



# PACELINE

**Alta Alpina  
Cycling Club**

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## **AACC Weekend Ride Schedule—Feb/Mar**

Bill Magladry, Weekend Ride Coordinator

There will be both fast and social pace versions of our weekend rides—just show up and join the group of your choice.

Members are encouraged to post their own rides to the club rideboard. The Alta Alpina rideboard is a fantastic way to link up with people to ride with. Use the rideboard on the club's website to post a ride you're planning so that other club members can join you. Just visit [www.altaalpina.org/rideboard/](http://www.altaalpina.org/rideboard/)

### **Thursday, February 27, 2020 — Diamond Valley Loop**

Meet Leon at the Bottom of Kingsbury (Carson Valley side), ready to ride at 10:00am. This 30 mile ride out to Diamond Valley and back will be at a medium pace.

### **Saturday, February 29, 2020 — Genoa to Diamond Valley**

Meet Jennie in Genoa at the Genoa Town Park on Nixon Street. (Nixon is the continuation of Genoa Lane.) This is an easy-paced, social ride on rolling terrain. If 40 miles is too much for early season, ride with us as far as you want and turn around - there may be others that want to do the same. Departure time from Genoa is noon.

### **Saturday, March 7, 2020 — Pinyon Trail**

Meet Bill at the Pinenut/Pinyon trailhead, about 2 miles past Dump Road on the right. Be ready to roll at 2:00pm. This is a mountain bike ride on the Pinyon Trail which will be about 14 miles.

### **Saturday, March 14, 2020 — Trees to Grover Hot Springs**

Meet Randy at the big trees at the corner of Fairview and Frederickburg, ready to ride at 11am. We'll ride to Grover Hot Springs via Fredericksburg and Carson River Road. Snacks available to purchase and bathrooms available in Markleeville.

### **Sunday, March 29, 2020 — To Ebbetts and Grover Hot Springs**

Meet Leon in Woodfords, ready to ride at 10am. We'll ride to the base of Ebbetts then back to Markleeville for an out-and-back to Grover Hot Springs before returning to Woodfords (about 30 miles).

### **Sunday, April 4, 2020 — Virginia City**

Meet at Governor's Fields, Carson City NV, at Roop and Evalyn. Be ready to ride at 11am. We'll take some nice bike routes through Carson City, then out US 50 and take the truck route up to Virginia City. The full ride includes the Lousetown loop (about 50 miles/4000ft), but in the past half the group turns around at Virginia City (about 35 miles/2000ft), so if you want to do that you'll probably have company for the ride back to Carson City.

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## **Time to Renew Your Membership!**

If you haven't already done so, please renew your membership today!

Visit the club website at:

[http://altaalpina.org/membership/join\\_renew.php](http://altaalpina.org/membership/join_renew.php)

You'll need the email address that you specified for club communications. If you have questions, or problems, contact membership coordinator Tod Conover at: [membership@altaalpina.org](mailto:membership@altaalpina.org)

## **We're Looking for Photos from Club and Other Local rides!**

Please send your photos to: [photos@altaalpina.org](mailto:photos@altaalpina.org)



## Presidential Posting

Nigel Leigh, President

Every cloud has a silver lining. The cloud I'm referring to here is our lack of clouds, hence our lack of rain & snow, and our relative lack of coolth. So those of us who like to spend the winter skiing have been getting a little testy recently. And seeing no respite in the disappointingly nice forecasts...

But I do know of one type of skiing which has been rather good recently. Its an unusual one, in which the uphill travel is powered by muscle rather than machine, and the illumination comes via the moon rather than straight from the sun. Yes, each full moon we've been picking a calm clear night and skinning up Heavenly to the peak of East Peak. Beautiful views! And often a beautiful ski down on a freshly groomed trail. If conditions are OK next month, around March 8, I'll post it to the ride board so others can join in.

And looking further ahead for the ride board, your industrious and highly under paid board has been



planning events spanning from April into the distance future. They're busy with all manner of other things too, from budgets and insurance to web pages and race chip prep.

