



## RUF RUI TOGETHER

#### 2024 is an exciting year for the Bicycle Coalition of Maine, with many ways to get involved.

We want to bring people together to learn, take action, and have fun, all in the name of making Maine a safer place to bike, walk, and roll! Our free and low-cost educational programming for children and adults is made possible thanks to generous support from our BCM community. We hope you'll join us for our events and programs throughout the state this year, and find the activity that gets you outdoors experiencing the best of Maine!





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## GLOBAL ROAD SAFETY WEEK

The BCM commemorates Bike Month and the UN's Global Road Safety Week each year with a series of statewide events designed to raise awareness about road safety for all users. Please check our website or call us for more information.

#### JOIN US:

Tuesday May 14, 12-1:30 Thursday May 16, 5-6:30 Urban Bicycling Classes

Wednesday, May 15 Ride of Silence

Friday, May 17 Bike to Work Day

bikemaine.org/global-roadsafety-week-events/





#### **URBAN BICYCLING CLASSES**

Learn how to navigate traffic safely and brush up on the rules of the road.



#### **FIX-A-BIKE WORKSHOPS**

Learn basic bike maintenance and roadside rescue skills and be prepared for those inevitable flat tires!



#### TRAIL RIDING CLINICS

Interested in trying gravel riding or mountain biking? Not sure where to start? Our clinics help riders of all levels build their trail-riding skills



#### **YOUTH BIKE RODEOS**

Have fun and learn safe bicycle-driving on a mock-traffic course! Students practice bikehandling skills and basic rules of the road on pedal or balance bikes.



Looking to get more comfortable on your bike? Interested in learning how to repair your bike yourself? Classes happening around Maine!



Check our online Event Calendar for the most up-to-date location & schedule

#### bikemaine.org/events

## WOMEN, FEMMES, & THEMS SUMMER RIDE SERIES

All women, femme, transgender, & non-binary riders are invited to join us for a casual ride series happening in Greater Portland. These are relaxed, welcoming, no-drop rides—no group riding experience required!



The series runs from May to September. Please check our website for details.

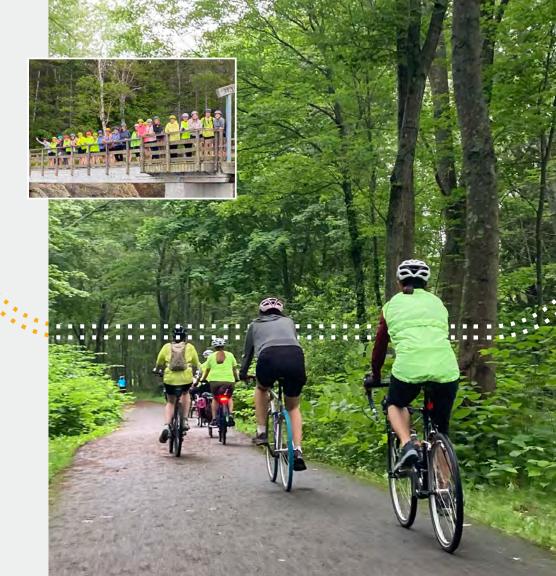
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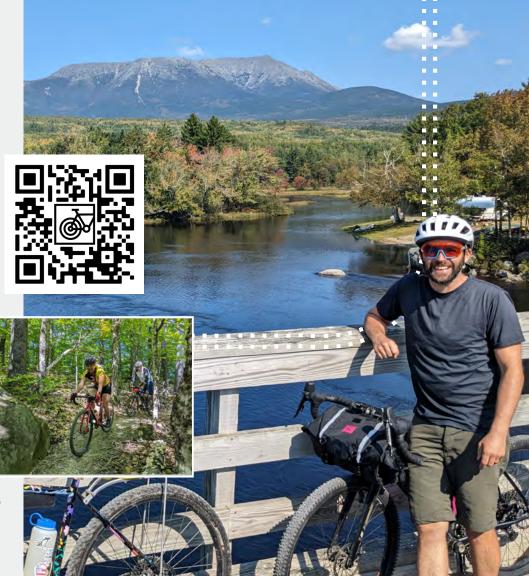
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## MAINE WOODS RAMBLER SEPTEMBER 14

In its fourth year, our Maine Woods Rambler, held in partnership with the New England Outdoor Center and Katahdin Area Trails, is just getting better and better. With 20k, 50k, and 100k routes, there is a challenge for everyone with tough climbs, fast descents, and trails opened exclusively for this ride. The reward is sweeping vistas of the surrounding lakes, rivers, and Baxter peaks, and an afterparty at the NEOC.

