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Looking to get into or return to cycling? It's not too late. Five Borough Bicycle Club offers a variety of rides led by trained 5BBC leaders.

We're eager to share the joys of cycling with newcomers and returnees as well as active trippers. How about you? Some of our rides are suited for beginners. See the Day Trips listings with a happy face symbol  $\bigcirc$ .

Rides range from 20 to 30 miles, go at a leisurely pace and attract cyclists like you. Make sure your bike is in good working order—adequate tire pressure & brakes that work well.

Carry at least one spare tube, tire irons, a pump, patch kit and lock. Most important: wear a cycling-specific helmet approved by either CPSC or Snell. Ride smart & have adventurous spirit.

# **About Day Trips**

Day trips are free rides in and around New York City. Rides are open to responsible cyclists, both 5BBC members and non-members. No advance sign-up is required. Rides are led by trained, experienced 5BBC leaders. Unless noted, the Point-Drop-Sweep system is used, in which leaders ride at the front and rear of the group, keeping cyclists together. This system accommodates a wide range of paces within one ride. Riders generally receive a map or cue sheet of the route. Rest and lunch stops are planned. Unless otherwise stated, day trips return to the starting point at the end of the ride.

Riders are required to wear a cycling-specific helmet approved by CPSC or Snell, and are required to have a legally equipped bicycle, including working brakes, a bell or horn, and front and rear lights for night rides. Bicycle gear should include at least one water bottle, a pump, spare tube or patch kit, basic tools, and a lock. Dress for the season, including temperature variations of 15-20 degrees in either direction from the temperature at the starting time. Bring lunch or money for it, plus money for admission fees and railroad tickets as needed; an area map is also suggested. Motorized vehicles and headphones are not permitted.

At the discretion of the leaders, rides may be cancelled due to bad weather.

# Participants under age 18

Young cyclists are welcome on our day rides provided the parent/guardian signs a waiver of liability at the start of the ride and accompanies the youngster on the ride or designates another adult to do so.

**NEW!** For cyclists age 14-17 who are responsible enough to ride without a chaperone, we offer an additional option: the parent/guardian can print and sign a special waiver\* for the teenager to bring to the start point.

\*Waiver available online at: www.5bbc.org/minor\_waiver.pdf

# Bicycle Helmet Standards

"Snell" refers to bike helmet standards set by the Snell Foundation, founded in 1957. The organization was named after race car driver Peter Snell, who died in an auto accident wearing a poorly designed helmet. Snell has what is considered the toughest standards for helmets, especially for bicycling.

"ANSI" refers to the American National Standards Institute. In 1984, it set standards that



adhere to manufacturing bicycle helmets. ANSI standards were replaced by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), until 1995. There are no ANSIstandard helmets today.

Current helmet standards are set by the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), an independent Federal regulatory agency. CPSC certification for bike helmets replaced ASTM, March 1999.

Please wear a CPSC or Snell bicycle-specific helmet on 5BBC rides. Bike helmets are to be replaced: a) when damaged in an accident; b) after 3-5 years, helmets lose impact effectiveness.

For more information, visit the Bicycle Helmet Safety Institute, www.bhsi.org.



'Cover: 5BBC Leader Holly Campbell at the 5BBC Holiday Party, Sat. Dec. 1, 2012. Photo by Sharon Behnke. Above: the Bontrager "Quantum" road helmet.







# 5BBC Rides Meeting Places

# City Hall

South of Chambers & Centre Streets, directly across from Brooklyn Bridge entrance, Manhattan, Horace Greeley statue. Subways: 2 3 to Park Place, R W to City Hall, 4 5 6 to Brooklyn Bridge/City Hall, J M to Chambers St.

# George Washington Bridge (GWB) Bus Terminal

George Washington Bridge Bus Terminal, northeast corner, Ft. Washington Ave., 178th St., Manhattan. Subways: A to 175th St.

# Kew Gardens (former location of Statue of Civic Virtue)

Northside corner, Queens Blvd. & Union Turnpike @ Statue of Civic Virtue, Queens. Subways: E F to Kew Gardens, Union Turnpike.

# Prospect Park (Grand Army Plaza)

Flatbush Ave. @ Eastern Parkway, Bklyn. Near benches at entrance to park. Subways: 2 3 to Grand Army Plaza, F Q to 7th Ave., R to Union St.

### South Ferry

Staten Island Ferry terminal, ground level bicycle waiting area, Manhattan. Subway 1 to South Ferry; R to Whitehall St.; 4 5 to Bowling Green; 2 3 A C E nearby

# St. George

Staten Island Ferry Terminal, St. George, Staten Island. Ground level, bicycle waiting area. From Manhattan, take Staten Island Ferry at South. From Staten Island ONLY, Staten Island Rail to St. George.

# **Strictly Bicycles**

2347 Hudson Terrace, Ft. Lee, NJ. From Manhattan: go to George Washington Bridge bike/ped path to New Jersey. Off the bridge, turn right to Hudson Terrace. After the underpass, carefully turn left after Myrtle Ave. and see the shop with parking lot. RECOMMENDED: ARRIVE 15-30 MINUTES EARLY BEFORE START TIME.

For a comprehensive list of ride locations, visit: www.5bbc.org/meetingplaces.shtml

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**Strictly Bicycles** shop, start of Diane Goodwin's Lucky 13-Training in Bergen rides. Go left of shop, to parking lot.

