



BIKE MONTH

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CALENDAR of EVENTS

PARK+VINE TO NORTHSIDE FARMERS' MARKET

Every Wednesday in May, 5:15pm
Join us for a casual ride from Park+Vine to the Northside Farmers' Market. Meet at P+V, 1202 Main St.

THE MOBO SUPER SLOW RIDE

Every Thursday in May, 6:30pm
This workshop teaches bicycle safety to adults through the relative safety of riding on the neighborhood streets of Northside. We will build stamina and gain confidence by practicing how to get from here to there in an urban setting. Bring your bike, your helmet (required), and be prepared to have a great time. Mobo Bike Co-op, 1415 Knowlton St.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/126176227459035/>

THURSDAY NIGHT SLOW & STADY RIDE

Every Thursday, 7:30pm
You can ride any kind of bike you like, from BMX to tall bikes and everything in between! The ride usually lasts about 1.5 to 2 hours. If you enjoy riding bicycles or would like to learn how to ride in an urban environment, come on out - we will take it easy on you! Meet at Hoffner Park in Northside.
<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=98515263641&ref=nf>

BICYCLE HAPPY HOUR AT BOSWELL'S

Every Thursday in May
Happy hour priced drinks all day Thursdays for anyone with a helmet, bike lock, or blinkie lights. Boswell's, 1686 Blue Rock St.

THE MUSIC RIDE

Friday, May 3, 6pm
We're celebrating OTR Night at the Symphony with a short, fun, and musical bicycle ride through Over-the-Rhine! We'll supply the musical instruments and you supply the bicycle! Washington Park Bandstand, Over-the-Rhine.
<https://www.facebook.com/events/390965341002569/?fref=ts>

FREEWHEELIN' FRIDAYS: AN ADVENTURE IN YOUR BACKYARD

Friday, May 3, 5:30pm
Join us for a roll up through the new developments in OTR and Washington Park, where we will check out a few of the new stores and restaurants in the area. If you haven't been downtown in a while, you won't believe everything going on! Cincinnati Bike Center, 120 E Mehring Way.

CAR FREE FRIDAYS

Every Friday in May, all day
Ditch your car for Fridays during Bike Month. Take advantage of the Cincinnati Bike Center's indoor, secure bike storage, and shower facilities for FREE on Fridays in May! Cincinnati Bike Center, 120 E Mehring Way.

WALK WASSON WAY

Saturday, May 4, 9:30am
Walk the proposed trail! The hike is about 2.5 miles and takes slightly over an hour. Meet at Eastern Hills Lane and Wasson Road (about 150 yards east of the intersection of Wasson Road and Marburg).

BIKES+BREWS

Saturday, May 4, Noon to 5pm
This year the ride will make five stops (Moerlein Lager House, Keystone Bar & Grill, The Elusive

Cow, Rock Bottom Brewery, Mayberry Gastropub) along a nine-mile route, and will start at the OTR Biergarten and end at Market Wines. The route is fairly level and should be doable for cyclists of all ages and abilities. Follow the #bikebrews or @UrbanCincy on the day of the event to find out where we are if you don't plan on participating from start to finish. There is no requirement to eat or drink at any of the stops, but we do strongly encourage you to socialize and support the businesses we stop at along the route.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/121758514688750/>

EASTSIDE TO FINDLAY MARKET RIDE

Every Saturday in May, 9am
Start your day off right with a casual ride to Findlay Market. Spend some time shopping, enjoy Belgian Waffles guilt-free, and then head back to the eastside. Coffee Emporium, 3316 Erie Ave.

FINDLAY MARKET BIKEGARTEN

Every Saturday in May, 9am to 1pm
Learn more about the bicycle friendly changes happening in our community, purchase an official Bike Month t-shirt or pick up free biking maps and more!



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RIDE FOR READING KICKOFF POTLUCK

Sunday May 5, 4pm to 6pm

Bring a book and a dish! Cincinnati's first annual Ride for Reading collects donated books to give to every child in one of our local schools. Come hangout, eat some snacks, hear some music and sign up for the ride to deliver the books to the kids on May 8th, Bike to School Day. Hoffner Park.

