



# The Colorado Bicyclist

Newsletter of the Denver Bicycle Touring Club

JAN-FEB 2015

## Club Olympian

by Dianne Chownen

Dianne and Wes Chownen traveled to Tokyo and Rome to celebrate the anniversary of the 1964 and 1960 Olympics, respectively. For those of you who didn't know, we have a former Olympian among us: Wes rode in the 100K team time trial road race both times.

We traveled to Tokyo first, at the invitation of the Japanese Olympic Committee to attend a 50th anniversary celebration of the 1964 games. They provided hotel, meals and tours. The evening reception included the Prime Minister of Japan and the Crown Prince.

Six days after our return from Japan, we flew to Rome for five days. On 23 October, our 5th wedding anniversary, we rented bikes and pedaled up the Tiber River to the Olympic Village. We could have rented road bikes but decided that fatter tires and suspension forks would be better for riding on the cobbles.



## VRL Report

Our annual volunteer luncheon was held at the Holiday Inn with a delicious Mexican buffet. 18 members qualified for the free lunch by having led at least 5 rides. We honored 76 people who led a total of 275 rides this year—and that's only counting the rides listed in the newsletter. Most road and winter rides were simply posted on MeetUp or Yahoo (directions on how to become a member of these groups is listed in the ride schedule, pg. 9).

Merri Bruntz was awarded Volunteer of the Year. In addition, we recognized the volunteers who keep this club functioning. Without their effort, the club would not exist.

See p. 7 for photos of the VRL!

## A Word of Caution

by Scott Houchin

Recently I learned that the Irish Rock Star, Bono of U2 fame had a very serious bicycle accident in New York City. As best as I can piece it together, Bono was riding in Central Park and had a collision or near collision with another bicyclist. Bono's injuries are significant, including a fractured eye socket, his shoulder blade, his upper arm, and his left pinky finger. The upper arm injury sounds particularly painful—his humerus bone broke into six pieces, went through his skin, and required five hours of surgery. As a medic on bicycle trips all over

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## DBTC's Officers

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### Board Meeting

Any member wishing to attend a board meeting is welcome to attend. The next board meeting date is Monday, Jan. 5th at El Senor Sol, 2301 7th St., 6:30PM. If you wish to address the board, contact the president, Kathy Stommel: [cyclekats@gmail.com](mailto:cyclekats@gmail.com), or call 719-671-5579 so that your topic can be placed on the agenda.

## Greetings from Your New DBTC President!

Kathy Stommel



The DBTC Board of Directors has a great new roster for 2014/15 and officers were selected at the December Board meeting:

President	Kathy Stommel*
Vice-President	Cyndy Klepinger
Secretary	John Wren*
Treasurer	Brad West

Board Members: Lisa Feheley, Scott Houchin\*, Jeff Krinsky & Lise Neer (\*new members of Board)

I am excited to be a member of this Board and will be leaning on the experience of the five continuing members. Each of the three new Board members has a desire to focus on different aspects of club activities:

Secretary John Wren would like to see more road rides on the DBTC schedule;

Scott Houchin will work with the marketing committee to increase membership;

My goal will be to encourage volunteerism and developing Out of Town Tour options.

We will be busy planning three major DBTC functions for 2015 so watch for date announcements of the Spring Kickoff, Picnic, and Volunteer Recognition Luncheon. Additional volunteers will be needed to make these events successful and I hope you will consider helping at least once. DBTC is a volunteer-run organization which can only thrive when the workload is shared. The Board will continue work on updating the "Bicycling the Greater Denver Area" Route map which was last revised in 2011. Although map sales have been trending slightly downward, they represent the major funding source for DBTC. We will be discussing the best options for reprint quantity, potential electronic formats and marketing.

I would like to send my personal THANK YOU to outgoing Board officers Carolyn Bauer and Karen Kirby, and I know all DBTC members join me. Your contributions to DBTC are much appreciated!

