

“It’s not about the bike, It’s all about the pie: My Cycle Oregon Adventures

by Dave Captain HawkqHellyer



Pie to Die For!

To steal the modified quote from a disgraced Texan, my 27 years riding Cycle Oregon have been much more than just a bike ride. It’s about eating 4 pieces of pie made by little old Methodist church ladies in Union. It’s about setting up your tent in someone’s yard, then enjoying hours of pleasant conversation with them on a country porch swing in Cambridge. It’s about stopping and doing jumping jacks and push-ups descending McKenzie Pass just to warm up so I would not crash (34 degrees and snowing at the summit). It’s about skinny dipping in some natural hot springs with my 7 year old daughter listening to her ask total strangers about their various tattoos and piercings. It’s about watching a certain CO rookie SBC rider limping around on Day 2, not from riding too hard, but from dancing too much the previous night! (I warned this retired police chief to pace himself)

It’s about seeing the Milky Way in the middle of the night (via nature call due to excess beer consumption) brilliantly clear because the nearest city is over 100 miles away. It’s about jumping off a 300 bridge in Fossil with the locals, only to be humbled later by two riders who did flips and twists

before hitting the water (they were

NCAA champion divers). It’s about being awakened by the sound of industrial sized lawn sprinklers at the University of Oregon campus, because someone forgot that 2000 folks were camping there. It’s about buying the last six pack of microbrew at the LaPine General Store, then sitting on the curb giving 5 bottles away to new friends. It’s about watching the smiles on little girls selling lemonade for 25 cents a glass and getting a 75 cent tip (rural Oregon capitalism at its finest!) It’s about me riding my tandem with my daughter Jennay for 3 CO’s and my son Paul for 5 CO’s. It’s about a friend riding with his dad who was 82 years old. It’s about blowing off riding the option day in Ashland because it is 102 degrees, and besides there is cold beer to drink!



Good Carbs. Really Good!

The Ride Zone

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I could go on and on about all my highlights and lowlights. Riding Cycle Oregon I have logged roughly 11,000 miles and climbed about 850,000 feet. I ascended 4000qclimbs. I have bombed down grand descents that rival anything in the Sierras or Europe. I camped in my tent a total of 190 nights. I have consumed at least 600 pints of brew. I have experienced Oregon temperatures from 22 to 102 degrees.

Many of the routes roads are so rural that the only vehicles I see all day are the SAG and support trucks. There are plenty of hot showers and %blue rooms+(*Editor: porta potties*). Huge breakfasts, lunches and dinners supplemented with 2 well stocked rest stops per day, mean I rarely go hungry. There are live bands to enjoy every evening. I guess the only negative is the possibility of nasty weather. Yet once a year during the second week of September, I am a strong follower of RULE 9 %k you are out riding in bad weather, it means you're a badass. PERIOD!+

Finally, this year once again CO will be in far north east Oregon, My favorite part of the state. You know where I will beõ Captain Hawk



Stockton Bicycle Club
Delta Century
Sunday May 6, 2018

[Jessie's Grove Winery](http://www.jessiesgrove.com)
1973 West Turner Road
Lodi, California

[Sign Up to Ride Today!](#)

Climb the Mountain, Set Up the Tent, and Party!

RIDE SCHEDULE – April 2018

Helmets required.

Rain or 'serious' threat of rain cancels. Follow Stockton Bicycle Club Facebook page for updates on ride status.

Rides may be amended and additional rides may be scheduled via the Stockton Bicycle Club Yahoo! Group. (details below).

A ride: 20+ mph, paceline riding, few if any regroup. **B** ride: 16-20 mph, experienced rider, regroup at major intersections, turns.

C ride: 12-15mph, regroup, no drop ride. MPH is based on a flat ride

For questions or to list a ride of your choice, please call or email Roberta Hoffman at nikehoffman@comcast.net or 763-2807

New Riders Note: There is a rest/refuel break about the middle of the ride. Unless otherwise stated, all rides are recreational in nature and intended for the enjoyment of all. **Terrain:** F=flat, R=rolling, H=Hilly, VH=very hilly

Date	Time	Miles/ Terrain	Start Location	Description	
Tue	9:00	35-45 R/H	Wallace S. Camanche & Wallace Lakes Dr.	Fixed Route: So Comanche Rd/ Burson Rd Olive Orchard to COMMON GROUNDS	
Wed	5:30 PM	25 F	Stockton Bear Creek HS	W.A.R. Route map is posted on www.Stocktonbikeclub.org 18-22 mph	Rafael Posadas
Thu	9:00	35-45 R/H	Wallace Tri-Lakes Church	Show and go	
Sun 1	9:00	24, 40 F	Clements Fire Station	24: Mackville, Borden, Claystation, Collier, Linn 40: Jahant, Tully, Brandt https://ridewithgps.com/routes/24354800	
Sat 7	9:00	56/93 H/VH	Livermore- Robertson Park Softball Fields 1167 S. Livermore	56: Mines Rd. (3600') 93: Mt. Hamilton (7500')	
Sun 8	9:00	24, 40 F	Clements Fire Station	Come early to Clements Community School for brkfs 24: Mackville, Borden, Claystation, Collier, Linn 40: Jahant, Tully, Brandt Omelet Breakfast https://ridewithgps.com/routes/24354800	
Sat 14	B 8:30 A:9:00	21/45/48 H/VH	Ione Howard Park	21: SC (1200') 45: Volcano (3400') 48: Ram's Horn, Shake Ridge (4300')	
Sun 15	9:00	40/45 F	Linden Orlandos Market	40: Farmington – Flood, Fine, Copperopolis, South on Waverly, West on Funk to Hwy 4 – Break in Farmington – West to Hewitt, Fine..	
Sat 21	B 8:30 A 9:00	48 VH	Wallace Tri-Lakes Church	48: BV, Stoney, Martell, Stoney, Pardee, Campo (3900')	
Sun 22	7:00 to 8:30	31/62 F	Lodi Bare Ranch	http://www.active.com/lodi-ca/cycling/zin-spin-2018 8 th Zin Spin – Charity Ride	
Sat 28	8:00-100 mile 8:30 63 mile	63, 100 F	Woodbridge Meet Lower Sac and Augusta St.	Delta Century Pre- ride 100m, 100K	
Sun 29	9:00	40-45 F	Clements Fire Station	Mackville, Peltier, Tully, Baker – Break at the Fruit Bowl. Spring is here! They're open!	
May Sat 5	B 8:30 A 9:00	42 miles R/H	ValleySprings Starbuck's Mar-Val Shopping Ctr	42: Pardee Dam, Stoney, BV, Jackson Valley to Ione-Break -Brubeck Rd., Coal Mine, Camanche, Campo Seco, VS(2200')	
May Sun 6	Dawn Until Afternoon	100m 100k,26m	Jesse's Grove Winery, Lodi	2018 Delta Century Ride or Volunteer	Dave Hellyer

For changes/additions to the ride schedule, participate in online discussions or for other club news, join our Yahoo! Group at groups.yahoo.com/group/Stockton_Bicycle_Club or send an e mail to Stockton_Bicycle_Club_subscribe@yahoo.com. Also, see our Stockton Bicycle Club Facebook page for ride changes, and comments.