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Green Bay Bicycle Collective Fall Newsletter

WE ARE NOW BRICK AND MORTAR

AFTER 6 YEARS IN THE MAKING, WE HAVE A LOCATION!

CHECK OUT OUR
NEW WEBSITE!
WWW.GBBICYCLE.ORG



Not bad for a laid back group of slow rollers! So now we are on to the "next big adventure" (*L. Larson*), and look to the greater community that hasn't yet experienced the bike culture of Greater Green Bay. So here it is! We've leased a small-ish garage from the City of Green Bay on South Broadway and need a few things to make it run. Most things we need can most likely be donated and volunteering your time to tear bikes apart is definitely going to be needed as well. But for all of those other items that we just can't get second-hand, we have started a Go Fund Me! We've never really reached out to the general public, but we know that the majority of the wonderful people of Green Bay understand how bicycles give a sense of freedom, confidence, and pride. That's what we intend to inject into this community, so check us out, give us feedback, and most of all, give us a nod of support!

It's hard to believe that at our inaugural Bike Banquet in 2011, we spoke about someday starting a community bike shop and Earn A Bike program. What's harder to believe is that with this rag-tag, fun-loving group of bike enthusiasts (200 strong), we never let go of that idea. One must understand that we've created this whole community bike culture by volunteering our time and money to keep our mission alive. That original mission was literally "To see more bike stuff around Green Bay". Today we've refined that mission...

"The mission of the Green Bay Bicycle Collective is to promote cycling as an effective and sustainable form of transportation, through education, encouragement, and advocacy, thus creating a safe, healthy, community-based bike culture".

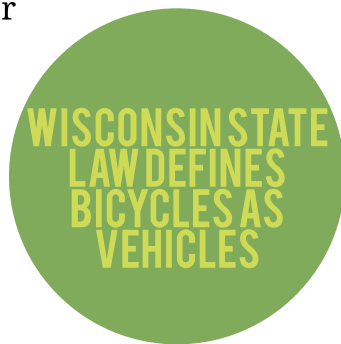
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CRITICAL MASS GREEN BAY



Well into its second season, the largest slow roll in Green Bay shows no signs of shrinking. The last ride boasted over 200 riders of all ages and abilities according to the CMGB Facebook page. Needless to say, with that many riders, you tend to turn some heads, and not everyone appreciates the hard work that goes into keeping everyone safe. There's definitely an educational component that could use a boost for both participants and drivers that may cross the path of a critical mass. First off, bicycles are legal vehicles in Wisconsin and are treated as such when it comes to rules of the road. For a complete run-down of bike laws in Wisconsin, visit...



<http://www.wnbr.org/bikelaws.htm>.

Second, there is a set of guidelines posted on the CMGB Facebook page to keep riders informed on how to make every ride a pleasant one. We've listed the ride etiquette below, but for more information, visit Critical Mass Green Bay at...

<https://www.facebook.com/criticalmassgb/>

RIDE ETIQUETTE

If you've never participated in Critical Mass before, please go over the simple instructions listed below:

- 1 This ride belongs to all of us. Take care of it.
- 2 Keep the pace/speed being set by the ride leaders at the front of the group. This is not a race.
- 3 Stay in the right lane whenever possible.
- 4 Please DO NOT show aggression to vehicles. Drivers may sometimes show their frustration by honking or yelling at the mass. Please ignore them and keep the peace.

5 Drinking is not recommended during the ride. Please save drinking for after. Riding while intoxicated is not safe for you or other riders around you. Also, please don't litter.

6 Please do not ride recklessly. Have fun during the ride but please don't ride in a way that is unsafe for other riders around you.

7 Have fun and know that each rider represents the entire mass. Help us work to keep a good reputation with the city and drivers that share the road with us. Thank you!



FOX RIVER TRAIL UPDATE

SINCE THE BEGINNING OF SNOW REMOVAL ON THE FOX RIVER TRAIL IN JANUARY 2017, USAGE HAS GONE UP SIGNIFICANTLY. HOWEVER, TRAIL PASS PURCHASES HAVE NOT. THERE COULD BE A COUPLE OF REASONS FOR THIS...

1. MOST OF THE USERS ARE WALKERS/RUNNERS, SO THEY DON'T NEED TO PURCHASE A PASS
 2. PASSES JUST AREN'T BEING PURCHASED
- TO ENSURE THE CONTINUED REMOVAL OF SNOW ON THE TRAIL, PLEASE PURCHASE A SEASONAL PASS (GOOD ON ANY WISCONSIN STATE TRAIL), OR DONATE TO THE FRIENDS OF THE FOX RIVER TRAIL
- [HTTP://WWW.CO.BROWN.WI.US/1/F/PARKS/PHOTOS/FFRT.PDF](http://www.co.brown.wi.us/1/F/PARKS/PHOTOS/FFRT.PDF)

BEJA BIKE BASH

In 2012, we hosted our first Bike Bash in partnership with the Beja Shriners of Green Bay. This event is the largest and only bike swap, meet, and show in the Green Bay area and we are honored to team up with such an amazing organization. The event is free to the public and for the show, spectators can vote on their favorite bikes in several categories. Winners take home a trophy and prize. Bike vendors from all over Wisconsin offer vintage and used bikes, parts, and advice for that project bike or dream bike. For more information and vendor registration, visit...<http://www.gbbicycle.org/beja-bike-bash-2016/>

See you there!



AUGUST 26TH

Fat Tire Tour Green Bay
 Glow Ride

AUGUST 31ST

Critical Mass Ride

SEPTEMBER 7TH

Pete's Garage Ride

SEPTEMBER 14TH

Stadium Bike Slow Roll

SEPTEMBER 21ST

Badger State Bike In Movie

SEPTEMBER 28TH

Critical Mass Ride

For more information about these community rides, visit www.gbbicycle.org/events

TWO GREAT RIDES ON THE SAME DAY



DAY RIDE, 9AM-4PM

INAUGURAL FAT TIRE TOUR OF GREEN BAY. THEMED RIDE WITH GAMES, PRIZES, FOOD, BEER, AND FUN!
 PRE-REGISTRATION COMES WITH A DISCOUNT...
[HTTP://FATTIRETOUR.COM/GREENBAY2017/](http://fattiretour.com/greenbay2017/)



NIGHT RIDE, 7PM-11PM

INAUGURAL GLOW RIDE TO BAY BEACH. MAKE YOUR BIKE GLOW AND TAKE A RIDE ON THE ZIPPIN PIPPIN!
[HTTPS://WWW.BROKEN SPOKE BIKES.COM/PRODUCTS/GLOW-RIDE](https://www.brokenspokebikes.com/products/glow-ride)