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**Alta Alpina  
Cycling Club**

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## Alta Alpina Spring Membership Party



**Thursday, April 11 — CVIC Hall, Minden NV — 6:00PM**

The annual Alta Alpina Spring Membership Party is the official kick-off of the cycling season in the Tahoe—Alpine—Carson City—Carson Valley region. This year the party will once again be at the historic CVIC Hall in downtown Minden. This is a central location with lots of nearby parking.

There will be free food, friendly people, and lots to see and learn. Again this year we're holding the big Bike Swap: Bring any bike-related items to give away or sell. Bike stuff left behind at the end of the night will go to groups rebuilding bicycles.

We'll have deals on club clothing in inventory and you can order a new kit.

You can join or renew your membership at the party, but to avoid spending time in line, please renew your membership now using the new online membership renewal system that will allow you to pay and sign an individual waiver online.

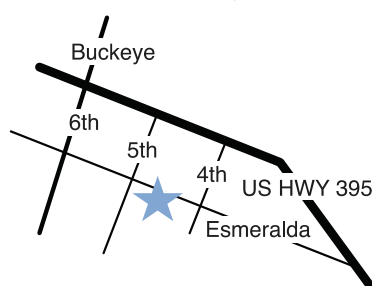
Know any friends or neighbors just getting into cycling? Bring them along and we'll sign them up at the door! For any questions contact Allen at [membership@altaalpina.org](mailto:membership@altaalpina.org) or the club hotline at 877-845-2453.

Doors open at 6:00 pm. See you there!

### Bike & Stuff Swap • Trade

Bring your bike related stuff for sale, or give away to other AACC members. You will have the opportunity to sell, buy, give away, or pick up bike related items.

**CVIC Hall  
1602 Esmeralda, Minden**



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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](mailto:membership@altaalpina.org)

## Be a Ride Leader in 2024!

Share your rides with fellow club members! We're looking for a diversity of rides so we have something on our ride schedule for every preference and ability. Please contact Lyn: [ridecoordinator@AltaAlpina.org](mailto:ridecoordinator@AltaAlpina.org)

## HAM CRAM April 27

Are you interested in getting a HAM Radio license?. To sign up or learn more, visit: <http://tahoeamateurradio.com/>



Kick Off the 2024 Riding Season

# Alta Alpina Cycling Club

## Fourth Annual

# Spring Rider

# Roundup

**Saturday April 13**  
**Genoa Town Park**

**(Alternate date in case of bad weather is Sunday April 14)**

Lyn Willoughby, Weekend Ride Coordinator

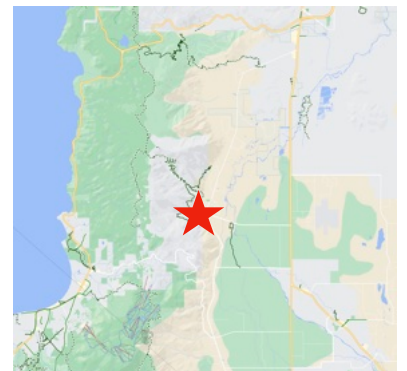
We're once again holding a Spring Rider Roundup on April 13 to formally kick off the riding season for 2024.

The Spring Rider Roundup consists of a number of different rides chosen to meet the needs of our diverse membership ranging from easy to hard and with options for road and mountain bikes all starting from Genoa Town Park on Nixon Street in Genoa (Nixon is just the continuation of Genoa Lane).

The goal is to get the whole club out riding at the same time and to meet up afterwards. This is a great opportunity to see friends and join in a shared riding experience. In the event of bad weather on April 13, we'll postpone to Sunday April 14.

Planned rides include:

- Mountain Bike Loop on Carson Valley Trail System**
- Genoa to 88**
- Diamond Valley Loop**
- Spooner-Kingsbury via Clear Creek (no Drop Group)**
- Spooner-Kingsbury via Clear Creek (Fast Group)**



Watch the rideboard on the website and your email inbox for last minute changes to ride details and start times.

The club will provide drinks and snacks in the park after the rides and everyone is encouraged to bring a picnic, lawn chairs, blankets, etc.. We'll have our inventory of club clothing available for sale and our racing coordinator, Joseph Whitely, will have racing chips for everyone to pre-register for the 2024 racing season.

