



Our Events and Activities



America's oldest cycling event. NEW FORMAT: 2-4 days of loops based out of Chillicothe in festival format.



America's premier 7-day tour that explores a new region of Ohio's friendly towns every June. Safe, family-friendly, and the perfect introduction to extended bicycling.



A selective boutique adventure from Cincinnati to Cleveland on the Ohio to Erie Trail each May and October.



A selective seven day adventure crossing Ohio on a different route every July.



Knox County Biketoberfe

Get ready to shift gears and embrace the autumn spirit at the inaugural Knox County Biketober Fest. This is a weekend festival format based in Mt. Vernon.



Cycling Series & 1 Day Rides Our 10 day single rides that have highlighted Central Ohio's best cycling routes for over 40 years.



Weekly Training Rides
Recurring group rides for all
abilities. Our leaders provide safe
routes and welcoming sessions
for newer riders.



Bike Packing & Other Events Bikepacking clinics, overnight outings, and other special events like GAP Trail Adventure.



Hike, Backpack & Winter Activites Small group backpacking, a monthly hiking series, the annual Nordic Winter Getaway, and instructional clinics.

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1193 South Front Street, Columbus, OH 43206

On behalf of Columbus Outdoor Pursuits, we'd like to welcome you to the 36th annual Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure. This event has been a staple for thousands of cyclists for years. Exploring different regions of Ohio by bicycle and engaging with local communities has left an impact on all our lives. We are deeply grateful for your support, which has resulted in over \$1 million of grant awards over those three decades, to important initiatives via our Bicycle Development Fund.

We are excited to explore the northern coast region of Ohio this year! We are happy to report that GOBA has a strong future. Thank you for your passion and continued support!

Michael Kahrl President. Board of Directors Jeff Stephens Director, GOBA

GOBA 2025 GENERAL RULES & GUIDELINES

Hotline for on-road help: It's on your wristband - 440-813-4598

Calling the special number will put you in touch with a GOBA volunteer who can dispatch the appropriate GOBA SAG for non-life-threatening situations, such as dehydration or minor scrapes, or to offer assistance for a mechanical problem or fatigued rider.

For a serious medical situation or other emergency, riders should call 911 first !!

We will respond as quickly as possible, but be aware that the wait in nonemergencies could be several hours, depending on how busy our crews are

<u>Century Patch:</u> Please snap a picture of the Frosty Frog in Castalia and show us at the GOBA information Booth in order to receive your Century patch.

<u>At least 2 full water bottles</u> should be on every bicycle. Top them off and drink from them frequently.

Start Time: Sunrise is approximately 6:00am – Please don't start your ride prior to 6:00 am. NOTE - There is no GOBA SAG Support service until 7:00am

Rider Support: Daily 7:00am to 4 pm, EXCEPT for Sat 6/21 (ends at 2 PM).

If you need assistance on the route,

use the hotline number on your rider number, stay put & flag down the support vehicle with a thumbs-down gesture. GOBA SAG & repair vehicles will assist those with urgent situations first. If you do not have an urgent situation, you may wait a little longer for help. If you can fix your own flat, or at least carry the gear for it, you won't need to wait for the sag or repair truck.

If you are sagged more than twice

during GOBA week, your third SAG transport will be to your car, or you will be asked to make other arrangements for the remainder of the tour.

<u>Children 15 and under</u> are required to bicycle within eyesight of their parents/guardians. In Camp, parents/guardians are still responsible for the actions of their children.

GOBA Charging Station / Limited plug

in: The camping on GOBA is primitive for both tents and car-campers, with limited utility hookups reserved for medical equipment (like CPAP). We suggest using the new GOBA Charging station for charging e-bikes and other electronics. It has the capacity to charge 100+ phones/small battery packs and 24 e-bike batteries at a time.

