



Next CBC Meeting - May 20, 2019

The Tailwind 050819

Bluegrass in the Park



This year marks three milestones in Jim Johnson's life: he turned 65, his company turned 15, and he marks his 20th year in Chattanooga. To celebrate, he's putting on Bluegrass in the Park, a free community festival in Miller Park on May 18.

"Moving here 20 years ago changed my life," Jim says. "People like Daisy and Hugh were among the first people I met here, and their love and support were part of the reason I decided to move here. Chattanooga quickly became my home, and my friends here quickly became my family.

"This is the best way I could think of to say thank you to Chattanooga."

The program starts at noon with a farmers market and strolling bluegrass musicians. At 3, all are welcome--with or without instruments--to a community bluegrass jam organized by Barefoot Nellie & Co. Then the main event starts at 5: four hours of bluegrass featuring Caney Creek Company, Grandview Mountain Pickers, and the New Dismembered Tennesseans.

Food trucks and several outdoor-oriented organizations including Chattanooga Bike Club will be on site. Bike Walk Chattanooga will provide bike valet service.

Events continue to be added, and the most current schedule and any announcements are at www.chattanooga-bluegrass.com. This will be a free family-friendly event featuring Caney Creek Company, Grandview Mountain Pickers, and Dismembered Tennesseans. Barefoot Nellie & Co will be kicking it off by hosting a jam from 2:45 - 4:45 pm, so grab your instruments, dancing shoes or just come listen and enjoy this free festival at the recently renovated Miller Park in downtown Chattanooga TN. For more info, please visit https://www.facebook.com/events/1328774433929083/?active_tab=about. Food trucks and several outdoor-oriented organizations will be on site.

All community members are welcome. With a special welcome to the Ironman 70.3 athletes competing on Sunday and their families.

Schedule - Saturday, May 18, 2019

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

"Main at Miller." Main Street Farmers Market comes to Miller Park. Farm-fresh food with fun fiddlers!

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Community bluegrass jam with Barefoot Nellie & Company--bring your instrument or just come and listen!

5:00 PM

Caney Creek Company--beloved band in one of their final shows



7:00 PM

Grandview Mountain Pickers--traditional bluegrass by superb band of four teen sisters and brother



8:00 PM

Dismembered Tennesseans--since 1945, a Chattanooga favorite, back for a rare performance. There will be several CBC'rs at the CBC booth trying to find some new interest in the club. Would love all of you to come by and join in the fun.



THANK YOU, JIM FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE FOR CHATTANOOGA AND CYCLING!!!!



CYCLE SEQUATCHIE

CBC and Velo View Bike Tours are introducing a new cycling tradition in *Sequatchie Valley*! And although this new ride doesn't hit 3 states, it does offer **4 route options** with as little or as much climbing and mileage as you'd like, including a 3-mile timed K.O.M. challenge with prizes! We've also eliminated all of the urban and industrial sections (no train tracks!), and added a **farm-to-table post-ride lunch** and **outdoor expo** at the finish line. Plus we're lining up a number of activities for non-cycling spouses and families. *There's*

something for everyone!

Join CBC and Velo View Bike Tours in Dunlap on **OCTOBER 5th** for the first annual **CYCLE SEQUATCHIE!** Only half an hour from town but a world away from the traffic. Check out CycleSequatchie.com for more info and to sign up!

Please note that CBC has partnered with Velo View Bike Tours for this event. We need volunteers to help find sponsors and help with the actual event. This is our only fundraiser for now so we need to do all we can to make it a success and help it become a major event of the future.

Here's the latest regarding the Cycle Sequatchie ride:

REGISTRATIONS

We have 64 total registrations from 7 states. Registrations will most likely remain slow until we get closer to the next price jump which is Memorial Day. I'll be heading to the Cheaha Challenge in Alabama and the Horsey Hundred in Kentucky next month to work a table. I'm also making the rounds with the bike shops putting up posters and leaving stacks of flyers. And I'm in the process of reaching out to 80+ bike clubs in 8 different states with personal invitations.

