After nearly two years of planning and thousands of hours of volunteer time, the Bicycle Coalition of Maine will publicly announce the inaugural ride and unveil the first year route on February 6th in a statewide press conference in Bangor.

The inaugural BikeMaine 2013 ride, a seven-day rolling celebration of Maine, will explore central and coastal Maine with a rest day on beautiful Mount Desert Island. The 400 mile loop ride takes place September 7-14th and will begin and end in Orono. In between, riders will enjoy overnight stops in the host communities of Dover-Foxcroft, Belfast, Castine, Bar Harbor (2 nights) and a special final celebration night at Camp Jordan on the shores of Branch Lake in Ellsworth. The longest day is Day 3 from Belfast to Castine (72 miles) and the shortest is Day 7 from Camp Jordan to Orono (57 miles). The day with greatest elevation gain is also Day 3 (Belfast to Castine) with a “mile high” cumulative elevation gain of 5,202 feet. The overall route is hilly, especially the first three days... and scenic, every day.

The 2013 route showcases the great riding found in inland Maine and along the stunning coastline surrounding Penobscot Bay and Mount Desert Island. Starting in Orono, the route heads northwest to Dover-Foxcroft before swinging south to Belfast. We then pedal “downeast” exploring the Blue Hill Peninsula, before stopping for the night in Castine. The next day takes us to Mount Desert Island and Bar Harbor where our “rest day” will entice riders with an incredible array of options centered around spectacular Acadia National Park and a lobster dinner. On day six after leaving the island, we head a bit further downeast before heading inland with a very special last night at Camp Jordan.

“The host communities are very excited about showing off their home towns to BikeMaine riders,” said Ride Director Kim True. “Volunteers in each community are planning wonderful meals with fresh Maine ingredients, activities and entertainment and a prime, in-town camping area for riders.”

The 400 mile ride is on mostly rural, low traffic roads and includes a total of 24,000 ft. of elevation gain over rolling hills. This is a route you won’t soon forget for its natural beauty, its challenge, and the wonderful communities who will host us each night...
Bicycle Coalition of Maine
The Bicycle Coalition of Maine’s Board of Directors has

Sally Jacobs*
Community Spokesperson Award

Robert McChesney
As a Coalition Community Spoke, member of the Coalition Infrastructure Committee and chair of the City of Bath Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee, Robert McChesney is a committed advocate for cycling in Maine.

Coalition Education Director Jim Tasse said, “Robert is tireless in his local advocacy work. He pursues every avenue in order to make Bath and the surrounding area more bicycle-friendly.”

Robert has also worked with the City of Bath Parks and Recreation Department and Bath YMCA to host the “Get Back on Your Bike” class last fall. When asked about the class, he commented, “We need to be more purposeful about our commuting. Most of your life is usually within a 5 mile radius, so why not get on your bike instead of your car when you have to run to the store for a couple items?”

* The late Sally Jacobs was a pioneer of community bicycle advocacy in Maine. Please see Executive Director Nancy Grant’s column in this newsletter for more information about her tremendous efforts around the state.

For more information about Robert McChesney and his “Get Back on the Bike” program, please see the article in the Fall 2012 edition of the Maine Cyclist.

Muddy Wheel Award for Contributions to Mountain Biking

Harry Faust**
Leadership Award

Mark Ishkanian
Chair of BikeMaine Ride Committee Coalition Board Vice-President

After two years of hard work, the newest Coalition event, BikeMaine, is coming to fruition. This is due in no small part to the incredible hard work of Mark Ishkanian. No one is quite sure where the original concept of BikeMaine originated, but more than a few of those involved point to Mark as the impetus behind bringing the week-long ride to Maine. Mark has not only championed the idea of holding the innovative event in Maine, but has spent countless hours leading the all-volunteer Ride Committee to build the foundation of the ride. On several occasions, sponsors initially declined involvement with BikeMaine, but Mark was able to work with them over time in a respectful, yet persistent way, until they came around and agreed to sponsor the event.

