

April 2022



WINDBUSTERS

Photo by David Vidaurri at Monahans Sandhills State Park.



Important Dates:

April 5—Club Meeting

April 30- Grand Opening

Midland Trails

May 7– Beat the Street

May 18– Ride of Silence

Bike to Work Day– May 20

President-Eric Burkhart

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MIDLAND



TRAIL PARK

GRAND OPENING

APRIL 30, 2022

The Permian Basin Bicycle Association and the West Texas Trail Alliance invite you to the grand opening of the new Midland Trail Park multi-use trail! Bring the family and join us at the new Trail Park!

Mountain Bike Raffle

Bike Clinics

Burgers & Hot Dogs

Door Prizes

Hiking & Trail Running

Disc Golf

Skills Park

Group Rides for All Skill Levels

To RSVP and see the full schedule visit pbbatx.com



PBBA

10 AM TO 2 PM



TUESDAY, April 5 at 7 p.m.

Location: Tall City Brewery, 3303 W. Golf Course, Midland



Wednesday May 18, 2022 (Third Wednesday)

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m

Start Location: Mid Cities Community Church

8700 Highway 191 (Be sure to note this is a change from previous years)



May 7

Event by [Cornerstone Christian School](#), [Peyton's Bikes San Angelo](#) and [Beat the Street for Little Feet - Sweetwater](#)

www.raceentry.com/races/beat-the-street-for-little-feet/2022/register

It's our 10th annual Beat the Street for Little Feet benefiting Cornerstone Christian School! The event includes: a Half Marathon, 10K Run, 5K Run, 71-Mile Bike Race, 49-Mile Bike Race, and 33-Mile Bike Race. Come spend the morning with us and enjoy great exercise fun!

*Participants registering BEFORE 4/22/2022 will be guaranteed a shirt.

Cash prizes will be awarded!



Rattlesnake Gravel Grind will be 6/17-18 /22 . 32 Mile, 66 Mile, and 111 Mile that will begin and end at the Lake Sweetwater Municipal Campground It will benefit the Volunteer Fire Departments of Nolan County. The Jaycees that put on the Worlds Largest Rattlesnake Roundup, The Sweetwater Chamber of Commerce, and Coors are the three main sponsors of the event. We will have free beer, live music, and BBQ at the park after the event for all participants.

Monday M&M Ride

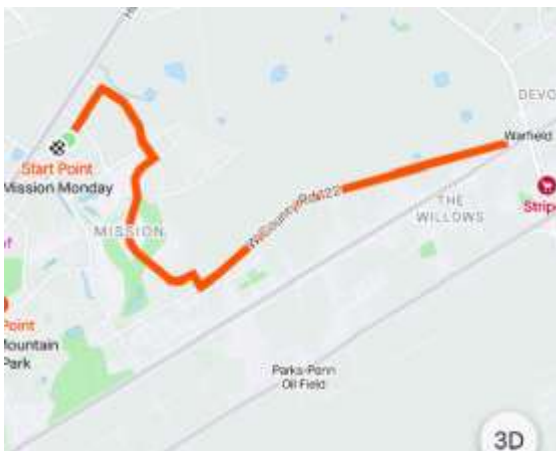


M&M is a weekly ride ran by the West Texas Gazelles of Odessa (WTGO) Cycling.

We meet at 6:00 pm on Mondays with a ride off at 6:15 pm. Route takes you from Mission Fitness to Bankhead going through Mission Boulevard. The route itself is around 12.5 miles.

This is an open invite for beginners to racers. One will always find someone to ride with.

Come join us for the ride and some fellowship time with chips and salsa afterwards.



Peyton's Wednesday Night



Three groups depart on Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. from Peyton's Bikes located at 4712 N, Midkiff in Midland. There is a race group competing for the podium. A fast group that rides at Avalon, but yields to racers on the course. A slower group rides to Greentree and Fasken. If you are new please speak up when you arrive and find "your people" to ride with. Plans are upcoming for a B group race with details coming soon.



You don't have to be fast to ride on Wednesday. There should be some riders your speed or willing to ride your speed with you.

Thursday Night Thrasher



TNT (THURSDAY NIGHT THRASHER)

**6:15pm ride-off
Valley View Church**



Saturday Holy Cross Ride

Who: Everyone is invited by ride organizer Roberta SoloRio

What: Ride is divided into pace groups depending on the riders present.

Group 2.0 end of ride average 14 m.p.h.

