liability\_form\_for\_club\_rides.doc) and mail to STBC address.

Many leaders "scout out" a route before the ride, taking care of items 1-5 above. If interested in leading a ride, please contact Bob Dannecker at 687-2511 or email at bob2helen@juno.com.

# RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT:

ID, water bottles, spare tube, patch kit, pump, basic tools, food, money, appropriate clothing, sunglasses, and sunscreen. STBC <u>requires</u> the use of a CPSC, ASTM,ANSI, or Snell approved helmet on all club rides.

# RIDE CATEGORIES / SPEED & TERRAIN

Speed rating (pace on level ground):

AA: Over 22 mph

- A: 19-22 mph Advanced pace with few stops.
- B: 16-19 mph Vigorous pace with occasional stops.
- C: 13-16 mph Steady pace, rest stops every hour.
- D: 10-13 mph Sightseeing pace, semi-frequent stops at key points to wait for riders.
- E: Under 10 mph Relaxed pace, frequent stops to wait for everyone. MBR: Mountain Bike Ride

# Terrain

- 1. Multiple long and/or steep climbs.
- 3. Rolling with some hills.
- 4. Generally flat or rolling.
- 2. Multiple and/or large hills.

# Ride Rating Example:

"D/4/30" 10-13 mph over flat terrain, 30 miles.

# **ATTENTION**

Participation in all STBC activities is at your own risk. The club cannot take any liability for personal injury or loss of property occurring during these activities. Due to the inherent dangers of riding on the highways, STBC requires the use of a CPSC, ASTM, ANSI, or Snell approved helmet and the observance of all traffic laws.

#### WRITTEN ROUTE INSTRUCTIONS:

If maps and/or cue sheets are provided for all riders, the leader is not obligated to wait for slower riders on AA, A, B, and C rides. Otherwise, ride leaders on all rides are expected to keep track of riders.

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# TUESDAY MORNING RIDE SERIES

Are you bored? Join us every Tuesday. We are flexible to destinations, time and to the abilities of the participants. Rides are kept to a speed rate of C or D, - terrain 3 or 4, - 20 to 40 miles. Lunch or breakfast is usually included in the ride. We are looking for retirees, homemakers, or people who wish to play hooky. TRY IT, YOU'LL LIKE IT! This is a year-round effort. Activities change with the seasons; bike, hike, ski. Check http://topica.com/lists/stbc/read for particulars on the Monday before the ride.



# WEDNESDAY EVENING RIDE SERIES

Wednesday Evening rides are typically 10-20 mile rides at a C-D pace, and 3-4 terrain. A perfect way to blow off some steam at the end of the day. Destination and route are at the discretion of the ride leader, but suggestions are welcome. Maps & cue sheets are not typically provided, but faster riders wait for the slower riders at turns.

# **NEW RIDE SERIES**

**Stop and Smell the Flowers Rides:** This ride series is for new, recovering, and/or occasional riders. The rides will be at least once a month on Sunday afternoons, at a D/E pace, and on generally flat/rolling terrain. If you're a 'gentle' rider for whatever r

flat/rolling terrain. If you're a 'gentle' rider for whatever reason, dig out the bike and come on out! Call Joan Hebb (760-3958) for more information. Watch Topica for the latest ride postings.

**Monday Evening Ride:** Grab your bike and shake off those Monday blues! Twice a month Regina will lead a 15 mph pace ride around town starting at 6PM from the Beethoven Street parking lot in Recreation Park.

# CLYDE POWELL MEMORIAL BREAKFAST RIDE

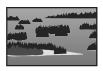
EVERY SUNDAY MORNING (E) Leaderless 7:45 AM, Floral Ave. Fire Station, Johnson City

An easy-paced ride that currently proceeds to the Park Diner arriving between 8 and 8:15 for breakfast. The ride often continues after breakfast. Should you be at the fire station at 7:45, and you find yourself alone, proceed to the Park Diner on Conklin Avenue in Binghamton

Clyde Powell became a cycling enthusiast at the age of 70 and began a daily trek around Binghamton.