“He has a genial, affable manner, yet he maintains a laser-like focus on creating a week-long ride of exceptional quality for experienced riders interested in exploring the many wonders of Maine,” offered Ride Director Kim True. “Mark has done an amazing job of organizing and running the Ride Committee meetings, keeping multiple committees on task and on time.”

** The late Harry Faust was the second president of the Bicycle Coalition.

John Anders

John Anders is a vital member of the burgeoning mountain bike scene in Maine and actively promotes and builds the infrastructure that riders around the state enjoy every day. John sees mountain biking as something more than just recreation though, promoting the notion of bike/ped program development as an economic driver in the Midcoast region.

John serves as the president of the Midcoast chapter of NEMBA (New England Mountain Bike Association) and promotes their efforts throughout the region. He regularly organizes volunteers to build and repair trails at the Camden Snow Bowl, fighting the detrimental effects of erosion and poor water drainage. In an effort to bring these programs to the younger generation, he also coaches the Camden Hills High School mountain bike team.

For more information about Robert McChesney and his “Get Back on the Bike” program, please see the article in the Fall 2012 edition of the Maine Cyclist.
Presents Annual Awards

given 2012 awards to the following individuals:

**Jeff Miller*** Spirit of Cycling Award

**Richard Cromwell**
Rich Cromwell is a cyclist who has progressed from a non-rider to an advanced advocate. He has become active in the Merrymeeting Wheelers Bicycle Club (MWBC), serving as both President and Vice-President. He also helped create a beginners ride that has become popular with children and adults who are just getting back into and starting cycling.

When speaking of Rich, Coalition member and fellow award winner Bob Bruce said, “He is not only an Advocate but an Ambassador.” He continues, “I know Jeff [Miller]...and I feel that Rich fits that mold perfectly.”

Rich is also the co-chair of the Brunswick Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Council (BBPAC). As part of that work, Rich has established an open conversation with the Brunswick Police Department that has created a better understanding on the part of both groups. When the Brunswick Bike Rodeo was terminated in 2009, Rich, with the help of Tom Farrell of Brunswick Parks and Recreation, resurrected the event and turned it into the success it is today.

***Jeff Miller was the first Executive Director of the Bicycle Coalition.**

**Next Generation Award**

**Diane Dyer**
Diane Dyer is a Kennebunk 3rd grade teacher who has started a “bikes in PE” program & after-school bike club at her school. Diane has leveraged Parent-Teacher Organization funding and, in 2012, a Maine Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Mini-Grant to put together a fleet of 24 bicycles to use in physical education classes and for an after-school bike club.

“Biking is important to me on so many levels,” Diane says, “It's good for our environment, it cuts down on traffic, it keeps us fit, and it is something we can do our whole lives whether we are alone or with friends or family.”

Last spring she started a weekly after-school biking class with ten 2nd and 3rd graders. The curriculum consisted of a skills assessment and rides on the Eastern Trail including a special “Spring on the Trail” ride with about 100 members of the East Coast Greenway Alliance.

Please see the Safe Routes to School Champion Profile on page 9 for more information on Diane and her work in Kennebunk.

**Just Do It Award**

**Craig Saddlemire**
You might have seen Craig’s work on the Coalitions “3 Feet Equals” PSA video. Craig Saddlemire is not only a filmmaker, but a filmmaker who also likes to ride. Craig is an alumnus of the first class of the Coalition’s Community Spokes program and has continued to hone his advocacy efforts in and around the Lewiston-Auburn area.

While not outspoken, Craig often lets the quality of his work speak for him. Coalition Director Nancy Grant has observed, “Craig doesn’t so anything half heartedly. When he joined our Community Spokes Team, he did it with the intention of making his advocacy a major focus of his life. He is always thoughtful, collaborative and ambitious.”