You'll need to have renewed your membership before April 13 or you can bring your signed waiver and membership fee to our membership coordinator, Allen Forbes, who will be stationed at the park in Genoa.



## Presidential Posting

Bruce Eisner, President

### The Alta Alpina Riding Season starts now!

Whether you've been riding indoors or your bike has been gather dust while you've been skiing, it's now time to get back on your bike outside! Club activities are in full swing this month with our Spring Membership Party on the 11th and Spring Rider Roundup on the 12th. Our 2024 Thursday road race series kicks off on Thursday April 18th.



I hope you'll be able to join us for all of these events.

## AACC Weekend Ride Schedule—April

Lyn Willoughby, Weekend Ride Coordinator

### Thursday, April 11, 2024 — Pre-party ride to Turtle Rock Park

Meet at the corner of Fairview, Fredericksburg and Foothill (3F) at 10:00am. We'll ride to Turtle Rock Park either via Emigrant Trail or Carson River Rd. and ride back via Diamond Valley for about 35 miles.

### Saturday, April 13, 2024 (Alternate April 14) — Spring Rider Roundup - MTB Ride

Be ready to ride at Nixon Park in Genoa at 10:30 am. Arrive a little earlier if you need to renew your membership at the start. We'll ride the Sierra Canyon trail if it's snow free (about 9 miles), otherwise we'll ride the Jack's Valley trail system.

### Saturday, April 13, 2024 (Alternate April 14) — Spring Rider Roundup - Genoa to Diamond Valley

Be ready to ride at Nixon Park in Genoa at 11:00am. Arrive a little earlier if you need to renew your membership at the start. We will head south on Foothill to 3F, south on Fredericksburg, climb Emigrant Trail, loop around Diamond Valley and return via Fredericksburg to Foothill.

### Saturday, April 13, 2024 (Alternate April 14) — Spring Rider Roundup - Genoa to 88

Be ready to ride at Nixon Park in Genoa at 11:00am. Arrive a little earlier if you need to renew your membership at the start. We'll ride Foothill to Fredericksburg to the stop sign at CA88 and return by the same route.

### Saturday, April 13, 2024 (Alternate April 14) — Spring Rider Roundup - Spooner-Kingsbury via Clear Creek

For the no-drop, casual pace group, be ready to ride at Nixon Park in Genoa at 10:00 am. A faster group will start at 10:30am. Arrive a little earlier if you need to renew your membership at the start. We'll climb Old Clear Creek Road, get on Highway 50 for the rest of the climb to Spooner Summit, then go anti-clockwise down and around to Stateline and climb Kingsbury to get back to Genoa. This loop will be about 50 miles with about 4800 feet of climbing.

### Saturday, April 20, 2024 — Washoe Lake Loop

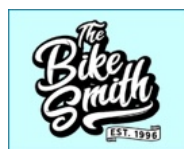
Meet in the parking lot at Paul Schat's Bakery at 11am. We'll ride north through Carson City for a counterclockwise loop around Washoe Lake, stopping at Bower's Mansion, and returning via Franktown and Combs Canyon Roads. This is a 30 mile pleasant tour on lightly trafficked roads with nice views of the lake. Rain/snow or high winds will cancel the ride.

### Sunday, April 28, 2024 — Woodfords to Road Closure

Meet on Pony Express Rd near church at 10:00am. We'll ride out to CA4 and continue to the road closure for about 30 miles.

## Local Merchant Discount Program

Details about local merchant offers is listed under "Merchant Discounts" on our website: [www.AltaAlpina.org](http://www.AltaAlpina.org).





### AACC Thursday Night Race Series

Joseph Whiteley, Thursday Night Race Director

The 2024 Alta Alpina racing season kicks off on April 18.

We're hoping that everyone will come out on Thursday evenings to join in the fun. Whether you're a veteran or you're gearing up for your first race, please read on so you're up to speed!

#### Race Season Passes and Race Chip Deposits

We'll be offering race season passes again this year for \$120—a great way to save on weekly race fees of \$12 per race for members (\$17 for the first race). All racers need to mount a race chip (\$20 deposit) on the front right fork of their bicycle for each race. You'll want to get both at the Spring Membership Party on April 11 to avoid a delay at your first race. Please download, print, and sign the RACE WAIVER (distinct from the membership waiver) and bring it with you to the Spring Party.