SUNDAY MORNING GROUP RIDE

Every Sunday in May, 9am

This ride is approximately 20 miles and is a no drop ride. Helmets are required and flat repair kits are suggested. Also bring water and any nutrition you may need. Performance Bicycle, 7690 Montgomery Road.

BIKE VALET AT THE HYDE PARK FARMER'S MARKET

Every Sunday in May, 9am to 1pm

Free bike valet service while you shop at the Hyde Park Farmers Market.

MONDAY EXPLORATION RIDE

Monday May 13, 6:45pm

This casual ride will visit bike paths and trails with some in-street riding to get to them. Less than 15 miles and less than 10mph average speed. Rest stops will be included as needed. Helmets are required, and lycra will not be needed. This will be the casual version of the Cincinnati Cycle Club -Team Cycling and Fitness Ride from the same location on the weeks offered. We will leave just a few minutes after the, mostly Lycra clad, 25 mile riders. Arrive a few minutes early to check your bike and sign waivers. Please park on the east end of the Kroger parking lot that joins up to Vine St. Proceed to join the group with care to avoid patrons in the parking lot. Hartwell Kroger, 8241 Vine St.

BICYCLE HAPPY HOUR AT THE BREW HOUSE

Every Monday in May, 4 to 7pm

Anyone with a helmet gets a free appetizer during happy hour, 4-7 pm
<https://www.facebook.com/brew.house.16>

CINCINNATI CYCLE CLUB HAPPY HOUR

Monday, May 6, 7pm

Come out, have a drink, and make some new friends! As usual, this is open to non-members, although, we think it'd be SWELL if you decide to join! Bike Valet Parking will be provided by Queen City Bike. Neons, 208 E. 12th St
<https://www.facebook.com/events/167347050091380/>

URBAN BASIN BICYCLE CLUB

Every Tuesday, 6:30pm

Join us for slow, interesting, themed rides that begin and end in the basin. All skill levels are welcome. Fountain Square.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/391316300890025/?fref=ts>

TUESDAY EVENING GROUP RIDE

Every Tuesday in May, 6pm

This ride is approximately 20-25 miles and is a no drop ride. Helmets are required and flat repair kits are suggested. Also bring water and any nutrition you may need. Performance Bicycle, 7690 Montgomery Road.

RBO TUESDAY NIGHT ROAD RIDE

Every Tuesday in May, 6pm

This ride is open to all road bikers including beginners, the only prerequisites being 1) you have a road bike 2) helmet and 3) lights. The route differs every week. There are three ride groups for different skill/intensity levels: Medium-Slow: This group generally stays on flatter ground and rides about 15-28 miles. The pace is generally 14-16 mph on flat ground and slows up the hills. Medium-Fast: Faster and more hills. Average speed on flat ground 18-20 mph, 25-35 miles. Race-Pace: Extremely fast,

averages 25-30 mph when on flat ground. Bike handling skills a must, sometimes fun, but always a good workout. Four preset routes as this group is a "drop-ride." Meet at the shop around 6 and leave at 6:15pm sharp. Pumps, changing rooms and bathroom available. If it's raining, we will have a trainer session in the studio." Reser Bicycle Outfitters, 648 Monmouth St, Newport.

RIDE FOR READING

Wednesday, May 8, 10am

Cincinnati's first Ride for Reading. Join us to deliver books to the students of St. Peter Claver School by BICYCLE! Meet at WordPlay, 4041 Hamilton Ave.
<https://www.facebook.com/events/371345536312431/>

OAKLEY AFTER HOURS

Friday, May 10, 6-10pm

Bike ride through Oakley starting at Oakley Square.

FREE WHEELIN' FRIDAYS: RIVERSIDE DEVELOPMENTS

Friday, May 10, 5:30pm

On this cruise along the Ohio River, we'll see the extent of the Riverside parks, the proposed new bike lane route along Riverside, as well as a stop for snacks! Cincinnati Bike Center, 120 E Mehring Way.