# ANNUAL THOUSAND ISLANDS RIDE



Out Of Bounds Ride - Not an STBC Ride

September 3-6 Friday – Monday

Leaders: Don & Dottie Rice – 607-785-8930 American Youth Hostel, Cape Vincent, New York

Join us at AYH, on the lighthouse grounds, for three nights and take day trips from there. We'll have the whole hostel to ourselves (18 bunks, two bathrooms and a kitchen.) We'll have full access to all kitchen appliances and cookware for those who wish to bring their own food. You are responsible for your own clean up. Folks can take advantage of the local restaurants as well. Monday morning everyone will have assigned chores so we leave the building in better shape than we found it.

The cost is usually about \$40-\$50/person which includes a bunk for three nights.

Send a \$25 NON REFUNDABLE deposit to Don Rice, 420 Firth Street, Endicott, NY, 13760 to reserve your bunk. (This trip usually fills up early. Contact Don before you send your deposit. He'll confirm availability and hold your bunk for a reasonable time until your check arrives, then discuss itinerary.)

# **COMING THIS SUMMER**

Mark your calendars, Tom Nickerson will once again bring us the **GRAB RIDE**, August 13-15 at Belden Hill Campground in Harpursville, New York. This site is known for its peace and quiet with a picturesque view. A \$30.00 per person fee includes rides/camping & dinner; a \$10.00 per person fee includes only rides & dinner. Onsite facilities include a camp store, two Laundromats, rest rooms with hot showers, nature

trails, and a pond for fishing. You may register early by sending a check made payable to STBC Inc., PO Box 0601 Binghamton, New York 13902-0601 and indicate GRAB in the purpose line or use the form published in the next newsletter.

# **LOCAL BICYCLE SHOPS**

Aeros Cyclery & Ski Center 640 Conklin Road, Binghamton 724-7313

**All American Sports Shop** 27 N. Broad Street Norwich 334-5277

American Cycle Express 223 Main Street Binghamton 777-1223

Babcock Bicycles 501 W. Main Street, Endicott 754-0886

BC Bicycles 215 Vestal Pkwy. East, Vestal 785-3772

Bike Rack 414 College Ave., Ithaca 277-1010

Chenango Point Cycles 45 Washington Street, Binghamton 724-7481

Cycle Sport 223 Main Street, Binghamton 729-9931

Dave's Bike Barn 35 Cartwright Avenue, Sidney 563-8544

Gear-To-Go Tandems 850 W Clinton St, Elmira 732-4859

New Milford Bike Shop 195 Main Street, New Milford 570-465-2169

Serious Toyz 274 Floral Avenue, Johnson City 231-7266

Ted's Bicycle Shop 110 W. Main Street, Endicott 785-8163

Velodynamics Bicycle Shop 80 North Avenue, Owego 687-3915





# **RIDE SCHEDULE SUMMER 2004 - JULY**

FRI, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5:30PM Karen Koscianski, 786-5619 The Plantation House Restaurant C/3/24 Friday Evening Dinner/Dance Ride. Meet at The Plantation House Restaurant, 2 Pumphouse RD Vestal. Park cars in the far back of lot. We will ride approximately 24 miles through the rolling hills of Vestal. Return for: an outdoor happy hour, unique sandwich and specialty menu, and dancing to the band.

**SAT**, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9:30AM Deposit, Front Street lot Bob/Joyce Dannecker, 648-9467 C/2/42 Meet in public parking lot across from State Theater on Front Street in Deposit. We'll ride south to explore some Pennsylvania hills, then coast down into Hancock for lunch. After that, it's a long easy climb to the Cannonsville reservoir, then NY 10 along the reservoir back to Deposit.

**SUN, July 4th, 10:30AM** Trout Creek Bridge, Cannonsville Reservoir Don Rice 785-8930 C-D/2/61 Ride to Downsville for lunch at the School House Inn. Don says there's just one short steep hill. Hmmm.

