

## THANK YOU TO OUR LOUISVILLE **BICYCLE CLUB PARTNERS!**

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## **HAPPY NEW YEAR**

It's time to elect the executive committee that will serve you for 2022. The candidates' statements are contained in this newsletter along with instructions for voting.

We already have a big year planned for 2022! Our epic Tour de Mad Dog is back. This is a unique series of twenty 100 mile "century" rides put on by the finest ride captains this side of anywhere over the course of our touring season. This has been a popular event since its inception in 2004. We took a couple of years off but we're back and wondering who the champion will be this year. Could it be you? You can check out the schedule here. <TMD Schedule>

We're excited to be serving our community again this year by implementing the Kentucky Derby Festival Tour de Lou training rides along with acting as ride marshals for the big event. The first training ride is a 5 miler to be held Sunday February 27th at noon. Check out the ride and event calendar on the LBC website for all the details and future training ride info. We'll also be serving as ride marshals for the popular Mayors rides held on Memorial and Labor days again this year.

The Old Kentucky Home Tour (OKHT) is back for 2022. It's going to look different this year with a new venue, all new routes and a June 5th date. I'm looking forward to the return of our signature event freshened up with a new look and feel. Keep an eye on the LBC website for all the exciting news!

Yew Dell Gardens will once again be hosting us for our annual picnic sometime late this summer.

We have a full complement of sessions scheduled for our widely popular New Rider Clinic. This is a great area to give back by helping new riders get comfortable with riding our roads and getting more familiar with their bikes and how they work. Let Dave know if you want to help out. He can always use some experienced cyclists to ride along and encourage our participants. Dave can be reached at education@louisvillebicycleclub.org.

And that's just what your executive committee has on our plate. I can't wait to see what our 100 plus ride captains have in store for us this riding season! I'm sure they'll keep the ride schedule active as ever!

So here's to another great year for the LBC in 2022!

Let's ride!

Jeff



With the recent surge in covid (omicron) cases it just seems irresponsible for a club that's dedicated to the health and well-being of our members and the public at large to hold an indoor event at this time. Therefore it is with a heavy heart that I must inform the membership that we are going to cancel the 2021 Awards Banquet scheduled for January 22nd, 2022. All members that have paid in advance will be receiving a full refund.



## **Current Candidates running for election in 2022**

President
Jeff White

**Secretary** Clinton Phillips

**Treasurer**Phil Mattingly

VP Advocacy OPEN

**VP Communications**Steven Jent

**VP Education**David Wittry

**VP Information Technology** 

Erik Helton

**VP Racing**Kevin Williams

**VP Touring**John Pellegrino

Candidate statements can be found here: Candidate Statements

Please follow this link **VOTE HERE** to cast your vote.

\* You must be a member to vote and you will be required to login to access the voting page.

Results from the vote will be communicated after January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

You may email any questions to the secretary at: secretary@louisvillebicycleclub.org



#### **New Rider Clinic**

2022 dates are coming soon!

These classes are offered to the public at no charge (FREE!) thanks to <u>Baptist Health</u>.

Riders who complete all 5 classes of a New Rider Clinic will receive a free LBC jersey and a one-year membership in the Louisville Bicycle Club. You may attend as many times as spots are available, however the free tech t-shirt and membership are only given once.

Learn More



## Become a Ride Captain

Have you been interested in becoming a ride captain for the Louisville Bicycle Club? Not sure what is involved? Learn how easy it is to become the backbone of the Louisville Bicycle Club and by becoming a ride captain today!

Learn More

## **THE OKHT IS BACK FOR 2022**







We are excited to offer a new version of the OKHT for 2022. Partnering with Yew Dell Botanical Gardens and Oldham County Tourism & Conventions.

#### Save the date, Sunday June 5, 2022.

More information will be coming as planning moves forward. Would you like to get more involved with the club? This is a great opportunity to put your skills to work and meet more club members. If you would like to be a part of the planning committee, just shoot me an email. We have already established a core group working on certain aspects of the ride, but we need a few more. And sponsors – if your company or non-profit group would like their logo on our jersey or other printed marketing material, we have sponsorship levels to suit any budget. We already have two Titanium Level sponsors!!



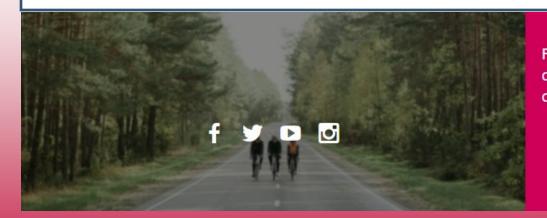
Level sponsors!!

Titanium: \$5,000 Carbon: \$2,000 Aluminum: \$1,000 Steel: \$250-\$500 Bamboo: In Kind Services



Contact: OKHT@louisvillebicycleclub.org

Director: Bekki Livingston



Follow the Louisville Bicycle Club on one of our many social media channels. We will post Louisville Bicycle Club updates and cycling community news.

