

BIKE SHOPS COORDINATOR'S CORNER

Sabino Cycles Bicycle Safety Class Reviewed

Magic Mac and his staff put on a great show!!!

A couple of people came all the way from Green Valley to join GABA and Sabino Cycles for this installment of our bike shop based safety classes. However, only one person from the overall group, brought his bike. So instead of being a safety class with some bike repair thrown in it was a bike repair class with some safety thrown in. Phil spent 1.5 hours going over the basic mechanics and adjustments. That is what they wanted. Wayne Cullop from GABA was the licensed Certified Instructor for this class. Even Phil learned something when Wayne Cullop explained the ABC quick check. The last half hour was spent going over proper road positioning mainly as a cyclist approaches an intersection.

One member of the class told me he was very pleased with everything he had learned.

Mr. Cullop also handed out reflector tape, a certificate for lights, the bicycle map, share the road guide, GABA patch kit and share the road bumper sticker. Mac contributed Sabino water bottles and tire irons.

Please bring your bikes to future classes so we can spend about two hours bicycling and discussing safety issues.

Thank you Sabino Cycles for your long term sponsorship of GABA and for your support of our Bike Shop Safety Class Program.

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2010 Ride of Silence



DATE: May 19, 2010
TIME: 6:00 PM
PLACE: Tucson and hundreds of locations worldwide

The Ride of Silence is a silent, slow paced group ride conducted in honor of those who have been injured or killed while cycling on public roadways. The ride is conducted on the same date at locations in Arizona, North America, and in other countries. The ride also raises awareness of the presence of cyclists on public roadways and their legal right to the road.

The Tucson ride starts at Reid Park at west side Ramada #22, located at the Park's northernmost parking lot on Country Club Road. Meet at 5:45 pm for light refreshments and send-off. The ride will commence at 6:00 pm, and the distance is nine miles.

From the parking area, head south on Country Club Rd., west on 22nd Street, north on Tucson Boulevard, east on E. Elm St. which becomes Pima St., south on Columbus Blvd., west on 22nd Street, north on Country Club Rd., and turn into parking lot.

Local officials will be on hand to start the ride with words of encouragement, and the Southwest Rangers motorcycle escort will accompany riders and stop motor vehicle traffic at intersections. For more information about the Tucson ride, contact Jean Gorman, 885-5299, email prairiejean@aol.com; or Karen Berchtold, 207-5864, email keberchtold@gmail.com.

Sahuarita/Green Valley area riders will meet at the Green Valley Recreation East Social Center at 5:30 pm for a 6:00 pm, 7 mile ride. SaddleBrooke riders will meet at the clubhouse at the end of SaddleBrooke Blvd. at 5:00 for an 8-12 mile ride.

This ride HONORS those that have been injured or killed on our roads by a vehicle, RAISES AWARENESS that bicyclists are here and have the legal right to the road, and asks that everyone SHARE THE ROAD with respect for the law and each other.



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