On a seemingly unrelated note, I saw a wonderful sight at work recently. It was Kyle Brown. He was walking. In the middle of last year his walking and working were put on hold, following a nasty accident while he was a volunteer motorcycle support for the Challenge. Its been a long slow recovery, but he's in good spirits and nearing a full recovery. His only permanent loss seems to be about an hour's memory. Phew, good outcome!

With that cloud cleared, its time to find the silver lining to our winter skiing blues. As cyclists I think you've worked this one out already. In fact I can see you have, from the numbers out on Foothill road, and the weekend throng at Clear Creek. Good on ya, make the most of it!

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## Carson Valley Trails Association Meeting

March 4 - 5:30pm to 7:00pm - Douglas County Community & Senior Center

The Carson Valley Trails Association is holding their annual membership meeting on Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup>. This is your opportunity to join the CVTA and learn about all their plans for trails around Carson Valley.

Alta Alpina members who enjoy riding Clear Creek Trail, Pinyon Trail, or the Genoa Trail System owe the CVTA for the awesome planning, permitting, trail building, and trail maintenance that make these trails great.

The meeting takes place in the Grand View Dining Room inside the Douglas County Community Center. There will be refreshments and a no-host bar.



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## Leon's Burlington to Montreal Trip

September 10 to 19

Leon Malmel is organizing a six day/five night riding trip from Burlington, Vermont to Montreal, Quebec. If you're interested in joining his group, check out his posting on the rideboard at: <http://www.altaalpina.org/rideboard/>

Remember: Daylight Savings Time Starts Sunday March 8



## 2020 Alta Alpina Events and Activities

### Spring Membership Party Tuesday April 2

Join us for the annual spring membership party where we kick off the riding season. Enjoy great food, make new friends, and learn more about all the events and activities planned for 2020.



### Weekend Club Rides Every Weekend Starting in April

There's a club ride or activity virtually every weekend from April to October. Club rides vary in distance and terrain but always feature post ride snacks. Check the rideboard on the website or newsletter for details.



### Alta Alpina Challenge Saturday June 27

The Alta Alpina Challenge—Riding the Wild Sierra is the club's annual fund raising event. We host riders from around our neighborhood and around the world to challenge themselves on our local roads and mountain passes.



### Tim Rowe Memorial Fall Century October 3 or 4

Another free event for members, the Alta Alpina Fall Century is the last big ride of the year. The out-and-back ride from Wellington to Bridgeport features a rest stop coming and going and a Pizza Dinner at the finish.



### Thursday Night Races Starting Thursday April 16

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to enter these races - you don't have to consider yourself a racer to participate. The races have four categories, A through D, where A's are the fastest.



### Ray Rickard Memorial Spring Century Sunday May 24

This event is free to club members and this year will feature 3 different route options: 36 mile (Diamond Valley Loop), 65 mile (out-and-back), 70 mile (full loop).



### Carson Valley Adventure Ride Series August / September / October

This new series of three mixed terrain events is scheduled towards the end of the season. Our new mixed terrain website also maps out 16 year-round mixed terrain training rides.



### Annual End of Season Party November 18

At our annual general membership meeting, awards dinner and end of the year party we celebrate the year with great food and presentations of race series awards.





# Alta Alpina Challenge: Riding the Wild Sierra

Mark Your Calendars: June 27, 2020

There's a lot new this year for the Alta Alpina Challenge. We've added new ride options including Audry's 7 Pass Challenge which drops Kingsbury for people who don't want to wake up early enough to ride the 8 Pass Challenge. Everyone who completes this challenge is eligible for a newly designed 7 Pass Finisher Jersey. Likewise there is a newly designed 5 Pass Finisher Jersey for those who complete the classic 5 Pass Challenge. We're also working with the team at Hung-A-Lel-Ti to host a breakfast and recovery ride on Sunday June 28. For all the details check out the all new website at:

[www.altaalpina.org/challenge](http://www.altaalpina.org/challenge)

Do you have your volunteer assignment for the Alta Alpina Challenge on June 27? Glynnis Miller is our new volunteer coordinator and you can reach her at [volunteers@altaalpina.org](mailto:volunteers@altaalpina.org).