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**"Riding a bicycle is about getting back to basics. It's good for the waistline and it's good for the wallet, is what I'm saying."**

**– Phil Keoghan (host of The Amazing Race)**

**Pictures and Articles for the Newsletter...** This newsletter belongs to the members. If you have pictures or an article to share, please email them to [ridecoordinator@dbtc.org](mailto:ridecoordinator@dbtc.org). Only send one or two pictures so you don't clog up my computer! Be sure to include details about who, when and where the picture was taken. If you have a photo to mail, contact the Ride Coordinator for the address. Remember we must give credit to the author. If you are a writer with an article of interest, we may make you a published author! The deadline for publishing is the 20th, but please send your articles earlier.

## TOUR GLENWOOD SPRINGS AT A LEISURELY PACE

Lin Hark & Richard Giesler July 12-17, 2015

Imagine 5 days in Glenwood Springs away from the holiday and weekend crowds with leisurely distances and paces ride options, flat to railroad grade ride options along beautiful rivers and canyons, lounging in the hot tub or Hot Springs Pool, or sunning by the pool with non riding spouses/partners welcome.



Double occupancy cost will be \$400 per person for 5 nights. Due date for payment of \$160 to hold your spot, with forms mailed, is 4/1/15; remaining \$240 due by 5/01/15. Space is first come, first served, so post date your check to 4/1/15 and mail the forms and check today. Funds are transferable but not refundable. Please send your check, made out to Lin Hark with the DBTC tour forms ([www.dbtc.org/Default.aspx?pageId=1568909](http://www.dbtc.org/Default.aspx?pageId=1568909)) to: Lin Hark, 4889 Forest Hill Road, Evergreen, CO 80439. Please indicate your preferred roommate.

We will be staying at a Glenwood Springs motel with continental breakfast, bicycles okay inside, microwave oven and small fridge in rooms, pool and hot tub near bike routes to the bike path. We can walk or ride to restaurants and stores. Choose any or all of the following day rides and distance options. Monday: leisurely

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## Door County Ditto Tour Still Available!

Kathy Stommel August 23-29, 2015

That's right folks, there are still three rooms available for the "sure to be fabulous" Door County Ditto Tour set for August 23-29, 2015. In addition we need roommates for one man and one woman. Just a reminder that the Door County trip is based in Fish Creek, Wisconsin for all six nights in a highly rated hotel—which means you unpack once and then just relax. The hotel offers rooms with two queen beds, refrigerator & microwave, free daily breakfast, indoor and outdoor pools & hot tubs and is within easy walking distance to restaurants, shops and the scenic Peninsula State Park.

Scheduled activities include four days of easy backroad riding, ferry ride to/from Washington Island, one free day, traditional fish boil group dinner, several happy hours and the opportunity to make new friends with fellow DBTC members. The total tour price is \$800 per person, double occupancy, of which \$200 deposit is due upon registration and the balance due no later than June 1, 2015. Checks should be made payable to Kathy Stommel, 9631 Autumnwood Pl, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129. Be sure to include the required Registration/Medical form and Liability Waiver form, which can be downloaded from "Out of Town Tours" tab on the DBTC website. Remember registrations are nonrefundable but may be transferred if a replacement registration can be secured.

Feel free to contact Tour Leader, Kathy Stommel, if you want additional information: email [cyclekats@gmail.com](mailto:cyclekats@gmail.com) or leave a message at cell phone #719/671-5579.



*One of Door County's scenic lighthouses*

bike along the Colorado River 7 miles from No Name Rest Area to Hanging Lake Trailhead with optional hike up to beautiful Hanging Lake, then ride 7 miles back. Tuesday, ride the Rio Grand Trail from Woody Creek Tavern to Aspen for lunch; 18-20 miles round trip. Wednesday is free day to choose (or not) from rafting the Colorado River, soaking in the Hot Springs Pool or Yampah Vapor Caves or spelunking in Glenwood Caverns (cost of these options not included). Thursday we will ride from Carbondale to Redstone; 33 miles with a 20 mile option to see the Coke Ovens and stop for ice cream and snacks. On Friday, ride the entire bike path along the Colorado River in Glenwood Canyon; 36 miles or any shorter option.