Sharing the road: We have alerted communities in the area to request extra caution when sharing the road with us. However, we need to do our part as well. PLEASE do not go out on the route before daylight. Keep alert. Ride single file in the presence of passing vehicles...NO EXCEPTIONS!

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<u>Unforeseen detours</u> are possible on the route. Check the Info Board daily for route updates. Be prepared to walk your bike through construction zones, or for last minute changes.

Ride With GPS: An invitation link to join the GOBA event within Ride with GPS was emailed prior to the event. Once you use the link to RSVP, you will have access and be able to download the rider maps for each day. Please check in at Info Booth if you need the invite to be emailed to you again.

On Monday, 6/9, the GPS rider maps (like prior years) were made available for download on the GOBA website.

<u>Paper rider maps</u>: We hope you printed your own; however, a limited quantity are available at the Info Booth.

Keep with you a list of the names and rider numbers of other members of your group.

In the campgrounds, we appreciate your cooperation and attention to signage indicating where you can pitch your tent. No tent camping in or near buildings unless otherwise posted. GOBA, and its directors, reserve the right to require movement of a camp spot that jeopardizes GOBA's compliance with local and state health regulations. Observe marked fire lanes & respect the property of the local neighbors. There are no reserved camping sites. Camp rules are posted on the Info Board.

<u>Check the Info Board</u> on a regular basis in the Info Booth. Emergency messages from the GOBA phone line will be posted. You will also find route updates and weather forecasts.

GOBA's support system partners with local emergency squad transport on the route. If you go to the hospital, tell them that GOBA will be calling to arrange transportation for you and they should tell

GOBA when you'll be released, or if you have been admitted. You will be given a GOBA ER Feedback form by our Medical SAG, so that you can request info about your treatment there, which will enable our GOBA volunteer medical staff to participate in the continuity of your care. Don't forget your insurance card, you are responsible for paying for emergency room visit and local EMS squad transport.

Weather Emergency:

On the route: seek best and closest shelter immediately. In extreme cases, you may need to find the lowest ground level or a ditch.

<u>In Camp:</u> secure your tent and other belongings. Be prepared to move quickly and follow the directions of GOBA staff and law enforcement.

Severe weather shelters have been designated for each campground and are posted on the Info Board!

CAMP RULES

For the health and safety of all participants, we ask that you observe these camp rules:

- No alcohol in camp. No firearms in camp.
- No smoking within 50 feet of any tent structure or where signs prohibit.
- No animals in GOBA camp.
- No fires, open flames, cooking, fireworks (legal or not) in GOBA camp.
- No vehicles within 20 feet of any tent.
- Local fire codes do not allow camping inside buildings unless specifically designated for this. You will be asked to move if
 you do not observe this rule. Or local fire officials may require us to do this for you.
- Do not block emergency lanes.
- Pitch your tent only in designated areas, or you will be asked to move. If a significant safety issue is breached by the
 location of your tent (such as in a marked emergency lane), your tent will be moved for you.
- Health and fire codes require you to maintain at least 5 feet of separation between the three tents on your site and 10 feet from the tents on the adjacent site. In most counties, the marked campsites are required to be at least 1,000 square feet, with a maximum of three tents per site.
- No dumping of gray water on the ground. Use designated receptacles.
- For first aid in camp, seek assistance during the day from local first aid set up near the GOBA medical RV; during the night from the GOBA medical RV.
- Either GOBA staff (at information booth) or a local law enforcement officer, will be in GOBA camp around the clock. He or she can also help you locate emergency assistance. Call 911 in an emergency.
- Riders' vehicles will be allowed in the designated car-camper or other designated parking area. No vehicles other than GOBA official vehicles are allowed in the tent camping areas.
- Quiet hours are 9:30 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- No generators running, including in the car-camper parking area.
- The location of the designated Emergency Shelter will be posted on the GOBA Information Board each day in camp. If an
 emergency weather situation is threatening, follow instructions from GOBA staff and local public safety officials. Messages
 will be communicated via bullhorns if necessary.