# Tuesday, January 1, 2013

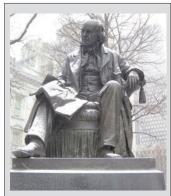
LUCKY 13 ... NEW YEAR'S DAY ... 50-MILE QUICK SPIN 9:00 AM, Strictly Bicycles parking lot (2347 Hudson Terrace, Fort Lee - NOT OPEN day of ride)

Looping through Bergen and Rockland Counties riding to Pearl River, Congers, Nyack and Piermont. Bring pocket food and hydration for entire 50 miles. Goal is to have fun, work out and be self-sufficient. We do not stop for lunch during ride. The Bicycle Club in Englewood Cliffs expects us for lunch after our ride and has INDOOR bicycle parking! Bring the usual mechanical supplies (spare tire is encouraged). Pace is casual-randonneur style. Strictly Bicycles will not be open on New Year's Day; plan ahead. Bathrooms are at GWB. Contact Diane to reserve a spot no later than Sunday, Dec 30 (dianegoodwin@yahoo.com) Co-listed with NYCC. Leaders: Diane Goodwin, Howard Hall & Susan Rodetis

# Saturday, January 5, 2013

# A WINTER SWEET TREAT 10:00 AM, City Hall, Manhattan 25 miles, moderate pace

It's winter. It's cold. It's time to give ourselves a rich, sweet treat, as we make our way to Brooklyn for a choice of cupcakes or Italian pastries (sandwiches and Brooklyn pizza also are available). We'll climb over a bridge and work up an appetite for a winter's delight. Bring lock and money for food. Rain, snow or extremely cold temperatures will cancel-check bulletin board the early morning of the ride or follow billm45s on Twitter for an update. Leaders: Bill Mastro & Jackie Junttonen



Horace Greeley statue, near City Hall Park, start of many 5BBC rides. From Wikipedia

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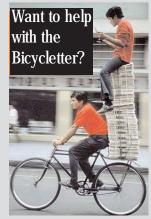


# IMPORTANT CYCLING NOTE #1

There may be more rides not listed in the Bicycletter. Please check the club web at ww.5bbc. org/rides and/or bulletin board; As a member, check club weekly emails.

# IMPORTANT CYCLING NOTE #2

As the weather gets cold, it's very important to: <u>Dress in layers</u>, that can be removed when needed. Apply <u>Sunscreen and Lip Balm</u> to protect your exposed skin and lips; Wear <u>Sunglasses</u> to protect your eyes. Drink lots of <u>Water</u> to stay hydrated. Thank you.



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# Sunday, January 6, 2013

# LUCKY 13 -TRAINING IN BERGEN #1 8:30 AM, Strictly Bicycles, 2347 Hudson Terrace, Ft. Lee, NJ, 25-65 miles, Quick Spin, B15

Let's maintain our fitness-based cycling through Bergen County and avoiding 9W. Bring pocket food, tools; learn self-sufficiency. Lunch will be in Ft Lee/Englewood area at end of ride. Must RSVP to participate, get details and ride status, Diane at 201-519-6611 or dianegoodwin@yahoo.com. Ride length/details determined by weather. Leaders: Diane Goodwin. Howard Hall & Susan Rodetis

# FROSTBITE RIDE #6 - Ride to Garibaldi/Alice Austin (SI) 9:45 AM, City Hall, Manhattan; 10:15 South Ferry; 11:00 St. George. 20 to 30 miles (Weather Dependent)

Get transported again on the Staten Island Ferry for scenic riding. You can get anything you want at Alice's Restaurant-oops wrong song-it's Cargo's. Visit the home of famed photographer Alice Austen, with gleaming views of New York Bay. She won't be home, but appreciates you coming. Check the trip-related web site www.aliceausten.8m.com. Don't worry about Giuseppe Garibaldi, baby. Bring \$ for lunch at Cargo's, a lock and a digital camera. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

# Saturday, January 12, 2013

# RIVER ROAD IN WINTER 10:00AM, GWB Bus Terminal (Ft. Washington Ave & W 178th St), 30 hilly miles

The leaves may be gone, but the beauty of Henry Hudson Drive ("River Road") remains. In the winter you can enjoy unobstructed views of the cliffs and across the Hudson River. Best of all, most of the road will be closed to cars. There will be no road maintenance, so you do need to watch for rocks and branches, and the occasional massive landslide. Lunch and hot chocolate at State Line Lookout Inn. Bring lunch or \$ for it. Leaders Jim Zisfein and Fritz Van Orden

# Sunday, January 13, 2013

LUCKY 13 -TRAINING IN BERGEN #2 8:30 AM, Strictly Bicycles, 2347 Hudson Terrace, Ft. Lee, NJ, 25-65 miles, Quick Spin, B15 Let's maintain our fitness-based cycling through Bergen County and avoiding 9W. Bring pocket food, tools; learn self-sufficiency. Lunch will be in Ft Lee/Englewood area at end of ride. Must RSVP to participate, get details and ride status, Diane at 201-519-6611 or dianegoodwin@yahoo.com. Ride length/details determined by weather. Leaders: Diane Goodwin. Howard Hall