Craig has worked tirelessly after his election to the Lewiston City Council to create Lewiston-Auburn’s Bike-Ped Committee. His leadership and grass roots advocacy was essential to building unanimous support for its creation and momentum around efforts such as a “complete street” policy and advocating for a more robust update of the regional bike-ped plan. According to Auburn Mayor Jonathan LaBonte, “Lewiston-Auburn will quickly move up the ranks of the most bikeable cities in the northeast, thanks to Craig.”
For over a decade, the Bicycle Coalition of Maine has been housed in a second floor walk-up office on Water Street in Augusta. It was an office established by our first Executive Director, Jeff Miller, and it has served us well through the tenure of Jeff’s successor, Allison Vogt, and now, Nancy Grant. However, the activities of the Bicycle Coalition have expanded beyond what we could have imagined just a few years ago. With the growth of Safe Routes to School, our many education programs, our legislative agenda, our grass roots Community Spokes program (we are the only state in the nation with this program), our growing bevy of bike ride events, now including BikeMaine, and our Bike Swaps, our staff and organizational needs have grown. Last summer, it became apparent that we were going to need to find a new, larger office.

In the past, we felt that Augusta was an important place to be because of the amount of work we were doing with state government. But, as we analyzed our time and activities, it became obvious that the legislative and government work we were doing could be accomplished from other locations. We looked for new office space in Augusta, but also in the Portland area and compared spaces and costs. Ultimately we decided that a move to Portland made sense for a number of reasons. We discovered that rents in Portland and Augusta were comparable. We also discovered that there was more ideal space available in Portland. Importantly, 6 of our 8 staff members reside in the Portland area. And so, after more than 12 years in Augusta, our Board approved a move that will take us to Portland. Our new office, which we moved to on February 1st, is in the heart of Portland, just down the street from Monument Square on Preble Street. It is on the first floor with large windows that open onto the street. We have twice as much space as we had in Augusta and we are paying substantially less per square foot than what we were paying in Augusta.

The major issue that we had to face was would we become “Portland-centric” at the expense of the rest of the state. However, with our 40 Community Spokes, local bike/pedestrian advocates who live in towns all over Maine, we actually have greater penetration into the rest of the state than we ever have had before, and the number of Spokes keeps growing. Our new BikeMaine week long bike ride event will take us into a new part of Maine each year, including areas of the state we have never been before. Finally, we are planning to rotate our monthly Board meetings to different communities from time to time in conjunction with events for our membership and in cooperation with local bike shops in those communities.

By the time this newsletter is published and you read it, we will have been in our new offices for a week or two. We hope you will come and visit us since our offices are more accessible, spacious and attractive than what we have had in the past. And I want to underscore our commitment to represent all of Maine in advancing our mission to make Maine a better place to bicycle.

Happy cycling,

Larry Rubinstein, Board President
The Power of One

by Nancy Grant, Executive Director

The Bicycle Coalition of Maine lost one of its oldest and dearest members in November—Sally Jacobs of Orono. I first met Sally Jacobs at a Coalition board meeting in 2006. Jeff Miller, our Executive Director, had invited her to speak about the Down East Sunrise Trail (DEST), an 85-mile long corridor, built on an old rail bed that runs along the coast of Maine, from Ellsworth to Calais. I had never heard of or met Sally, nor had I heard of the DEST, but she immediately became a hero to me. She was smart, energetic, funny and friendly and her passion was infectious. At the time, she had been working on the DEST for more than 10 years. I was blown away by her persistence and endurance and especially her faith that this project was worthwhile and would eventually be funded and built.

Over the next few years, as I learned more about Sally and her work, my admiration grew. The DEST was only one of a string of bicycle-friendly projects to which she contributed. Way back in 1975, she chaired the Bicycle Safety Committee in Orono and worked to procure funds for a multi-use path that connected Orono, Old Town and the University of Maine. This was the first bike path in the state and as a result of her advocacy and a testament to the importance of her work, 35 years later this trail was rebuilt in the summer of 2011. In addition to being the founding president of the Orono Land Trust, Sally was also a loyal and helpful member of the Orono Bike Swap Committee. She was an early member of the Bicycle Coalition of Maine and a true champion of our mission, always bringing her many friends to any event.