**June 27**

- New Classic 5 Pass Challenge
- New Audry's 7 Pass Challenge
- Alta Alpina 8 Pass Challenge
- New Brush with Death

www.AltaAlpina.org/challenge

Logos: Alta Alpina Challenge Wild Sierra, Hammer Nutrition, LAS, Alta Alpina Cycling Club

Amazing Scenery  
Challenging Terrain  
Epic Bicycle Adventures

**CARSON VALLEY ADVENTURE RIDE SERIES**

Presented by Alta Alpina Cycling Club

www.CVAdventureRides.org

Logos: Carson Valley Adventure Ride Series, Nevada, Carson Valley Nevada

## Carson Valley Adventure Ride Series

Three Fall Mixed Terrain Events and Year-Round Mixed Terrain Rides

We've launched the new website for the Carson Valley Adventure Ride Series. Check it out at:

[CVAdventureRides.org](http://CVAdventureRides.org)

We've mapped out 5 big event loops, each with one or two shorter ride options. Each year we'll host 3 of the 5 routes in a series spanning August, September, and October. We've also mapped out 16 training/fun mixed terrain rides that people can ride any time.



## Board Meeting Minutes—January 14, 2020

Secretary: Michael Bayer; Other Board Members: Desiree Aarts (Race Steward); Drew Bray (NICA Team Coach); Tod Conover (Membership); Frank Dixon (Death Ride Training Series); Lee Griffith (Spring Century); Lori Kroboth (Treasurer); Nigel Leigh (President); Tammy Lundquist (Vice-president); Carlo Luri (Advocacy); Mel Maalouf (Junior Team); Bill Magladry (Weekend Rides); Glynnis Miller (Volunteers); Lori Piccini (Clothing); Kiley Reid (Race Steward); Jim Sadilek (Website); Dave Scarborough (Fall Century); Thomas Walker (Highway Cleanup); Gregg Westerbeck (Membership Growth and Social Media)

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm

Venue: Lakeside Inn & Casino

Approval of December 2019 Minutes [Nigel/Bill/Unanimous]

### 1. Monthly Status Reports:

- **Treasurer:** The current checking account balance is \$7,827.98. The Paypal balance is \$1470.03.
- **Membership:** Tod reported that he plans on organizing the Spring Party in the traditional format. We have reserved the CVIC hall but Tod is exploring alternatives in South Lake Tahoe.
- **Weekend Rides:** Bill will look into a proposed “Spring Rider Round-up” ride event on Saturday April 11. Bill will be confirming the weekend ride leaders for the first half of the 2020 ride season and will meet with them to set the weekend ride calendar. Between special events, the Training Ride Series, and highway cleanups, many weekends already have a scheduled weekend ride so we may be able to schedule a second complementary ride on some weekends. Rick has indicated that he is available for the second half of the season.
- **Newsletter:** As usual, there will be no January newsletter but Michael will distribute meeting minutes to the board members prior to the next meeting. The February newsletter will come out shortly after the February board meeting. Michael requested content for the first 2020 newsletter prior to that.
- **Website:** Jim is working to update all the pages with the new banner. The home page now has a link showing that registration is now open.
- **Insurance:** The board approved \$575 for the 2020 D&O insurance. [Nigel/Tod/Unanimous] Michael reported that the quote for general liability insurance will arrive in about 2 weeks and the board will need to approve this by email
- **vote as this needs to be purchase before the end of the month..**
- **Weekly Road Races:** Joseph is working through all the race gear and materials. He is contacting people who have not returned chips after the 2019 season so they can be tested and refurbished or replaced as necessary.
- **Junior Team:** Carlo reported that planning for the 2020 NICA season is underway. Recruiting for new families (students and coaches) will kick-off in April. Riding starts in July with four league races later in the year.
- **Adopt A Highway:** Thomas has confirmed all the dates on the proposed calendar.
- **Pinenut Cracker:** Brian reports that the fairgrounds are available for our desired date but his meeting with the BLM did not go well and we may have to postpone to May 2021.
- **Mixed Terrain:** The first phase of the new website for the mixed terrain series is up and running at [CVAdventureRides.org](http://CVAdventureRides.org). This version of the website emphasizes the Carson Valley as the ultimate destination for mixed terrain riding with 16 year-round rides. Michael is requesting feedback on the website.
- **Challenge:** The Challenge website has been completely overhauled addressing all the feedback received in past years and making it mobile-friendly. There are all new maps, profiles, GPX files, and details. Dennis Pederson has been working through the holidays to rewrite the interactive registration software featuring the training series and other add-on options new for 2020. The design for everything ties into the other marketing materials including print ads, social media ads, postcards, and posters. The board approved \$375 for posters and postcards. [Michael/Nigel/Unanimous]
- **Bike Advocacy:** Carlo is working with a group looking to bring the International Trails



