

A cyclist wearing a white helmet and dark clothing is riding a blue road bike on a paved road. The road has a metal guardrail on the left and a double yellow line on the right. In the background, there are green trees and a large, white, dome-shaped structure on a hillside under a hazy sky.

WINDBUSTERS

October 2023

Important Dates

October 14 Eclipse Ride

October 16 PBBA Meeting

November 11 Veteran's Gravel Ride

October PBBA Meeting

Who: All PBBA members

What: In person meeting

When: Monday, October 16th 7 p.m.

Where: Mission Fitness, Classroom A,B
8050 Highway 191 Frontage, Odessa

Odessa Mountain Bike Park Trail Adoption



Ten sections will be re-adopted for 2024. Previous adopters have first choice. Sections will need to be kept up (free of foliage and big rocks) 18" on each side of main trail. If you don't think you can commit to at least an hour after a rain or monthly, please don't commit. Maintenance can be done when you are available. You don't have to wait for entire club work day. Hundreds of people are enjoying and appreciating your efforts to make this a fun place to ride out here in this desert.

Please email Jackh1466@aol.com. The bicycle community really appreciates you !



WTGO has raised funds and received approval for an awning on the Mission Fitness parking lot. This will be a great asset for cyclists to gather especially those participating in the Mission & Mondays ride each week. Nice job WTGO!



SAVE THE DATE!

Bike through the eclipse on Saturday, October 14th during the Eclipse Festival at UTPB. This will be a fun, family ride starting at 11:00 a.m. around the campus. PBBA is looking for a ride leader to make this happen so please watch Facebook for updates. Have your lights ready to keep riding at 11:45 when the eclipse occurs.



Volunteers make Cyclefest happen!

Many volunteers work to make things run smoothly. These volunteers were tireless the weekend of Cyclefest. Bob Haskell, director, and his wife, Marissa worked all weekend. Eric Burkhart, PBBA president, jumped in when a mechanic was needed and worked other aspects of the event. Tammy Lorenz has been a faithful volunteer for many years. Leslie and Meriel Doke along with Sally Lewelling did anything that was needed all weekend. Pure King had a busy Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Amy Bizup, a teacher from Marfa, made sure the volunteers were fed and acted as corner marshal on Saturday. We can depend on Alan Primera each year to make registration go smoothly. Rick Turnbull did it all from sponsor, registration, SAG driver and comedian in chief. Thank you so much for your time and effort!





Riders and their participation are the heart of Cyclefest. The event would not occur without sponsors, riders and volunteers. I appreciate everyone that registered and rode in Cyclefest. As volunteer coordinator, I want to bring attention to all of the volunteers that said "yes" when called upon to help. Please take the time to thank them. I hope that I did not leave anyone out, but if I did, then please let me know. *YOU WERE ALL VERY IMPORTANT TO THE SUCCESS OF CYCLEFEST 2023.*

Director Bob Haskell (tshirts, jerseys, porta potties, water transport, online registration and lots more) and his wife, Marissa

Mike and Kathy Hester— volunteer coordinator, sponsors, general organization

Marla Schneider— email flyer to clubs

Prude Ranch Staff including Bruce, Maudi and Andy

Michael Simpson and the Fort Davis Lions Club for setting up and staffing the five rest stops

Charlie Troxell and the Big Bend Radio Club— they had a radio at each rest stop, intersection and several on the course (12 in total)

Manny Dutchover and his lunch crew

Keith Cummings and student, photography

Massage— Katherine Irwin

Leela at Porter's for securing fruit and ice

Scott Anderson securing HEB donation

Bradley Benavides —shopping for food and transport, distribution to rest stop volunteers

WTGO and Javi Morales: band, swag bags, watermelons, finish line arch

Door Prizes —Sarah Kate Epperson

T-shirts: Russel and Cindy King, Texas King

Insurance arrangements— Eric Burkhart

Signs on course— Mike Hester, Rick Ogan

Food for Friday volunteers— purchasing Kathy Hester, prep and serve— Amy Bizup

Set up and registration: Amy Bizup, Rick Ogan, the Hesters, the Haskells, Leslie Doke and Meriel, Sally Lewelling, Pure King, Rick Turnbull, Tammy Lorenz, Michael Archuleta, Alan Primera, Pure King

Saturday morning registration: Leslie Doke, Kathy Hester, Marissa Proctor, Pure King, Alan Primera

SAG: Ellen Springfield with Diane Cherry, Mike Hester, Rick Ogan, Rick Turnbull, Casey Click with Lilly Litchfield, Bob Haskell, Will Leonard

Corner Marshall/ counter: Amy Bizup

Saturday Lunch set up: Kathy, Pure, Leslie, Sally, Meriel, Tammy and Michael, Marissa

