

2016 Community Event Information

As a community service, "community cycling events" will be posted here for information purposes only. If you wish to find out more details please go to the link provided.

If you have an event you would like added to this list please contact:
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Please note: events listed are not endorsed or sanctioned by the Manitoba Cycling Association (MCA). Insurance provided with the purchase of a MCA license or membership apply to MCA sanctioned events only.

Non-Sanctioned Events 2016

JANUARY 2016

Winnipeg WHYTEOUT – Jan 24, 2016

Website Link: <http://www.woodcockcycle.com/>

Woodcock Cycle works presents to you - Winnipeg, Manitoba's first endurance FAT BIKE only race. On Sunday January 24th take the challenge on a 10km, 30km or 40km fat bike race through the pristine forests of Fortwhyte Alive. Experience the nature, the elevation, and the technical snow trails all on the comfort of your fatty. The day will be packed with fun things to do for the entire family. Whether you enjoy ice skating, tobogganing, spectating or racing your Fat Bike we will have you covered! We will end the race with a lunch buffet, warm apple cider and possibly a few local brews!

All proceeds go towards FortWhyte Alive.

Organized by the fine people of Woodcock Cycle and 2 Wheel Revolution.

FEBRUARY 2016

Actif Epica –Feb 13,2016

Website Link: <http://actifepi.ca/>

New for 2016 is a 160 km option for cyclists.

Actif Epica is a one-day, do-it-yourself outdoor active living celebration that will involve communities along the Crow wing Trail (part of the TransCanada Trail) in southeast Manitoba.

Set against the backdrop of a 130km bike or run ultra marathon in the cold weather and brutal winds of a South-eastern Manitoba winter, five festival sites will glow with the warmth of community spirit, the strength of human ingenuity and the beauty of having fun whatever the temperature.

Actif Epica is a human-powered event, bringing communities together in a DIY celebration of human ingenuity in a cold (very cold) winter environment.

The inaugural edition in 2012 attracted 32 racers and over a thousand co-event participants.

By 2014, the race saw 103 registrants (72 at the start line), accolades from across the biking and ultra marathon world, and significant media coverage, earning us the 2014 Manitoba Tourism Excellence Award.

Actif Epica has been listed as one of Canadian Cycling Magazine's 10 Big Rides in Canada, and is a partner with Tuscobia Winter Ultra and Arrowhead Ultra135 in a Triple Crown event known as "The Order of the Hrimthurs."

While the event draws its fair share of racers, the bulk of participants ride it as a challenging long ride and a unique winter experience. Participants have travelled to Manitoba for the experience from as far away as sunny California. Actif Epica is a non-profit event.

MARCH 2016

Ice Bike – Mar 6,2016

Website Link: <http://www.woodcockcycle.com/>

On March 6th 2016 FortWhyte Alive will play host to the 16th annual Ice Bike event hosted by Woodcock Cycle. This annual event is open to everyone and regularly sees well over 150 participants of all types from your elite racer, to someone who has never ridden a bike in the winter before, and even unicyclists. There are also 3 categories of kid's races for all ages!

This closed course features everything a winter cyclist might come across in Winnipeg, be it snow, ice, gravel, pavement, or the ever elusive abominable yeti. If riding a bicycle in the winter is just too far out there for you then stop by FortWhyte Alive on Sunday, March 6th and witness Winnipeg's winter cyclists at their finest (and their worst).

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APRIL 2016

MAY 2016

La Grande Traversé (or The Great Crossing) – May 18,2016

Website Link: <http://www.lagrandetraversee.ca/>

La grande Traversé (or The Great Crossing) is a French Cross Canada Road Cycling event aimed at youth between 14-18 years of age.

Thirty days, six provinces and more than 2000 km of cycling, the Grand Traverse is an event which celebrates youth and healthy lifestyle. Started in 2013, LGT is a great cycling relay which, each year, youth from across Canada enter to develop their physical and mental perseverance!

Website: <http://www.lagrandetraversee.ca/>

JUNE 2016

MEC Century Ride – Jun 12,2016

Website Link: <http://events.mec.ca/node/69711>

The 2016 date (permit pending) is Sunday, June 12, 2016

MEC Winnipeg Century Ride is back! Seasoned road riders and new road cycling enthusiast alike are welcome to their challenge of choice:

- 35 Km MEC Season Starter
- 70 Km MEC Near Century Milestone
- 100 Km MEC Century Challenge

Starting at St. Francois Xavier's iconic white steed, enjoy a scenic ride along the Assiniboine river up Highway 26, a refreshing pit stop at Belcourt Community Centre before returning to the White Horse for a celebratory BBQ with friends.