# FROSTBITE RIDE #7 10:00 AM, CITY HALL, Manhattan, 30 miles

Uncle George's (Qns.) Ride into the borough that brought the Club the likes of Phil Goldberg, Brian Hoberman, Ira Najowitz, Manny Sanudo and David Seto. That would be Queens. Feast on Greek cuisine in Astoria. We'll have excursions to Socrates Sculpture Park and other waterfront delights on the east channel of the East River. Maybe an aerial ride back to Manhattan. Bring a lock, \$ for lunch and a disposable camera. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

# Saturday, January 19, 2013

# PRE-SPRING OYSTER BAY 9:00 AM, Union Turnpike & Queens Blvd, Kew Gardens, Queens, 50 miles, Quick Spin, +15 mph throughout

Folks out in Muttontown call this season "Pre-Spring". Let's take a ride out there for the season. Shake off the winter doldrums and give Long Island a chance. Travel out and back on the LIE Service road. We'll head to Syosset and then down into Oyster Bay on Sandy Hill Rd, the best road into any town on the entire north shore of LI! LIRR bailout locations throughout the ride. Bring \$ for lunch, MTA Bike Permit. Leaders: Dennis Griffin & Wuid Alexander

# JACKSON DINER \_ A WINTER'S RIDE TO WARM YOU UP 9:30 AM, Prospect Park (Grand Army Plaza), Entrance to Prospect Park, Brooklyn, 30 miles at a moderate pace

Warm up your winter doldrums with a ride that will add spice to your life. From Grand Army Plaza we ride to the famous Jackson Diner in Jackson Heights to take advantage of their all you can eat Indian buffet for \$10.95 (regular lunch menu also available). On the way out we will slightly divert for a loop through historic Stuyvesant Heights. Bring lock and money for lunch. In case of iffy weather check Bulletin Board or follow billm45s on Twitter. Leaders: Bill Mastro and Kathryn Baur

# Sunday, January 20, 2013

# LUCKY 13 -TRAINING IN BERGEN #3 8:30 AM, Strictly Bicycles, 2347 Hudson Terrace, Ft. Lee, NJ, 25-65 miles, Quick Spin, B15

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# BROOKLYN DONUT MARATHON 9:00 AM; Grand Army Plaza; Brooklyn; 26 miles; comfortable 12-14 mph pace

Mike's Donuts (a Bay Ridge institution); Dough ("We Fry in Bed Stuy"); and Peter Pan Donuts and Pastry (Tina Fey's Greenpoint favorite). Each synonymous with donut magic; each with legions of devout fans. Only one can be the best of Brooklyn. But -- which one? We will ride; we will eat; we will decide; and may the best donut win. Sweet! Bring: \$ for Donuts and Coffee, Lock, Spare Tube. Lunch? Seriously, we are eating donuts. Leaders: David Meltzer and Eliz Peters

# FROSTBITE RIDE #8 -- Snug Harbor & the Chinese Scholar Garden 10:00 AM, City Hall, Manhattan, 20 Miles

We'll take the PATH from the WTC to wilds of N.J. Then, we'll bike down to and over the Bayonne Bridge into S.I. There our destination, Sailors Snug Harbor in only a few miles more. The sprawling, historic, beautiful and once retirement home for sailors boasts buildings with truly breathtaking details. And, to put the cherry on the top, there's the Chinese Scholars Garden. Visit www.snug-harbor.org
Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

# Saturday, January 26, 2013

# CYCLING SHORT SERIES -- STATEN ISLAND 8:30AM, South Ferry and 9:30AM, St. George, 15 miles, more or less, some busy traffic, some hills

This ride will be brief, at a relaxed pace. Route will go to a Richmond Terrace greenway, turn to Bay St. and closer to the shore at South Beach. Midpoint at Miller Field. There will be a climb at Ft. Wadsworth. Be prepared for a candid talk on cycling and the meaning of life. Lunch and bike shop stops optional. Leader: Alfredo Garcia & Jackie Junttonen

# Sunday, January 27, 2013

LUCKY 13 -TRAINING IN BERGEN #4 8:30 AM, Strictly Bicycles, 2347 Hudson Terrace, Ft. Lee, NJ, 25-65 miles, Quick Spin, B15

Let's maintain our fitness-based cycling thru Bergen County and avoiding 9W. Bring pocket food, tools; learn self-sufficiency. Lunch will be in Ft Lee/Englewood area at end of ride. Must RSVP to participate, get details and ride status, Diane at 201-519-6611 or dianegoodwin @yahoo.com. Ride length/details determined by weather. Leaders: Diane Goodwin

# FROSTBITE RIDE #9 -Coney Island Dreaming on such a Winters Day 10 AM, City Hall, Manhattan, 30 miles

To the Borough of Churches we will go. Ride to the serene waterfronts of the Verrazano and Coney Island. Have lunch at Totonno's, renowned for prized pizza. Check out http://id.essortment.com/historyofpizza\_rmgf.htm for interesting mouth-watering facts about our standard cycling food staple. Some examples--pizza was first developed by the ancient Greeks and we consume nearly 4 acres of it a day. Get that mozzarella! Bring a lock, \$ for food and a camera. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

# Sunday, February 3, 2013

# LUCKY 13 -TRAINING IN BERGEN #5 8:30 AM, Strictly Bicycles, 2347 Hudson Terrace, Ft. Lee, NJ, 25-65 miles, Quick Spin, B15

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# FROSTBITE RIDE #10 -Flat Rock Nature Preserve City Hall, Manhattan, 30 miles