CAR-CAMPER PARKING PASS RULES

- These credentials will let you enter with a car or camper in designated spaces at our camp facilities.
- No electricity, water, or other hookups are provided.
- All occupants of the vehicle must be registered, paid participants of GOBA 2025. GOBA wristbands are required.
- "CAR CAMP PARKING PASS" placards MUST BE DISPLAYED in your windshield throughout GOBA.
- No access to each new camp facility before 10 a.m.
- Follow the parking instructions of GOBA volunteers and staff at the campgrounds.
- Car Camper & RV/Trailer parking areas are mapped in the Rider Booklet.
- <u>Tents and other equipment may only be set in designated camping sites</u>. GOBA will try to provide sites adjacent to vehicle parking areas, but in some camps, this is not feasible.
- Don't drive on the cyclists' route, except for GOBA-designated rendezvous points.
- No hook up to water or sewage.
- Electricity may be available at some sites (fairgrounds) and approved by GOBA.
- The pass is only valid in a particular camp for the night(s) that GOBA is camping there.
- No vehicles shall be operated during the event for profit or commercial purposes.
- No auxiliary, gasoline-powered generators. Built-in RV generators are ok.

These rules will be strictly enforced to ensure that GOBA's Camp Permit with local Departments of Health are not compromised.

OVERVIEW & HOST CITY ITINERARY

Check the GOBA Information Booth for final, locations, food offerings, and attractions, etc. - or "daily tabs" on website via QR code



Saturday - Wood County Fairgrounds - Optional Parks Foundation Ride

• Food & Entertainment – Downtown Bowling Green – shuttles provided 4pm-9pm

<u>Sunday</u> – Optional loops from Bowling Green along Maumee River

- Breakfast On your own
- Lunch Grand Rapids Rita's Dairy Bar & Tour Issac Ludwig Mill after
- National Tractor Pulling Championships Museum adjacent to camp 3pm-5-pm (free)
- Dinner Use your "Downtown Dollars" provided by GOBA.
- Shuttles provided 1pm-9pm
- GOBA Opening Ceremony & Community Festival Wooster Green Downtown 4pm-8pm music by Ginger and the Snaps

Monday – Ride to Port Clinton

- Breakfast Food & Coffee trucks at Fairgrounds
- Lunch Lunch at the Schedel Arboretum & Gardens
- Dinner offered @ High School Cafeteria (\$11 Pasta feast) or Downtown
- GOBA Party at The Art Garage Dessert, wine/beer, and live band (all free/donation based) 20 studios and exhibits
- Shuttles provided 1pm-9pm

Tuesday - Marblehead Loop - This is the most scenic day!!

- Breakfast offered @ High School Cafeteria (\$8)
- Lunch at Lakeside Park! Shuttles will be available to/from Lakeside Tuesday only but we encourage you ride!
- Dinner Downtown Port Clinton restaurants & Perch Truck
- Entertainment Concert on Madison St. The Island Boys 6pm-9pm DORA available
- Shuttles provided 1pm-9pm

OVERVIEW & HOST CITY ITINERARY (Continued)

Wednesday - Fremont loop or additional Century loop day! Breakfast - Breakfast offered at High School Cafeteria (\$8)

- Special Tours to Cedar Point, Monsoon Bay Waterpark, and Liberty Aviation Museum (plane rides) Registration required.
- Special Shuttle to Catawba for ferry to Put-In-Bay 7:30am-10am out & 3pm-6pm back Ride to Catawba if you want to take bike to Island (9 miles each direction). South Bass Lighthouse open house 10am-2pm
- Dinner Golden GOBA at Ala Carte 5:00pm, Downtown restaurants & Perch Truck downtown shuttle 1pm-9pm
- Entertainment Concert on Madison St. The Island Boys 6pm-9pm DORA available

