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From the Board

MEC Discount Coupon for August 5 to 19: Members should have received an email on Aug. 4 with a 15% discount coupon for regularly-priced merchandise at the downtown store (11904 104 Ave. NW). You can shop at your convenience and getting the discount is easy: just present the coupon to the cashier, either printed or in the email on your phone.

New Members: You can find key information about EBTC [here](#), including Ride with GPS.

Edmonton Bike Swap, Sunday, Sept. 7: Need a bike? Have one to sell or donate? Click [here](#) for details and FAQs. Organizers Laura & Chris Grant say, "We started a nonprofit bicycle buy and/or sell and/or donate event in 2011 after bad experiences buying and selling bikes and seeing some fairly creative cycling while cycle commuting. We provide a safe place by ensuring every bike passes a tech check ... and we verify that no bikes are flagged as stolen ..."



Canadian Birkie Society's Off-road 'Bikenbender', Sat., Sept. 13: Click [here](#) for info and to register for this gravel or cross-country ride at the Cooking Lake-Blackfoot Recreation Area. Spaces are limited and the cost of registration goes up on August 15.

Upcoming Events

Calendar of Events

Click [here](#) for the complete list of what's on and to register.

Wednesday Evening Exploring with AI, August 13, 20 & 27

AI Carlson, Ride Leader

These relaxed, social evening rides will start from the Enjoy Centre in St. Albert. Riders will enjoy easy 20 to 25 km routes exploring St. Albert and the 'deep northwest' of Edmonton (area south of Big Lake). Participants can expect beginner rides that are no drop, have no big hills and may include a stop for treats as encountered.

To register for August 13, click [here](#). Also, registration for the August 20 ride opens on August 14 so check the Calendar to register. (Photo credit: City of St. Albert website)



Target On! Still a Mystery Tour, Saturday, August 16

Phil Davidson, Webmaster & Ride Leader

Beaumont to Miquelon/return was great. EBTC needs more of these longer rides and I'm planning another one of about 80 km. However, I can't confirm the route's rest stop until they reopen on Wednesday. Check the Calendar then and register.

AI & Darren's Bakery Ride #2, Saturday, August 16

Darren Okrainec and AI Carlson, Ride Leaders

The first one in spring was so popular, we're doing it again with different stops, this time exploring the south side. Click [here](#) for details and to register for this fun, relaxed-paced ride of about 25 km. (Photo: Wikimedia public domain)



Annual Pigeon Lake Loops & Picnic, Saturday, August 23

Frank Potter & Anne-Marie Adachi, Ride Leaders; Char World, BBQ

Registration is open for this great day at Pigeon Lake (photo is from 2024).

Meeting location for both loops: Mulhurst Bay 49 St. Park, down the street from Bayview Grocery and Liquor Store.

- The Inner Loop Ride led by Frank begins at 9 a.m. This is an intermediate 60 km ride, suitable for hybrid, gravel or mountain bikes due to the terrain which could be asphalt, hard packed or gravel. Click [here](#) for details and to register.
- The Outer Loop led by Anne-Marie begins at 10 a.m. This is an intermediate 60 km road ride on relatively new pavement. Click [here](#) for details and to register.
- The barbeque led by Chef Charles is available from 1-4 p.m.

Both rides are unsupported and there will not be a sweep. Riders should be prepared to fix their own flats and carry enough food and water for 60 km.



Ride & Event Recap

Potluck Picnic at Laurier Park, Thursday, August 7

Phil Davidson, EBTC Webmaster

Over 40 participants enjoyed each others' company, BBQ, beverages, salads and dessert. We saw some new faces and familiar ones we hadn't seen for a while (and even a couple we didn't recognize immediately without their helmets). Our canopied site protected us from the brief shower in a mostly sunny afternoon.

Thanks to Julie for organizing, Mary Anne for lugging in a BBQ and chef Derek for keeping the hot protein coming.



Friday Quiet Roads Returns August 15

June MacGregor, Ride Leader

The August 8 ride was cancelled due to rain. We'll try again on August 15 to ride from Ardrossan on a 52 km loop based on the 2024 Biking Like a Viking ride but with a break at Half Moon Lake. For details and to register, click [here](#).

Miquelon Lake Rides, Saturday, August 9

Phil Davidson, EBTC Webmaster

The clouds were dramatic and heading away from us, leaving blue sky, as the early group left Beaumont for a 92 km round trip to Miquelon Lake. The second group left an hour later from New Sarepta for a 42 km ride. Temperatures were ideal with a light breeze on the way home.

Lots of visiting over snacks at Miquelon. Many of the New Sarepta group and some of the Beaumont group stopped at Old Station Honey and Mead in New Sarepta for more talk and food.

Thanks to the Prez for driving support and organizing food as well as Leslie and Paul for set-up, and Derek for sweeping from New Sarepta.



Sunday Social Ride, August 10

Betty Lafave, Ride Leader

The weather was good so six of us headed to Onoway from Calahoo. On the way we stopped to watch the ospreys feeding their family and shortly thereafter noticed a sign that seemed to refer to us. We reported to the Burger Baron for ice cream and snacks.

Join us next week at Gunn (on Highway 43) for a 50 km ride along the shores of Lac Ste. Anne. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.



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