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# **Bikes On Trains**



24-hour access, no permit required, \$2.25 fare each way. Walk bike to station. Enter and exit through service gate. Avoid rush hours. Try to use letter lines (e.g. A, D, E, F) when possible. For weekend email advisories, visit: http://advisory.mtanyct.info /customerselection.asp. Read "Bike Safety in the Subways": www.mta.nyc.ny.us/nyct /safety/bike/

# Metro-North Railroad Long Island Rail Road

Access requires an MTA Bike Permit, as well as fare, good for both trains, available, \$5 fee at:

- A) Grand Central Terminal, Metro North window #27 or call 212-532-4900
- B) Penn Station, LIRR Information booth or call 718-558-8228

Specific restrictions apply. Note: separate old LIRR and Metro North permits still valid for their respective lines. Web page link for application form:

www.mta.nyc.us/mnr/html/mnrbik epermit.htm

For more information on all MTA



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trains, visit www.mta.info/bike/

Specific restrictions apply when you take your bicycle on New Jersey Transit. For Bike Program info, please call (973) 762-5100 or visit www.njtransit.com/rg/rg\_servlet.srv?hdnPageAction=BikeProgramTo



A permit is no longer required, but there are restrictions. 5BBC trips that use PATH, usually rides on weekends and holidays. For more info, please call (800) 234-PATH or visit www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/path/html/rules .html

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# **Bikes On Boats**

Note: This is based on current information, subject to conditions. Please check website for updates. Bring a bungee cord to secure bike to boat railing, when needed.



Staten Island Ferry www.siferry.com

Year-round from Manhattan's South Ferry to Staten Island St. George. Fare & bike access are free. Go with your bike to the lower level of boat. There are separate cyclist waiting areas on both terminals. Bikes are placed in designated areas of boat.



New York Waterway www.nywaterway.com

Commuter & leisure cruises to Hudson County, NJ from various Manhattan terminals. They also have an East River route between Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens. Passenger fare varies from \$4 and up. Bike charge range \$1-\$5.



Seastreak www.seastreak.com

Commuter and leisure cruises from Manhattan to Highland, NJ and other Monmouth County destinations. Offers daily Sandy Hook cruises from May to Sept. plus seasonal cruises to Martha's Vineyard. Fares range from \$26-\$275, depending on destination. Bike charge is \$5-\$30



Liberty State Park (LSP) Ferry http://tinyurl.com/7s3o2z8

Year-round service between Liberty State Park, Warren St., Jersey City and World Financial Center, Manhattan. S7 one-way; free bike access. Ferry boats are now white. Not to be confused with New York Water Taxi.

natural preserve lets us bike to Nature Center but, only hike their trails. Lunch at a pond. Clothing is not optional. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

# Sunday, February 10, 2013

LUCKY 13 -TRAINING IN BERGEN #6 8:30 AM, Strictly Bicycles, 2347 Hudson Terrace, Ft. Lee, NJ, 25-65 miles, Quick Spin, B15

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# FROSTBITE RIDE #11 -Ride to Sheepshead Bay and Beyond 10:00 AM, City Hall, Manhattan

Yet another excursion into the Borough of Churches. We'll check out the Shore Parkway greenway, a path frequented on Bicycle Bum Beach rides, with a glimpse of the Atlantic Ocean. Bring a lock, \$ for lunch and a camera. You can look but you better not touch (bike) a pedestrian bridge in the area. See

www.transalt.org/bridges/sheep.html to know why. Bring a lock, \$ for lunch and a digital camera. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

# Saturday, February 16, 2013

BUSTED IN THE BRONX 9:00 AM, City Hall, Manhattan, 30 miles, some traffic, some hills

When the Munchkins sang to Dorothy "You will be a bust, be a bust, be a bust - in the Hall of Fame," they were singing about the Hall of Fame for Great Americans in the Bronx. This is a Stanford White masterpiece located high above the Harlem River. We visit with the famous and the not so famous - including those great Dayton bike makers - the Wright Brothers. All this and a great Jamaican Jerk lunch at The Feeding Tree. Bring \$\$ for Lunch, Lock, Spare Tube, Great Attitude. Snow, rain or extreme cold will cancel the ride. Leaders: David Meltzer, Rudy Paulich

# Sunday, February 17, 2013

LUCKY 13 -TRAINING IN BERGEN #7

# 8:30 AM, Strictly Bicycles, 2347 Hudson Terrace, Ft. Lee, NJ, 25-65 miles, Quick Spin, B15

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# FROSTBITE RIDE #12 -A Winter Gift from Frederick Law Olmsted and Calvert Vaux 10:00 AM, City Hall, Manhattan, 30 miles

Designed by Frederick Law Olmsted and Calvert Vaux after their success with Central Park, Prospect Park, with 562 acres of woodland, meadows and ponds, is considered by many to be their masterpiece and the pièce de résistance of a True Home Town, Brooklyn. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

# Sunday, February 24, 2013

LUCKY 13 -TRAINING IN BERGEN #8 8:30 AM, Strictly Bicycles, 2347 Hudson Terrace, Ft. Lee, NJ, 25-65 miles, Quick Spin, B15

