



**Starting Lineup at the June 12 Allen Ride  
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## **Every-Other Sunday Ride Ride Leaders – Stuart Rogers and Keri Bloomer**

Keri Bloomer and Stuart Rogers lead a South Loop ride, generally every other Sunday, starting at 8:30 a.m. The start point is Alex Sanger Elementary School, 8410 San Leandro, Dallas (corner of St Francis/San Leandro). Park along the street in front of the school. The regular route is about 40 miles. For updates about this ride and information about specific dates, check the DATES Facebook page. A RideWithGPS link showing the regular route will be posted there. We can make it a little longer or shorter as the group prefers. Feel free to contact Keri with questions - [2kabloom@gmail.com](mailto:2kabloom@gmail.com).

## **Wednesday 'Round the Lake Ride July 13**

When: Wheels up at 6:00 PM

Where: Meet at The Lot restaurant at White Rock Lake (7530 East Grand, at Gaston)

Ride Leaders: Regina & Ernie Coose

Contact Information: Ernie Coose 469-520-7615 and Regina Coose 214-803-8945, or [coosefamily@verizon.net](mailto:coosefamily@verizon.net)

Details: We'll ride two laps clockwise, including the Northwest Highway addition, for a total of 22 miles. This will be a social ride, so the pace will be casual and nobody will be dropped. Join us for dinner afterwards at The Lot.

<http://www.thelotdallas.com/>

## **DATES Social**

Mark your calendars and come out for happy hour and/or dinner with fellow DATES members. Get to know your tandem friends in "real clothes" - not even sweaty and out of breath!

Thursday, July 14 at 6:30 pm

Matchbox American Kitchen and Spirits

7859 Walnut Hill Lane (northwest corner of Central and Walnut Hill)

Plenty of parking in the garage across from it.

We'll gather in the bar area and there is a huge patio with misters.

## **Midwest Tandem Rally September 2-5**

### **GREETINGS TANDEM RIDERS!**

Labor Day Weekend is fast approaching and that means it is time to **GET REGISTERED** for the **MIDWEST TANDEM RALLY** (if you haven't done so already).

We've put together a great rally for you here in Iowa. MTR has not been to Iowa since 2006 so we're super happy and excited to have you all back!

We're proud to be featuring the High Trestle Bridge and Trail. This is truly a sight you don't want to miss. Be sure to watch the videos on our website home page!

Please visit our website and get registered today! <http://www.mtr2016.com/>

Patrick Coughlin, Chairperson  
Midwest Tandem Rally Planning Committee  
Hosted by the Iowa P.I.G.S.



**REGISTER TODAY!**



## "My Big Fat Greek Ride" Sunday, September 25

Start at the Jackson/Dres home and then attend the Greek Festival for lunch! OPA!

When: Sunday, September 25th. Ride at 8:30 a.m.

Start Location: 6923 Alpha Road, Dallas

Route: 20-30 mile ride. Final route is TBD.

Leaders: Mary Jackson and David Dres

This will be a social ride.

Greek Festival -We'll finish riding by noon and then walk across the street to the Greek Festival for lunch! Folks can grab early parking spots for the festival near our house on Alpha Rd. Festival goers will need to buy a ticket at the door or online. Last year they were \$6.

Details on the festival can be found here:

<http://www.greekfestivalofdallas.com/>

Questions? Contact:

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## **Ride Report**

### **Allen Ride - Sunday June 12**

**By Ernie Coose**

Glen and Barb Rudolph led this ride, starting at Celebration Park in Allen. The group rode North and East through the country roads of Lowry Crossing, Princeton, Lucas, and Winningkoff for a distance of about 30 miles. The early start time of 8:30 was a good choice, as the weather was warm and steamy. Afterwards, Glen and Barb had us all into their beautiful home for breakfast and mimosas. Some of us got a chance to appreciate Glen's creative bike storage rigging in the garage. Riders included:

Glen and Barb Rudolph

Jason and Jaimie Carathers

David Dres and Mary Jackson

Larry Ronsko and Cindy Lee

Steve and Lisa Bandy

Ernie and Regina Coose

Three other fast riding teams, friends of the Rudolph's, whose names I forgot to write down.