Sally was a great example of how one good spokesperson can lead an entire community to become more bike-friendly. In honor of Sally’s leadership and efforts promoting more bikable communities, the Bicycle Coalition of Maine has renamed our annual award for an outstanding local bike advocate after Sally Jacobs. (See the article about Robert McChesney, of Bath, this year’s award winner.)

Advocates like Sally and Robert have convinced us that the model of our Community Spokes Program is one of the most effective way to impact change around biking in Maine. The Community Spokes Program leverages the expertise of BCM staff and board members and the local relationships of citizen advocates to generate statewide improvements in bike/ped infrastructure, programming and policy. The Community Spokes Program trains local community members how to effectively participate in transportation decision and policy making, so that they can advocate for safer bicycling and walking in their towns. The program is building a network of advocates all over the state.

Please let me know if you would like to become a Community Spoke or if you know of an ideal candidate. Through the Community Spokes Program, we can make Maine better for bicycling, one community at a time. Just like Sally did.
BikeMaine Announces Inaugural Route and Registration

Given the length of the ride and its hills, this is a ride for fit and experienced cyclists. With a limited first year capacity of 350 riders divided equally between in-state and out-of-state riders, we expect the ride to sell out very quickly. In future years, we will expand the capacity of BikeMaine significantly but we are sure that not everyone who wants to ride will get a spot in 2013. In recognition of Bicycle Coalition Members’ support, BikeMaine will be offering members first priority during online registration on February 12th.

The $875 fee payable upon registration includes 18 meals (you will be on your own for 3 meals while in Bar Harbor, home to a wide array of fabulous restaurants and markets), ample beverages and snacks during each day’s ride, baggage transport for one bag, friendly course support that includes a signed route, SAG vans, mechanical and medical assistance if needed, and an idyllic overnight site that includes a camping area, showers, rest rooms, daily entertainment, food vendors, bike mechanics, and medical tent. The registration fee also includes your entry into Acadia National Park during your stay in Bar Harbor and a BikeMaine t-shirt.

The Bicycle Coalition of Maine website (www.bikemaine.org) will be updated on February 6th with detailed information about the ride, host communities, daily route maps and other useful information. The six day period between the route announcement on February 6th and the opening of registration for BCM members beginning at 7 a.m. on February 12th should give members plenty of time to decide if 2013 is the year to become part of the BikeMaine ride. Remember, each year will feature a new route exploring a different part of Maine.

Registration is open to the public beginning 7 a.m. on Feb. 13th for both in-state slots and out-of-state slots. Registrations are non-transferable and photo ID will be required when riders pick up their ride packets on September 7th in Orono. In the event a registered rider can’t participate on the ride, a sliding scale refund will be in effect until July 16th. A limited number of Tent and Porter accommodations will also be offered where a tent will be set up and taken down each day for you (two people per tent). More details on Tent and Porter service will be available on the web site.

“Much of the work by many volunteers and Ride Director Kim True has gone into the planning for this inaugural ride,” said Ride Committee Chair Mark Ishkanian. “We have purposely limited the size of the 2013 edition of BikeMaine to 350 riders to get all the details right and put on a first class ride. For those who try but fail to secure a coveted spot on the 2013 ride, we encourage you to come back in 2014 when we anticipate doubling the capacity of the ride.”
Thank you, Cecelia

If you’ve called or emailed the Coalition in the past four years, chances are you’ve talked to Cecelia Reardon, our long-time office manager. Ceil, as she’s known to many, has performed just about every duty imaginable around the office and at events. During staffing changes Ceil has remained a constant in the Coalition office and has welcomed many new Coalition employees with a friendly smile and kind words. When someone posed a question of process, contact information or simply the location of an item around the office, the answer would almost always come back, “Ask Ceil.”

From raffle tickets to membership renewal letters to event registrations, Ceil’s efforts can be seen on a daily basis and are subtly felt by all Coalition members whether they know it or not. Thank you, Cecelia; you will be missed by all!

Welcome To Liz Hall

The Coalition is excited to welcome our newest staff member, Liz Hall. Liz grew up in Vermont and spent her childhood gallivanting about the Green Mountain National Forest on bike and on foot. After a short detour to France, and then eight years in Washington, DC, she finds herself happily back in New England and enjoying all of the outdoor adventures Maine has to offer.