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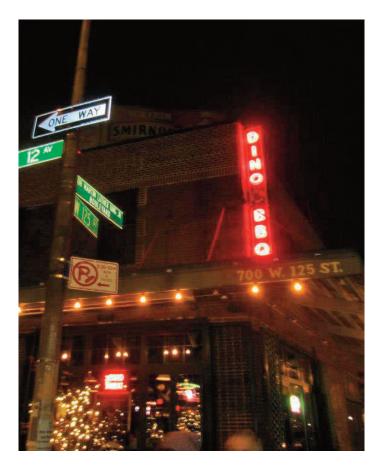
FROSTBITE RIDE #13 -Ride to Pancakes (NJ) 9:45 AM, City Hall, Manhattan; 10:15 AM South Ferry, 11 AM St. George, 30 miles

Leader: Diane Goodwin

Kull-ing all bikes! Kull-ing all bikes! Join us for an encore presentation to conclude our fabled series. Lunch will be extremely warm and delicious, at Bayonne's Broadway Diner. Journey further to Liberty State Park, where Ed will give a moving tribute on the Liberation Monument. Shipping & park details at www.siferry.com, www.nywaterway.com and www.libertystatepark.com. Bring a lock, ample \$ for lunch and a film, digital or disposable camera. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA



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Clockwise, from top: Dinosaur BBQ; lucky couple at the bar; Andrea Casertano and Wendy Frank; Deborah Lehrer, Debby Friedman and Mary Martinez



Photos by Sharon Behnke and Geoff Cohen\*

















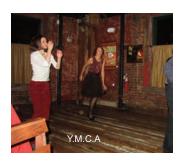








































Clockwise, from top: Randy Horowitz; Holly and her special guy; Ed & Liz get Golden Spoke award; Richard Pu, Andrea Casertano and Mary O'Neill



Let's thank Ken Williams for producing a great party!

# MY HOBBY HAS A HOBBY

by David "MEL" Meltzer

uring the week, I put on my lawyer hat. I conduct hearings. I go to court. I depose witnesses.

And then there's the paperwork. Always the paperwork. It's no wonder that by the end of the week I am itching to saddle up and ride somewhere. Through biking and the 5BBC I have traveled to interesting places, met new friends, and learned to be a better cyclist.

But, during weekends you will not always find me on my Trek. Often you will find me playing disc golf on any number of local courses. I am an avid disc [frisbee] golfer. This is my hobby's hobby.

For those who are uninitiated to the sport of disc golf, it is played on a course similar to ball golf. Holes are between 200 and 800 feet and usually par three or four. There are long drives [although I happen to be a chicken arm], testing puts, and like ball golf, a good mid range game may make all the difference. I have been doing this for years. I have won three tournaments and bathed in the glory. I have DFL'd one tournament [Dead F\*\*king Last], and hung my head in shame. I have played disc golf from Vancouver to Miami, and often take my discs with me on vacation.

In some ways, the two hobbies are quite similar. As with the 5BBC, eating is normally something that is savored. At the Mt. Kisco Ice Bowl, which I just participated in, there was a pot luck between rounds featuring chili, sausage, great desserts and of course copious amounts of liquid refreshment. One of the tourney's sponsors was Captain Lawrence who graciously provided a keg of their Liquid Gold. Prizes went not only to the best golfers, but also to the best food. Like a 5BBC ride, sometimes it is the food that sticks in my mind. I may not recall how well I did at the 2002 FDR Ice Bowl, but I do remember the chili in a huge pot being stirred with a boat paddle



When I am on the road with the 5BBC, I normally know many, if not all, of the people whom I am riding with. Similarly, there is also an easy commeraderie between golfers that would feel familiar to our club riders. As someone who has played for years, I always know most of the people in the event and in my foursome. We compete against each other, but as friends. There is catching up. There is schmoozing. And yes, there is sarcasm. Lots and lots of sarcasm. Doesn't that sound familiar. We compete, but as friends.

There are casual rounds of golf with buddies. No muss, no fuss. But unlike a casual round, lots of work goes into running a good tournament. Making scorecards, organizing groups, totaling scores, course maintenance and a thousand little details. Organized rides are also like that. Prior to your ride it has been mapped and scouted. The ride is publicized. Cue sheets made. Again, lots of little details get taken care of. In both sports, the good times of many are handled by the efforts of a few. The more help, usually the smoother things run.

Of course, the main similarity between my two hobbies is fun. Some days I feel like I can bike forever. Some days not so much. In disc golf, some days I can't miss a putt, and other days everything bounces off the chains. For me, the key is to have as much fun as I can. I may win. I may DFL. And usually I will be somewhere in

the pack. Whether I am in the saddle, or saddled with a disc golf bag, I will be the guy smiling.

But of course, there are also differences. One of the major differences are the participants. At my last tournament, there were 72 competitors. All men. Every last one of us. While there are often women participants, they tend to be a small group. My wife tends to call my disc golf buddies Neanderthals. Beer swilling idiots. I fit right in.

In contrast the 5BBC is much more diverse. We have always had a large female contingent on our rides. In fact, many of our stronger riders have traditionally been women. Note to self — never propose a race to Shawn again — she gets an evil glint in her eye. The large female contingent seems to keep the Neanderthal behavior to a minimum. Our diversity includes not only male/female, but a 5BBC ride will usually have a mix of races, different sexual orientations, folks in their 20s and in their 70s. We are a true NYC mix.

I love to bike. It is a wonderful hobby that gives me exercise, experiences and friendship. But sometimes, the Trek stays on the wall. I put on my disc golf bag, and head for a fun round or two.

My hobby has a hobby.