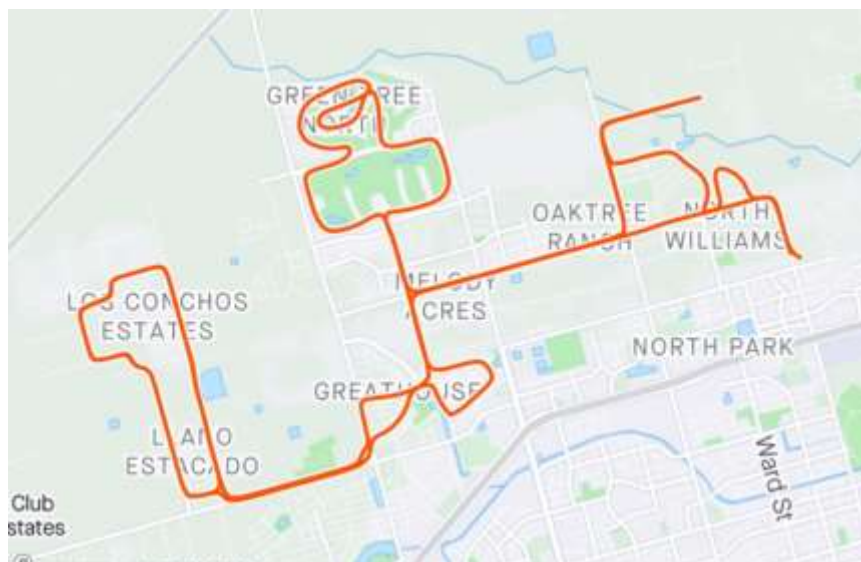
Group 2.5 end of ride average 16-18 m.p.h.

Options for slower or faster groups if participants attend.

When: Wheels down at present is 8 a.m. , but join and keep updated at the Saturday Holy Cross Facebook page

Where: Holy Cross Lutheran Church 5110 N. Garfield, Midland 79705

Distance is usually thirty miles, but riders can shorten or lengthen by adjusting loops at Avalon and/or Greentree.



Podiums for March 16, 23, 30 . Plans are being made to include a B group podium; therefore, watch for the details on Facebook and the newsletter as details become available.

 **PEYTON'S**
WEDNESDAY NIGHT PODIUM

- 1**  FIDEL RUVALCABA
- 2**  ERIC BURKHART
- 3**  ZACK BELEW

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- 2**  KENNETH PRIEBE
- 3**  CLIF COLEMAN

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2021 Peyton's Champion - [Eric Burkhart](#)

2022 Series Points:

[Eric Burkhart](#) - 17

[Zack Belew](#) - 11

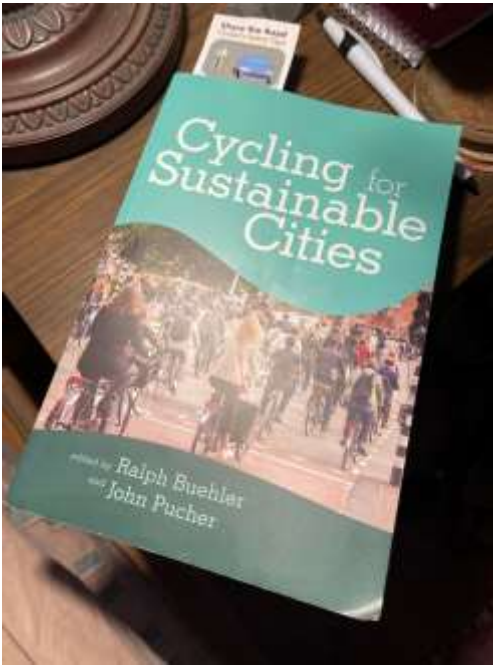
[Fidel Ruvalcaba](#) - 10

Kenneth Priebe - 5

[Clif Coleman](#) - 3

[Zack Risher](#) - 1

Shawn Harris - 1



Thank you to Holt Pierce for responding to the request for this book review!

This read is right down my alley, so to speak.

I've been riding various bikes since 2000. I started mainly for recreation & health reasons, as I weighed in at 240#. In a year, I lost over 70# & started competing & racing. I commute daily to work as well as running errands/shopping, now days & will continue riding my bikes for the foreseeable future.

I do like the freedom that bicycling offers me & health benefits.

I received this book as a complimentary copy from my sustaining membership with Bike Texas.

Cycling for Sustainable Cities is exactly what it's all about! It's edited by Ralph Buehler, prof of Urban Affairs & Planning at Virginia Tech Research Center & John Pucher, prof emeritus at the Bloustein School of Planning & Public Policy at Rutgers University.

Both of them have compiled concise information on cycling throughout the world. 45 other experts, in cycling, contribute valuable information for this book.

This book goes into a great deal of detail with graphs & statistics, science based research to back up their findings.

It's also enlightening, educational & entertaining. The aim is to reach out to all levels of society, whether one is an active cyclist or not, wealthy or not, female or male, young or old, healthy or not, urban or rural & diversity of the planet.

Very interesting to find out that US is at the low end of the scale of the percentage on commuter cyclist compared to other countries. US is at the high end of injured & fatalities!

Nederland & Denmark has the highest percentage of cyclist & the lowest # of fatalities & injuries.

The book goes into detail of why this is.