Thursday - Ride to Fremont

- Breakfast offered @ High School Cafeteria (\$8)
- Lunch in Lindsey Chateau Winery & Vineyard at mile 47
- Dinner GOBA provides BBQ feast, Ice Cream, Beer/Wine, & Live Band at the Rutherford Hayes Presidential Museum & Home (Museum entry free) 5pm-8pm
- Additional Hayes Home tours available for purchase
- Shuttles to downtown 1pm-4pm, All shuttles to Hayes Home 4pm-9pm

Friday - Tiffin Loop

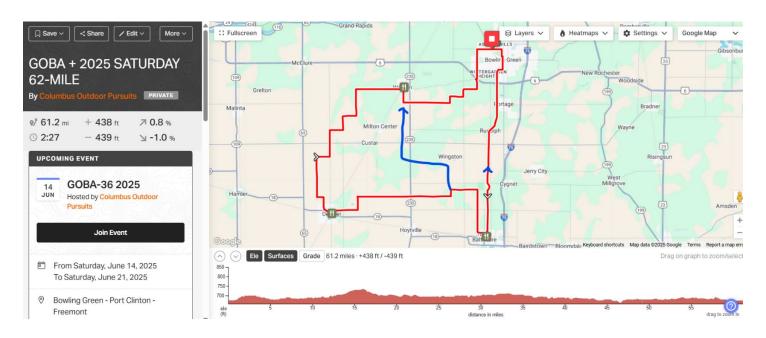
- Breakfast In camp outings provided by Terra State cafeteria (\$8)
- Special Tours of Hayes Home, Mr. Haye's Neighborhood walking tour, Jailhouse & Dungeon, and Ghoul Runnings Kayak Outings (both river and sunset on reservoir) Registration required. Community Pool also available. Shuttles 10am-9pm
- Lunch Entertainment Jamey Leigh at the Downtown Amphitheater noon-3pm.
- Dinner Provided by GOBA at camp. Beer tent available in camp. 4pm-6:30pm
- GOBA Talent Show 5:30pm-6:30pm followed by live band SeaJamz

Saturday – Ride to Bowling Green

Breakfast - Provided by GOBA at camp.

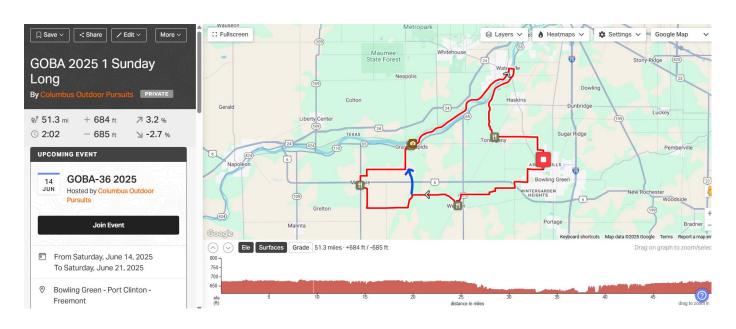


Saturday, June 14th - Bowling Green Parks Foundation Ride - 62, 45, or 30 miles - flat!



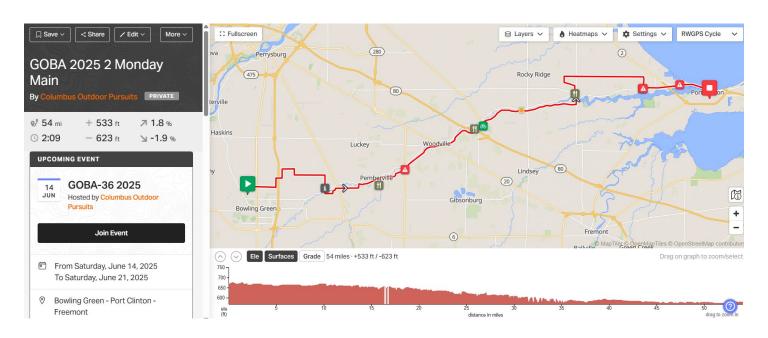
Post Ride Meal served by Parks Foundation @ Fairgrounds. Downtown Dinner on your own

Sunday – Maumee River Loop - 51 or 39 miles - Lunch in Grand Rapids, then tour the Issac Ludwig Mill



Sunday Night – GOBA provides "Downtown Dollars." Opening Ceremony, Community gathering with Ginger & the Snaps on Wooster Green!

