...SPOKIN' RIDES...

COUNTRY ROADS CYCLISTS GET OUT AND GO!

September-October 2023 RIDE SCHEDULE

Ride Captain: Marilyn Newcome 304-216-9062

Contact Ride Leader for more details. Wear your helmet.

Difficulty Rating: (*) easy (**) moderate (***) difficult (****) extreme T=trail, R=mostly or all road, T/R = both in roughly equal amount

Saturday, September 2 at 10:00 AM Star City to Tom Cat Hollow Marilyn Newcome 304-216-9062

(*, T and R) 35 miles. *Meet in Star City at the bathrooms*. We will bike north on the Mon River Trail to Point Marion. From there, we will cross the Cheat River and ride a loop that will climb Friendship Hill then we will climb Tom Cat Hollow, to Rt 119 before returning on Nilan Road, then back to Point Marion, and Star City. (Trail riders can bike to Point Marion and back.)

Sunday, September 3 at 12:00 NOON Mount Morris Loop Rick Probst 443-866-0237

(**, R) 20-30 miles. *Meet at the Senior Center (yellow brick building) in Mount Morris*. We will do a loop around the back roads of Mount Morris.

Saturday, September 9 at 10:00 AM Gary Martin Memorial Ride Kelly Williams 304-276-5530

(**, T and R) Meet at Prickett's Fort trailhead. From there, we will bike north on the Mon River Trail. At Opekiska, we will bike on the road and complete a loop back to Prickett's Fort. "We will be doing a ride in memory of our mentor, teacher and friend Gary Martin. We will start at Pricketts Fort, there is parking at the fort and the bottom. Please let everyone know about this ride. I would love to see hundreds of people out to celebrate Gary and what he's done for all of us through the years. Questions call or text me, Bob Terneus, 304-657-1654".

Sunday, September 10 at 10:00 AM Dilliner-Taylortown Loop Phil Slates 304-777-9663

(***, R) 35 miles. *Meet in Star City at the bathrooms*. We will bike north on the Mon River Trail to Point Marion. From there, we will cross the Mon River, ride on Rt 88, then bike up Dilliner Hill. At that point, we will bike on the Taylortown Road, returning to Morgantown via Route 100.

Saturday, September 16 at 12:00 NOON Fayette County Countryside Kelly Williams 304-276-5530

(***,R) 25 miles. *Meet at the Free Methodist Church in Whitehouse* (2125 Springhill Furnace Road, on the corner of Rt 857 and Tobin School Road). We will bike a loop around upper Fayette County.

Sunday, September 17 at 12:00 NOON Friendship Hill Loop Jennifer Previll 304-282-0218

(**, R) 25 miles. *Meet in Star City at the bathrooms*. We will bike north on the Mon River Trail to Point Marion. From there, we will cross the Cheat River, next we will bike up Friendship Hill. After visiting Friendship Hill, We will descend the hill to return to Point Marion and Morgantown. Trail riders can bike to Point Marion and back.)

Saturday, September 23 at 12:00 NOON Fayette County Countryside Kelly Williams 304-276-5530

(***,R) 25 miles. *Meet at the Free Methodist Church in Whitehouse* (2125 Springhill Furnace Road, on the corner of Rt 857 and Tobin School Road). We will bike a loop around upper Fayette County.

Sunday, September 24 at 12:00 NOON Mount Morris Loop Rick Probst 443-866-0237

(**, R) 20-30 miles. *Meet at the Senior Center (yellow brick building) in Mount Morris*. We will do a loop around the back roads of Mount Morris.

Saturday, September 30 at 9:00 AM Mon River Trail Metric Century Kelly Williams 304-276-5530

(***, T) 62 miles. *Meet at the parking lot behind Wendy's in Sabraton (Rt 7, East)*. We will bike to the Mon River Trail to Prickett's Fort, then north to Point Marion. We will stop at Mountain State Brew Pub for food and refreshments before returning to the start. Join us for all or part of the ride, or join us just for refreshments at Mountain State.