VOLUNTEERS

As I mentioned last time, I've created a sign-up form which should make it easy for volunteers to sign up. I would love for the Board to send out an email to club members clarifying that **Cycle Sequatchie is a fundraiser for the CBC and providing the link to the volunteer sign-up form.** I drafted some language and emailed it to Joe to use if you think that's a good idea. It would also be great if someone from the CBC wanted to help with recruiting and coordinating volunteers. That's where I will need the most help as we get closer to October.

SPONSORS

I've had lots of interest from potential sponsors but little follow through. I'm staying on them to put their money where their mouth is!

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like additional information.

Thanks,
Shannon

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Shannon Burke
Velo View Bike Tours
veloviewbiketours.com
423.834.8388

Bike to Work Day - Friday, May 17th

We want this year's Bike to Work Day to provide an opportunity to help you connect with our existing cycling community as well as reaching new cyclists.

The focus of the event will be connecting cycling organizations and cyclists in our community. To that end, we will not have a key note speaker and we are limiting our tabling opportunities exclusively to bicycle-oriented organizations & businesses.

Bike to Work Day
Friday, May 17, 7:30 - 9:00 am
Waterhouse Pavilion, Miller Plaza, 800 Market Street
Jonathan Gibbons
jgibbons@chattanooga.gov
(423) 643-5923

We are past the deadline for asking for a table at this event but possibly we can still get included. We really need to have a presence at it. If you would be interested in representing CBC it would really be wonderful! 'Bike to work' was always special when I was working. Please contact Joe Lodato, joe.lodato@epbfi.com and/or me, DaisyBRider@cs.com.

The Honeybee Metric-Century is coming soon! It's a great ride that benefits the kids in LaFayette, GA.

If you haven't signed up, yet, make sure you do!
<https://www.bikereg.com/40885>

(And make sure you order one of these neat jerseys, too! They're available in both Ladies and Mens sizing.)

The Chattanooga Bicycle Club will be sponsoring the rest stop in Chickamauga again this year! See you there!

If you don't plan on riding, but would like to help out, contact Peggy Olson (920) 412-0999 for details.



Presented by City of LaFayette.

Primal Bike Jersey - \$65.00

2019 Jersey



Boom Days/DeSoto State Park Bike Weekend
September 19-23**, 2019

SAVE THE DATE!!!

This is an event for everyone! We'll be spending the weekend at **DeSoto State Park** in Fort Payne, AL. That much is the same for everyone. The rest can be tailored to your tastes.

The Boom Days Celebration in Fort Payne, AL is happening this weekend. It's a 2 day festival, on September 21st and 22nd, with music and events. We'll take some time to enjoy the fun!

<https://boomdays.com/>

How do we get there?

Bike Tour:

For those wanting to bicycle from Chickamauga to DeSoto State Park, we will pedal an approximately 50 mile route on Friday, September 20th and return on Monday, September 23rd.. We'll be climbing Lookout Mountain out of Menlo, GA. There are two options for the tour: You can load up your bike and carry all of your own gear OR you can just ride your bike and let "Saggy" Bob Olson carry everything for you. He will be sagging for the ride.

Don't want to bike to the park?

Drive there:

Drive to the park on Thursday, September 19th and stay until Sunday or Monday, September 22nd or 23rd. We will have bike rides planned, out of the park, on Friday through Sunday.

Where do we stay?

DeSoto State Park has something for everyone! There's camping, cabins and a motel at the park. We recommend you make your reservations as soon as possible. Find a camping buddy and split the cost! ****YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS****

<https://www.alapark.com/desoto-state-park>

Camping is \$37 per night (plus fees). You can have 2 tents OR 1 camper and 1 tent on each site. The Papes will be on site #17 and the Olsons will be on site #19. We are in the Upper Loop.

We'll have more details about this tour during the summer. Please RSVP or direct any questions to Peggy Olson, (920) 412-0999, pbiker10@yahoo.com.

New database shows best cycling routes in area

A new online database highlights tested, safe and scenic cycling routes at a variety of distances in the Sequatchie Valley.

Article in the [Times Free Press, Tues, Feb 12.](#)

New CBC Facebook Group!

