

Berks County Bicycle Club: January-February 2025 www.berksbicycle.com

First Number: Terrain Rating Terrain rating 1-5 rates the total hilliness of the ride. 1 = FLAT–easiest

2= GENTLY ROLLING HILLS—moderate terrain with easiest of hills (Almost anyone can handle).

3= SOME HILLS–Moderate hills with some steeper grades (Moderately Challenging–but within the ability of most riders).

4= HILLY–*The number and difficulty of hills is quite substantial (Very Challenging).*

5= EXTREMELY HILLY–Extreme Challenge- steep and long hills most of the ride. Requires a very high fitness level). Second Number: Total Mileage for ride

Please note the Club policy on protective headgear: ALL Riders must wear Snell/ANSI rated helmets. Ride Host/ Hostess will NOT give cue sheets to riders without helmets and that rider will not be considered an official participant of the Club ride.

Please have your bike in proper working order BEFORE the start of ride. Arrive 10-15 minutes before start time so that all rides leave on time. Bring a spare tube or patch kit, and at least one water bottle.

If weather conditions are questionable, the ride host may notify club members by post-

ing a message on **Facebook** prior to the ride or make a decision at the starting location based on road conditions and the forecast. SPECIAL RIDE DETAILS

Special rides during the months will be highlighted in color. If you are hosting a special ride, please contact Newsletter Editor Poncho (aka Félix) Peña or Ride Coordinator Randy Gonzales before the 15th of each month.

Cue sheets & GPS files at: www.berksbicycle.com/cues.

Cancellations, changes, etc.: For updates, visit the club Facebook page, <u>tinyurl.com/bcbcfacebook</u>

| Date | Time | Ride Name/Description | Rating | Mileage | Location | Host |
|------------|----------|---|--------|---------|---|----------|
| Sat Jan 4 | 11:00 AM | HAPPY NEW YEAR 2025 BCBC! WY24 Another Reamstown Loop | 4 | 31 | Wyomissing H.S. off Clayton Ave. in Wyomissing | Randy G. |
| Sun Jan 5 | 11:00 AM | SL09 Limekiln - Oley - Yellow House | 2 | 32 | Exeter School District Office | Brad S. |
| Sat Jan 11 | 11:00 AM | WI09 Bunker Hill Loop | 3 | 29 | Wilson High School Parking Lot - Upper | Bill R. |
| Sun Jan 12 | 11:00 AM | OL14 Oley - Daniel Boone Loop | 2 | 34 | Oley High School Parking Lot | Deb M. |
| Sat Jan 18 | 11:00 AM | BR04 Short French Creek | 4 | 27 | Brecknock Elementary School Rt. 568 | Kent S. |
| Sun Jan 19 | 11:00 AM | NT40 Cheesy Loop to Shartelsville | 3 | 41 | North Reading Plaza (Walmart) Rt. 222 in Temple (Behind McDonalds) | Randy G. |
| Sat Jan 25 | 11:00 AM | SCB05 Echo Hill Optional Lunch and Brews Afterwards | 2 | 26 | Saucony Creek Brewing Company, Kutztown | Gary R. |
| Sun Jan 26 | 11:00 AM | FL29 Mertztown - Coffee Shop Ride | 2 | 36 | Fleetwood Middle School Rich- mond St. in Fleetwood | Alan F. |
| Sat Feb 1 | 11:00 AM | CW22 Stouchburg Loop II | 3 | 31 | Conrad Weiser East Elementary School on Lincoln Rd. in Wernersville | Matt F. |
| Sun Feb 2 | 11:00 AM | MCP07 Penn Valley Ride | 2 | 29 | Maidencreek Community Park on Park Rd. in Blandon | Randy G. |
| Sat Feb 8 | 11:00 AM | AD02 Swartzville - Durlach Ride | 3 | 25 | Weavers Markets, Rt.272 and Rt. 897 near Adamstown. Park at Rear of Store | TBD |
| Sun Feb 9 | 11:00 AM | SV04 Northern Berks Scenic Loop | 4 | 35 | Schuylkill Valley Elementary School, Ashley Drive in Leesport | Randy G. |
| Sat Feb 15 | 11:00 AM | WY04 Ryland Loop | 3 | 32 | Wyomissing H.S. off Clayton Ave. in Wyomissing | Randy G. |
| Sun Feb 16 | 11:00 AM | DB18 Fivepoints - Oley | 4 | 35 | Daniel Boone Middle School Weavertown Rd. Amityville | TBD |
| Sat Feb 22 | 11:00 AM | WIS04b Sportsman / Texter / BrickPlant Loop (Under "Misc" rides" | 4 | 29 | Wilson Southern Middle School | Randy G. |
| Sun Feb 23 | 11:00 AM | SL25 Oley - Daniel Boone Tour | 2 | 31 | Exeter School District Office | Brad S. |

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|-----------|----------|--|--------|---------|--|----------|
| Sat Mar 1 | 11:00 AM | WI12 Kricks Mill Ride | 3 | 36 | Wilson High School Parking Lot - Upper | Bill R. |
| Sun Mar 2 | 11:00 AM | NT25 Shartlesville - Shoemakersville Loop | 3 | 41 | North Reading Plaza (Walmart) Rt. 222 in Temple (Behind McDonalds) | Randy G. |







These are group rides of roughly 20 to 40 miles in length. Rides are rated 1, 2 or 3 with 3 being the hilliest and most difficult. Plan to arrive 10-15 minutes before the start time with a bicycle in good condition, a bicycle helmet, and anything you need to repair a flat tire.