## **NOT A MEMBER YET?**

Join the Louisville Bicycle Club and the hundreds of members for one of our daily rides. The Louisville Bicycle Club has rides for all levels and distances. Not a member yet?

## Did you Know...

...that LBC has a robust and active Strava Club? Join the community at:

www.strava.com/clubs/louisville-bicycle-club

## STRAVA

## Did you also Know...

...that LBC has a club Ride with GPS Account?

See the member only section of the LBC website for more information!





# 2022 Kentucky Derby Festival PNC Tour de Lou Registration Now Open!

The ride will take place on Saturday April 16, 2022. This year, all three courses (20-mile, 35-mile and metric century) will ride through historic Churchill Downs. Get a glimpse of the beautiful grounds as you ride. Also, metric century cyclists will cross state lines by riding in both Kentucky and Indiana.

Learn More

## **LBC In the Community**







These three riders look surprisingly happy to be standing out in the rain. This was the turnout for today's Polar Bear Ride--the LBC tradition goes way back. The idea was that if you had enough commitment to start the year out on a bike on January 1, you would keep riding for the whole year.

Some might say it differently: If you start the year out riding in the pouring rain, you probably should be committed.

Just the messenger here-you decide.



- Larry Preble

Photo Credits:

**Larry Preble** 

**Amelia Dauer** 

# Tour de Mad Dog Series

Director: Bekki Livingston



## 2022 MAD DOG SCHEDULE

DATE	RIDE CAPTAIN	ROUTE
<del>15-Jan</del>	Thomas Nance	Safety Net
29-Jan	Gail Blevins/Trey Mathis	A Good First Century
12-Feb	Phil Mattingly	Honest Abe
26-Feb	Dave Robinson	Virgin
12-Mar	Gail Blevins/Trey Mathis	Sink or Swim
26-Mar	Alan McCoy	Short Frankfort
16-Apr	Chris Embry	Louisville Loop
23-Apr	John Pellegrino	Suburbane
07-May	John Fong	Twice Boston Century
14-May	Michael Crawford	Old Tour d' Bridgeport
12-Jun	Mike Kamenish	Muscatatuck
25-Jun	Bob Grable	The Harrison
09-Jul	Fritz Kopatz	Adjective Ride
02-Jul	Melissa Hall	Story Century
06-Aug	Larry Preble	Two Bridges
13-Aug	Larry Preble	Wises Landing
03-Sep	Thomas Nance	
10-Sep	Tom Askew	BMB
08-Oct	Melissa Hall	Medora
15-Oct	Dee Schreur/Tony Nall	Margaritaville

<sup>\*</sup> Stage 1 scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 15, 2022 was cancelled due to expected weather conditions.

We have rides on the schedule every day this week. Check our schedule for more details along with any changes before heading to the rides.

https://louisvillebicycleclub.org/ride-event-schedule/



LOUISVILLE BICYCLE CLUB

RIDE & EVENT SCHEDULE



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Ride & Event Schedule | Louisville Bicycle Club

Check out one of the many daily rides & events that the Louisville Bicycle Club has to offer



Larry Preble is with John Fong and 55 others.  $3d \cdot \mathfrak{S}$ 

2021 Best of LBC!

I had been saving this 2021 recap video for the Louisville Bicycle Club Membership Banquet, but with the sudden surge in the COVID Omicron variant, the club has wisely cancelled the inperson event.

Despite the ongoing pandemic, LBC had an excellent year in cycling. This video tells that story and depicts action shots from some great rides and events and is followed up with a slide show culled from even more LBC events with many, many familiar faces.

I hope you enjoy!



## **Upcoming Events**

LBC Election of Officers for 2022

12 Jan 2022 6:00 AM | Online voting

CANCELLED 2021 LBC Membership Banquet
22 Jan 2022 6:00 PM | Knights of Columbus

Tour de Mad Dog Stage 2 - A Good First
Century: 98.6-miles
29 Jan 2022 8:00 AM | Yellow Lot (1321 River Rd,
Louisville, KY 40206)

See All Events

## News & Updates

<u>January Newsletter - Special Edition</u> 06 Jan 2022 11:00 PM | <u>Steven Jent</u>

<u>December Newsletter</u> 15 Dec 2021 4:20 PM | <u>Steven Jent</u>

November Newsletter
04 Nov 2021 4:17 PM | Steven Jent

See all News & Updates



## LOUISVILLE BICYCLE CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

#### **Member Benefits**

What do you get by being a member of the Louisville Bicycle Club? Of course, you mean what more than being a part of one of the largest, oldest, and most respected cycling organizations in Kentucky?

## The Pure Enjoyment of Riding Your Bike

A Robust Calendar. LBC has a large schedule of rides. It is very rare that there is day without a scheduled LBC ride somewhere in the Louisville area and frequently there are several each day. Most rides are consistently scheduled and are organized with the utilization of a Google Calendar. Each ride description includes links to our club's RideWithGPS account where additional ride information, cuesheets, GPS routes, and maps can be accessed.