See website for full details and registration information.

#### bikemaine.org/the-maine-woods-rambler



## TRUST TO TRAIL JOY RIDE FUNDRAISER

#### **JUNE 29**

Experience the best of Maine summer while supporting the BCM at our Trust to Trail Joy Ride Fundraiser. Spend a day with your fellow BCM supporters on this 18 mile coastal loop in Kennebunkport including a rest stop at Timber Point for "shore-cuterie" on the beach and a chance to explore local trails. The ride ends with a picnic celebration at the Kennebunkport Conservation Trust with beverages from local Maine producers, live music, and more.

#### bikemaine.org/trust-to-trail-joyride-fundraiser







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### ABOUT THE TRUST TO TRAIL

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This event is a fundraiser with proceeds supporting our education and advocacy work. Our education programs are offered for free statewide and our advocacy efforts at the state and local levels work for all Mainers to provide access to safer (and better) walking and biking in Maine.

This is an excellent opportunity to directly support our programs as well as experience some of the best of Maine. Come enjoy this ride and ensure that our important work can continue!

## **GET INVOLVED**

Be sure to follow us on social media or sign up for our monthly newsletter and never miss an update about BCM events and programs.

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#### **RESOURCES**



#### WHERE TO RIDE bikemaine.org/where-to-ride

Looking for new places to ride your bike in Maine? Look no further than our Where to Ride page! Find dozens of curated routes to try across the state and download the routes right to your device. Watch for new routes coming this year!



#### MAINE BIKE SHOPS bikemaine.org/bike-shops

Shop local no matter where you are in Maine! With over 60 bike shops in the state, you'll find a favorite close to home or if you are traveling. Looking for rentals or to buy a new or used bike? Use our friendly guide!

#### **ADVOCATE & EDUCATE**



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#### **COMMUNITY SPOKES** bikemaine.org/spokes

Is there a bike/ped project you've always wanted to do in your town but haven't been sure where to start? Join our network of statewide Community Spokes and learn how to make change locally! You'll also get personal support from the BCM along the way.



#### TEACH WITH US bikemaine.org/teach-with-us/

#### **Bicycle Instructor Certification Course**

Are you interested in teaching others about biking and safety? Become a certified Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Education Instructor! Join dozens of other instructors throughout the state to spread the joy of biking to children and adults. All instructors are offered a stipend.



#### E-BIKE DEMOS bikemaine.org/e-bikes/

E-bikes are booming in popularity, they're fun and great for the environment. Are you involved with a community group or your town and interested in how e-bikes might be a great form of transportation? Request an E-bike demonstration today!

Check our online Event Calendar for upcoming training dates!

## WE'D LIKE TO SAY



#### Maine Beer Company



## **OUR BUSINESS SUPPORTERS**





### **HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2023**

We expanded our education capacity and celebrated legislative wins in 2023! Thanks to the continued support of our members, we were able to connect with, educate, and ride with thousands of people last year. We certified our first class of bicycle education instructors, advocated for and passed several bills in the statehouse, and welcomed fifty new Community Spokes into our network.

#### **30** Bicycle Education Instructors trained

5622 Children & adults educated about bicycle and pedestrian safety

**328 Educational events held statewide-we reached** all 16 counties!

**51** Community Spokes trained to advocate for safer streets in their communities

#### TO READ THE COMPLETE 2023 ANNUAL REPORT, GO TO BIKEMAINE.ORG/FINANCIALS







# YOUR SUPPORT

The Bicycle Coalition of Maine is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization powered by individual and business members and donors throughout Maine and beyond.

Whether you are an avid bike rider, passionate about pedestrian safety, or interested in climate action, there's a place for you at BCM. We encourage you to follow along, get involved, join a ride, take a class or contact us for more information. And if you are able, please support better and safer walking and biking in Maine.



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