Door prizes and sales— Tammy, Marissa, Leslie, Pure

Sunday Hill Climb timing, awards— Dan and Shauna Saxton

Course monitors- Leslie Doke and Meriel, Sally, Chris Robichaud, Rick Ogan, Mike Hester (caller)

Help at top— Amy Bizup, photos- Kathy Hester, Bob Haskell, Dick K and the hill climb guys

Load up and clean up at Prude Ranch: Leslie Doke and Meriel, Sally, the Hesters, the Haskells, Pure King, Kyle and Debra Farmer

Unload trailer: Bob and the Hesters at Odessa storage



The 2023 jerseys were made by Primal.



A Kings Image was the vendor for the 2023 t-shirts.



Thank you to Javi Morales and WTGO for the inspirational drawstring backpacks.



Thank you to Sebastian at Trek Bicycle Midland for the beautiful helmet donated to raffle with proceeds going to the Fort Davis VFD



Robert Thomas, rider and metal artist, donated a piece for raffle which was won by John Cornejo.



Trek Bicycles also contributed 25 tubes for SAG support and numerous door prizes including cycling shoes, shoe covers and arm warmers. **Energy City Bikes** donated a helmet, 3 jerseys, 2 Vittoria tires, sealant, and chamois butter. **Tanklogix** donated the number plates and prizes for the hill climb. **Luke Eye Associates** donated a pair of Oakley sunglasses. **HTeaO** supplied 250 gallons of water for our rest stops. **Porter's** grocery supplied the ice and fruit for the rest stops.



Thank you to Katie Kizzlar at the observatory for the eclipse viewers and star party information supplied in our bags.



By the numbers:

33 mile-40 registrants

56 mile- 53 registrants

76 mile- 276 registrants

Total registration: 369

Checked in on site: 330 (preregistered and on site registrants)

268 riders turned the corner onto the course at HWY 166

51 riders passed the third rest stop continuing the 75 mile ride.



Thank you to Charlie Troxel and the Big Bend Amateur Radio Club and their twelve course volunteers.



Start line pictures provided by Keith Cummings and the Fort Davis High School photography club.





Rain didn't dampen the spirits at lunchtime to enjoy Manny Dutchover's hamburgers and the band.

WTGO provided some delicious watermelon with thanks to Tammy, Michael and Pure for all that cutting up. Speaking of cutting up—that's Rick Turnbull clowning around on Meriel's bike. There is a mystery that begs to be solved. Who is the the artist that provided the artwork behind the gym in the hamburger cookout area? Do you know "AB"?

Mount Locke
2023 Winning Time:
25:33
65 racers



1st Simone Provenzano
2nd Liz Cheli
3rd Jane Windler



1st Ben Steavenson
2nd Jeremy Hill
3rd Lee Mcauliffe

Matthew Rodriguez's expression says it all about what it's like to finish the hill climb challenge! Last year he was just a "kid" volunteering and look at him now!



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NOV. 11 2023

VETERANS GRAVEL GRIND

VETERANS DAY WEEKEND
NEW VENUE/NEW ROUTE
LAKE COLORADO CITY STATE PARK

- 8 AM MASS START.
- FULL GRIND 73 MILES
- HALF GRIND 50 MILES
- QUARTER GRIND 24 MILES

Support Veteran bike-packing all while riding some of the best gravel in Texas along a scenic route over the Colorado River

**FULL GRIND MALE/FEMALE
1ST PLACE
PRIZE
\$1200**

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The Trail Warrior Project will be attending the annual BikePacking Summit in Las Cruces, NM on October 20th. We will host 2 rides the following day on the Monumental Loop. One is a beginner women's only group and a regular 2 day trip for everyone else that wants to join us. This time of year is nice in Las Cruces and looks to be a good time.

VIM is hosting the Veterans Gravel Grind for our annual fundraiser. It looks to be an amazing event and we are looking forward to seeing everyone in Colorado City this year! We want to thank VIM for hosting this event and helping our local veterans!

MONDAY



M&M Ride

Monday 6:15 pm, Mission Fitness Parking Lot, Odessa

All Levels

TUESDAY



Women's Ride

Tuesday 7:00, Bush Tennis Center

All Levels

WEDNESDAY



Trek Store Ride

Wednesday 6:15

Wednesday Night World Race

Greentree Ride– all level ride

THURSDAY



Thursday Night Thrasher

Watch FB posts for times

Not a no drop, Valley View

SATURDAY



Saturday Holy Cross Ride

Time varies– watch Saturday Holy Cross Ride FB page, recent ride offs at 8:00 a.m.

All levels, 5110 N. Garfield



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