BIKE POP WOW! COVINGTON BIKE FESTIVAL

Saturday, May 11, 9am to 1pm

Covington's first pop-up bike shop and festival. 9-10 am: Basic bike maintenance (air, brakes, chain) for all participants, bike safety presentation for younger riders; 10-11am: Adults ride the Licking River Greenway, bike decorating begins for kids; 11am-noon: Bike parade, kids ride through neighborhood, QCB leads urban riding safety class for beginning adults. Park Place between Greenup and Court, one block south of Roebling Bridge.



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HOLIDAY BIKE DRIVE

Saturday, May 11, 10am to 2pm

Bring a used kid's bike to REI, and Queen City Bike will fix it up and donate it to a kid in need. For every bike you donate, receive a thank you gift from REI and Whole Foods. REI, Rookwood Commons. <https://www.facebook.com/CinciBikeDrive?fref=ts>

DEVOU PARK MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL RIBBON CUTTING

Saturday, May 11, Noon

The ribbon cutting happens at noon, but you can stop by any time during the day and ride the 3 new miles of trail! See devouparktrails.com for more details.

AN ALMOST MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND RIDE

Saturday, May 11, 8am to Noon

Let's hit the trail! Spend some quality time with mom, and bring her out for a bike ride. We'll be out there from 8 a.m. to noon and would love to see you. Parking is available in Turfway Park lot at 7500 Turfway Road, Florence, KY. CVG Trail. <https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfTheCvgTrail?fref=ts>

LITTLE MIAMI TRAIL CLEAN UP

Sunday, May 12, 2pm to 4pm

Clean up and routine maintenance work on QCB's adopted mile of trail, with a social gathering afterward at Fifty West Brewing Company. Meet at mile marker 53.5 in Avoca Park.

BICYCLE COMMUTING BASICS WORKSHOP

Monday, May 13, 6:30pm to 8pm

Bike commuting means different things to everybody, and before you start it's important to understand why you ride. This will impact where you ride, how frequently you ride, and what gear you may need. REI, Rookwood Commons.

BIKE TO WORK WEEK COMMUTER STATIONS

4pm to 6pm

We give bicyclists free coffee and goodies as a way of saying thanks for not driving, and for keeping our morning commute enjoyable! Our corner of the sidewalk is also a place for cyclists to meet each other and learn more about bicycle advocacy and fun in Cincinnati.

Tuesday, May 14

Reser Bicycle Outfitters, 1419 Vine St.

Wednesday, May 15

Reser Bicycle Outfitters, 1419 Vine St, Fifty West Brewing Company, 7668 Wooster Pike

Thursday, May 16

Spun Bicycles, 4122 Hamilton Ave

ACROSS AMERICA BY BICYCLE

Wednesday, May 15, 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Join REI as we welcome Alice Honeywell and Bobbi Montgomery, authors of *Across America by Bicycle*, as they share their stories of bicycling across the USA, facing scorching sun, driving rain, buffeting winds, equipment failures, killer hills, wild fires, and a plague of grasshoppers.

RIDE OF SILENCE

Wednesday, May 15, 7 to 8pm

At 7:00pm the Ride of Silence will begin in North America and roll across the globe. Cyclists will take to the roads in a silent procession to honor cyclists who have been killed or injured while cycling on public roadways. Smale Riverfront Park.

BREAKFAST ON THE BRIDGE

Friday, May 17, 6:45am to 9am

Pastries and coffee, some warm food, and a mechanic station with someone to help hook up your bike. First 50 get a cool sticker! Purple People Bridge.

BIKE TO WORK DAY CELEBRATION

Friday, May 17, Noon to 1pm

Come down to Washington Park to celebrate National Bike to Work Day!

FREEWHEELIN' FRIDAYS: GO WEST YOUNG MAN

Friday, May 17, 5:30pm

We're pushing through to explore some of the new developments out west! With proposed bike lanes, cycle paths and parks, the Westside could become your new favorite place to bike. Cincinnati Bike Center, 120 E Mehring Way.