If you still have your chip from a previous race season and you'll be racing in 2024, bring it to the Spring Party so we can get it registered back to you for the 2024 race season. If you still have a race chip but you won't be racing this year, PLEASE RETURN your chip at the Spring Party (we need to get all the chips back!)

#### Full Race Schedule

The race schedule for 2023 once again features a full set of twenty races with something for everyone.

4/18	Fredericksburg Prologue	6/6	Diamond Valley Road Race	7/25	Pinenut Road Race
4/25	Diamond Valley Road Race Short Course	6/13	Jack's Valley Time Trial	8/1	Kingsbury Time Trial
5/2	Grandview Criterium	6/20	Diamond Valley Double Back Road Race	8/8	Diamond Valley Road Race
5/9	East Valley Time Trial	6/27	Fredericksburg Two Up Time Trial	8/15	Blue Lakes Time Trial
5/16	Pinenut Road Race	7/11	Eagle Ridge Circuit Race	8/22	Grandview Criterium
5/23	Grandview Criterium	7/18	Blue Lakes Time Trial	8/29	Fredericksburg Time Trial
5/30	Kingsbury Time Trial			9/5	Diamond Valley Road Race Short Course

#### Time Trial Series Schedule

Never raced before? Not sure if you're ready for a road race or criterium? Plan on doing the Time Trial Series!

4/18	Fredericksburg Prologue	6/27	Fredericksburg Two Up Time Trial	8/15	Blue Lakes Time Trial
5/9	East Valley Time Trial			8/29	Fredericksburg Time Trial
5/30	Kingsbury Time Trial	7/18	Blue Lakes Time Trial	9/5	Diamond Valley Road Race Short Course
6/13	Jack's Valley Time Trial	8/1	Kingsbury Time Trial		

Check the club website at <https://www.altaalpina.org/clubracesroad/> for details of all race venues, formats, other rules, and updates.

#### Race Categories

Racers continue to be grouped into 5 categories. Racers compete within their category for points through the season. In road race, criterium, and circuit format races all racers of the same category start together and may draft one another but may not draft racers in a different race category.

Use the following **guidelines** for choosing your category initially:

Category A: Advanced/Very Fit/Race Experience/Train for Racing.

Category B: Competitive/Very Fit/Race Experience

Category C: Competitive/Fit/Masters 50+/Strong Endurance

Category D: New Racers/Masters 60+

Juniors: 18 years and younger who don't want to race with adults

Everyone is strongly encouraged to participate in the Fredericksburg Prologue (all participants get 10 points). This race is the best time to validate category choice.





# Annual Memorial Cyclorama And BBQ Saturday May 18th (Alternate Date May 19)

Chris Cherrix, Cyclorama Coordinator

**Free For All Up-To-Date Alta Alpina Club Members!!**

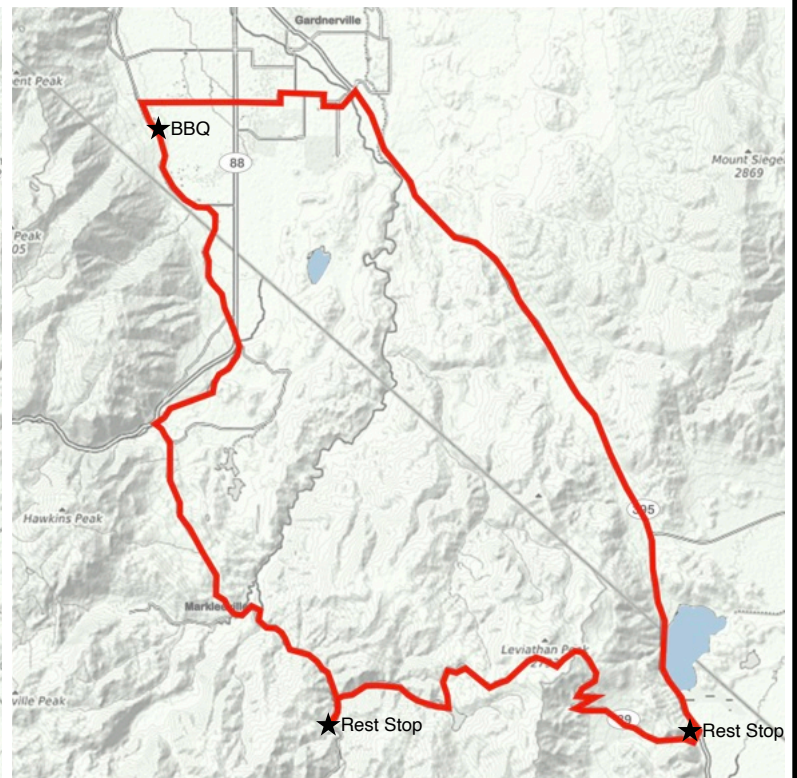
Our annual May member event, now a Cyclorama, will be taking place on May 18! If you haven't already done so, please renew your club membership so that you can participate.

