



PACELINE

**Alta Alpina
Cycling Club**

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Presidential Posting

Bruce Eisner, President

Happy mid-winter to all.

I am pleased to inform Club members we have a signed 2025 Partnership Agreement with the Alpine County Chamber of Commerce to co-market the Death Ride Training Series with the Death Ride. Death Ride participants can no longer directly sign-up for the Training Series on the Death Ride Registration portal; instead, interested riders must click on the "link" to the separate Training Series Registration site. This is not the optimal approach for maximizing participants for our Series, but we're hopeful a \$30 Coupon towards registration will stimulate interest. We're offering 5 rides at 2 week intervals beginning May 3rd:



May 3, Woodfords (2 passes, about 53 miles)

May 17, Topaz (2+ passes, about 58 miles)

May 31, Woodfords (2 passes, about 54 miles)

June 14, Markleeville (2+ passes, about 65 miles)

June 28, Turtle Rock Park (4 passes, about 87 miles)

Mark your calendars and come out to participate or assist with these rides.

This is also membership renewal season. Our team of Michael, membership coordinator Allen and website programmer Dennis have been working hard to make this as streamlined as possible for you. This year again individual members will be able to sign a waiver on-line, streamlining the process. Family memberships will still require all but the primary member to sign a hard copy waiver for the year. Please look for the upcoming email from membership@altaalpina.org.

Looking ahead, we're holding our Spring Party on Wednesday, April 9 and our Spring Rider Roundup again this year on Saturday April 12 (April 13 if the weather is bad on Saturday). A veritable smorgasbord of riding options, all starting around mid morning in Genoa. Multiple lengths and grades of road rides, and a couple of mountain bike options. Something for everyone for a nice beginning-of-season catch-up! Then, hot on the heels of that roundup, Joseph is planning to start a full season of racing on April 17!



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Time to Renew Your Membership!

Take advantage of our brand new online membership renewal software developed by Dennis Pederson. Click on "Renew Membership" on the [Membership Page](#) on the club website.

If you have any questions, please contact Allen Forbes at: membership@altaalpina.org

Season Kick-off April 9, April 12

Our riding season will kick-off on April 9 with the Spring Party at CVIC Hall followed by the Spring Rider Roundup on Saturday April 12.

The Spring Rider Roundup will once again offer a number of different rides starting from Genoa Town Park on Nixon Street in Genoa. Watch the rideboard on the website and your email inbox for details.



Alta Alpina Cycling Club – 2025 Calendar

- Mon - Feb 3** February Board Meeting-ZOOM
- Mon - Mar 3** March Board Meeting-ZOOM
- Mon - Apr 1 NICA Team Registration Opens??
- Mon - Apr 8** April Board Meeting-ZOOM
- [April 5-13 Lake Tahoe Schools Spring Break]
- Thu - Apr 9** Spring Party at CVIC Hall
- Sat - Apr 12** Spring Rider Roundup in Genoa
- Tue - Apr 15** First Weekly MTB Ride
- Thu - Apr 17** First Thursday Race of 2025 Season
- [April 12-13 Passover Weekend]
- [April 19-21 Easter Weekend]
- [April 19-27 Diamond Valley School Spring Break]
- [April 19-27 Douglas County School Spring Break]
- Sat - Apr 26 Ham Cram - Ham Radio Licensing Event
- Sun - Apr 27** Weekend Ride: TBD
- Sat - May 3** Death Ride Training Series Ride 1:
Kingsbury-Luther from Woodfords via Diamond Valley
- Mon - May 5** May Board Meeting-TBD
- May 10/11** Weekend Ride: TBD
- Sat - May 17** Annual Memorial Cyclorama & BBQ
- Sat - May 17** Death Ride Training Series Ride 2:
Topaz-Woodfords-Topaz
- [Sat - May 17 Stetina Paydirt]
- [Sun - May 18 TBD: Tahoe Pyramid Trail Cookie Ride]
- Sat - May 24** Alternate Date for Memorial Cyclorama
- Sun - May 25** Weekend Ride: TBD
- Sat - May 31** Death Ride Training Series Ride 3:
Woodfords-Carson-Blue Lakes
- [Sun - June 1 Start of Tahoe Bike Month (tahoebikemonth.org)]
- [Sun - June 1 AMBRR]
- [Sun - June 1 Biggest Little Trail Stewardship Spring Bike Festival]
- Mon - June 2** June Board Meeting-TBD
- June 7/8** Weekend Ride: TBD
- Thu - June 12** Diamond Valley Bike-A-Thon
- Sat - June 14** Death Ride Training Series Ride 4:
Markleeville-Lake Alpine/Bear Valley
- Sun - June 22** First Highway Cleanup
- [June 21/22 TAMBA Tahoe Mountain Bike Festival]
- Sat - June 28** Death Ride Training Series Ride 5:
Brush with Death
- Mon - July 7** July Board Meeting - TBD
- Mon - July 7 TBD: First NICA Team Practice
- July 5/6** Weekend Ride: TBD
- Sat - July 12** Death Ride
- Sun - July 13 Death Ride Cleanup
- Sun - July 20** Second Highway Cleanup
- July 26/27** Weekend Ride: TBD