Lin Hark and Richard Gieseler are planning this fun, no-stress, out of town tour to one of everyone's favorite places without the hassle of a long weekend. Continental breakfast, hot tub, pool, happy hours (BYOB), Get-to-know-each-other Dinner, included. This trip is limited to twenty club members so mail your forms and post dated check to Lin Hark soon to hold your spot for this classic fun ride. Email Lin, [mtnlin08@gmail.com](mailto:mtnlin08@gmail.com), with any questions.



## Rex Cole Remembered

### Dave Grimes

I would usually have coffee with Rex and some friends on Thursdays, and one day back in November he didn't show up. When I called to inquire, I learned that he had passed away.

Rex was president of the Denver Bicycle Touring Club in 1997-98. During his presidency, the club membership increased by 200 members to a total of 850. Rex scheduled evening rides on Tuesday and Thursdays as well as the usual weekend day rides and he was an unrelenting club advocate and map salesman. Rex was an effective leader, a man of character, and will be missed by his friends.

### DBTC Members Joining/Renewing in October-November

MARILYN CHOSKE  
DAVID COHEN  
SUE KNIGHT  
GARY MEDLAND  
SHERRY RICHARDSON

### Reminder to Winter Commuters

Please put a yellow or reflective vest over your winter coat. Drivers aren't looking for bikes and you are practically invisible with your dark jacket in the early winter evening.



### Wondering why Gary Goins isn't leading rides?

I am living in Aix en Provence and will be here for the next two or three years. My original plan was to stay for a year, then as time went on I decided that two years would be better; more time to gain experience here, and I would have a greater chance of getting a stable renter for my house. I've been here since Sept. 18 and am toying with the idea of staying a third year (I guess that I've had a good day today!). I will come back when I'm ready, and I will lead rides for the club. I will dedicate my first ride up Mt. St. Victoire to Rex.

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the country, I am reminded that the worst bike injuries I've treated were not from auto/bike collisions, but rather bike-on-bike or just single bike crashes. Furthermore, as one of the folks who patrols the Denver Bike Paths in the summer (Denver Courtesy Patrol) I am again reminded that by far the most dangerous situation on the bike path is not the dog on leash, slower bicyclists, joggers, etc. It's the "Lance wanna-be" who is going 15 mph or faster and passing everyone on the path with no warning. Meeting a Lance wanna-be in an underpass when they are going around (passing) a slower rider is NOT a pleasant experience. I consider myself a safe rider; when approaching an underpass, especially on a weekend, I slow down considerably so that my left handlebar does not "clip" the bicyclist coming the other way. And although I have had to call 911 several times while patrolling the path, I have never really had to treat a head-on collision or bike-on-bike crash—at least not yet. However, by far the worst incident I have ever seen on the bike path (I did not treat these particular patients) was out by the Cherry Creek Reservoir, at that right turn just before crossing under I-225 while coming down a steep hill. I was doing a training ride one day and saw at least 2 ambulances and 3 stretchers, plus bodies and bikes all over the place. I did not get the details, but am assuming it was a head-on bike-on-bike collision.

So, you may ask why Scott is sharing all of this with us... I am just trying to warn folks to watch out, even while on the bike path. ESPECIALLY while going thru the underpasses—room is tight there and the room for error is very small. Plus, there are Lance wanna-be guys/gals out there on the path. So, take it easy and ALWAYS ride your bike defensively, EVEN on the bike path.

## Weekday Skiing with DBTC

Lin Hark

Sue Frakes and Lin Hark will be skiing weekdays at Loveland this season. Join us the second Thursday of each month for Ski Hooky Days. Other ski days will be posted to the Colorado Bicyclist Yahoo Group and Meetup.

To get notices send an email to [coloradobicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:coloradobicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).



## 2014-15 DBTC Activity and Tour Calendar

Email the tour contact for more information. Email Ellen ([outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com)) to add your tour or trip to this list.