Did you know there is a new Facebook Group just for CBC members? It's a great outlet to keep in contact with your fellow biking friends. You can pass on messages about club rides, organized rides, interesting bike articles or memes or anything bike related. Keep it friendly and keep it clean!

Here's the link to get you started!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/332991920650147/>



Jerseys, T-Shirts & Socks are available in the CBC Store

CBC short sleeve T-shirts, Jerseys and Socks are for sale now in the Club Store. T-Shirts will be shipped when purchased.

There is also a tab referring to '**Clearance**' items. These are items left over from previous events or club jerseys that were not sold at the time. Especially for new members, this is a great chance to get some older clothing. It is restricted to the sizes mentioned. However many folks wear clothing designated for the opposite sex. In these items it really doesn't matter. It just depends on how it fits. So check these out.

Ride Pictures

I missed the email from Chuck with the writeup and pictures from last Friday's Riverwalk on 042619 ride so am including it now. Thanks, Chuck.

The riders on the Riverpark Leisure 20-30 ride last Friday were: John Oakey, Romy Oakey, Beverly Short, Rich Rudner, Bob Shafto, Bob Haag, Tony Thompson, Marty Pinson, Pete Williams, Jim Wildeman, and Chuck (photographer).



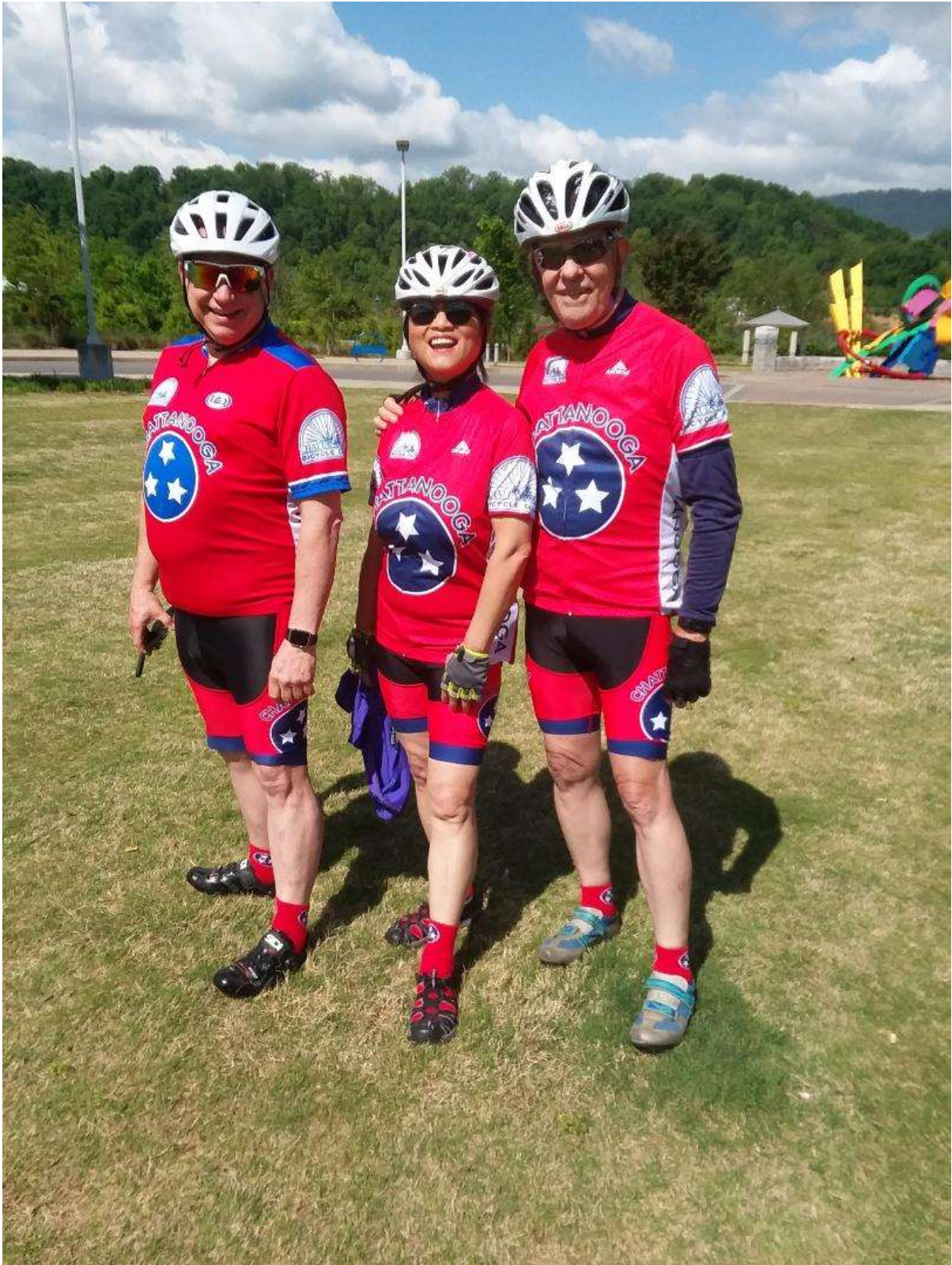
Bob Haag and Chuck looking at the work of art.



