

GOALS OF TAILWIND TANDEM CLUB

The TailWind Tandem Club (TWTC) was formed on Nov. 3, 2001 with the purpose of bringing together people with a mutual interest in cycling, promoting fellowship, organizing year-round cycling activities, and developing a better understanding of safe and proper cycling in the community.

Our current members voted on our official name on Feb. 3, 2002. We have grown from 3 tandem teams to a responsible member club ~ and still growing with interest. We hosted the Southern Tandem Rally 2004, a major regional tandem event.

Our mission as a tandem club is to promote and encourage cycling for fun and health, as well as for transportation. We see more and more families joining our club from pulling a child trailer - to progressing to stoking with a parent. This is a fun way to keep the family together and still enjoy the outdoors and the communication you have between your Captain and your Stoker.

Why A Tandem? What one change could you make to revitalize your health, relationships, and sense of well-being? Believe it or not, the answer could be a tandem bicycle. If you are a single road biker and want to see what tandem riding is all about, come out and join our group on a ride and see the added fun that you could be enjoying.

The world on a tandem. People actually smile when they see you. It's rather romantic ~ whether riding across town or around the globe, the universal acceptance of couples on tandems means everyone, including strangers, becomes uncommonly friendly.

Captain and Stoker. The Captain is responsible for the stoker's comfort (calling bumps) and safety. If the Captain doesn't look out for the Stoker you're better off on two singles. Stop when the Stoker wants to stop, shift when the Stoker wants to shift, walk when the Stoker wants to walk. Take lots of "butt breaks." Make sure the Stoker has a good time! Do yourself a favor and never dump the bike with the Stoker on it.

Communicate your needs to each other. Remember that safety requires coordinated decisions about starting, stopping, steering, standing, etc., be communicated. Compromise extends to details such as cadence since it must be the same for each. Negotiate if need be...but make your adventures fun and safe.

WHY WOULDN'T YOU WANT TO RIDE A TANDEM?
Come join us....see why you would want to tandem ride.

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TailWind Tandem Club

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA



<http://www.tailwindtandemclub.com>

2009

Mail your application to:



TailWind Tandem Club

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We're Double Trouble

Who are the TailWind Tandem Club cyclists?

- Recreational tandem cyclists
- Motivated mover and shakers
- Competitive athletes
- Families enjoying togetherness
- Community Servants
- Couples enjoying workouts together

If you enjoy cycling, no matter what your skill level, then the TailWind Tandem Club could be for you!

BENEFITS OF TWTC MEMBERSHIP

As a TailWind Tandem member you are able to receive notification via email when their monthly publication, **DoubleSpok'n**, has been posted. This monthly newsletter we hope will keep you up-to-date on cycling issues and activities in the Charlotte and surrounding community.

Other benefits include:

- Social Events
- Calendar of monthly rides
- Meet other tandem cyclists & families
- Community service opportunities
- Overnight trips
- Fitness and health benefits improve
- Fun!! Fun!! Fun!! Fun!!

Membership Application Date: _____
 Riding Speed (Circle One) 10-12 * 12-15 * 15-17 * 17-19 * 19-21 * 21+
 Miles of Interest: ___ 1-25 ___ 26-35 ___ 36-45 ___ 46-55 ___ 56-75 ___ 76-100

Captain Name: _____
 Stoker Name: _____
 Family Members: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: (H) _____ (W) _____
 Email: _____
 Preferred Riding Location: Ballentyne, Belmont, Carowinds, Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill, Monroe, Waxhaw, etc.;
 Other _____

As a TailWind Tandem member we encourage you to support our club's activities. Please circle those areas in which you are willing to: **lead monthly rides, *membership circulation, *newsletter articles, *organize weekend tandem getaways, *sag event, *social events, *other*

In 50 words or less, give a short description of what you and your tandem partner do other than ride tandem. This is your profile space, tell us a little bit about each other (you may use the back of the paper to finish your profile paragraph).

Tandem Information: Make/Model/Yr. Color _____
 Years you have been riding tandem: _____
 Why your interest in tandeming _____
 Captain Birth date: _____ Stoker Birth date: _____ Annv. _____
 Other Family Members (w/birth dates) _____

COST: \$20.00 per team contribution (Jan.-Dec. inception)

My cycling interests are (check all that apply):
 Club Rides Overnight trips Social Events
 Time Trials - Lowe's Motor Speedway Sag support
 Bicycle Advocacy Articles for the newsletter
 Baby-sit if not able to ride
 Other _____

Mail to:
TailWind Tandem Club
 c/o Susanna Sisk
 11918 Hookston Lane
 Charlotte, NC 28273
 Check payable to: Susanna Sisk

2009 EVENTS

Jan. 1~ Happy New Year Take the tandem out for a leisurely ride around the block. Gear up for more fun things for the year.

Feb. 14 ~ Be Mine you Crusty Valentine Captain Roy taking teams on a sweet ride. A stop along the way to regroup for chocolate.

Mar. 21 ~ Shamrock Ride It's your lucky day. Wear GREEN and receive a lucky prize by Bill/Joyce Murphy

Apr. 4-5 ~ Before and After Bridge Ride Retreat to Charleston with Team Dwight and Donna as hosts.

Apr. 10-13 ~ Easter in Aberdeen. Bunny Hopping; Easter Egg Hunt; Coloring eggs by Team TASK.

Apr. 18 ~ Not So Foolish April Ride Foolish ride at Mint Hill with pizza after with Team Jay and Mary B.

Apr. 25-26 ~ Burnsville Metric Fun with other teams for great riding in Burnsville. Ask Team TASK for info.

May 16 Mother's Day Ride Treat your stoker-wife, or mom to riding. Ladies treat by host Jim and Nancy.

May 22-25 ~ GTR in Athens, GA Pre-registration.

June 12-14~ Blue Ridge Parkway (VA) Join other tandem teams for 3 days of riding by Team TASK.

Jun. 27~ Poker and Picnic Ride for a Full Flush For a small fee be eligible for PRIZES. Come join the FUN. Any cyclist is welcome to join our club function. Potluck picnic. Host by Team Double D' (Dan & Dolores)

July ~ Fabulous 4th Join other teams in Tryon for the Fabulous 4th. www.polkcounty.org/4th

Aug. TBA ~ Hot Hot Hot Ride Join teams for a hot ride and cool off at pool side for potluck. Host: TBA

Sep. 26 Cotton Pick'n Bale Ride ~ Team Murphy and the cotton fields. A great ride, beautiful routes.

Oct. 3-4 MS in Greenville, SC~ Ask Team TASK.

Oct 9-11 ~ STR The Villages, FL; Trek to FL for nice roads & tandem rally fun. Pre- registration.

Oct. 31 ~ Boo!! Did I scare You Ride ~ Best costume on your tandem wins a prize. Host: TBA

Nov. 7 ~ Roy Boy Birthday Fall Ride Ride backroads of Gaston &cupcakes &subway after. Host Roy &Nancy.

Nov. ~ Nominations for Officers 2010

Dec. 8 Christmas Gathering ~ Officer Elections 2010 Location- Buca. A don't want to miss event!

Dec. 12 Reindeer Romp ~ First 25 riders will receive a handmade holiday reindeer. Host: Team TASK -- newsiesuziesisk@carolina.rr.com

Keep checking the ride calendar at www.tailwindtandemclub.com for more 2009 rides and events. For tandem rallies check the rally link.