Liz will be taking over many of Ceil’s duties and brings experience in non-profit development and operations to the position. Most of you will probably receive a mailing or phone call from Liz soon, but in the mean time, she loves to hear from our members and can be reached at liz@bikemaine.org. Welcome, Liz!

Coalition Program Notes

Law & Order:

The Coalition continues to work to encourage law enforcement officials to enforce the laws that protect cyclists’ rights and safety. The newly launched Incident Report form has yielded a wealth of information that we can use to educate police and sheriff’s departments about the issues facing cyclists.

In addition, a new Policy and Legislation Committee has drafted a bill that seeks to clarify and update existing bike law in Maine to remove ambiguities and resolve conflicts in definitions and operational guidelines. If you have an incident to report, visit the website and click the link on the homepage.

By the Numbers:

As part of its contract with Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System (PACTS) the Coalition is helping to establish a database on bike/ped usage rates at key locations in the greater Portland area. When the system is complete, we will be able to help communities replicate this system and capture valuable data on how many people are walking and biking, and where.

More Spokes Equals A Stronger Wheel:

The Community Spoke Program—our effort to create a statewide network of local advocates—continues to grow and gain momentum. After the most recent training in November, we have nearly 40 people around the state working in communities, with local select boards and town councils, on committees and with other organizations to keep bicycling and walking a top priority in the community planning conversation.

Additionally, new contracts with public health entities in Oxford and Cumberland Counties to set up “Active Community Environment Teams” will further expand the program. We are also launching a series of regional meetings to bring together Community Spokes and other interested community members and officials to discuss how to make Maine a better place to bike (and walk).

The next Community Spokes training will be taking place in late February. Keep an eye on the website and email newsletter for more information!
A Maine Safe Routes to School Mini-Grant Success Story - Thanks to a Great Local Champion in Kennebunk!

With perseverance and some thrifty budgeting, Diane Dyer, the physical education teacher at Kennebunk Elementary School (grades K-3), has worked for some time to set up a bicycling program for the school. The program, targeting third graders for building life-long bicycling skills, has also been spurred by the extension of the Eastern Trail directly adjacent the school grounds. “My programs at Kennebunk Elementary have always been about introducing students to as many lifetime recreational activities as possible,” Diane shared with us recently. “I also look at my surroundings and resources to see what is offered, so when the Eastern Trail opened in our backyard it was just a no-brainer.”

Over the past two years Diane has leveraged Parent-Teacher Organization funding and, in 2012, a Maine Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Mini-Grant to put together a fleet of 24 bicycles to use in Physical Education classes and for an after-school bike club. “Biking is important to me on so many levels,” Diane says, “It’s good for our environment, it cuts down on traffic, it keeps us fit, and it is something we can do our whole lives whether we are alone or with friends or family.”

Last spring she started a once-a-week after-school biking class with ten second and third graders. The group rode every Monday for six weeks from 3-4:30pm. Once Diane had the full fleet of bicycles in late May, all third grade P.E. classes finished the school year riding bikes. Week one consisted of a skills assessment, with students riding the .55-mile loop around the school grounds. During the second week, classes hit the Eastern Trail. On May 18th a third grade class took part in a special “Spring on the Trail” ride with about 100 members of the East Coast Greenway Alliance, riding from Kennebunk Elementary to Southern Maine Medical Center in Biddeford and back (about 13 miles).

As part of the Maine Safe Routes to School Mini-Grant, Diane also brought in the Maine Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Program (BPSP). “In the future I would suggest making BPSP presentations a condition of the mini-grant. The presenters did a great job and brought up some very good points. My program is based in a very safe environment but when students bike at home the rules can be different because they are on public roads. The BPSP Program ensures that all types of riding are covered.” Diane also invited representatives of the Maine Safe Routes to School Program to be the keynote speaker for the school’s annual Wellness Day, where bright and energetic third grade volunteers participated in skits and demonstrations during the school-wide assembly.

