



Saturday Rides roll at 8 AM starting 3 June 2006

Saturday rides are already picking up, going to Deale on May 6th and to Galesville on May 13th. The weather has been excellent – not too hot, and with just enough sun to make the riders really appreciate the beautiful South County countryside.

Don't miss out – be sure you get there for the 8 AM start time!



First Slow and Easy Sunday a Great Success!

Eight ABC riders showed up for the first Slow and Easy Sunday, and had a great time in wonderful weather. Donna Carrington had developed a great route which took us right past Bob and Rosa McWhorter's beautiful azalea gardens, and it was obvious why they are registered with the Smithsonian as a backup source for rare and exotic azaleas. And we had fun on a great ride, too! Check out the list below for more fun Sunday afternoons.

ABC Roadside litter cleanup

The ABC often rides on Route 450, and we've adopted a section for a once a year road cleanup. This year's cleanup will be on Sunday, June 4th. If you care about the environment, and especially the roads we ride on, come on and help out for a few hours.

Location: Sign Company at the intersection of Crownsville Rd. and Md 450
Time: 9:00 AM
Date: Sunday, June 4th, 2004



Wear protective (old) clothing. Trash bags will be provided. Lunch on the ABC afterwards! Call Charlie Dodge (410) 841-6269 for more information and to let us know you expect to be there.

Slow and Easy Sundays

This summer we'll be featuring some shorter, slower rides for those who are looking for an easy, pleasant ride. All rides will start at 1 PM. Contact the ride leaders for information on these rides and to verify the rides will go:

June 4 Not a ride – road cleanup. See the above article.
June 11 Broome's Island approx. 25 miles – Call Jim at (410)956-5219 for details
June 18 Father's Day – no scheduled ride
June 25 Sandy Point or 20 – 25 miles 'Round the River, depending on riders and weather.
Ride may not go if temperature is over 95 degrees.
Call Nancy at (410)544-2784 for details

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Dining in Deale

The next time you're in Deale and looking for some variety for your lunch, check out the South County Cafe. It's located at 5960 Deale – Churchton Road. (That's on the right hand corner at the “T” you come to as you proceed from the Subway toward beautiful downtown Deale.) Judging from one sub, and from the number of local folks lined up at the counter, you won't regret your visit.

Mid-Maryland Bike Map

The College Park Area Bicycle Coalition (CPABC) has just published a new bike map covering the area from Silver Spring East nearly to Bowie and from Bladensburg up to Columbia. The roads and trails are color coded to indicate safe or caution roads, on-road or off road, paved or unpaved. It's available at several bicycle shops in the Bowie, College Park, and Silver Spring areas, or you can check it out on line at www.cpabc.org/MDmap.

Like your bike? Don't lose it!

Could you identify your bike if it was stolen? Could you describe it to the police well enough so that *they* could positively identify it, and get it back to you if they found it?

It's worth while taking a few minutes to provide yourself with a little free insurance. You can borrow an electric engraving tool at most local law enforcement agencies. Use it to engrave your driver's license number on the bottom of your bottom bracket. (Turn the bike over, and that's the thing that holds the axle that connects the cranks that hold the pedals.) *Don't* use your social security number – that's an invitation to identity theft, and anyway, the police can look up your driver's license number much more quickly. It should look like A-000-000-000-000 MD. Use the two letter postal ID to identify the state. And while you're at it, write down a description – type (road, hybrid, etc.), color, wheel size, make, model, speeds. Just in case....



Computer Note

We've had to change the computers that host our web site. This also affects our email. If all goes well, you'll never notice a difference – but as we all know, computers (and their programmers) aren't foolproof. If you have trouble getting to our website, or if you're no longer getting email, we hope you'll hear about the change, and let us know. And if you hear of any club members mentioning that they haven't heard from us lately, please ask them to call Jim Claffey at (410)956-5219.



Wednesday Evening Ride

Chris Adair is running a Wednesday evening ride, starting about 5 PM from Capital Bicycles at 436 Chinquapin Round Road. The speed is variable, according to the riders that show up. Distance is about 20 miles. Contact Chris at (410) 626-2197 for details and to let him know you'll be coming.



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The Annapolis Bicycle Club is a not-for-profit membership organization dedicated to the interests of recreational cycling enthusiasts. Our interests are recreation, exercise, safety and camaraderie. We don't pollute or block traffic and we encourage cyclists to adhere to traffic laws.

The Annapolis Bicycle Club is affiliated with the League of American Bicyclists.

Members and prospective members are encouraged to call any of our officers to answer any questions and obtain information about Club activities.

President – Nancy Waddington
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Saturday Rides

Please **check** with a buddy to verify the ride in the winter months

March – May; September – December 9:00 AM

June – August – 8:00 AM

January & February – 10:00 AM

Davidsonville Rides – Multiple rides; speeds from 14 – 20+ mph.
35+ mile rides

Meet at the Davidsonville Park 'n Ride, Routes 424 & 50 for rides to Deal, Galesville and around South Anne Arundel County.

Summer Rides

With summer weather, rides will usually go. But remember, changeable weather may cancel a ride. So call and check with your buddies to be sure you'll have company. Don't give up because of a small possibility of rain, but don't be foolish either – wet roads can be slippery and dangerous, especially after a long dry spell. And if the temperature and humidity is in the high 90's, it's especially important to check with a ride leader, and then be careful not to overexert. And, be sure to keep hydrated!

Annapolis Bicycle Club Activities

- Tuesday morning - Meet at Charlie's at 9 AM, call for directions - 410-841-6269. *Call first to verify the ride.*
- **Membership meetings** with programs on bicycle topics in the Holy Grounds building of The Community Center. The address is the intersection of Evergreen Road at Baltimore Annapolis Blvd in Severna Park. These meetings will begin again in September.
- **Special event rides** and other bicycle related social activities
- **Group participation** in regional bicycling events

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Membership Application and Renewal Form

In consideration of accepting application for membership and being permitted to participate in any way in the activities of the Annapolis Bicycle Club, ("ABC"), I/WE, for myself/ourselves, my/our personal representatives, assigns, heirs and next of kin:

1. ACKNOWLEDGE, agree and represent that I/we understand the nature of Bicycling Activities and that I/we am/are qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such activities. I/we further acknowledge that certain of the activities will be conducted over public roads and facilities open to the public during the activities and upon which the hazards of traveling are to be expected. I/we further agree and warrant that if at any time I/we believe conditions to be unsafe, I/we will immediately discontinue further participation in the activity.

2. 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/our 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/us or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I/we fully accept and assume all such

risks and all responsibility for losses, costs and damages I/we incur as a result on my participation in the activities of ABC.

3. HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE ABC, their administrators, directors, agents, officers, volunteers, and employees, other participants, and sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which activities take place, (each considered one of the RELEASEES herein) 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/we further agree that if, despite this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT I/we, or anyone on my/our behalf, makes a claim against any of the RELEASEES, I/we will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the RELEASEES from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim. I/we have read this agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I/we 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

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP (Check one and circle fee)

FAMILY = Annual Fee: \$18 email newsletter, \$28 US mail newsletter
SINGLE – Annual Fee: \$10 email newsletter, \$20 US mail newsletter

NAMES AND SIGNATURES OF APPLICANTS OVER AGE 18:

Name _____	Signature _____	Date _____
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Address _____	City, State _____	ZIP _____
email Address _____	Phone _____	

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