# 2012 TA Volunteer of the Year Jackie Junttonen

At last month's Transportation Alternatives holiday party, newly graduated 5BBC leader Jackie Junttonen was awarded TA Volunteer of the Year. She best exemplified sincere cycling advocacy in conjunction with the TA Staten Island Volunteer Committee.

A few years ago, 5BBC leader Robert Eberwein won the TA Volunteer award.

Congratulations Jackie!





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# 5BBC Membership Dues Increase

# **Dear 5BBC Member:**

The 5BBC Executive Board, after careful consideration, has approved an increase of \$5 in the annual membership dues. Starting January 1, 2013, dues are now \$25.00 for an individual and \$30.00 for a joint membership (any two persons at the same household address).

The Club's membership year is currently January 1 to December 31. Any member who joined or renewed between October 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012 was automatically credited for 2013 membership.

The Club's dues have not changed for several years, and the membership dues are no longer sufficient to cover the Club's basic operations and administration. This small adjustment will help close that gap and allow us to continue to provide you with the Club's excellent day rides.

Additionally, in 2013 we hope to improve both the Club's website and its membership database. We thank you for your ongoing support!

-- Ed Ravin for the 5BBC

# **2013 5BBC Montauk Century**



We are offering a limited, no frills Montauk Century ride this year on Sunday, May 19th.

Transportation for the return of our bikes from the town of Montauk will be provided.

There will be no rest stops. Instead each rider will be lunch, transportation to the assorted Start locations as on the LIRR. Depending upon the length and mileage

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well as return transportation
of the ride you wish to take

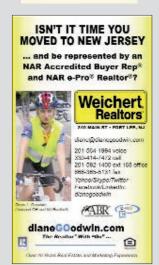
there will be a trained 5BBC leader to point the ride.

The ride offerings will include 65,100 and 100 + miles.

# MONTAUK CENTURY

There will be a limited amount of total riders. In this way individual costs will be kept to a minimum. Participation is limited to 5BBC Club members only. It is strongly recommended for anyone who may participate that they also participate in our Montauk Training series of rides that begin on March 9th and conclude on May 11th, 2013. In that way you will be physically able to complete the ride to Montauk as well as to be aware of the specific details of your ride. These include the start locations, the time of the start and the specific route to be taken. Further specifics will be made in the near future

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Mats available, but bring a towel to keep them clean. Wear or bring loose, comfortable clothing. \$15 per class, or \$80 for six.

Where: 122 East 25th St. (Essential Therapy, bet. Park & Lex)

When: Friday nights, 6:30-8:00 PM Info: 212-591-1213 or www.nykripalu.org

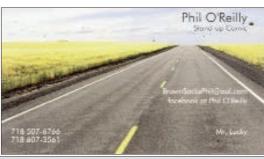












Until further notice, 5BBC members in good standing can put free ads in this section. Space limitations apply and policy subject to change, with or without prior notice. For more information, email the Bicycletter editor at editor@5bbc.org.

# **Bike Events & Places to Ride Your Bike**

# PARK

Open year round. www.brooklynbridgeparknyc.org





Go around or go part of the Manhattan shoreline all year. Visit http://tinyurl.com/nkqy43

# From our friends at the Bicycle Touring Club of North Jersey

Jacksonville to Melbourne, Florida April 6 - 12, 2013

We need a minimum of 10 (we currently have 10) and a maximum of 18 cyclists for our upcoming April 2013 trip from Jacksonville to Melbourne, Florida. BTCNJ membership required. Folks fly to Jacksonville on Saturday, April 6th and meet their bikes at a bike store in Fernandina, FL. We then start on a ± 25-mile ride to St Augustine. Then it is Palm Coast, Daytona, Titusville (possibly Cape Canaveral/Kennedy) and finally Melbourne. Total mileage should be about 220 to 240 miles or about 50 miles per day. We will stay at hotels/motels along the beaches on the way down. The weather is warm and so is the water. Tentative cost for the trip is about \$1,400 which includes estimated costs for flights, hotels and food. Likely it will be less if we book flights well in advance!

Bikes will be taken down and returned by van. All will share riding the SAG wagon during the trip. Tour leaders: Ted Semegran and Lou Wassong. Question? Call Ted Semegran: 201.452.7264 or email ted\_semegran@hotmail.com

# Notable Bike Events 2013

This is a brief listing of bike events based on last year, as of Jan 23. Please go online for further information. Most event organizers encourage volunteering as ride/non riding marshals. Events and dates (if indicated) are subject to change at any time. **TBA: To Be Announced** 

# Monthly

Every First Friday Critical Mass, Manhattan (Times Up!)...Moonlight Ride (Times Up!)

# **April**

Sat. 4/20 Blessing of the Bikes (Bicycle Shows US)

# May

Sat. 5/4 Farmlands Tour (Central Jersey Bicycle Club)...Sat. 5/4 Rosarito Ensenada Bike Ride (Baja California, Mexico)

Sun. 5/5 Five Boro Bike Tour (Bike New York)...TBA: Tour de Staten Island (Transportation Alternatives)

Sun. 5/19 Montauk Century (Five Borough Bicycle Club)...Fri. 5/31 Tour la Nuit (Montréal, Vélo Québec, Canada)

# June

Sun. 6/2 Bloomin' Metric (Sound Cyclists, CT)...Sun. 6/2 Tour de l'Île (Montréal, Vélo Québec, Canada)

Sat. 6/8: Revolutionary Ramble (Morris Area Freewheelers, NJ)...TBA: Bike Boat Bike (Suffolk Bicycle Riders Association, NY)...