This past fall the after-school bike club continued in September and October, again with ten participants from the second and third grades. Third grade P.E. classes ride throughout the month of October and there have been 143 students and over 20 bike-outing chaperones involved in Kennebunk’s program. This year’s third grade class started with eight non-riders, but with extra practice in the early morning; there are now only two. “My goal for the spring is to have 100% of third graders proficient at bike riding,” Diane shares, “Additionally, 100% of my third graders now have helmets!” Diane also notes another measurable change up the road at the Sea Road School (grades 4-5). “Our former third graders are now at the Sea Road School and I’m told that the bike rack is full on a daily basis. This is new this year and the Kennebunk Elementary program is getting credit for the increase.”

Diane’s experience has taught others in the school quite a bit about group riding and safety: “We have learned you can only go as fast as your slowest rider. When we are riding laps around the school I do allow faster riders to pass as long as they have clearance and must give the verbal “passing on the left.” When riding the Eastern Trail I put a chaperone in the front of the fleet and he or she has certain stopping points so the rear can catch up. I am always in the rear so I can see everyone and give help with a dropped chain or anything else needed.” As an active local champion of the Safe Routes to School Program, Diane shares, “Safe Routes to School is important because the program provides us with so many resources to implement walking and biking programs in our schools and communities.” Diane has become one of those resources, stating that she would be happy to act as reference for other schools interested in starting similar programs; feel free to contact her at ddyer@rsu21.net. Many thanks to Coastal Healthy Communities for partnering on funding this 2012 Maine SRTS Mini-Grant! For more information on other success stories, check out this site: http://tinyurl.com/b88o3fe
A Community of Cyclists

by Dan Stewart, MDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Manager

It is wintertime in Maine. The nights are long, and it is downright cold outside (relatively speaking). Spring is next month! I was reading an article recently written by Larry Rubinstein, BCM Board President, about his perspective of the community of cyclists in Maine. He wrote about the sense of community that abounds in events such as the annual Lobster Ride. I thought I would take this wintry time of year to reflect on this concept that Larry helped bring a smile to my face by articulating.

The Community of Bicyclists of course is most easily recognized by the Bicycle Coalition of Maine. The 5,000 plus members of the Bicycle Coalition of Maine are part of one of the most successful coalitions anywhere in this great nation of ours. The Maine Department of Transportation (MaineDOT) works closely at many levels with BCM and its members throughout the state. Nancy Grant, staff members, and board members are all highly acclaimed professionals that work tirelessly at improving conditions and safety for bicyclists in Maine. It seems there isn’t a day that goes without a BCM representative giving MaineDOT a call or visit on a variety of issues just waiting for BCM input towards a positive solution.

The email announcements that are put out biweekly by the Coalition always include information on MaineDOT public meetings on projects so as to help inform the Coalition members (bicycling community) of an opportunity to get involved and make a difference. The Community of Bicyclists shows up at and speaks up at many if not all public meetings. Bicyclists not only attend, but also lead and participate in public meetings, stakeholder groups, state and local bicycle and pedestrian committees, town council workshops, and countless community bike rides.

If you are reading this newsletter, you are likely part of the Community of Bicyclists in Maine. This Community has had many successes as the movement has grown. Organized bike rides abound. Off-road bicycle and pedestrian trails connecting our neighborhoods, schools, and communities have been built and attract users by the thousands. Safety on our road systems has improved by including paved shoulders, bike lanes, and signage. Our children have been taught bicycle safety by the thousands each year in schools. Our public processes have become more democratic as more people involve themselves in public decision-making processes.

One thing I have come to understand about the people involved in bicycling in Maine is that they care very deeply about safety, community, and people. They have shown time and time again that respect, kindness, friendliness, and smiles are the primary method of communicating. The Community of Bicyclists is inclusive to its very core, as the articles in this newsletter continuously show (not to mention the large number of bicyclists seen in groups on our streets).