WALK WASSON WAY

Saturday, May 18, 9:30am

Walk the proposed trail! The hike is about 2.5 miles and takes slightly over an hour. Meet at Eastern Hills Lane and Wasson Road (Meet 150 yards east of intersection of Wasson Road and Marburg.)

BIKE MONTH EXPO 2013

Saturday, May 18, 2 to 4pm

Come listen to local cyclists share significant moments and talk about what Cincinnati has to offer in bike culture, such as mountain biking, cyclocross, BMX, and more. Get crafty with bike inspired crafts for all ages, and check out some local bike organizations. Main Library Downtown - Children's Learning Center.

BEST (BIKE) PROM EVER!

Saturday, May 18, 7pm

Are you still traumatized by that coral salmon, two-tone, accordion sash prom dress with spaghetti straps that your mother made you wear in 1998? Are you still losing sleep at night because your date danced with the quarterback of the football team while you were in the bathroom trying to get a baked ziti stain off your pants? If so, it's obvious what your high school prom was missing: BIKES! This is your chance to relive the aspects of prom (dressing up, hanging with your friends and listening to a Savage Garden song with your eyes closed) while biking around Cincinnati



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with a great group of people. So dust off that tux, put on that dress and meet us at Hoffner Park, where we will start a slow ride down to Fountain Square. Come early to have your photo taken under the glitter balloon arch.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/534544373267365/>

FREEWHEELIN' FRIDAYS: ACROSS THE BORDER

Friday, May 24, 5:30pm

It's an exploration of southern living as we loop our way through Newport and historic Covington. We'll ride across bridges, along levee, and past some of the oldest homes in the area. Cincinnati Bike Center, 120 E Mehring Way.

DINNER+BIKES

Saturday, May 25, 7 to 10pm

Join us for a traveling road show of vegan food and bicycle inspiration! Joshua Ploeg will delight with a vegan buffet dinner, Elly Blue will present about transportation equity, and Joe Biel will show a near-complete excerpt from Aftermass, his forthcoming documentary about the history of bicycle activism in Portland. Then we'll talk local issues and peruse the traveling bookstore. Location TBD; ticket details:

www.facebook.com/events/250958931716882/

MONDAY EXPLORATION RIDE

Monday May 27, 6:45pm

This casual ride will visit bike paths and trails with some in-street riding to get to them. Less than 15 miles and less than 10mph average speed. Rest stops will be included as needed. Helmets are required, and lycra will not be needed. This will be the casual version of the Cincinnati Cycle Club -Team Cycling and Fitness Ride from the same location on the weeks offered. We will leave just a few minutes after the, mostly Lycra clad, 25 mile riders. Arrive a few minutes early to check your bike and sign waivers.

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BICYCLE DANCE PARTY

Sunday, May 26

Details to come! Madisonville Arts and Cultural Center, 5021 Whetsel Ave.

FIX A FLAT & MAINTENANCE CLASS

Thursday, May 30, 6 to 7pm

Learn basic bike maintenance skills, including how to fix a flat tire. Meet at the lot on the corner of McMillan and Chatham in Walnut Hills.

FREEWHEELIN' FRIDAYS: CAR FREE FRIDAY

Friday, May 31, 5:30pm

We're wrapping up Bike Month with an easy cruise through downtown in support of bike friendly planning, infrastructure, and law enforcement. Remember, we show strength in numbers! Cincinnati Bike Center, 120 E Mehring Way.

QUEEN CITY BIKE+DINE

Saturday, June 1, Noon

Pedal into summer on the eighth edition of Queen City Bike + Dine. Ride your bike to Park + Vine for hydration and a quick air-brakes-chain check before departing on a bike tour of local restaurants and bars. Tickets (\$25 plus processing fees) go on sale May 1 and include food and drinks. Proceeds benefit participating businesses and Queen City Bike, our region's bicycling advocacy organization. Tickets are non-refundable. Event is rain or shine. Helmets required. For more information, e-mail info@parkandvine.com.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/149306158567881/>

WALNUT HILLS ARCHITECTURAL BIKE RIDE

Sunday, June 2, 2 to 3pm

Cycle through Walnut Hills and learn about its architectural history.