TUE, July 6 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Morning Ride – details: http://topica.com/lists/stbc/read		
WED, July 7 <sup>th</sup> , 6PM	Rice's House, 420 Firth, Endicott	Don Rice, 785-8930	
FRI, July 9 <sup>th</sup> , 6PM, Ice Cream	Courthouse Square, Owego	Bob/Helen Dannecker, 687-2511	
SAT, July 10 <sup>th</sup> , 10AM D/3/25 MBR. Pack a lunch and meet at t	Starruccca Viaduct park he park below the Starrucca Viaduct, 1 mile	Bob/Helen Dannecker, 687-2511 e north of SR171 at Lanesboro, PA. Ride	

the D&H rail-trail to Starrucca, returning on roads. Possible additional mileage for those interested. Note: The rail-trail is unpaved, has loose stones and is not suitable for touring bikes. Look for a ride on the next section of this rail-trail in the Fall schedule.

SUN, July 11 <sup>th</sup>	Open Ride –check Topica at http://topica.com/lists/stbc/read		
MON, July 12 <sup>th</sup> , 6PM C/3/15-20: Monday Evening ride series, a	Rec. Park, Beethoven Street Parking Lot Regina Losinger, 222-8235 a 15mph ride around town, ending up at Joey's Italian Ice		
TUE, July 13 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Morning Ride – details: http://topica.com/lists/stbc/read		
WED, July 14th, 6PM	Rice's House, 420 Firth, Endicott	Don Rice, 785-8930	
SAT, July 17 <sup>th</sup> , 10AM C-D/3/20 Ride to the Blueberry Fest in Nic	Eckerd Drug in Owego hols	Don Rice, 785-8930	

SUN, July 18th, 10AM Tioga Center High School Denny Voorhees, 570-888-1426 C/3/45: Ride west to Waverly, then up Dean Creek Road to Spencer for a snack or lunch. Returning on Halsey Valley Road.

SUN, July 18th Port Dickinson Park Joan Hebb 760-3958 D/3-4/13 A Stop and Smell the Flowers Ride (call for time - morning or afternoon TBD). Port Dickinson Park to the River Road Loop. A shorter option (7 mi): - meet at Route 12A Park & Ride in Chenango Bridge.

TUE, July 20 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Morning Ride – details: http://topica.com/lists/stbc/read	
WED, July 21 <sup>st</sup> , 6PM	Rice's House, 420 Firth, Endicott	Don Rice, 785-8930
FRI, July 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 6PM, Ice Cream	Courthouse Square, Owego	Bob/Helen Dannecker, 687-2511
SAT, July 24 <sup>th</sup> , 10:30AM C/2/50: Ride to Whitney Point, then down	Endicott Plaza to Chenango Forks and back through Bing	Warren Wetzelberg, 754-4477 ghamton.
SUN, July 25 <sup>th</sup> , 8AM C/2-3/75: Ride to Ithaca Farmer's Market	Fairgrounds (Tops) Plaza, Owego for lunch. Returning through Spencer and	Bob/Helen Dannecker, 687-2511 Halsey Valley.

MON, July 26th, 6PM Rec. Park, Beethoven Street Parking Lot Regina Losinger, 222-8235

C/3/15-20: Monday Evening ride series, a 15mph ride around town, ending up at Joey's Italian Ice			
TUE, July 27 <sup>th</sup>	E, July 27 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday Morning Ride – details: http://topica.com/lists/stbc/read		
WED, July 28th, 6PM	Rice's House, 420 Firth, Endicott	Don Rice, 785-8930	
SAT, July 31 <sup>st</sup> , 10AM D/3/40: Pack a lunch and ride to Spencer	Courthouse Square, Owego  Return on Halsey Valley Road.	Tom Frisinger, 625-4487	





# **RIDE SCHEDULE SUMMER 2004 - AUGUST**



SUN, August 1st, 10AM

Denny's Restaurant, Cortland

Karen Koscianski, 786-5619

C/3/65 or 44 mile option. This is a premier ride for EVERYBODY especially designed and pre-tested as a club favorite. We will all meet at Denny's Restaurant in Cortland, N.Y. were the 65-mile riders begin. The 44-mile riders will drive cars to start at the Fishing access on RT 13 (10 -12 miles from Denny's) parking area. We will cycle to beautiful Cazenovia Lake where we will meet at the public beach area for a swim before lunch at The Lincklaen House in town.