TBA: Tour de Brooklyn (Transportation Alternatives)...TBA: Tour de Cure (American Diabetes Association)...TBA: Jersey City Ward Tour (Bike JC, NJ)

TBA: Mattituck Century (Five Borough Bicycle Club)...TBA: New Haven Century (Elm City Cycling, CT)

# July

Sun.-Sat. 7/21-27 Register's Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa (RAGRAI)...Sun. 7/28 Harlem Valley Rail Ride TBA:Tour de Queens (Transportation Alternatives)...TBA: Brooklyn Waterfront Epic Ride (Brooklyn Greenway Initiative)

# TBA means To Be Announced

# **Bike Events & Places to Ride Your Bike**

# **August**

Sat. 8/3 Princeton Century (Princeton Freewheelers)...Sun. 8/18 Ramapo Rally (Bicycle Touring Club of Northern New Jersey)

TBA: Discover Hudson Valley (Bike New York)

# September

Sun. 9/8 TA Century (Transportation Alternatives)...Sun. 9/29: Honolulu Century (Hawaii Bicycling League)

TBA: Escape New York (New York Cycle Club)...TBA: Twin Lights (Bike New York)...TBA: Golden Apple (Westchester Cycle Club, NY)

# October

Sun. 10/6 MS Bike Tour (Bike MS NYC)...TBA: Fountains Ride (Times Up!)...TBA: Pumpkin Patch Pedal (Staten Island Bicycling Association)

TBA: Sea Gull Century (Salisbury, Maryland)...TBA: Tour de Bronx (Transportation Alternatives)

## November

Sun. 11/24 Maui Century (Maui Bicycle Club, Hawaii)

## December

Thurs.-Tues. 12/26-31 Christmas Bike Trip (Hostelling International, San Diego, CA)

# Further Information (Most can also be found on Facebook)

American Diabetes Association - www.diabetes.org/tour

Bicycle Shows US - www.bicycleshows.us

Bicycle Touring Club of North Jersey – www.ramaporally.com

Bike JC (Jersey City, NJ) - www.bikejc.org

Bike MS New York City -- www.bikemsnyc.org

Bike New York - www.bikenewyork.org

Brooklyn Greenway Initiative – www.brooklyngreenway.org

Central Jersey Bicycle Club - www.cjbc.org

Elm City Cycling (New Haven, CT) - www.elmcitycycling.org

Five Borough Bicycle Club (NJ) - www.5bbc.org

Harlem Valley Rail Ride - www.harlemvalleyrailride.com

Hawaii Bicycle League - www.hbl.org

Hostelling International (San Diego, CA) - www.sandiegohostels.org/christmas-bike-ride

Maui Bicycle Club (Hawaii) - www.mauibicycleclub.org

Morris Area Freewheelers (NJ) - www.rambleride.org

New York Cycle Club - www.nycc.org

 $\label{eq:princeton} \textbf{Princeton Freewheelers (NJ)} \ - \ \text{www.princeton freewheelers.com}$ 

RAGBRAI - www.ragbrai.org

Rosarito Ensenada Bike Ride (Mexico) - www.rosaritoensenada.org/english

Staten Island Bicycling Association - www.sibike.org

Suffolk Bike Riders Association (Long Island) – www.sbraweb.org

Sea Gull Century (Salisbury, Maryland) - www.seagullcentury.org

Times Up! - www.times-up.org

Transportation Alternatives – www.transalt.org

Vélo Québec (Montréal, Canada) - www.velo.qc.ca/en

Westchester Cycle Club (NY) -- www.westchestercycleclub.org



On The Record--5BBC Executive Board Meeting briefs based on minutes recorded by Ira Najowitz

# Sun. Dec. 2, 2012 Brooklyn, NY

Attending: Ed Ravin, Bill Mastro, Ira Najowitz, Bob Castro, Manny Sanudo, Jim Zisfein, Dennis Griffin, Liz Baum. Ed Pino, James Durrah, Phil Goldberg, Andrea Casertano, Ken Williams, Wendy Frank & Alfredo Garcia with Guests: Andrea Mercado and David Meltzer

Meeting started 12:30 PM.

Motion: The Board moved to name Andrea Mercado and David Meltzer as Members-at-Large, which was approved.

### STANDING RULES

Motion: Mr. Zisfein moved that the Standing Rules be approved. Motion passed.

# **FINANCES**

Mr. Sanudo recommended that membership dues be increased by 25% on January 1, 2013 and that dual memberships be eliminated.

Motion: Mr. Mastro moved that membership dues be raised on January 1, 2013 to \$25 per individual and \$30 per household. Motion passed.

# MONTAUK

Motion: Mr. Mastro moved that the Board research a members-only, limited, no-frills day ride on May 19, 2013 as the Montauk Century. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 4:45 PM.

To Be Continued.....



# 5BBC Executive Board Election Results

The following people were elected for Board positions for 2013:

President - Liz Baum Vice-President - David Meltzer Secretary - Andrea Mercado Treasurer - Bill Mastro Membership Coordinator - Shawn Carney Rides Coordinators - Dennis Griffin and Fritz Van Orden

- Dennis Griffin and Fritz van Orden Leadership Coordinator - Manny Sanudo

The Board now consists of seven positions and the Board is elected by the membership. The Board will then appoint a number of coordinators like communications coordinator, newsletter coordinator etc. who previously were elected to those positions by the membership.