Symposium to Reno in 2021. Carlo also reported that work is continuing on the trail from Minden to Reno on the Virginia and Truckee Trail based on the path of the V&T railway. Carlo also reported on efforts to add bike lanes to Centerville Road during planned repaving efforts. Douglas County will be reviewing the county trails plan in 2020 so there will likely be an opportunity for the club to contribute and integrate the new mixed terrain year-round routes.

- **Spring Century:** Lee announced that the Spring Century start/finish will be at Nigel’s house this year. We’ll park the mobile porta potty there.
- **Social Media:** Gregg has updated and made postings on the club and Challenge Facebook page. He hasn’t been able to update the Instagram or Twitter accounts..

2. **Death Ride Agreement:** Nigel reviewed the draft contract with Alpine County Chamber of Commerce

regarding the 2020 Death Ride Training Ride Series. He proposed some changes to the Chamber and is awaiting a new draft.

3. **Review of Draft Club Calendar:** The board reviewed the latest draft of the club’s 2020 calendar. It was decided to switch the date for The Brunswick to October 10 and the date of the fall century to the weekend of October 3. Training series dates were also swapped around. Board meeting locations for the balance of the year were decided.
4. **Budgeting:** Lori will consolidate all the individual project/group budgets. Board members should submit spreadsheets with the 2020 budgets they are responsible for to her.
5. **Next Meeting:** Monday, February 3, 2020, 6 pm, Jethros in Gardnerville.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm

### Board Meeting Minutes—February 4, 2020

Secretary: Michael Bayer; Other Board Members: Drew Bray (NICA Team Coach); Frank Dixon (Death Ride Training Series); Lee Griffith (Spring Century); Lori Kroboth (Treasurer); Nigel Leigh (President); Tammy Lundquist (Vice-president--by phone); Carlo Luri (Advocacy); Bill Magladry (Weekend Rides); Jim Sadilek (Website

Meeting called to order at 6:08 pm

Venue: Jethros, Gardnerville Ranchos

Approval of January 2020 Minutes [Tammy/Nigel/ Unanimous]

1. **Monthly Status Reports:**

- **Treasurer:** The current checking account balance is \$9514.92. The Paypal balance is \$4791.36. Frank exported numbers from the 2019 accounting system to get Lori started with budgeting.
- **Membership:** The spring party is scheduled for South Lake Tahoe. Tod has reserved the American Legion Hall for \$50.
- **Weekend Rides:** Bill organized a ride on Saturday that was well attended. Bill held a first meeting of ride leaders to begin setting the calendar for the 2020 season.
- **Newsletter:** Michael will get the January/ February newsletter completed as soon as possible. Submissions would be greatly

appreciated.