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TUE, August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tuesday Morning Ride – details: http://topica.co	om/lists/stbc/read
WED, August 4th, 6PM	5 Mile Pt. Park & Ride	Tom Nickerson, 775-4826
SAT, August 7 <sup>th</sup> , 10AM C/3/37: Ride to Greenwood Park. Plea the Tuesday rides featured on Jay's well	Grippen Park, Endicott use bring snacks for a mini picnic in case the snapsite.	Lonnie & Don Gillespie 748-7635 ck bar isn't open. This ride is one of
SUN, August 8th, 9AM C/3/50: We'll be heading to Oxford for I	Port Crane Fishing Access, I-88 Exit 3 unch. There may be some Mueller Miles involve	Malcolm Blue, 798-6843 d in my estimate.
MON, August 9 <sup>th</sup> , 6PM C/3/15-20: Monday Evening ride series	Rec Park, Beethoven Street Parking Lot , a 15mph ride around town, ending up at Joey's	Regina Losinger, 222-8235 s Italian Ice
TUE, August 10 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Morning Ride – details: http://topica.co	om/lists/stbc/read
WED, August 11 <sup>th</sup> , 6PM	5 Mile Pt. Park & Ride	Tom Nickerson, 775-4826
August 13th-15th -GRAB Weekend	See details and registration elsewhere in this ne	ewsletter.
SUN, August 15 <sup>th</sup> , 10:30AM D/3/9: This is part of the Stop & Smell t evening's CVHS 30 <sup>th</sup> Reunion Party. We	Chenango Valley High School Parking Lot he Flowers Ride though some of my classmates 'll be taking the river road loop.	Regina Losinger, 222-8235 may still smell like beer from the prior
TUE, August 17 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Morning Ride – details: http://topica.co	om/lists/stbc/read
WED, August 18th, 6PM	5 Mile Pt. Park & Ride	Tom Nickerson, 775-4826
Towanda for lunch via Union Valley Roa	Creamery, Nichols is a large green building on the north side of Rived and Pa. 187 to Wysox, then a few miles of US st Sayre and back to Nichols. New ride! Sweepi	6 6. Return via Sheshequin Road /
SUN, August 22 <sup>nd</sup> , Noon C/3/25: This ride will travel to Chenang Scoobie Snacks.	Rec Park, Beethoven Street Lot o State Park to see the dog show and move on t	John Ruth, 651-9939 o the golf course clubhouse for
SUN, August 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Stop & Smell the Flowers ride -call Joan Hebb	(760-3958) for time/location.
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WED, August 25th, 6PM 5 Mile Pt. Park & Ride Tom Nickerson, 775-4826

**SAT, AUGUST 28th, 10AM** Hickories Park Owego, Soccer Field Gene Malinowski 754-8951 C/3/42: Ride to Waverly via NY-17C. Gene has found this to really be a nice ride that he'd like to share. It's not terribly challenging with a good shoulder/road surface. Bring light snacks, or purchase along the way.

**SUN, AUGUST 29**th Owego Eckerd's Drugstore Parking Lot

9 AM, D/4/10, Regina Losinger 222-8235 AND/OR 10AM, C/3/62, Malcolm Blue 798-6843

Our first 10 miles will be a Stop & Smell the Flowers Ride touring Owego's beautiful historical homes and fragrant gardens. Bring a slice of bread for the ducks. After we've seen the homes, smelled the flowers, and fed the ducks now it's off to Ithaca for lunch at the Ithaca Bakery. Don't eat too much - it's a 9% grade out of town, or it could turn into a Stop & Barf the Lunch Ride!

**SUN, August 29<sup>th</sup>, 9AM** Confluence Park, Binghamton Augie Mueller, 722-6005 C/4/22: Starting at the Washington Street bridge, ride the Broome Corporate Park loop with CEO Mueller as your glorious leader.