Please see top of page 1 for important information about riding with BCBC groups. Links to route maps are on the Seasoned Spokes tab of the BCBC website:

www.berksbicycle.com/seasonedspokes

More information: David Cruzan, 484-225-7048; pjcruzan@comcast.net

| Date | Time | Ride Name & GPS Link | Rating | Miles | Starting Location | Host |
|------------|----------|--|--------|--------------|---|------------|
| Thu Jan 2 | 10:00 AM | qfds01p <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/34290101</u> qfds01s <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/34290016</u> | 3 3 | 28.1 19.4 | Quarry Fields, Old Wyomissing Rd & Lancaster Ave, Shillington | Machele W |
| Thu Jan 9 | 10:00 AM | olyz05p <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/34635634</u> olyz05s <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/34635675</u> | 2 2 | 30.5 19.2 | Weis Shopping Plaza, Friedensburg Rd, Oley | Kathleen C |
| Thu Jan 16 | 10:00 AM | rdbk02p <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/34635809</u> rdbk02s <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/34635834</u> | 3 3 | 27.0 19.8 | Red Bridge, Tulpehocken Rd, Spring Township | David C |
| Thu Jan 23 | 10:00 AM | fwdl02p <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/46762190</u> fwdl02s <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/41391619</u> | 2 2 | 30.5 20.2 | Fleetwood Community Pool, Vine St, Fleetwood | Alan F |
| Thu Jan 30 | 10:00 AM | hrw03p <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/34669930</u> hrwr03s <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/34670076</u> | 4 4 | 29.9 19.7 | Heidelberg Run West Recreation Area, Arthur Dr, S. Heidelberg Twp. | Scott F |
| Thu Feb 6 | 10:00 AM | cmdk04p <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/37863274</u> cmdk04s <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/37863070</u> | 3 3 | 29 19.9 | Cacoosing Meadows Park, Reedy Rd, Spring Township | TBD |
| Thu Feb 13 | 10:00 AM | nrdz04p <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/37863336</u> nrdz04s <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/37863363</u> | 3 3 | 29.3 20.8 | North Reading Plaza, Leesport Ave & Allentown Pike, Temple | TBD |
| Thu Feb 20 | 10:00 AM | fmrk03p <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/34670402</u> fmrk03s <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/34670387</u> | 3 3 | 29.2 20 | Farming Ridge Park, Farming Ridge Blvd and Ritters Rd | TBD |
| Thu Feb 27 | 10:00AM | wnvt01p <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/37863528</u> wnvt01s <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/37863449</u> | 2 2 | 31.1 20.2 | Wernersville, near tennis courts, Norman St and Stitzer Ave. | TBD |
| Thu Mar 6 | 10:00 AM | amtk03p <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/46776499</u> amtk03s <u>ridewithgps.com/routes/46776562</u> | 3 3 | 30 20.7 | Amity Community Park, Weavertown Rd, Amityville | TBD |

These bike shops offer discounts to our members

The following bike shops offer BCBC members discounts on merchandise. The shops will give 10% off regularly priced accessories and 5% off regularly priced bikes (unless stated otherwise). Members are required to show their current membership ID card.

BICYCLE BARN 839 Reading Blvd. (Rt.625), East Earl Township, 717-445-8508, bicyclebarnllc.com

GO GRAVA BICYCLE 840 N Park Road, Wyomissing, 610-898-4855, gograva.com

JB'S BIKE SHOP 214 W. Lancaster Ave, Shillington,

610-777-5253, jbsbikeshop.com

SHIRK'S BIKE SHOP 1649 Ligalaw Rd., East Earl, 717-445-5731, <u>www.facebook.com/</u> ShirksBike

SKYLINE BICYCLES & SKATEBOARDS

2573 Perkiomen Ave. Mt. Penn, 610-378-9778; <u>www.facebook.com/</u> <u>skylinebike</u>

SPOKES BIKE SHOP

1073 Pottsville Pike [Route 61] Suite 8, Shoemakersville, 610-562-8900, <u>www.spokesbikeshop.com</u>

WOLVERTON'S CYCLING & FITNESS

2904 Kutztown Rd., Hyde Park, 610-929-8205, <u>www.wolvertonsbikes</u> .com



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