- Aug 2/3** **Weekend Ride: TBD**
- Mon - Aug 4** **August Board Meeting - TBD**
- Aug 9/10** **Weekend Ride TBD**
- Aug 16/17** **Weekend Ride: TBD**
- Aug 23/24** **Weekend Ride: TBD**
- Aug 30/31** **Weekend Ride: TBD**
- [Mon - Sep 1 Labor Day]
- Thu - Sep 4** **Last Thursday Race of 2025 Season & Pizza Party**
- Sep 6/7** **TBD: Davis Lake Camping Weekend (Gold Lake Loop)**
- [Sun - Sep 7 TBD:Rose to Toads]
- Mon - Sep 8** **September Board Meeting - TBD**
- Sat - Sep 13** **Third Highway Cleanup**
- Sat - Sep 20** **TBD: King of the King**
- Sep 20/21** **Weekend Ride: TBD**
- Sep 27/28** **Weekend Ride: TBD**
- Oct 4/5 or 11/12** **Tim Rowe Memorial Fall Century & Pizza Party**
- Mon - Oct 6** **October Board Meeting - TBD**
- Tue - Oct 28** **Last Weekly MTB Ride**
- Mon - Nov 3** **AGM, Fall Party, and BoD Meeting - TBD**
- Mon - Dec 1** **December Board Meeting - TBD**

2025 Race Schedule

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4/17 Fredericksburg Prologue 4/24 Diamond Valley Road Race Short Course 5/1 Starbucks Criterium 5/8 East Valley Time Trial 5/15 Pinenut Road Race 5/22 Starbucks Criterium 5/29 Kingsbury Time Trial 6/5 Diamond Valley Road Race 6/12 Jack's Valley Time Trial 6/19 Diamond Valley Double Back Road Race | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6/26 Fredericksburg Two Up Time Trial 7/10 Eagle Ridge Circuit Race 7/17 Blue Lakes Time Trial 7/24 Pinenut Road Race 7/31 Kingsbury Time Trial 8/7 Diamond Valley Road Race 8/14 Blue Lakes Time Trial 8/21 Starbucks Criterium 8/28 Fredericksburg Time Trial 9/4 Diamond Valley Road Race Short Course |
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2025 Social Events

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4/9 Spring Party 4/12 Spring Rider Roundup 5/17 Spring BBQ TBD Ride around the Lake & BBQ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9/4 Racing End of Season Pizza Party TBD Lake Davis Camping Weekend 10/4, 10/5, 10/11, or 10/12 Fall Pizza Party 11/3 Fall Party |
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Other Big Events

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2/8 Tour de Palm Springs 4/5 Party Pardee 4/10-13 Sea Otter Festival 4/13 Primavera Century 4/19 Levi's Gran Fondo 4/27 Wildflower Century 5/3 Wine Country Century | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5/4 Grizzly Peak Century 5/18 Strawberry Fields Forever 5/31 Eastern Sierra Double 6/1 The Sequoia 9/6 Mammoth Gran Fondo 9/27 Fall River Century 11/15 Death Valley Century |
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January Monitor Pass Ride

Bruce Eisner, Ride Leader





Say Hello To The Bike Club

Harriet (“Hank”) Cummings

A Little Good Will Goes A Long Way

You never know what impact even a small act of kindness might have. Last October, I was volunteering at the Sweetwater rest stop for the Tim Rowe Memorial Ride with Bruce Eisner when a couple who was riding cross-country happened by. They stopped to see what our set-up was all about; we gave them water, offered them a place to sit and rest (for which they were very grateful), and asked about their journey.

The couple was from Connecticut, and had been on the road a little over a week. I noticed that he had small flags attached to the back of his bike from the various places they’d been so far. But there was no Nevada flag, even though they had just ridden through Western Nevada.