TUE, August 31st Tuesday Morning Ride – details: http://topica.com/lists/stbc/read

# **Great Ride Around Broome (GRAB) - August 13-15**

Two nights of camping & two days of touring based at Belden Hill Campground in Broome County. Arrive Friday between 4-8PM. Maps will be provided for various rides Saturday & Sunday. Saturday dinner will be provided at the campground. Campground checkout is noon on Sunday.

**Directions:** From Binghamton, follow I-88 north to the Martin Hill exit. Take a left on Martin Hill Road, then right on NY-7. In ¼ mile look for Belden Hill Campground on the left. Register at office even if you are not camping. A maximum speed limit of **5 MPH** is strictly enforced within the campground.

**Accommodations:** Swimming, fishing, showers, laundromat, store w/ice cream.

**Info Contact:** Tom Nickerson, 775-4826, or tnickerson@stny.rr.com

Send registration with payment no later than August 1<sup>st</sup>. Make checks payable to **STBC**, P.O. Box 601, Binghamton, NY 13902-0601. Current STBC membership required

# **GRAB REGISTRATION / STBC MEMBERSHIP**

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I will be participating in Southern Tier Bicycle Club activities, and:

- 1. I understand the nature of bicycling activities and that I am qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such activity. I further acknowledge that the activity will be conducted over public roads and facilities open to the public during the activity and upon which the hazards of traveling are to be expected. I further agree and warrant that if, at any time, I believe conditions to be unsafe, I will immediately discontinue further participation in the activity.
- 2. I fully understand that a) bicycling activities involve risks and dangers of serious bodily injury, including permanent disability, paralysis and death ("risks"); (b) these risks and dangers may be caused by my own actions, or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Activity, the condition in which the activity takes place, or the negligence of the "releasees" named below; (c) there may be other risks and social and economic losses either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs, and damages I incur as a result of my participation in the activity.
- 3. I hereby release, discharge, and covenant not to sue the Southern Tier Bicycle Club, Inc, officers, directors, members, or volunteers from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the "releasees" or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations; and I further agree that if, despite this release and waiver of liability, I or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the "releasees", I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of these "releasees" from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim.

I have read this agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and have signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect.

Participant's Signature:		Date:
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# **OUT OF BOUNDS**



These rides are organized by clubs and organizations other than STBC.

Erie Canal Tour, July 11th-18th, 400mi, Buffalo to Albany, www.nypca.org/canaltour/index.shtml

**B.C. Bicycle Race For Sight**, July 17<sup>th</sup>, Windsor, NY. A 26-mile citizen road race. Website: www.avreus.org and click on "Bike Race."

**PA Greenway Sojourn**: July 24th-30th, Erie to Pittsburgh following rail trails in western PA, avg. 30 mi/day, \$350, www.railtrails.org/field/pennsylvania/active\_pages/sojourn/main04.asp

**The 4th Annual Great Big FANY Ride**: July 25<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>, Back roads tour across upstate NY. Benefits: The Firemen's Home, Hudson, NY www.FANYride.com, 518 461-9663

BonTon Roulet: July 25th-31st, Finger Lakes tour, \$450 www.bontonroulet.com, 315 253-5304

**Village to Village Bicycle Party**: August 7<sup>th</sup>, Cherry Valley (east of Cooperstown), "Flatlander" & "Mountaineer" rides of various lengths, www.magicalhistorytour.org

**Endless Encounter xc V Race (mtn bike)**, August 8th, Camp at East Lake, New Milford, PA, (Race # 8 Mid Atlantic Super Series) www.newmilfordbike.com/endless\_encounter.htm

Empire State Aids Ride: August 15th-23rd, 560mi, Niagara Falls to NYC, www.empirestateaidsride.org

MS150 Finger Lakes Bike Tour: August 21st-22nd, www.msupstateny.org, 877 869-6677

Chris Thater Memorial Criterium: August 28th-29th, Rec. Park in Binghamton. Benefits BC Stop DWI, www.bcstopdwi.com, 607 778-2056

Annual Thousand Islands Ride, September 3-6, see details below

**Endless Ride for the Children**: October 2<sup>nd</sup>, Montrose to Great Bend, 17 mi., Benefits Susquehanna Cnty Interfaith, http://www.newmilfordbike.com/EndlessRide.htm