### Dec 31, 2014 – Jan 3, 2015 New Year's in Leadville

Ski or snow shoe  
Lodging: Hotel  
Location Details: Leadville, CO  
Leader: Ellen Chilikas,  
[outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com)  
Status: Full

### April 4th-10th, 2015 Texas Hill Country

Road riding  
Lodging: Camping or motel/B&B  
Location Details: Fredericksburg  
Leaders: Don & Marilyn Swett,  
[don\\_swett@comcast.net](mailto:don_swett@comcast.net)  
Status: Open

### July 12-17, 2015 Glenwood Springs Trip

Trip Type: Choice of rides  
Lodging: Motel  
Location Details: Glenwood Springs., CO  
Leader: Lin Hark & Richard Giesler  
[mtlnin08@gmail.com](mailto:mtlnin08@gmail.com)  
Status: Open

### Jan 30, 2014 – Feb 2, 2015 Pitkin County Weekend

Ski or snow shoe  
Lodging: Hotel  
Location Details: Glenwood Springs, CO  
Leader: Ellen Chilikas,  
[outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com)  
Status: Full

### May 31 – June 6, 2015 Cape Cod & Nantucket Tour

Trip Type: Cruiser bikes!  
Lodging: Hotel  
Location Details: Cape Cod, MA  
Leader: Ellen Chilikas,  
[outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorsdiva@yahoo.com)  
Status: Full

### August 23-29, 2015 Door County Ditto Tour

Road riding  
Lodging: Hotel  
Location Details: Fish Creek, WI  
Leader: Kathy & Joe Stommel,  
[cyclekats@gmail.com](mailto:cyclekats@gmail.com)  
Status: Open

Visit [DBTC.org](http://DBTC.org) and click on "Tours" for updates on trips, and to learn how to organize your own tour or trip in 2015!

# The Graveyard / Great Pumpkin Ride

Graveyards of the entire metro area were visited by two Halloween rides for 2014. The North Ride was led by Jeff Krinsky and the South ride was led by Gaar Potter. The North graveyard ride rewarded us with great weather and the two largest pumpkins in Colorado—weighing in around 1300 and 700 pounds (see below!) Right: Riders pose around a prominent tombstone at the third graveyard. Far below: We even had two riders show up in costume. Below far right: Goody, Goody, Goody tombstones on the South Graveyard ride. Photos by Jeff Krinsky—see more on our MeetUp site!



## Lin's Birthday Ride

There was a good turnout on Nov 1st, when we still had dry weather to close out the official DBTC Riding Season with Lin Hark's Annual REI Birthday Ride!





# Volunteer Recognition Luncheon November 2014

Photos by Jeff Krinsky



## Important Notice Regarding DBTC Insurance Exclusions

Kathy Stommel

You probably already knew that DBTC carries a liability insurance policy, but are you aware of the exclusions?

Our policy covers a wide-range of activities including cycling, hiking, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing and even our club meetings, luncheons and picnics. However, to keep the insurance rates at a reasonable level, the Directors have selected a plan that excludes international tours and "higher" risk activities – most notably downhill skiing and snowboarding.

DBTC does offer winter snowshoeing and cross-country ski trips. Participants in these trips are of course free to independently choose something other than the groups' scheduled activities; however, the individual is then solely responsible for their own safety.

## 2015 in TEXAS HILL COUNTRY Trip Still has Openings

Marilyn & Don Swett April 4th-10th, 2015

We will be staying near the Historic German town of Fredericksburg, right in the middle of the Texas Hill Country. This is the spring flower season with the Blue Bonnets in bloom, as well as other wildflowers. Low cost trip price of \$40 per person does not include accommodations, but will include maps and dinner as well as club and leader expenses. If you are staying at the campground, there will also be hot water in the morning, and ice, other beverages and snacks in the evenings. Camping will be at the Lady Bird Municipal Park, with tenting at about \$12 per night; RVs at roughly \$30/night. There are a number of B&Bs and motels nearby in Fredericksburg. There will be 5 days of riding with an optional 6th day for more riding or sight-seeing. Rides will be 20-30 miles in length, with longer options. Expect hills. Fredericksburg offers unique German cuisine as well as local Tex-Mex, local wineries and brewpubs. Shoppers will find over 150 boutiques, art galleries and antique emporiums, not to mention an herb farm, wildflower farm, and National Museum of the Pacific War. Rides will be loop types with different start/stop locations, and will highlight the local history, scenery, LBJ Ranch, Luckenbach, wineries and more. You must set up your own reservations for RVs, Motels, and B&Bs. Tenters do not need to make reservations at the Lady Bird Park. Marilyn & Don Swett will be your hosts on this ride. If interested, contact Don at don\_swett@comcast.net. We will need to have payment and signed waivers by March 1st, 2015. You must be a current member of DBTC to participate in out-of-town rides.