- **Website:** Challenge link has been updated and meetings are being updated. Jim has updated all the HTML pages and is moving on to the banners for the PHP pages. Jim paid for 3 years of domain name registrations.
- **Insurance:** Renewal of the General Liability Insurance policy was approved by the board by email votes. General Liability insurance was slightly up at \$1076.90. This is based on the number of members we expect for the year. We’ll top up this number as our membership count increases. We’re deferring property insurance for the time being. We’re still waiting on quotes for race insurance and event insurance.
- **Weekly Road Races:** Joseph prepared and distributed a proposed budget for the 2020 race series. The Webscorer subscription needs to be renewed before April 10. Joseph will coordinate with Lori to get this paid.



- **Junior Team:** Drew presented a report on the status of the NICA team. The team is still growing and they are planning some pre-season activities and an enhanced training program to support the diversity of skill levels. Nigel suggested that the Juniors should be encouraged to cross train in the Thursday evening races.
  - **Adopt A Highway:** No report.
  - **Pinenut Cracker:** Efforts to get a permit for May 2020 were unsuccessful and the calendar for the fall is already full. The focus now should be making it happen for May 2021.
  - **Mixed Terrain:** Michael reported that he and Carlo met with management of Douglas County and we have their support. Michael will be presenting to the Douglas County Parks & Recs commission as a follow-up. We now have the support of CVMC which has agreed to help recruit volunteers, provide rider give-aways, provide rehydration stations, and encourage employees to participate. Michael is also meeting with local hotels and other groups. Michael is looking for feedback on the website to incorporate into the next iteration. Ads for the project are running in Cycle California and Adventure Sports Journal.
  - **Challenge:** Dennis Pederson has been working really hard to further refine the version of the website for mobile devices and Michael has been rewriting the registration processing/CRM system to reflect all the new ride options and all the email confirmations and email follow-ups. We're recruiting volunteers to distribute posters and cards at events and with in-person visits to bike stores and other locations. Ads are running in Cycle California and Adventure Sports Journal.
  - **Bike Advocacy:** Carlo is following up with Douglas County regarding the use of GIS information to help identify all the landowners near the path of the mixed terrain routes.
  - **Spring Century:** Lee has review the maps prepared by Michael and is exploring the possibility of having posters to help promote the event to help grow membership.
  - **Social Media:** Gregg submitted a report by email as he is traveling. He has been unable to access the club's Twitter and Instagram accounts. Carlo will contact Kimberly to see if we can get her help to get back control of the accounts.
  - **Training Ride Series:** Nigel reported that all is set with our agreement with the Chamber. People are starting to register for the series. Frank will connect with the Chamber and work with Michael on details. Michael has prepared detailed GPX files to send to participants just prior to the rides (assuming that there are no last minute changes).
2. **Alta Alpina Challenge Budget:** Michael distributed copies of the proposed budget for the event These included low and high registration numbers with estimated revenue and expenses for each scenario. Budget was approved [Michael/Bill/Unanimous]. Lori will incorporate it into the club budget.
  3. **Next Meeting:** Monday, March 2, 2020, 6 pm, Lakeview Inn in Stateline.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm

## Local Merchant Discount Program

Visit the merchant, peruse their shops and find out what you can buy as a benefit of being an AACC member. Details about local merchant offers is listed under "Merchant Discounts" on our website at [www.AltaAlpina.org](http://www.AltaAlpina.org).





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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

CVTA Annual Meeting    .....Wed., March 4  
    Spring Party            .....Thu., April 2  
 Thursday Night Races    .....Thu., April 16  
 Memorial Spring Century   .....Sun., May 24  
 Alta Alpina Challenge    .....Sat., Jun 27

**MOVED? GOT NEW CONTACT INFO?**  
 Have you moved? Has your e-mail address changed?  
 Don't miss out on the latest AACC happenings!  
 Update your info at [www.AltAlpina.org](http://www.AltAlpina.org); click on "Membership"

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The club is about and for you! All AACC members are welcomed to participate in our **Board Meetings** held the **first Monday of each month at 6:00 pm.** The location alternates between the Carson Valley and South Lake Tahoe.. Join us on **March 2** at the **Lakeside Inn** in **Stateline.**

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