Americans still find it too dangerous to use bicycles as a means of transportation. This will change over time as bicycles are becoming more popular & there will be safety in #s & more understanding about it.

Less dependence on petroleum, more earth friendly, healthier longer lifestyles & mental wellness are all positive attributes to more sustainable cycling cities of the future!

Leave your footprint on the pedal & not the planet!

Cyclefest Tour

Fort Davis, Texas

An initial Cyclefest planning meeting was held Tuesday, March 15th at 7:00 p.m.

Plans are being formulated for a great Fort Davis Cyclefest Tour 2022.

Bob Haskell will be the director for 2022. Roberta Solorio is taking leadership of sponsorships. Kathy Hester will be recruiting volunteers and procuring new signage for the registration area.

What can you do?

- ◆ Recruit sponsors (more information to come)
- ◆ Procure door prizes
- ◆ Contact Kathy Hester to volunteer (text 432-638-7038)
- ◆ We are looking for a photographer for the event if you know anyone that might be interested, please let Kathy know. The person needs to be skilled, but professional not required.

NATIONAL BIKE MONTH

May is National Bike Month, promoted by the League of American Bicyclists and celebrated in communities from coast to coast. Established in 1956, National Bike Month is a chance to showcase the many benefits of bicycling — and encourage more folks to giving biking a try.

[READ ABOUT THE FIRST EVER NATIONAL RIDE A BIKE DAY IN 2021 »](#)
[SIGN UP FOR THE NATIONAL BIKE CHALLENGE »](#)

Bike to Work Week 2022 will take place May 16-22, 2022, and Bike to Work Day is on Friday, May 20!

In 2022, we'll be celebrating ways to #BikeThere during National Bike

Month and National Ride A Bike Day on May 1, 2022. There are so many ways to celebrate Bike Month and to #BikeThere: during Bike to Work Week (and Day!), biking to coffee or around the block, and riding on May 1 for #BikeDay.

2022 Spring Texas XC Mtn. Bike State Championship Series

Rocky Hill Roundup - Smithville, TX

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February 19-20, 2022

[Registration](#)

Bent Wheel Bash* - Abilene, TX -

February 26-27, 2022

[Registration](#) * double points race

STORM - Flat Rock Ranch - Comfort, TX -

March 12-13, 2022

Cameron Park - Waco, TX -

March 26-27, 2022

ARR Pace Bend Race - Spicewood, TX

April 9-10, 2022

Big Cedar XC presented by Richardson Bike Mart - Big Cedar DORBA Trail, Dallas, TX

April 30- May 1, 2022

GHORBA Big Ring- venue TBD- May 14-15, 2022

The Warda Race - Warda, TX - May 21-22, 2022



The following rides have dates listed at Wheelbrothers.com. There are many more rides listed as TBA (to be announced); therefore, check the site for current ride information, links and opportunities. This is just a few of the many rides listed. Check out Wheelbrothers.com to see a more complete list.

Pedaling the Prairie/ February 26/ Hempstead

Steam n Wheels/ TBA/ Abilene

LBJ 100/ April 2/ Stonewall

Easter Hill Country Ride April 15-16 / Kerrville

Beat the Street for Little Feet/ May 7/ Sweetwater

Possum Pedal Ride/ June 4/ Graham

Tour de Gap/ July 23-24/ Buffalo Gap

Hotter n Hell Hundred / August 26-28/ Wichita Falls

Hale on Wheels / September 10/ Plainview

Fort Davis Cyclefest/ Sept 17/ Fort Davis

Marfa 100 Cycling challenge/ Oct 15/ Marfa

Have you joined or renewed your membership for 2022?

1) Go to www.pbbatx.com/join or hit the “Join PBBA” button from anywhere on the website

2) Select the type of membership you would like to purchase

Family: Annual; Immediate Family only - minimum 2 / maximum 5 members

Individual: Annual; one member

One Day: Single day access to the mountain bike parks for one person

3) Complete the membership information form, and submit payment

The image is a screenshot of the PBBA website. At the top left, the PBBA logo is displayed with the text 'PERMIAN BASIN BICYCLE ASSOCIATION'. To the right, there are navigation links for 'About', 'Ride', 'News', and 'Contact', along with a Facebook icon. A red box highlights the 'Join PBBA' button, with a red arrow and the number '1' pointing to it. Below the navigation is a large orange banner that says 'BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!'. Underneath the banner, there is text stating: 'Annual membership is from November 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022. Membership fees are not prorated. New members can access the Odessa Mountain Bike Park and Midland Trail Park immediately. For park location and information, visit the [Mountain Biking](#) page. Helmets are required for all riders at these parks.' A red arrow and the number '2' point to this text. Below the text is a red-bordered box containing three membership options, each with a logo and price:

Membership Type	Price
PBBA 2022 Family Membership	\$35.00
PBBA 2022 Individual Membership	\$30.00
PBBA One Day Membership	\$5.00