Tony Thompson, Marty Pinson and Pete Williams



Rich Rudner, Romy & John Oakey



Hip, Hip, Hurrah!! Gray Fletcher joined us for the Riverpark Leisure 20-30 ride on Friday, May 3. We are so happy to have you back with

us, Gray. And the best part is that it means that Don is improving!!!

The most excitement for the day was the baby bird happily perched on Romey's bike hub.



It seemed very content with no interest in leaving. We finally pushed it off and it began flying very low and slow - like maybe for the

first time. It started getting a little stronger and finally made it to a low hanging tree branch and disappeared into the tree.



We were so fascinated by the Finch that we forgot to take a group picture. When we did think about it, we had all spread out. The riders at the time were: Bob Haag, Daisy Blanton, Tony Thompson, Gray Fletcher and Chuck (photographer). The others that were somewhere around were Marty Pinson, John Oakey, Romey Oakey, Mike Hartline, Beverly Short, and the Gold Finch!!!



Bob Haag rode the last few miles to the break stop standing after his seat post fell all the way down. He did get it fixed for the rest of

the ride.



The girl's table with Gray Fletcher, Daisy Blanton and Beverly Short.



The boys table with Tony Thompson, Marty Pinson, and Mike Hartline



The CBC Double Suck/Chicken Dave Loop Ride made it into the books on Sunday and it lived up to its name. Ride leader Thomas Jamison did a spectacular job of leading our group of miss fits today. We made it over the first Suck Creek Mtn crossing in a light rain and cold breeze, and descending on wet roads, that sucked. We took the shake and bake Ketner's Mill Rd along the beautiful Sequatchie River. Made the ever popular Chicken Dave Road Loop, toured downtown Whitwell and stopped at the Children's Holocaust Memorial, which was nice (the holocaust sucks). East bound and down we headed back up for the second Suck Creek Mtn crossing. Which Patti said, "It Can't Be Done!"(that sucked). But we did it and flew in for a sprint finish! Thanks to all the riders Tom Jamison, Ed Park, Patty Nihells, Peggy Olson, Trieu Nguyen and Howard Rowe, photographer.



Patty made her first climb up Suck Creek. She liked it so well she did a double Suck! Here she is at Powell's Crossroad.



Howard Rowe, Trieu Nguyen, Tom Jamison at Powell's Crossroad.



Powell's Crossroads and Suck Creek Mtn behind us.



Ketner's Mill



Ed Park, Trieu Nguyen, Patty Nihells, Peggy Olson and Tom Jamison in front of Children's Holocaust Memorial



Railroad car used to transport people to work and or death camps. They would crowd 100 or so people into each of these small cars for transport.



Sequatchie Valley



Patty, she is not happy about Suck #2



Peggy and Ed didn't look thrilled either.



Trieu and Tom



I think Patty is about to rebel.



Ed might join her.



Mountain top at the monument. 50.2 miles of the Double Suck Creek Mtn ride. 10 miles of climbing - I wonder about my sanity. Patty

Nihells, Peggy Olson, Ed Park, Trieu Nguyen, Thomas Jamison and Howard Rowe, photographer.