**LBC Ride Series.** In addition to our online schedule, LBC maintains multiple ride series throughout the year. This includes a Brevet series as well as the famous Mad Dog series. The Mad Dogs tackle 21 challenging century rides per year! Are you up for the challenge?

Friendships. LBC is about people. In our organization you will experience camaraderie, companionship, and make new lifelong friendships.

A Ton of Events. The Louisville Bicycle Club hosts many events beyond just organized calendar rides. These include the annual Polar Bear Ride and Chili Cook Off on January 1st of each year and the Annual Picnic Ride with our general club meeting and picnic following. We host a signature event known as the OKHT and we end the year with an Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet.

"Oh Captain My Captain". LBC offers ride captain training and the opportunity to lead rides.

**Ride with GPS Club Account.** Club members are granted access to select features on club routes. When you are a club member you will be able to get turn by turn voice navigation and offline maps on the app, advanced turn notifications on Garmin files, PDF map and cuesheets, and estimated time on club routes for free. These are premium services that typically cost an individual a monthly subscription but are free to our members through our club account.

## **Peace of Mind**

**Supplemental Insurance.** LBC maintains a supplemental health insurance policy for our club members. Rarely used, but in the unfortunate case of an injury on a club supported ride, this insurance is designed to help our members with out-of-pocket medical costs.

**Liability Protection.** We require that everyone on our rides agree to a "Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement". This agreement provides benefits to members and non-members participating in our rides and events, with a general agreement for all to hold each other harmless. Members agree to this when they join/renew. Non-members are required to agree to these terms through a signature at each ride.

**Trained and Certified Ride Leaders.** Although we take great pride in having great routes and leaders, we have developed a certification process to ensure safety through consistency and application of best practices.

**Organized and Well-Run Rides.** Behind the scenes, while you are having fun and gaining fitness, LBC leadership stays intimately involved in rides offered by our club. Leader training, ensuring consistency in methods, maintaining best practices, and addressing route issues are all a part of your ability to join us and ride safely.

## **Community Involvement**

**Volunteer Opportunities.** Because we are a recognized 501(c)4 non-profit organization, any volunteer hours qualify for community service hours! This would include those required by most local school systems. However, when is comes to underage volunteers please check with the event coordinator in advance and we do require any child volunteers be supervised by the member/guardian. As a club we also participate in many community events throughout the year as volunteers such as Ride Marshals for the Mayor's rides as well as Kentucky Derby Festival events like the Marathon and the Tour de Lou not to mention Bike to Beat Cancer.

**Community Relationships.** We are involved in local Bicycle Advisory Committees, Louisville's Master Plan development and other roles within government that are critical to the development and maintenance of bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure. Our goal is to be a proactive organization, maintaining relationships with the City of Louisville for all our cycling needs.

**Our Racing Team.** LBC supports Team Louisville a local racing team for all ages and abilities. Interested in training or getting into racing? Contact the VP of Racing for more information today!

**New Rider Clinics.** LBC also provides New Rider Clinics though out the year. These clinics include hands on instruction for bike handling, best practices for safety and traffic integration and negotiation, as well as a review of local ordinances and cycling laws that all riders should be aware of. These clinics are open to everyone and all participants that fully complete the series of courses are rewarded with their first year LBC membership free of charge and are given a free Tee-shirt.

**Charitable Giving.** Throughout the year LBC supports many notable local charities. In the past we have donated to Falls City Community BikeWorks, The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Norton Healthcare Foundation for Cancer Research's Bike to Beat Cancer, The National Multiple Sclerosis Society via "Team Wil Power" and The Olmsted Parks Conservancy.

## Not Enough? How About Some Awards?

Awards, Awards, Awards. We love to give back to our membership! Just look at all these awards that you can earn by just riding your bike.

Annual Awards presented at the end of year banquet:

**Touring Champion Jersey** 

Master's Champion Jersey

Volunteer of the year awards for: Advocacy, Communications, Education, Touring and Racing

Overall Volunteer of the Year for the LBC

Lifetime Club Mileage Jerseys:

25,000, 50,000, 75,000, 100,000

\* You get the idea – we even have a 150k jersey out there on the streets!

Ride Captain Awards:

Ride Captains receive a free Jersey after leading 5 rides until we run out

Ride Captain of the year award

The Mad Dog Challenge:

A discounted or even free Mad Dog jersey is frequently made available after completing the required number of centuries. This is dependent on the level of sponsorship that the Mad Dog Tour receives in any given year.

**New Rider Clinics Course Completion:** 

A one-year free membership to LBC

A free tee-shirt

General Rewards:

When available door prizes are given out at our major events. In the past this has included:

- 1. Gift Certificates
- 2. Excess apparel

## Where Does the Money Go?