### DBTC SPONSORING SHOPS

DBTC members receive a 10% discount off purchases (excluding bicycles and sale items) at these sponsoring retailers.

ARAPAHOE CYCLERY  
6905 S BROADWAY UNIT 169  
LITTLETON CO 80122  
303-797-1858  
arapahoecyclery.com

ARVADA BICYCLE COMPANY  
6595 WADSWORTH BLVD  
ARVADA CO 80003  
303-420-3854  
arvadabike.com

BIG KAHUNA BICYCLES  
8246 W BOWLES AVE UNIT J  
LITTLETON CO 80123  
720-981-5199  
bigkahunabicycles.com/site/  
intro.cfm

Discount Includes 10% discount on bikes!

BIKESOURCE #7  
2665 S COLORADO BLVD  
DENVER CO 80222  
303-759-5099  
bikesourcedenver.com

BIKESOURCE #8  
2690 E COUNTY LINE RD  
LITTLETON CO 80126  
303-221-4840  
bikesourcedenver.com

CAMPUS CYCLES  
2102 S WASHINGTON ST  
DENVER CO 80210  
303-698-2811  
campuscycles.com

CHERRY CREEK VELO  
1435 S HOLLY ST  
DENVER CO 80222  
303-691-5650  
sampsports.com  
No discount on labor.

DERBY BICYCLE CENTER  
410 E 104TH AVE  
THORNTON CO 80233  
303-288-4100  
derbybicyclecenter.com

ELEVATIONS  
2030 E COUNTY LINE RD  
LITTLETON CO 80126  
303-730-8038  
bicyclepedalr.com/

FOOTHILLS CYCLING  
4990 KIPLING PKWY SUITE B-7  
WHEAT RIDGE CO 80033  
303-420-0815  
foothillscycling.net

GOLDEN BEAR BIKES  
290 NICKEL ST SUITE 100  
BROOMFIELD CO 80020  
303-469-7273  
goldenbearbikes.com

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722 WASHINGTON AVE  
GOLDEN CO 80401  
303-278-6545  
goldenbikeshop.com

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LAKEWOOD CO 80228  
303-987-8758  
greenmountainsports.com

PEAK CYCLES  
1224 WASHINGTON ST STE 145  
GOLDEN CO 80401  
303-216-1616  
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1565 PIERCE ST  
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schwabcycles.com  
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DENVER CO 80209  
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LAKEWOOD CO 80227  
303-781-1162  
treads.com

# DBTC Winter Fun Rides 2015

Winter has arrived but some of our intrepid riders continue throughout the year. Our ride coordinators are taking a much-deserved break. Therefore, our scheduled rides become Show-N-Go with a few holiday or special events.

If you'd like to include an activity in the newsletter, please email it to [ridecoordinator@dbtc.org](mailto:ridecoordinator@dbtc.org) by February 20<sup>th</sup> for the March newsletter, or contact Patty at 303-989-8268.

Many of our members love winter sports and want to continue enjoying the outdoors with their DBTC friends. The DBTC Message Board will be our main means of communication through the winter months. If you'd like to post an event, simply go into the site. Remember not all members have email so if you have it in the newsletter, all members are notified.

Pace of Ride	Difficulty of Terrain	Distance	Quadrant of City	Departure Time
Roses – Leisurely (Avg. 8-10 mph) Fun – Comfortable (10-12) Int. – Brisk (12-16) Road – Fast (16-20+) ATB – Unpaved Roads MTB – Mountain Bikes	H1 – Flat H2 – Some Hills H3 – Hilly H4 – Serious climbs Two ratings: technical skill T1 to T4 and Physical exertion P1 to P4	This is an estimate – options may be offered	NW NE SE SW W	Arrive early enough to unload your bike and be ready to leave at the time shown.