Monday - 54 miles to Port Clinton - Lunch at the Schedel Arboretum & Gardens



Monday night – Dinner offered @ High School. Dessert, wine/beer, and live band at The Art Garage – (all free/donation based) - 20 studios and exhibits

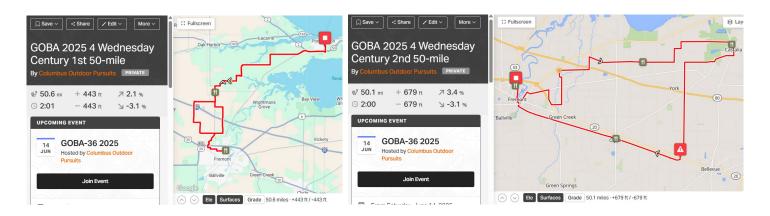
Tuesday – Mablehead Loop – 44, 35, or 21 miles - Lunch at the Lakeside Park!

Shuttles will be available to/from Lakeside - Tuesday only



Tuesday night – Downtown Restaruants, Live Band & DORA

Wednesday - Century Day! 100 or 50 miles - Lunch in Fremont



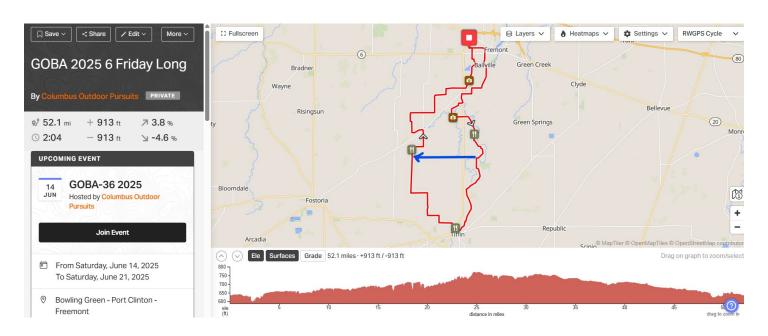
- Wednesday Special Trips with Shuttles Cedar Point, Monsoon Lagoon, & Aviation Museum.
- A shuttle will also run to/from Catawba for ferry to Put-In-Bay
- Wednesday Night Dinner offered @ High School. Golden GOBA Dinner
 Downtown. Live Entertainment on Madison Street Downtown DORA

Thursday to Fremont – 56 or 29 miles - Lunch in Lindsey - Chateau Winery & Vineyard at mile 47



Thursday night – GOBA provides BBQ feast, Ice Cream, Beer/Wine, & Live Band at the Rutherford Hayes Presidential Museum & Home (Museum entry free)

Friday - Loop to Tiffin 52 or 39 miles - Lunch in Tiffin



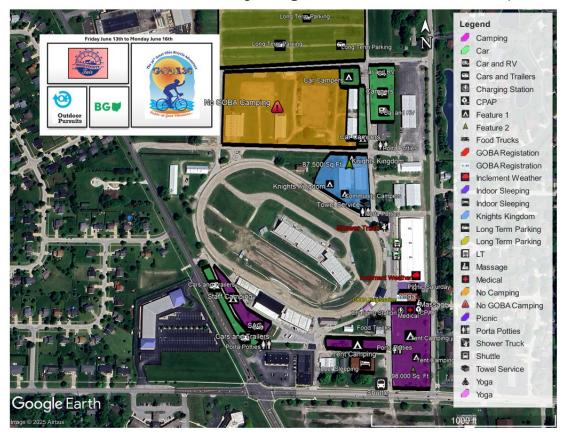
Friday night - Dinner provided by GOBA at camp - Talent Show & live band

Saturday – 41 miles - Breakfast provided by GOBA in camp



Course closes and all Support ends at 2:00pm That's a wrap! Where shall we explore next year?