I asked why he had no Nevada flag; he said he hadn’t been able to find one. I told him I knew where I could get my hands on one and that I would send it to him. He gave me his address, and explained that their goal was to be back home in Connecticut in time for Thanksgiving.

Fast forward until almost Christmas. I had forgotten all about my promise to send the flag, until I ran across his name and address in my phone. I promptly got a flag in the mail to him with my apologies for the delay. He sent a nice thank-you note, along with a gift card for coffee. In turn, I thanked him for the coffee.

Recently, I received “The World’s Greatest Dublin Postcard” from—you guessed it—the same riders we had seen at Sweetwater Summit! It read: “The Nevada Flag is flying around Ireland. We’re going to try to go to Scotland, England & Wales if we can. The weather is a lot cooler. Say Hello to the Bike Club.”

Even though the Nevada flag did not fly on their journey across the United States, it is now making the rounds abroad. Just goes to show a little good will can go a long way. In this instance, about 5,000 miles!

Local Merchant Discount Program

Visit the merchant, peruse their shops and find out what you can buy as a benefit of being an AACC member. Details about local merchant offers is listed under “Merchant Discounts” on our website at www.AltaAlpina.org.





Board Meeting Minutes—January 6, 2025

Secretary: Michael Bayer; Other Board Members: Chris Cherrix (Spring Century); Brian Dempsey (Pinenut Cracker); Frank Dixon (Deputy Treasurer); Bruce Eisner (President); Allen Forbes (Membership); Greg Kogut (Website); Nigel Leigh (Vice-President); Bill Magladry (Treasurer); Joseph Whitely (Race Director); Lyn Willoughby (Weekend Rides)

Meeting held by Zoom

Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm

Minutes of the November board meeting approved as presented. [Bill | Allen | Unanimous]

Minutes of the AGM [Bill | Allen | Unanimous]

Minutes of the Special Meeting November 18 approved as presented [Bill | Allen | Unanimous]

Minutes of the Special Meeting November 26 approved as presented [Allen | Bill | Unanimous]

Minutes of the December 9 board meeting approved as presented [Allen | Bruce | Unanimous]

1. Monthly Status Reports:

- **Treasurer:** The current checking account balance is \$11,724.97. The Paypal balance is \$11,112.52. CDs are currently at \$10,093.49 and \$10,310.10. Bill reported that the discrepancy he flagged at the December meeting was resolved. We may need to dissolve the 3 month CD when it comes to maturity at the end of February.
- **Membership:** There was a single new membership to start the year. Michael is working to reset the system for 2025 and will coordinate with Allen once it's ready to begin processing memberships.
- **Weekend Rides:** Weekend rides are on hiatus for the winter.
- **Weekly MTB Rides:** Conditions are actually good right now but Tuesday night rides won't resume until the spring.
- **Social Media:** No updates.
- **Newsletter:** Next newsletter will follow the February board meeting.
- **Website:** Greg is working on updating the MTB portion of the website.
- **Insurance:** The general liability policy and directors and officers policy must be renewed for 2025 before the end of January. Bill reported that he has renewed the club's LAB membership so that the insurance can be renewed. Michael will be on the annual LAB insurance conference call on January 15 when the new rates will be announced. Michael will also be working with the LAB insurance program managers to work out the details for DRTS insurance, and get quotes for renewing other

policies. Michael will circulate the details of the insurance purchase that need to be authorized so all Club officers need to be prepared to quickly respond to that email around the last few days of the month.

- **Clothing:** Michael will contact Ascend to check on lead times for new art and production time relative to the spring party.
 - **Weekly Road Races:** Joseph announced that Tony won't be able to help out as assistant race director for 2025 due to work commitments. Joseph's plan for the 2025 season is for the first race to be staged April 17 with 20 races and no break for July 3 which would wind up the season on August 28. Joseph is working on the technology to program the new chips he acquired so that we should have enough chips for every category.
 - **Junior Team:** No Update.
 - **Cyclorama:** No Update.
 - **Fall Century:** Still tentatively planned for first weekend in October.
 - **Adopt A Highway:** Jordan is looking forward to getting dates out for this year. When the club calendar draft comes out he will get them set and wants to have a Saturday date on the calendar.
 - **Training Series:** Bruce reported that the Chamber has not responded to the proposed DRTS agreement. It was agreed that plans for a possible DRTS for 2025 will remain on hold until the Chamber makes a decision. It was agreed that Bruce shall be empowered to execute the agreement if and when the Chamber does so.
2. **2025 Club Calendar:** Michael is working on the 2025 club calendar. It was agreed that the March board meeting will take place on March 8, the April board meeting will take place on April 8. We'll kick off the 2025 season with the Spring Party on April 10 and the Spring Rider Roundup on April 12 with the MTB rides, Thursday races, and weekend rides starting the following week. Michael will check with the Town of Minden on CVIC availability and will distribute a draft of the 2025 calendar.
 3. **Next Meeting:** Monday, February 3 2023 6 pm by Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm



Board Meeting Minutes—February 3, 2025

Secretary: Michael Bayer; Other Board Members: Jordan Brooks (Highway Cleanup); Chris Cherrix (Spring Century); Frank Dixon (Deputy Treasurer); Bruce Eisner (President); Allen Forbes (Membership); Nigel Leigh (Vice-President); Bill Magladry (Treasurer); Timari Pruis (NICA Team Director); Joseph Whitely (Race Director); Lyn Willoughby (Weekend Rides)

Meeting held by Zoom

Meeting called to order at 6:01pm

Minutes of the January meeting approved as presented. [Allen | Bruce | Unanimous]

1. Monthly Status Reports:

- **Treasurer:** GNCU statement for January not available at the time of the meeting. The current checking account balance is \$4,493.86. The Paypal balance is \$2,314.70. The CDs are currently worth \$10,857.55, \$20,466.90, and \$10,257.86. The CD expiring in February will be rolled into the checking account.
 - **Membership:** With the insurance renewed for 2025 we can update the membership waivers and get the membership renewal system back online over the next couple of weeks.
 - **Weekend Rides:** No rides for the 2025 season yet. Lyn is planning to schedule a ride leaders meeting.
 - **Weekly MTB Rides:** Chris reported that the Clear Creek trail was clear up to the bridge but no club rides are scheduled until April.
 - **NICA Team:** Coaches and team directors met recently to decide on new team leadership. Timari Pruis will be taking over as team director from Greg Philips. Geoff Blachman will take over as head coach. The team hopes to expand the level of participation from Douglas HS and plan to have more practice meetings in Carson Valley.
 - **Weekly Road Races:** Joseph wants to skip July 3 so this will extend the race schedule to 21 weeks. Joseph is still looking for an assistant race director. The [software vendor] is writing new code specific to our chip reader that will allow us to program our own chips. Bill suggested some new venues for consideration.
 - **Insurance:** Michael reported that D&O and GL insurance for 2025 has been purchased. We still need to decide on \$1M in excess coverage (\$750), non-owned auto insurance coverage (\$874.00) and event insurance (\$519 minimum, \$14.47 per person). Agreed that we will purchase the event insurance and excess coverage if and when the Chamber signs the agreement [Bruce | Michael | Unanimous]. Board members will check with their insurance companies on prudence of auto coverage
 - **DRTS:** Need additional leader(s)/coaching volunteer(s). It was agreed that full price for the series will be \$220 which will be discounted with \$30 coupons broken out as \$50 plus \$30 for each of the first three rides and \$40 for each of the fourth and fifth rides [Bruce | Michael | Unanimous].
 - **Adopt A Highway:** We will be doing three adopt-a-highway events in 2025. Members are reminded to wear close-toed shoes and bring gloves. Jordan will confirm dates on the calendar.
 - **Social Media:** Please email items to Michelle.
 - **Website:** Greg added MTB pictures and is working to add Google analytics. He also removed outdated content and is getting ready to add the 2025 club calendar.
 - **Clothing:** There are no sales from inventory to report. Ascend reports that they have a seven week lead time on new jerseys. The consensus was that we should open our ordering window to aim for jersey delivery in time for the Cyclorama in May.
 - **Newsletter:** Release planned for next week so please get everything to Michael by Friday.
 - **Spring Century:** No update.
 - **Fall Century:** No Update.
2. **Calendar:** Agreed on Spring Party for April 9. Michael will make the booking. Michael will also check for availability of CVIC for the planned November 3 annual meeting.
3. **Next Meeting:** Monday, March 8, 2023, 6 pm, by Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Spring Membership Party Wed, April 9
Spring Rider Roundup Sat, April 12
First Thursday Race Thu, April 17
Memorial Cyclorama Sat, May 17

MOVED? GOT NEW CONTACT INFO?
Have you moved? Has your e-mail address changed?
Don't miss out on the latest AACC happenings!
Send your new contact information to :
membership@altaalpina.org

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The club is about and for you! All AACC members are welcomed to participate in our **Board Meetings** typically held the **first Monday of each month at 6:00 pm.** In-person meetings alternate between the Carson Valley and South Lake Tahoe.. Join us on **March 8 by Zoom.**

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