If you'd like to include an activity in the newsletter, please email it to [ridecoordinator@dbtc.org](mailto:ridecoordinator@dbtc.org) by the 20th for the next newsletter or contact Patty at 303-989-8268.

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**Rides are cancelled if** the temperature is below 40 degrees at start time or it is raining or snowing. Be ready to start at the time listed – tires pumped up and bike ready. The ride leader is not a mechanic so if your bike needs repair, please take it to the shop.

**Ride Locator:** There is a guide to the most frequent start locations on our website – [www.dbtc.org](http://www.dbtc.org). It provides the information you need to use Map Quest or Google Maps to make a map to the starting location.

If you'd like to include an activity in the newsletter, please email it to [ridecoordinator@dbtc.org](mailto:ridecoordinator@dbtc.org) by the 10th for the following newsletter or contact Patty at 303-989-8268.

## DBTC's E-Mailing Lists

Get late breaking news, last minute ride updates, and short-notice of weekday rides, all e-mailed directly to you as soon as the information is posted. If the weather is "iffy", a ride leader can post a notice to let you know if the ride will go or be cancelled.

**DBTC Message Board** is the DBTC General E-Mail List. To join, send an e-mail to: [ColoradoBicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:ColoradoBicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

## DBTC Mountain Biking E-Mail List

To join, send an e-mail to: [COmtnbikers-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:COmtnbikers-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

**Twitter** account is @DenverBikeClub – note that many members do not tweet.

**DBTC Meetup group** at [www.meetup.com/Denver-Bicycle-Touring-Club/](http://www.meetup.com/Denver-Bicycle-Touring-Club/) be used to post rides as well. Once you have posted your ride, we will review the ride information to be sure it complies with the club requirements then upload it to the MeetUp web site where you can edit your ride. MeetUp is open to the public and can increase the number of riders on your rides and, hopefully, club members. Rides cannot conflict with the ride schedule. If you have registered with MeetUp, we will post your scheduled rides.

**We are also on Facebook** if you want to share pictures or bike related news.

The DBTC Website operates independently from the Yahoo Groups. The Yahoo Groups send only e-mail messages concerning some upcoming events. The DBTC monthly Newsletter, The Colorado Bicyclist, is sent to you from the DBTC Website via e-mail only if you have so requested.

**You can join any or all groups.** After you send the e-mail requesting to join, you will be contacted via e-mail with a confirmation. If you'd like to post an event, simply go into the site. Remember that only club-related activities can be posted. We reserve the right to cancel any posting we don't think is appropriate. See the website for posting rules.

## Please Note:

Joining Facebook or any other group does not make you valid member of the DBTC.

If your e-mail address changes, you must send your new e-mail address to the DBTC webmaster ([webmaster@dbtc.org](mailto:webmaster@dbtc.org)). The DBTC monthly Newsletter, The Colorado Bicyclist, is sent to you from the DBTC Website via e-mail only if you have so requested.

## Wednesday "Roses" Group

Due to last year's "Wednesday jinx" weather-wise, let's try something different. You will have to join the Yahoo group to find out where/when we will ride. I'll try to pick a day with good weather, post a ride on the Yahoo group a couple of days ahead. We may also vary the ride location. Leaders: Please volunteer your choice of day/place, e-mail or phone me early in the week, and I will post it on the Yahoo group. For directions to sign up for the Yahoo Group, see the web page/newsletter. [www.dbtc.org](http://www.dbtc.org) Melba Bouquet melbabo9@q.com, or 720-493-0564.

## Weekday Skiing with DBTC

Sue Frakes and Lin Hark will be skiing weekdays at Loveland this season. Join us the second Thursday of each month for Ski Hooky Days. Other ski days will be posted to the Colorado Bicyclist Yahoo Group and MeetUp. To get notices send an email to [coloradobicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:coloradobicyclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).