These efforts and involvement by the Community of Bicyclists in Maine have not only made bicycling safer and more enjoyable, improved our communities and the air we breathe, but also have helped reduce serious injuries and saved lives. These efforts and involvement have most importantly, of course, helped bring the joy and happiness of bicycling to people of all ages and abilities. Thank you for being part of such a rewarding community. Ride Safe!

Dan Stewart may be reached at 624-3252.
L.L.Bean

These businesses support the Bicycle Coalition of Maine's work with annual memberships of $250 or above. A complete list of member businesses is posted at bikemaine.org.

*Yellow Jersey Club member

**CORPORATE MEMBER**

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Brunswick 888-456-0470

Body Symmetry
Brunswick 729-1122

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Ogunquit 646-4227

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These bike shops support the Bicycle Coalition of Maine's work with annual memberships of $250 or above. Please thank them for their support of the Coalition when you're in their shop. A complete list of member bike shop is posted at bikemaine.org.

*Yellow Jersey Club member

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Bicycle Coalition of Maine

**2013 SUPER RAFFLE**

**GRAND PRIZE**

Bicycling trip of a lifetime in the Czech Republic, Germany & Austria

**Runner Up Prize**

Trek 1.1 Road Bike in men’s & women’s sizes from Cyclamene

**3rd Prize**

Thule roof or rear bike rack from Rainbow Bicycle

**4th Prize**

Specialized Body Geometry Bike Fit Bar Harbor Bike Shop

**5th Prize**

CycloOps Mag+ Trainer Mathieu’s Cycle & Fitness Store

**Visit us online at:** bikemaine.org/raffle

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Winter 2013
We Welcome Our New Members

We welcome these new household members joining from September through January.

Chris Arata - Veazie
Allen + Elissa Armstrong - Portland
Penny Armstrong - Scarborough
David Beattie - Eliot
Lincoln Benedict - Brunswick
Jerry Bley - Readfield
Ethan Boxer-Macomb - Portland
Burt Brewer - Freeport
Darin Carlucci - Pemaquid
Bete + Cary Smart - Portland
Warren Chambers, JR - New Hartford
Kenneth Colburn - Meredith
Carwell + Marie Cote - Augusta
Doug Dahmer - Freeport
John Deterling - West Bath
Toby Dillworth - Yarmouth
Linda Dodge - Yarmouth
Dana and Anne Douglass - Deer Isle
Kalie Dunn - Portland
Kristina Egan - Freeport
Caroline Eliot - Bowdoin
Kristin Fournier - Saco
Sally Frazer - Thomaston
Joe Golden - Newtown
Erin Guay - Lewiston
Mike Hajdun - Colchester
Maura Halkiotis - Yarmouth
Peter Hall - Portland
Alicia Hayburn - Brunswick
Molly Harrison - Bangor
Joel Johnson - Hallowell
Dana Kathryn - Cape Elizabeth
Abigail King - Brunswick
Kate Kingston - Cumberland
Rebecca Kraai - Portland
Ben Lake - Portland
Doug Leland - Freeport
Wellington Lyons - Portland
Stephanie Macdonald - Cumberland
Dan Manley - South Thomaston
Jim Mathieu - Farmingdale
Myranda McGowan - Westbrook
Douglas McLane - Plymouth
Joseph Ostwald - Portland
George Rosen - Gloucester
Belle Ryder - Orono
Toby Scott - Freeport
Martin Shuer - Windham
Erica Simmons - Cambridge
Jeff Sloan - Cumberland
Stephen Smith - Portland
Mike Smith - Naugatuck
Debra Smith - Newport
Jeffrey H. Starr - Abington
Russ Stogsdill - Scarborough
Fred Thomas - Cape Elizabeth
Karin Wittmann - Searsmont