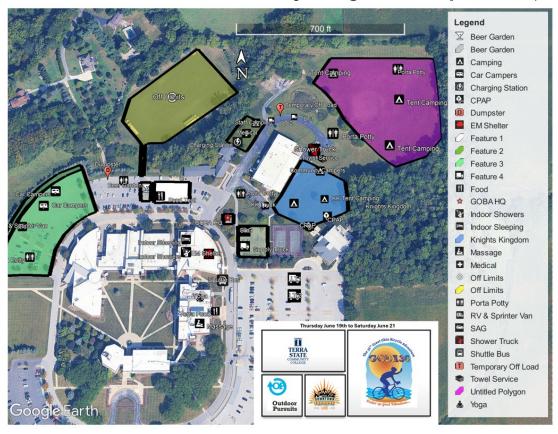
Bowling Green GOBAville - Wood County Fairgrounds - 13800 W. Poe Rd., Bowling Green



Port Clinton GOBAville - Port Clinton High School - 821 S Jefferson St., Port Clinton



Fremont GOBAville - Terra State Community College - 2830 Napoleon Rd., Fremont





"Hello fellow GOBA riders! My name is Kristine Hill, and I am so excited to have the opportunity to be able to offer some Gentle Yoga Classes during the GOBA tour. My goal is to focus on a gentle flow that offers a full body stretch while creating a supportive and inclusive space where all levels can feel comfortable and challenged. I believe yoga is for everyone, and I'm excited to guide you on your path! I completed my 200-hour yoga teacher training at Re:Gen Pilates in December 2023 then continued on to complete a 300-hour yoga teacher training at Lifetime Fitness in February 2025 with primary emphasis on Ashtanga, Vinyasa Flow, Slowburn, Hatha, SOL Guided Vinyasa, and Yin style classes. Hope to see you on the mat in June."

| | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 | Day 6 | Day 7 | Day 8 |
|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|
| | Saturday | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wed. | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| Location | Bowling | Bowling | Port | Port | Port | Fremont | Fremont | Bowling |
| | Green | Green | Clinton | Clinton | Clinton | | | Green |
| 8:00 AM | None | Gentle | None | None | Gentle | None | Gentle | None |
| | | Yoga | | | Yoga | | Yoga | |
| 3:00 PM | Gentle | Gentle | Gentle | None | Gentle | Gentle | Gentle | None |
| | Yoga | Yoga | Yoga | | Yoga | Yoga | Yoga | |

Massage Service will be provided by Glenn Mory - Walk-ups or guaranteed appointments via (727) 457-6994 or glenma21499@peoplepc.com

Helpful Links

ROUTE LINKS - GPS files and maps

GOBA RESOURCES "Daily Tabs" section website





BOWLING GREEN RESOURCES



TALENT SHOW

FRIDAY, JUNE 20 @ TERRA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Share your talent with fellow cyclists at this GOBA tradition!

Participants are encouraged to perform something cycle-related or that conveys the theme: PICKIN' UP GOOD VIBRATIONS.

- Performances should run 3 minutes or less.
- Props and costumes are encouraged but not necessary.
- Content must be appropriate for all ages. Provide a hard copy of lyrics and brief summary to the GOBA information desk for review by 7 p.m. Wednesday. Include main contact person's name and cell number, along with list of participants.
- Friday, participants arrive @ 5 p.m. to check-in; Show starts @ 5:30 p.m.

TEXT J.D. Spinner, GOBA Talent Show Guy, 330-730-7059 or just "holler at him" on the ride.









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