Essential Details:

- Check in 8:00am-8:30am at 15 Jones Drive, June 12th, 2016.
- Safety Meeting 8:45am at 15 Jones Drive.
- Start times: 9am *100k*, 9:05 *70k*, and 9:10 *35 k*.
- Pace: The MEC Century Ride is fun ride, not a race. Cyclists may ride at their own pace, so long as they meet the minimum speed requirements to clear the course on time. 100K cyclists must ride at an average pace of 20 km/hour to clear the course. 70K cyclists must ride at least 15 km/hour. 35K cyclists must ride at least 10 km/hour.
- Fee: The MEC Century Ride is a low-cost, accessible ride, the \$35 registration fees covers the costs associated with hosting the ride. Online registration of \$35 is available until June 8th at 9am. In store registration is available for \$35 until close on June 11th, 2016. Day of registration available \$45 exact cash only, 7:45am-8:15am at 15 Jones Drive, St. Francois Xavier.

CMHA Ride Don't Hide – Jun 16,2016

Website Link: <http://ridedonthide.com/>

The Canadian Mental Health Association (Manitoba & Winnipeg) will be joining 35 communities in six provinces for "Ride don't Hide", a mental health awareness and fundraising event.

CMHA's national goal is to raise awareness and help break the stigma surrounding mental health while raising essential funds to support mental health programs.

Event Website: <http://ridedonthide.com>

<http://ridedonthide.com/man/>

JULY 2016

MCC Cycle Clear Lake – Jul 2,2016 (to be confirmed)

Website Link: <http://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/events/cycle-clear-lake>

Tentatively July 2nd

Participate or support a cyclist in the 35 km Cycle Clear Lake fundraising event that tackles the trail encircling Clear Lake in Riding Mountain National Park. Proceeds from this event help provide food security for vulnerable people Lebanon.

Most of the 35 km trail is single track through boreal forest along the lakeshore. Riders will cross between Clear Lake and South Lake. Short portions of the trail will be pavement and gravel. The north shore has many fantastic vistas across the lake as the route goes up and down numerous ravines.

The trail requires a reasonable amount of fitness and cycling experience. Average cyclists can expect to take 3-4 hours to do the circuit.

The cyclathon begins at 8:30 AM. Participants are welcome to camp at the group site on Friday and Saturday nights.

MS Society Turtle Mountain Trail

Website Link: info.manitoba@mssociety.ca

Location: [Beach Parking Lot, Adam Lake](#)

Check-in Time: 9:00 am

Start Time: 10:00 am

Route Length(s): 10 km, 17.5 km, 35 km

For more information, contact **Team MB:**

info.manitoba@mssociety.ca | 1-800-268-7582

MS Biking to the Viking

Website Link: info.manitoba@mssociety.ca

Location: [Stonewall Veterans Memorial Complex](#)

Check-in Time: 6:30 am

Start Time: 8:00 am

Route Length(s): 170 km

For more information, contact **Team MB:**

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AUGUST 2016

Habitat for Humanity 2016 Ride Around the Lake

2016 Ride Around the Lake

Website Link: esmith@habitat.mb.ca

The 10th Annual Ride Around the lake will take place September 8-11th. Cyclists will be participating in a 4-day ride along the beautiful Lake of the

Woods. For more details, please contact Elaine Smith at esmith@habitat.mb.ca or (204) 235-2181.

SEPTEMBER 2016

MS Society Riding Mountain Challenge – Sep 10 & 11

Website Link: jaime.balak@mssociety.ca

Riding Mountain Challenge

September 10 & 11, 2016 **Location:** Dauphin Recreation Complex **Check-in**

Time: 8:00 AM

Start Time: 9:00 AM

Route Length(s): 150 km (2 day)

For more information, contact **Jaime Balak:**

jaime.balak@mssociety.ca | 1-800-268-7582

OCTOBER 2016

Ride for Refuge – Octobert (TBA)

Website Link:

The Winnipeg Ride for Refuge is generously hosted and operated by **Rising Above Ministries** in support of charities benefitting the displaced, vulnerable and exploited.

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