This year our illustrious vice president, Nigel Leigh and his wife, Desiree are graciously hosting the (free!) post-ride BBQ at their lovely home on Foothill Road in Gardnerville, where the ride will also start and finish.

There will be four fine rides offered this year, from the classic metric century loop with a climb over Monitor Pass, to shorter rides in and around the valleys, or a combination of your choosing. All rides will have staged start times and are self-paced. We'll have two well-stocked rest stops on both sides of Monitor Pass this year with plenty of snacks and beverages. Following the ride, the club will be hosting a free BBQ back at the start.

We'll have more information and maps of the various ride options in next month's newsletter, as well as a link to RSVP with your ride option and BBQ request.

**We're still looking for volunteers to help set up and clean up on the day of the BBQ, as well as lend a hand at the rest stops. If you'd like to help out, please call or text Chris at 928-600-1097.**





### 2024 Club Clothing Store - Orders Must Be Placed By April 14

Bruce Eisner, Clothing Coordinator

#### Get Suited Up for 2024

The online store is now open again for orders of club kit elements including jerseys, shorts, and vests:

<http://teamstore.ascendsportswear.com/store/alta-alpina-cycling-club/>

We now have recreational jerseys (\$66), race-cut jerseys (\$79), shorts (\$89), bib shorts (\$94), and vests (\$79). Sleeveless is now an option if you select the "Volare Elite" performance jersey. Our order window will close after April 13 and all orders will be made-to-order and shipped directly to your home.



Club jerseys, shorts, and other accessories are still available in a variety of sizes in our club inventory. Visit our website at: <https://www.altaalpina.org/clubkit/> to see what is available. In addition to jerseys, there are great deals on shorts and bibs. Everything is priced to sell and all inventory will be available at the Spring Party.



### Board Meeting Minutes—April 1, 2024

Secretary: Michael Bayer; Other Board Members: Paul Amato (NICA Team Coach); Jordan Brooks (Highway Cleanup); Michelle Brooks (Social Media); Chris Cherrix (Spring Century); Frank Dixon (Deputy Treasurer); 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 6:04 pm

Minutes of the March meeting approved as presented. [Bill | Paul | Unanimous]

#### 1. Monthly Status Reports:

- **Treasurer:** Bill reports that the current checking account balance is \$8,990.97, the Paypal balance is \$15,552.22, the CDs are currently at \$10,130.93 and \$10,435.93. Revenue for the month included \$470 for membership, \$780 for the training series, and \$1190 for Challenge registrations. Bill paid for CVIC hall and

outstanding insurance invoices. Frank has already completed all but one of the necessary tax filings.

- **Membership:** Allen reported that Membership renewal notices have been mailed out over the last week and renewals are now rolling in via the new system. Michael will immediately start sending out renewal invitations to expired members and spring party reminders starting on Wednesday.
- **Weekend Rides:** Lyn has organized a ride leaders meeting for April 3. Ride leaders are still needed for the rider roundup.