We Want You!

The 2013 5BBC Executive Board needs people for the following positions:

Bicycle Course Programs Special Events Webmaster\*

Please email President Liz Baum at president@5bbc.org or Treasurer Bill Mastro at tresurer@5bbc.org

# Website Help

\* If you want to know exactly what those website and database improvements are, we're certainly happy to share details with you. But first I'll ask: can you help? Technical research is under way but we need volunteers who can make time to communicate with other clubs and enthusiast groups (it doesn't have to be just bikes!) to see what solutions they are using or have considered, researching possible technical solutions, assessing what the budget requirements may be, and compiling that data for presentation to the Board.

There is also plenty of work for anyone who wants to contribute their expertise in technical, content and design. Membership Coordinator Shawn Carney has more details for anyone who is interested, so please let her know – membership@5bbc.org.

# Membership & Merchandise

# **General Information** (Please print)

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# Waiver by Parent/Guardian of a Minor

If a member is under age 18, parent's or guardian's signature is also required.

I attest that:

- a) I am the parent or guardian of the minor named below,
- b) I will check the equipment the minor will use in 5BBC activities to insure that it is in proper working order and legal for operation on the streets,
- c) If the minor is under age 14, he or she shall be under the direct supervision of myself or an adult designated by me during 5BBC activities.

I understand that the minor will be bicycling on public roads, in traffic. I have read and understand the Waiver and Release of Liability above and agree to its terms on behalf of myself and the minor in consideration of his or her being allowed to participate in 5BBC activities.

Minor's Name (Please print)	
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Payment  5BBC Membership Individual \$25, Dual \$30\$  Dual Membership: two persons at same address. Memberships expire on Dec 31 of the year you join or renew, except those who join after Oct 1, in which memberships expire Dec 31 of the following year.
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# 5BBC Membership Card and Participating Bike Shop Discount List

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Bklyn, NY 11213 718-778-2887

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kensingtoncycleworks.com

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# **Bike Works**

106 Ridge St. NY, NY 10002 212-388-1077, bikecult.com

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championbikes.com

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490 Amsterdam Ave., NY, NY 10024, 212-580-2011 eddiesbicycles.net

## Enoch's

480 10th Ave. NY, NY 10018 212-582-0620, enochsbikes.com

# Frank's Bike Shop

553 Grand St. NY, NY 10002 212-533-6332, franksbikes.com

# **Gotham Bikes**

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212-794-2929 bicyclesnyc.com

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37-19 28th Ave

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# **STATEN ISLAND**

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bennettsbicvcle.com

# **LONG ISLAND**

# The Bicycle Planet

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# **Bike Discounters**

1021 Portion Rd., Ronkonkoma, NY 11779, 631-846-7320, thebikeoutlet.com

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# Carl Hart Bicycles

620 Middle Country Rd., Middle Island, NY 11953, 631-924-5850, carlhart.com

# Sayville Bike Works

75 Main St., West Sayville, NY 11796, 631-589-0009, savvillebike.com

# South Shore Bicycle & Fitness

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# Valley Stream Bicycle

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# Visentin Bike Pro Shop

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### Sierra Cycles

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# CONNECTICUT

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### baybrookbicycles.com

**College Street Cycles** 252 College St., New Haven, CT 06510 203-865-2724, collegestreetcycles.com

# **Newington Bicycle**

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07960, 973-538-7773,

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Since 1999, during the holiday party, the annual Golden Spoke Award is given by the club President to a chosen leader or executive board member who has given their best to the Five Borough Bicycle Club. Last year was the first time this honored award has been given to two people. Congratuations to Ed Pino and Liz Baum. Photos by Alfredo Garcia and Barbara Garcia.



5BBC Golden Spoke Award Winners

1998 • Ed DeFreitas

1999 • Alfredo Garcia

2000 • Eileen Kapp

2001 • Phil Goldberg

2002 • Brian Hoberman

2003 • Wentworth Price

2004 • Bob Castro

2005 • Ed Pino

2006 • Barry Hartglass

2007 • James Zisfein

2008 • Danny Lieberman

2009 · No Award

2010 • Steve Faust

2011 • No Award

2012 • Liz Baum & Ed Pino

# About the Five Borough Bicycle Club

The Five Borough Bicycle Club is a nonprofit association, encouraging people to enjoy the sport of non-competitive cycling, through our bike rides, weekend trips and general meetings. The club is located at the Hostelling International-NY building, formerly American Youth Hostels (AYH). Bicycle club programs include bicycle trips, education, and special events. General Meetings are open to the public and usually held monthly. Please check the Bicycletter and the website www.5bbc.org for exact dates and locations. You can also contact the Five Borough Bicycle Club Programs Coordinator at programs@5bbc.org.

Executive Board Meetings, which are open to club members who have contacted the club President or Vice President prior to the meeting, are usually held on the first Monday of each month.

Five Borough Bicycle Club membership is \$20, or \$25 for 2 members of the same household, is valid through December 31,  $2012^*$ 

\*Membership initiated after October 1, 2012 is valid through December 31, 2013.

Submissions to the Bicycletter are heartily encouraged, on CDs, flash drives or even 3.5" diskettes, accompanied by hard copy; or email newsletter@5bbc.org.

Please limit articles to 300 words. Classified ads are free to members.

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