Monday Night City Ride group . The riders were: Jonathan Poole, Sharon Russell, Richard Russell, David Eargle, and Chuck (photographer).



On the N GA Lite this week, we had three riders in addition to me. I seem to have the croup or something so it was a nice easy ride. Thanks, Wendy Scott, Tony Thompson and Beverly Short for joining me and not getting too close. It was a really nice ride.



This has nothing to do with cycling but I had to include it. Sharon Tingley was on some sort of adventure last week and had the opportunity to meet Jimmy Carter in person. What a memory. A truly good person. What an honor!



Weekly CBC Birthdays

May 9 - May 15

James Reagan, 5/13, Kathy Eargle, 5/15

Monthly Membership Notices

Please be sure to notify us of any email change since all our communication is generally online. Thanks.

Welcome New and Returning Members for the Month of May

Alan Dodd, Art & Ellen Thompson, Nic & Christine Van Der Meer

Membership Renewals Due in the Month of June 2019

Shannon & Celeste Burke, Tonya Chaffin, Bob & Lindy Connelly, Lynn & Rocco Cotellese, Tony & Lisa Davis, David Hammel, Michael & Sheri Goins, Howard & Vicki Rowe, Lori Smith, Kevin & Linda Thomas, Chris Wicker, Kathryn & Roy Wroth, Bob Yandow,
[Renew Online](#)

2019 April Annual Meeting Minutes & 2019 March Annual Meeting Agenda

2019 April Annual meeting minutes.

<http://chattanoogaclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Apr-2019-mtg-minutes.pdf>

2019 April annual meeting agenda.

<http://chattanoogaclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/CBC-General-meeting-agenda-4-15-19.pdf>

Outreach Discussion Group Agenda

<https://chattanoogaclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Outreach-Discussion-Agenda-03-18-19.pdf>

This Week's Upcoming Rides - check the CBC ride calendar for more details and activities <https://chattanoogaclub.com/ride-calendar/>

Thursday, May 9, 9:30 AM - Urban Ride - City Ride - The ride tours east side and downtown areas of the city, and then goes on to tour the north shore with climbs up Young Avenue, and Tremont Street-Mississippi Avenue. We will take our time on the climbs!

Length of Ride: Approx 31 miles.

Average Speed: 11-13 mph.

Rest stops are available at the start and then during the ride.

This is a no-drop ride.

This urban ride offers a very enjoyable tour of Chattanooga.

Leave from the Hubert Frye Center at 9:30 AM.

<https://ridewithgps.com/routes/26930653>

Chuck, (865) 321-0893, cjp0124@gmail.com

Thursday, May 9, 6:00 PM - Battlefield - A, B, C Groups - A weekly ride through the Chickamauga Battlefield and surrounding area. Meet in lower parking lot of Visitors Center. Rest rooms may or may not be open at start, so plan accordingly. Dependent on group, there may be option for mid-ride store stop.

A Group

Distance 25-35 miles. Average overall pace at ride's end is 18-20mph.

Ride leaders:

Ben Keim 423.504.8597 (benkeim03@hotmail.com)

Barry Matlock 423.475.3208 (barry.matlock@gmail.com)

B Group

Distance approx. 25 miles. Average overall pace at ride's end is 15-16 mph early in season. We'll work together to increase that pace with the goal of a 17-18+ avg by end of season. No drop.

Ride Leaders (will alternate weeks):

Richard Russell 423.598.1243 (rwr.tnuss@gmail.com)

Sharon Russell 423.240.2700 (slr.tnuss@gmail.com)

C Group

Distance 15-25 miles, depending on participants. Average overall pace at ride's end 12-14 mph. No drop.

Ride Leaders (will alternate weeks):

Sharon Russell 423.240.2700 (slr.tnuss@gmail.com)

Richard Russell 423.598.1243 (rwr.tnuss@gmail.com)

Friday, May 10, 9:30 AM - Riverpark Twenty or Thirty Mile Leisure Ride - This ride consists of two loops. The first loop is a leisurely ride that follows the Riverwalk from the Hubert Fry Center to the Wheland Foundry Station in St. Elmo, and then returns to Hubert Fry Center. The ride has a "bring your own snack" stop at the Blue Goose Hollow Station on the way back from St. Elmo. Near the end of the loop, riders have the option of either heading back to Hubert Fry Center, or adding the second loop, a ten mile ride that follows the South Chickamauga Creek Greenway. 20 or 30 miles (rider choice!), 9-10 mph, no drop. The average speed for the second loop will be a bit higher!