Sunday, October 1 at 12:00 NOON Dilliner Loop Tom Pinto 304-276-5051 (***, R) 30 miles. *Meet in Star City at the bathrooms*. We will bike north on the Mon River Trail to Point Marion. From there, we will cross the Mon River, then bike up Dilliner Hill, returning to Morgantown via Fort Martin Road.

Saturday, October 7 at 10:00 AM Connellsville to Confluence Overnight Bike Ride Kelly Williams 304-276-5530

(**,T) 30 miles. *Meet at the trailhead behind Martin's in Connellsville*. From Morgantown, take RT 43, the Mon-Fayette Expressway (this is a toll road) to Uniontown. Continue on US-119 to Connellsville. About 1000 feet past the Sheetz, turn left into the Martin's parking lot, the trailhead parking is behind Martin's. We will bike on the GAP from Connellsville to Confluence, with lunch in Ohiopyle, then we will spend the night in Confluence, to return the next day.NOTE: Confluence will be having a three day Pumpkin Festival this weekend, so we will check out all of the activities.

Sunday, October 8 at 9:00 AM Confluence to Connellsville Overnight Bike Ride Kelly Williams 304-276-5530

(**,T) 30 miles. After breakfast, we will bike on the GAP from Confluence to Connellsville, returning to the start.

Saturday, October 14 at 11:00 AM Wheeling Trail Ride Tom Pinto 304-276-5051

(*, T) 30 miles. *Meet at the Elm Grove Trail head*. We will explore the trails around Wheeling, stopping at Coleman's Fish Market for lunch.

Sunday, October 15 at 10:00 AM Taylortown Ride Kelly Williams 304-276-5530

(**, R) 25 miles. *Meet at the Riverfront Park*. We will cross the Westover Bridge. From there, we bike on Rt 100 to Taylortown Road, returning to town down Fort Martin Hill, and Rt 100.

Saturday, October 21 at 12:00 NOON Palatine Park to the West Fork River Trail Mike Hawranick 304-641-5564

(**,T) 36 miles. *Meet at the Palatine Park in Fairmont*. We will bike through Fairmont then along the West Fork Trail to Shinnston, then return. Snacks available in Shinnston. Shinnston also has a bike shop (Pike Street Bikes). On the return trip, we will stop for ice cream at the Dairy Corner in Fairmont. (NOTE: Trail riders can start from the Big Lots parking lot at 12:30.)

Sunday, October 22 at 12:00 NOON Brushy Fork Road Mike Hawranick 304-641-5564

(**,R) 33 miles. Begin at Hinkle and Deegan Lake in Bridgeport. We will gather where the playground, tennis courts, and restrooms are. Plenty of parking there. From the parking lot we will turn right onto Hinkle Lake Rd (26) and ride about 2.5 miles before coming to a folk in the rode. We will turn left onto Brushy Fork Rd (23) and stay on that main rode until you come to the end of Stewarts Run Rd. (Brushy Fork Rd turns into Stewarts Run Rd). There will be a stop sign. There we will turn around and take the same route back. After coming down the last big hill remember to veer to the right returning to Hinkle and Deegan Lake.

Saturday, October 28 at 12:00 NOON Mon River Trail to Nilan Hill Marilyn Newcome 304-216-9062

(*,T and R) 25 miles. *Meet in Star City at the bathrooms*. We will bike north on the Mon River Trail to Point Marion, then we will bike up Nilan Hill and return on Lake Lynn Hill, then back to Morgantown. (Trail riders can bike to Point Marion and back.)

Sunday, October 29 at 12:00 NOON Riverfront Park to Opeiska Dam. Steve Knudsen 304-906-3483

(**, T) 30 miles. *Meet at the River Front Park*. From there, we will bike to Opekiska, then return. We should be seeing fall foliage during the entire ride.

Country Roads Cyclists Annual Meeting: CRC Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 6:00 PM, at the Panera's Bread, 357 Patteson Drive, Morgantown, WV