Pedal Power

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At the time of this message BVBC is a month into the riding season. What I am about to discuss may be of interest for members looking to move away from the hard copy cue sheet. I was reading some online articles about navigation apps. The general gist of the articles is that Ride with GPS (RwGPS) gets consistent sound marks for navigation and particularly good marks for creating routes, which is key at BVBC.

With the BVBC membership, members get access to the no-charge version of RwGPS, and that no-charge app will take a rider far. Mounting the phone on your bike and using the phone for visual cues may be impractical, as the phone's battery longevity could be a limiter. Using the phone for audio cues into an earbud is very practical from a battery life perspective. The battery will easily last 3+ hours if not required to light up and show visual mapping cues on the screen.

A practical solution for constant visual mapping cues may be to incorporate a bike computer on the handlebar of your bike. Attaining 10+ hours of battery life from a

current bike computer is easily attained. Dominant manufacturers of navigational bike computers include, in no particular order:

- 1. Bryton
- 2. Garmin
- 3. Karoo
- 4. Lezyne
- 5. Wahoo

All of these devices will have a means to download routes from RwGPS and other third-party navigational apps. Having a navigational tool that you are comfortable with can add to your riding enjoyment by easing your mind from navigational doubts and enabling you to focus on other, more fulfilling elements of riding.

Please reach out to me if you have interest in utilizing a navigational tool with your BVBC experience. BVBC would be happy to hold a navigational seminar for membership to put these tools to use, and flex the tool on a short-defined route, on a select weeknight evening. BVBC wants to facilitate maximum enjoyment of cycling to membership. Enabling route navigation through technology may assist in reaching that end. Ask me any questions that you may have.

Below is a snapshot of current computer prices from the April 2024 article in Cycling News.

	Make/Model	Price
	Bryton Rider 420 cycling computer	\$112.84
	Garmin Edge 130 Plus	\$166.38
	Lezyne Mega XL GPS	\$199.99
	Garmin Edge 830	\$309.99
	Garmin Edge 540	\$329.99
	Wahoo Elemnt Bolt	\$348.88
	Hammerhead Karoo 2	\$399
	Wahoo ELEMNT Roam	\$400
	Garmin Edge 1030 Plus	\$454.99
	Garmin Edge 1040 Solar	\$739.99

Source URLs:

https://www.cyclist.co.uk/in-depth/the-best-cycling-apps-for-route-planning-and-navigation

https://whiteroseclassic.org.uk/navigation/cycling-navigation-app/

https://www.cyclinguk.org/cycle-magazine/group-test-navigation-apps

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No Updates

Scavenger Hunt

By Mike Dix

Scavenger Hunt Ride and Picnic Saturday May 18th at 9:00am. I designed the first scavenger hunt rides about 7 years ago and I've been improving it ever since. This year's start is the same as last year, Cool Waters parking lot in Greenfield Park. Be ready to ride at 9am. Bring a smart phone with camera. The general idea is to find the things on the list and take a picture of it. There will be a picnic in the park right after the ride. There is no need to RSVP. You are welcome to come just for the picnic at about 12:30.

Here are the rules: Teams of 4 riders. Find as many of the things on the list as you can, take a picture of it, (One picture per team) and return by 12:30. You'll get the list of things to find at the start of the ride. All pictures must be taken by a team member during the ride. If a team member is not back by 12:30, their pictures cannot be used. The route will follow the Oak Leaf Trail north out of Greenfield Park, then follow the Hank Aaron Trail east towards the lake and return. All items to find will be near the Hank Aaron or Oak Leaf trails. Ride distance will be about 22 miles. There will be a route and cue sheet this year.

Hints Have a team meeting before you leave and assign different things to each rider. You will be able to find most things on the list with your smartphone before you leave the park. (google maps). It's uphill and often into the wind on the way back to Greenfield Park. (I've been told it's a 3000ft climb) --so allow enough time to get back.

Calling All Tuesday Morning Riders

By Linda Roessl

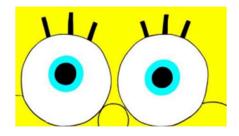
Tuesday, May 7th kicked off the Tuesday morning rides: every Tuesday weather permitting. Jeff or the ride coordinator will put info on Facebook if the weather requires the ride to be cancelled. Tuesday rides start at 9:00am May thru October typically starting from Beulah Brinton in Bay View, BUT the third Tuesday of every month we will start from Greenfield Park in the parking lot across from the Cool Waters Park. Those dates are as follows: May 21st, June 18th, July 16th, August 20th, September 17th & October 15th.

Just a reminder: There are no cue sheets or RwGPS provided at these rides. Please be able to keep up with the group. Try your best to respect the rules of the road; stopping for red lights and red stop signs. Riding two abreast only when you are not impeding traffic. If you bring a guest, please remind them of these safety features of the BVBC rides. See you at the ride.

Tips for Cold Weather Riding

See the articles below for tips on cold weather riding (these do not include moving to Arizona or Florida)

https://www.trainingpeaks.com/blog/cold-weather-cycling/ https://www.bicycling.com/training/g20011536/guide-to-winter-cycling/ https://www.rei.com/learn/expert-advice/winter-bicycling.html



We Have the Following Opportunities Available!

Ride with GPS savvy tech!

We're looking for a volunteer, who's willing to provide technical support, and guidance, to club members on how to use Ride with GPS, when needed. If interested, please contact Andy Sikorski @ ajsikorski@hotmail.com.



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Newsletter By Robin Beattie

Don't forget, all club members are welcomed and encouraged to submit articles of interest and pictures to the newsletter.

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