Breakfast at Glen and Barb Rudolph's after the Allen Ride

## **Ride Report**

### **Wednesday evenings around White Rock Lake**

**By Ernie Coose**

DATES launched our summer season of Wednesday night rides. These are social, no-drop rides held more or less every other week at 6:00 PM. We ride twice around White Rock Lake, which is 22 miles, and follow it up with dinner at a nearby restaurant. Even when it's hot, there's always enough of a breeze at the lake to make this a pleasant end to the day.

May 25 - Leader: Scott Mashburn. Joined by: Mary Hall and Brad House, who are super fast and gave Scott a good work out.

June 8 - Leaders: Ernie and Regina Coose. Joined by: Harry and Janette Thompson, John and Nancy Griswold, and Pete Holverson.

June 22 - Leaders: John and Nancy Griswold. Joined by: David Dres and Mary Jackson, John and Nancy Griswold, John and BJ Harvey, Lee and Becky Wilson, Scott Mashburn, and Pete Holverson.

**Join us for our next Wednesday ride on July 13! See the ride announcement above.**



Wednesday night riders at White Rock

## **Tandem Demo Days Report May 28-29, 2016**

Our annual Tandem Demo Days was held at Richardson Bike Mart on Saturday and Sunday of Memorial Day weekend. (Plano Cycling and Fitness declined to participate this year because their space and inventory are not conducive to such an event). Not being sure whether everyone would be out of town, or everyone would be flocking to RBM to get their summer cycling mojo on, we were pleasantly surprised that it was the latter!

A big thanks to everyone who came out and volunteered time on their holiday weekend, including Teams Carlson, Maher, Ronsko-Lee, Bishop, Rudolph, Spreen, and Rogers-Bloomer. Also thanks to Woody Smith of RBM for organizing our set up outside the store and dedicating an employee to be at our disposal for helping with demo bikes, adjustments, test rides, and sales.

Kris Carlson definitely gets the award for the most aggressive marketer, cheerleader, and champion of DATES!! If you ever need to sell anything, call Kris! It was evident that people really saw our enthusiasm for tandem riding and wanted to join in the fun. There were definitely 3, if not 4, tandems sold from our joint efforts. Such a win-win for both RBM and DATES!



# **Bicycle Adventure Club Downeast Maine Self-Contained Trip**

**By Alan Kailer**

We just completed our first BAC trip in June, to the coast of Maine. It was everything that we hoped it would be – lighthouses, lobster, dramatic coastlines, even great weather! And, of course, quilt shops. The two-week trip began in Amesbury, Massachusetts (the hometown of the ride leaders), and wound up the coast of Maine, ending in Bar Harbor.



This was an unusual BAC trip because it was the first time in many years that it was entirely self-contained. It was also unusual for us, because it was perfect weather the whole time – no rain and temperatures between 50-80 degrees.

We had a great time and would definitely encourage anyone who has not already done so to try a ride on the Maine coast and to try a BAC ride!



Of course, our ride report wouldn't be complete without a food picture! This was the first of our daily lobster rolls.



RIDE OR ACTIVITY	DATE	START TIME	START PLACE	HOST	PHONE # / EMAIL	DISTANCE	DETAILS
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My Big Fat Greek Ride	Sunday, September 25	Ride at 8:30 a.m.	6923 Alpha Road, Dallas	Mary Jackson and David Dres	Mary - maryjackson99@gmail.com David - ddres@eabcoinc.com	20-30 miles	We'll finish riding by noon and then walk across the street to the Greek Festival for lunch!
We Need Ride Leaders! Contact Ernie and Regina Coose at <a href="mailto:coosefamily@verizon.net">coosefamily@verizon.net</a>							
<b>Get the most recent information on the DATES website: <a href="http://www.doubledates.com">http://www.doubledates.com</a></b>							

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