- **Weekly MTB Rides:** Nigel will start the Tuesday rides sometime in April. Nigel has started reaching out to the MTB regulars.
  - **Social Media:** Nigel noted an increase in the frequency of social media postings and asked that club members help promote the FaceBook feed by liking and reposting items. Michael reported that he met with Michelle with respect to a campaign to promote the Challenge and we're looking for club member content.
  - **Newsletter:** The next newsletter is scheduled for April 8 in order to be a reminder for the spring party, rider roundup, and first races. All board members are asked to submit their articles by Friday.
  - **Website:** Greg reports that he has been working on the MTB page. Jennie suggested that the most recent newsletter should get pushed to the home page and Greg quickly implemented this and he's continuing to polish the implementation. Greg is also working on updating the contact information, integrating with the social media pages, updating the community pages, and doing an overall modernization.
  - **Insurance:** Payment for race insurance at \$892 was approved. [Michael | Nigel | Unanimous].
  - **Clothing:** Bill has the inventory for the Spring Party. All items are \$25. The online store for new build-to-order items is open for the next two weeks. Need to send email to all members. Carlo's wife donated his old club clothing.
  - **Weekly Road Races:** Joseph had posters printed and posted them at bike shops and at Pulse Fitness. The porta potty has been reserved from Sanihut which had a better pricing plan. He is refurbishing chips that had broken tabs. Bill and Allen volunteered to distribute more posters.
  - **NICA Team:** Paul reported that coach and rider registration is under way. A change for this year is that all NICA participants pay an inclusive \$335 fee to pre-pay for all races rather than paying per race. The Northern Nevada and Arkansas leagues are adding 5<sup>th</sup> graders so our Tahoe part of the team will be recruiting these younger racers. Paul is adding two new training venues for Monday rides this year (Tahoe Paradise Park and Stinger re-route) plus a Tuesday training ride in Carson Valley. Luke Amato represented the club as Cat1 Junior 17-18 division at the Orange Seal Cup in Temecula. Ten more races are lined up for Luke so he can qualify for Nationals.
  - **Memorial Cyclorama:** Chris is working on new maps to reflect this year's venue on the west side of the valley. Thanks to Nigel and Desiree for hosting the event. Board approved \$400 budget for the event [Michael | Bill | Unanimous]. Chris will move the porta-potty from Monitor to Nigel's for the BBQ. Nigel and Chris will get the grills.
  - **Fall Century:** No Report.
  - **Adopt A Highway:** Signs have been replaced and our coverage area has been extended towards Turtle Rock. We have the permits for this year. Gloves and hard hats are still pending. Jordan would like to schedule an early cleanup in May.
  - **Pinenut Cracker:** Joseph met with Keith at Big Daddy's and he expressed interest in restarting the Pinenut. Brian will meet with Keith to bring him up to speed.
  - **Challenge:** Michael reported that all permits and service contracts have been filed ahead of schedule. Marketing is behind schedule due to problems with the email host and delays with the Chamber partnership agreement.
  - **Training Series:** Training series registration is going really well and we need more club members to ride as ambassadors. All training series participants were granted honorary memberships: [Michael | Nigel | Unanimous].
  - **Bike Advocacy:** NDOT is asking for input on the US395 corridor through Douglas County. Members are encouraged to participate.
2. **Spring Party:** Budget for the spring party was set at \$700 [Bill | Michael | Unanimous]. Bill will work on PR. Allen will work on local merchants. Michael will handle shopping and food and update the setup plan. Board to come at 5pm to help with setup.
  3. **Rider Roundup:** Jennie is leading the long ride. Dave will lead another and Lyn will lead the third. Nigel will try to recruit someone to lead the MTB ride.
  4. **New Local Merchant:** Win's Wheels on Mica has requested a listing as a local merchant. Greg and Michael will update the website and newsletter accordingly as there was no objection.
  5. **Organizational Members:** All local merchants should be on the organizational member list. Board members should identify any errors are required updates in the current list.
  6. **Ratification of Chamber Partnership Agreement:** The board agreed and approved for Bruce to sign. [Michael | Bill | Unanimous].
  7. **Next Meeting:** Monday, May 6, 2024, 6 pm, Jethros in Gardnerville.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm



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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Spring Membership Party	Thu, April 11
Spring Rider Roundup	Sat, April 13
Tahoe Ham Cram	Sat, April 27
Annual Memorial Cyclorama and BBQ	Sat, May 18
Alta Alpina Challenge	Sat, June 29

**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](mailto: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 **May 6** at **Jethro's** in the **Gardnerville Ranchos.**

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