

Plynouth Pelalers Biking Civi

2022 Regular Group - 4th Schedule - August 31 through October 12 Except for September 7 which starts at 10:00. All Ride Start at 9:30

Aug 31 9:30

MN Bluffs Trail to Chaska

Meet at Miller Park (8250 Shoreline Dr, Eden Prairie, MN 55347). We will ride the Minnesota Bluffs Trail crossing the Minnesota River on the highway 101 bridge into Shakopee then on to Chaska. Stop for coffee in Chaska. Return on the Bluffs trail to Miller Park. Trail: limestone and asphalt. Slight up hill back to Miller Park. About 20 miles. Directions to Miller Park from 494 take Hwy 212 west stay in right hand lane to West bound Hwy 5 then take a left on Eden Prairie Rd. Go approximately 3/4 mile to park entrance on your right. (Start Location)

Sept 7 10:00

Brown's Creek Trail to Stillwater

<u> Leader: Bill Lundburg</u>

Leader: Bob Flynn

Meet at the Mahtomedi High School Soccer fields parking lot. Near 8396 75th Street North, Stillwater MN 55082. Ride the Gateway and Brown's Creek Trails into downtown Stillwater. Continue on to the new St Croix Crossing Bridge to Wisconsin. We will stop for lunch in Stillwater. Trail: 27 miles of paved rail bed and city streets. There are hills in town. Note, there will be no pre-ride on 9/5 for the Stillwater ride. Directions: From the intersection of I-694 and Hwy. 36, take Hwy. 36 east for about .5 mile to the exit to Hilton Trail. Take the Hilton Trail north for 1.6 miles, turn right (east) onto 75th St. N (Stillwater Road) N for 0.6 miles, Parking is on the left. (Start Location)

Sept 14 9:30

Nine Mile Creek Ride

Leader: Linda Platt

Meet at Valley Park 905 9th Ave S, Hopkins 55343. We will ride the Nine Mile Creek Trail and some side streets to Starbucks on Lyndale & 76th. We will return along the same route. The trail is mainly flat with a few moderate hills leading to a number of long bridges. About 22 miles. On Wednesday, only, there is an option to continue beyond Starbucks ride for a ride that totals 32 miles. Directions: From Hwy 169 -- exit on Excelsior Blvd (westbound) to 11th Ave S. Proceed south on 11th Ave S to 7th St. S. Turn left (east) at 7th St. S to 9th Ave S. Turn right (south) at 9th Ave. S. Parking is about .2 miles on the left. If the lot is full park in the street on 9th Ave. (Start Location)

Sept 21 9:30

Shingle Ck./Edinburgh/W. River Rd.

Leader: Bob Flynn

Meet at the parking lot in the Lakeview Terrace Park in Robbinisdale. We will ride north along Wirth and Victory Memorial Parkways to the Shingle Creek Trail, then at Xerxes Ave. go north to the trail along the south side of the Edinburgh Golf Course and stop for refreshments. We'll then ride east to the west bank of the Mississippi, and back to the parkways. Trail: Level, paved, about 21 miles. Directions: From Hwy 100 go east on 36th Ave N to Bottineau Blvd. Cross Bottineau Blvd, parking will be on left in Lakeview Terrace Park. (Start Location)

Sept 28 9:30 Biking the Bays of Lake Minnetonka

<u> Leader: Kevin Krueger</u>

Meet at the Minnetonka Community Center, 14600 Minnetonka Blvd. We will start the ride on the Lake Minnetonka LRT Trail, and then head to Libb's Bay, the Minnehaha Creek Headwaters, and to the trail on Co Rd 101 that passes Gray's Bay & Wayzata Bay. From there we'll ride to St. Louis Bay, Carson Bay, the Cottagewood area, St. Alban's Bay, Excelsior Bay, Gideon's Bay, and finally back to the community center. Coffee in Excelsion. 20 mi. Trail: Level limestone on the LRT, paved city roads, and some hills. Directions: The Community Center is located on the north side of Minnetonka Blvd at the intersection of Williston Road. Williston Road is located a half mile west of I-494 on Minnetonka Blvd. Park in the Community Center lot closest to Mtka. Blvd. (Start Location)

Oct 5 9:30 Mississippi River Gorge from Nokomis

Leader: Gary Doyle

Meet at the beach house on Nokomis Parkway in Minneapolis, 5074 W Lake Nokomis Parkway. The ride will go east to the Mississippi River, then along both sides of the river to Boom Island Park, crossing the Mississippi a couple of times. Coffee stop. Trail: Paved trail and city streets that go down to river level and back up to the bluff top; about 23 miles. Directions: The beach house is at the northwest side of Lake Nokomis on West Lake Nokomis Parkway. You can take the Crosstown Highway (MN 62) to Cedar Ave. Go north on Cedar. After crossing the bridge over the west portion of the lake, turn right onto W Lake Nokomis Pkwy. There is a charge for parking in the parking lot. Street parking is free. Beach house is on the right. (Start Location)

Oct 12 9:30

End of Season Ride and Luncheon

Leader: John Heibel

Meet at the Green Mill Restaurant in Plymouth, 2705 Annapolis Ln N, Plymouth, MN 55441. We'll ride along Medicine Lake Plymouth streets. If the weather cancels the ride, go to the Green Mill for lunch at 12:00. <u>See the newsletter for more details</u>. Trail: Streets, trail and moderate hills. 15-20 miles, depending on weather and interest. Direction: Green Mill is located on the Southeast corner of Hwy 55 and Interstate 494. (Start Location)