<https://ridewithgps.com/routes/26460895>

Chuck, 865/321-0893, cjp0124@gmail.com

Friday, May 10, 6:00 PM - Boathouse Date Night (Still in Planning) - Bring your significant other on the ride or meet them for dinner afterwards at the Boathouse. Solo riders also welcome. Ride starts at 6:00 PM with dinner at 8:00 PM. Please text if you plan to have dinner and I will arrange reservations for our evening.

I had planned a route up and down Missionary Ridge but drove the route to find the traffic to heavy during this time of day. Most likely we will just stay in the park. Maybe go to the Herbert Fry Center and then to St. Elmo.

Marty Pinson (423)760-1663.

Saturday, May 11, 8:00 AM - Chickamauga To Menlo - A 77-mile ride from Gordon Lee High School to Menlo. Planned stops are at a store at mile 16 in Lafayette, for lunch at the Menlo Restaurant (706 862 2281) at mile 39, and at the store at mile 58 at the north end of Chamberlain Road.

There is also a \$General at Menlo.

The Chickamauga library restroom will not be available at this starting time.

This is a Yes-Drop ride. Feel free to take the route info and drop the RL. Typical NW GA terrain. Rain policy: RL does not intentionally ride in the rain.

The final average speed will be 11-12 mph.

<https://ridewithgps.com/routes/13914357>

RL George Perry 423/290-1482

Sunday, May 12, 10:00 AM - Sunday Ride on the Riverwalk -

Ride Leader: Rich Rudner, (954) 261-1828, rudnerr@comcast.net

Ride Length: Approximately 21 miles

Average Speed: 10-12 mph

Rest stops are available at the ride start and along the ride route.

No-drop ride!

This leisurely ride follows the Riverwalk from the Hubert Fry Center to the Wheland Foundry Station in St. Elmo, and then returns to Hubert Fry Center. The ride has a "bring your own snack" stop at the Blue Goose Hollow Station on the way back from St. Elmo.

Monday, May 13, 6:00 PM - Monday Night City Ride - Riverview to Points North & South - Weekly Ride from Riverview Park. 13-16 mph overall avg. (Faster on flats/descents, slower on climbs.) No drop. Route selection (see below) will be at ride leader's discretion, and will vary depending upon season, participants, and road conditions. Also depending upon participation, we may split into faster/slower groups. No drop. Restrooms are available at start.

Riverview-Red Bank-MoccasinBend: <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/29488404>

Riverview-Chattanooga Valley: (route link to come)

Both routes include segments through city traffic. Front and rear lights highly recommended and essential during March and October.

Ride leaders:

Ed Park: 423-400-9530 / eparkseven@yahoo.com

Richard Russell: 423-598-1243 / rwr.tnuss@gmail.com

Monday, May 13, 6:00 PM - Beginner Ride - This is a beginner ride. Approximately 11 miles all flat with a couple slight small rises. Ride takes about an hour. No one left behind regardless of pace. Ride leader is John Hubbard.

The meet location is on Moccasin Bend in the parking lot across from the office for Riverbend Festival (Friends of the Festival).

Must wear a helmet. Minors (under 18) must come with parent or guardian to sign waiver.

Ride Leader: John Hubbard, johnhubbard46@yahoo.com

The meet location is on Moccasin Bend in the parking lot across from the office for Riverbend Festival (Friends of the Festival).

Venue parking lot across from 180 Hamm Rd.

Tuesday, May 14, 10:00 AM - N GA Lite - This is a ride that takes place every Tuesday morning. Its location and time are variable. If the

ride calendar is not edited with specific information, that means there is no ride leader and there won't be a ride that day. We will try to have a ride each week. 20-35 miles, 10-13 mph, no drop.

Daisy Blanton, 706/820-1157 h, 423/243-8203 c, DaisyBRider@cs.com



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