Yellow Jersey Club Members

Penny Armstrong SCC
Harry Ankers Sunnyvale CA
Jonathon Ayers Portland
Sue Ellen Bordwell + William Richards Yarmouth
Philip Coffin + Susan Peck Portland
Jackika Eckert + Rob Johnston Albion
Dan Emery North Yarmouth
Leon + Lisa Gorman Yarmouth
Ellen Grant + Kevin Carley Portland
Nancy Grant + Mike Boyson Portland
Susan + Peter Hall Falmouth, ME
Ralph Hamill + Susan Akers South Thomaston
Nancy Innes Gorham
Karen Herold + Mark Isaacoson Cumberland
Mark + Ginger Ishkanian Readfield
Herbert Janick Cape Elizabeth
Stephen Jenks Portland
Harold + Brigitte Kingsbury Cape Elizabeth
Dan Kovarik Portland
Richard + Jane Marsh Poland
John + Anne Marshall Addison
Jeffrey Miller Washington DC
Tom Murray Portland
John Poirier + Laurie McReel Oakland
Fritz Onion Wells
Cynthia + John Orcutt Carrabassett Valley
Scott + Ponee Roberts Gorham
Larry + Robin Rubinstein Scarborough
Peter + Kerry Rubinstein New York NY
Jeff Safer Cape Elizabeth
Amy Schoenbaum Brookline MA
Jane Self + Ken Pote Camden
Cynthia Sortwell South Portland
Scott Spaulding + Pamela Fischer New Gloucester
Kim + Jeffrey True North Yarmouth
Austin Watts Bowdoin
Mark + Kitty Wheeler Woolwich
Garth + Nancy Wilbanks Winterport
John + Loren Wright Woolwich

Many Thanks to Our Wonderful Volunteers

Damon Yakovleff, a Coalition intern, assisted with the preparation of our legislative agenda for 2013 session
Fred Frawley provided legal consultation and helped with trademarking the BikeMaine logo and name and the Coalition logo
Phil Gleason provided legal assistance during our negotiations for a new office and lease
Kevin Carley found and then scouted new office possibilities for the Coalition, including the one we moved into
Linda Braley put her architectural skills to work and kindly designed the plans for the new office layout
The BikeMaine Ride Committee and Coalition Board Members have been dedicating innumerable hours creating what will be an incredibly special event.

Calling All Volunteers!

We need volunteers for Coalition events including:
• The Great Maine Bike Swap (both Portland and Orono)
• The Women’s Ride
• The Lobster Ride
• BikeMaine

Duties include parking cars, helping with day-of registration, flagging along the course and staffing rest stops. If you can help, please contact Liz Hall at liz@bikemaine.org, call 623-4511 or sign up on our website: bikemaine.org
The Coalition is gearing up for another great season of events and we want to see all of you soon! More details will be posted when available on our website: bikemaine.org

**BIKE SWAP**

*Great Maine BIKE SWAP*

**Orono Swap**
April 14, 2013
University of Maine / New Balance
Student Recreation and Fitness Center

**Portland Swap**
April 28, 2013
USM / Sullivan Recreation and Fitness Complex

The swap will feature a new online bike registration system that will cut down on the lines and speed up the drop-off process. Come join us to buy or sell a bike!

**Maine Women's Ride**
June 2, 2013
L.L. Bean's Casco Conference Center
Freeport, ME
10, 25, 50 or 75 mile rides

**Every woman, any bike, one ride.**
This ride is a celebration of women and bicycling. This year’s event offers a friendly, supportive atmosphere geared toward girls and women of all ages and abilities. The ride will include four routes, two of which are new.

**The Lobster Ride**
July 21, 2013
Oceanside High School
Rockland, ME
15, 30, 50, 80 or 100 mile rides

The Lobster Ride features five distance options, from a family-friendly 15 miles to a century, and also including a new 80-mile loop and scenic northern 50-mile loop. Teams are encouraged to ride. Please note: for the first time, the Lobster ride will be held on a Sunday.

**BikeMaine**
September 7 - 14, 2013
400 Miles
Orono, Dover-Foxcroft, Belfast, Castine, Bar Harbor, and Camp Jordan

In the inaugural year, 350 riders will pedal 60-75 miles daily across Maine’s varied landscapes on a fully supported ride, camping along the way. Riders will enjoy meals featuring seasonal local foods and local entertainment and, through their presence in each community, will help support local Maine economies.