

Get Involved!

BCO Meetings
 Quarterly Meeting of the Board of Directors, & open to all.
WHEN: Tuesday, Feb 9th, April 13th
TIME: 5:30-7:30pm
WHERE: Fayetteville Public Library Board Room
MORE INFO: bco@bconwa.com or call us at 521-4619

Ozark Off-Road Cyclists meetings
 Join the folks active in building and maintaining unpaved trails all over the region, and creating the Annual Fat Tire Festival in Eureka Springs. They meet monthly, on 2nd Tuesdays.
WHEN: Tuesday, Jan 12th, Feb 9th, March 9th, April 13th
TIME: 7pm
WHERE: Varies. (Jan meeting is at Smoke and Barrel on Dickson)
MORE INFO: Phil 479 445 8212. (Call for future meeting locations.)



Axles of Evil
 SUNDAY GROUP RIDES
 2 P.M.

An adventurous, eclectic group of townie cyclists that meet every Sunday at about 2:15pm in front of the Fayetteville Public Library for a ride of varying length. Be ready to ride hard, and have lots of fun!

WHEN: Every Sunday
TIME: ~2:15pm - ??
WHERE: Meet in front of the Fayetteville Public Library
MORE INFO: <http://www.myspace.com/axlesofevil>

Bicycle Coalition of the Ozarks
 P.O. Box 4173
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2010 BCO Board of Directors
 Welcome to the new slate of directors. The BCO board provides energy direction & guidance for bicycle advocacy in NW Arkansas:

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Many thanks to our fantastic BCO sponsors:

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 For info on how the laws of physics can explain why the bicycle is the most efficient form of transport yet known, see <http://physics.uark.edu/hobson/>

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The Bicycle Coalition of the Ozarks is a 501(c)3 coalition of bicycle-friendly folks and organizations creating a unified voice for a more bicycle-friendly community. The bco achieves this goal through education, advocacy for bicycle-friendly infrastructure and promotion of a superlative form of transportation and recreation.

HIGHWAY 71 Classic



Get ready for the 2010 season!
 Ride the 71 Classic & see how you fare against some of the best riders in NW Arkansas...

Or ride a scenic, supported route just for fun!!

WHEN: Sun, Mar 7th, Registration: 8-9am

WHERE: 525 S. School, Mill District

Please park on the south half of the parking lot so as not to interfere with Greenhouse Grille brunch.

ENTRY: \$15 (includes annual BCO membership)

Also, bring unneeded helmets for donations

ROUTES: Two out-n-backs:

Fayetteville to Mountainberg (70+)

Fayetteville to Brentwood (~36 miles)

SUPPORT: Coffee & Snacks at registration.

Food & Drinks at 2 points—
 Brentwood rest stop
 Truck stop at far end of Mountainburg

REGISTER: <http://bconwa.com>

MORE INFO: Laura Kelly 521-4619

Email: bco@bconwa.com

This annual event is supported by many local sponsors and, along with membership fees forms the backbone of our fundraising. The money raised goes to support bicycle advocacy at all levels, from education for school children to government policy advisory roles. The BCO operates almost exclusively on volunteer effort with occasional contract labor support.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Many volunteers are needed to staff registration and refreshment stations at the 71 Classic. Volunteers who can drive a "sag wagon" (vehicle capable of carrying a bicycle) over the route to check for stranded cyclists at 11am, noon and 1pm will be generously reimbursed for mileage.

Are you ready to Volunteer?

Please drop an email to bco@bconwa.com or call Laura Kelly at 521-4619.

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NW AR Regional Bike Plan



Every five years, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission must update the area's 25-year Long Range Transportation Plan as required by federal and state transportation programs. Public input plays an important part in this planning process. Cyclists will have an opportunity to mark their favorite routes Jan 10th in Fayetteville and at a date to be announced at a location in Benton County.

These routes will then be prioritized for bicycle-friendly improvements, beginning with Share the Road Signage.

You can also voice your preference for bicycle-friendly infrastructure by filling out the survey available at:

http://www.nwarpc.com/Transportation/short_survey_final.pdf

This survey has questions like:
 On a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being not important and 5 being very important, please rank the following transportation improvements:
 Adding lanes to I-540: 1 2 3 4 5
 Providing On Road Bicycle Lanes: 1 2 3 4 5
 Take the Survey. *Make your voice heard!*

Good News for Fayetteville Cyclists



The City of Fayetteville has just allocated funding for about 8 miles of on-street bicycle markings including shared lane chevrons (shown left), striped lanes and signage. The plan is to cover an additional 8 miles per year. For the latest map of proposed improvements, see map on reverse, or the bco website at bconwa.com.



5th Annual Ozark Headwaters Challenge Mountain Bike Ride



WHEN: Saturday, January 30, 2010
WHERE: Start at Foggy Rock Farm, Buffalo National River Headwaters (Lat. 35.853168, Lon - 93.504293)
 This ride promises challenging, scenic routes, great company, food and warm beverages. The ride is sponsored by the Ozark Off Road Cyclists, and requires purchase of a \$15 annual membership, available at the starting point.
DIRECTIONS and INFO: How Kuff howkuff@yahoo.com or Ira White at 479.263.0600