



# Off The Back



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## Important Dates:

- Nov. 5  
Board Meeting only  
6:30 p.m.  
Matt & Melissa  
Hodgson's House  
in Eureka
- Nov. 25  
Close of slate for  
new officers
- Dec. 3  
General Meeting  
for election of  
new officers, Six  
Rivers Brewery in  
McKinleyville

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

With winter knocking on the door, it's time to remind members that all of the club offices will be up for election at the next general membership meeting. The meeting will be December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Six Rivers Brewery in McKinleyville at 6:30 p.m. You must be a member and be present to vote. So, mark your calendars and plan on voting in your new officers on the first Monday in December. Currently, the Nominating Committee is developing a slate of qualified members to hold the office positions of president, vice president, treasurer, secretary, newsletter editor, & web site director. If you would like to nominate a member to

be considered for the slate you must do so by email or phone no later than November 25. You and the nominee must be a member of good standing within the Club. Call 442-0726 or email [mjdostal@humboldt1.com](mailto:mjdostal@humboldt1.com). This is the membership's chance to get more involved with the Club and promote some positive changes. I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you!

With the light leaving us I hope to see you on the Wednesday night ride or on one of the many weekend rides mentioned in the ride calendar. Ride hard and often!

John Dostal

## Free Bike!

The Premiere of **NEW WORLD DISORDER** and **CHAINSMOKE 2** will be at Cafe Tomo on Tuesday November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00. There will be a awesome mountain bike raffled along with mucho other prizes! Drop in to Revolution Bicycle to see the bike and buy some raffle tickets; \$2

each or 6 for \$10. The show will be \$5 at the door and includes two raffle tickets. The proceeds are a benefit for the BBC (that's us).

Mark this one on your calendar! It is going to be great!

## Rules for the Ride

Non-members are welcome on all Club rides. But, the following guidelines must be followed by all cyclists:

- **Helmets are mandatory!**
- Wear comfortable and adequate clothing for the ride.
- Bring the basic tools to repair your bike ( pump, patch kit, various wrenches, & spare

tube ).

- Some tool options include a spoke wrench and a chain tool.
- Food and drink along with money for food, calls, or fixing that blown tire.
- Have fun! That's what riding a bike is all about.

# EVENTS

**Trail 13 Work Days:** Meet at Revolution Bicycle in Arcata at 10AM on the 18<sup>th</sup> of November. We are nearing completion of this trail renovation and the City of Arcata is very pleased with our participation. Come out and see the results of our hard work.

**Nominate a member for an Office:** Submit a

nomination before November 25<sup>th</sup>. Call 442-0726 or Email [mjdostal@humboldt1.com](mailto:mjdostal@humboldt1.com).

**December General Meeting & Elections:** The next general meeting will take place at Six Rivers Brewery in McKinleyville on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm. We will be voting on officers for the next year.

## GOOD RIDES HEARD ABOUT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

The following list of rides are not all put on by the BBC, but are rides that a lot of our members do. It was recommended to the editor to list some of these gems so that the word would spread. Do you have a great weekly ride you would like to list in the Grapevine? Give John a Call at 442-0726 and we'll add you to the list!

**Saturday 9AM @ Henderson Center Bikes**  
Eureka, Road ride 30-40 miles on rolling hills at a moderate pace. Expect 0-10 riders.

**Sunday 10AM @ Muddy Waters Arcata,** Road ride, believed to be a hammer-fest, mileage & riders unknown.

**Sunday 9AM @ Life Cycle Arcata,** Road ride with Vince & Co. fast pace or big miles.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT RIDE-** Our Club ride! Meets @ Revolution Bikes Arcata. Be ready to ride at 6:30PM. We will Mountain Bike in the Community Forest Rain or Moon. Even if you don't have a light you should try this. It's big fun! There are enough members with lights to make it doable even with a cheap light. Pace is moderate with a two group option.

**Saturday 9am @ Revolution Bicycle Arcata,** Mountain Bike ride rain or shine. Sometimes DH shuttles, sometimes XC trail rides. Watch the ride board at Revolution for updates.

## Just Freewheeling

It's been a good year for the Bigfoot Bicycle Club. The Poker Run, the Bike Swap Meet, the By-laws, the club rides, the trail work, it has all been fun. Next year we are planning to put on a major road event/fund raiser and to do the poker run family ride. Trail 13 will continue to be developed with the hopes of new Community Forest trails to come. Our membership has passed 50 and with these numbers hopefully the strength to make Humboldt County a better place to cycle! We encourage and need the input and support of our membership to improve the cycling environment

promoted by the Club. The current Board is receptive to your needs, wants and desires. A simple "that-a-boy" or "try this..." goes a long way in giving the Board the feedback needed to push the Club in the right direction. Remember, failure to vote or express your opinions is a silent "you are doing a good job, keep it up" to the Board. Thanks for a great year and we look forward to even more success in the years to come.

Board of Directors

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