## WINTER SHOW-N-GO AND HOLIDAY RIDES

**FUN/INT-2to3-20to30-Location Varies-11:00 AM** Unless there is a leader named, WINTER rides will be Show-N-Go. The riders who show up on these days will decide among themselves the route, the mileage, the pace and the after-ride restaurant. The starting locations will be places where many rides have begun in the past and thus several riders will have an idea of possible routes to be taken. You can go to [www.dbtc.org](http://www.dbtc.org) and hit the start locations button for more detailed directions to most of the starting points or possibly maps of rides from that location.

### Winter Riding Guidelines

Weather: forecast temperature above freezing with dry conditions.

Clothing: wear layers, outer windbreaker, hat/ear covers, gloves, toe covers and riding/sports pants covering the knees

Other: bring water, repair items and a snack

<b>Sat, Jan 3rd</b>	<b>C</b> City of Cuerevaca parking area
<b>Sun, Jan 4th</b>	<b>NW</b> Crown Hill Park, just east of 26th & Kipling
<b>Wed, Jan 7th</b>	<b>SE</b> Village Greens parking lot by the Dam Road and E Union
<b>Sat, Jan 10th</b>	<b>SE</b> South High School, E. Louisiana & S Franklin, near Wash Park
<b>Sun, Jan 11th</b>	<b>Central</b> City of Cuenavaca Park
<b>Wed, Jan 14th</b>	<b>SE</b> Corner of Orchard and Parker RD
<b>Sat, Jan 17th</b>	<b>SE</b> Corner of Orchard and Parker RD
<b>Sun, Jan 18th</b>	<b>SE</b> Goodson Recreation, near S University Blvd and Arapahoe RD
<b>Wed, Jan 21nd</b>	<b>SE</b> Behind the tennis bubble Federal and Bowles.
<b>Sat, Jan 24th</b>	<b>SE</b> Village Greens parking lot by the Dam Road and E Union
<b>Sun, Jan 25th</b>	<b>NW</b> Olde Town Park-N-Ride, just north of W 55th Ave & Wadsworth on Vance
<b>Wed, Jan 28th</b>	<b>SE</b> Goodson Recreation, near S University Blvd and Arapahoe RD.
<b>Sat, Jan 31st</b>	<b>NW</b> Olde Town Park-N-Ride, just north of W 55th Ave & Wadsworth on Vance

## February, 2015 Winter Fun Ride Schedule

<b>Sun, Feb 1st</b>	<b>NW</b>	Park-N-Ride, NW corner of 70th and Broadway
<b>Wed, Feb 4th</b>	<b>SE</b>	Village Greens parking lot by the Dam Road and E Union
<b>Sat, Feb 7th</b>	<b>NW</b>	Prospect Park, W 44th Ave at Robb St
<b>Sun, Feb 8th</b>	<b>SW</b>	Morrison PNR, NW corner of C470 and Morrison Rd
<b>Wed, Feb 11th</b>	<b>SE</b>	Village Greens parking lot by the Dam Road and E Union
<b>Sat, Feb 14th</b>	<b>SW</b>	Carson Nature Center, (N on So Platte Parkway, West of Mineral and Santa Fe)
<b>Sun, Feb 15th</b>	<b>NW</b>	Scott Carpenter Park, SW corner of 30th & Arapahoe in Boulder
<b>Wed, Feb 18th</b>	<b>SE</b>	Corner of Orchard and Parker RD
<b>Sat, Feb 21nd</b>	<b>NW</b>	Westminster Mall, southeast corner of W 92nd Ave & Harlan St
<b>Sun, Feb 22nd</b>	<b>SE</b>	Carson Nature Center, (N on So Platte Parkway, West of Mineral and Santa Fe)
<b>Wed, Feb 25th</b>	<b>SE</b>	Village Greens parking lot by the Dam Road and E Union
<b>Sat, Feb 28th</b>	<b>SE</b>	South High School, E. Louisiana & S Franklin, near Wash Park
<b>Sun, Mar 1st</b>	<b>Central</b>	City of Cuenavaca Park