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# Pedalin' Times



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of the Columbia  
Bicycle Club

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2026

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## Rides/festivals

Several upcoming – see p3-5  
THIS one this weekend!

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## Bicycle and Pedestrian Meeting, April 15, 2026 by Frank Schmidt

### 1. *Vision Zero report.*

- a. At this point in the year, there have been two fatalities, one pedestrian crash near I-70 and one single-vehicle crash.
- b. The Safe Streets for All grant will go to Council for action in the next few months.
- c. The Complete Streets Plan is in process.

### 2. *Parks and Recreation report.*

- a. MKT Bridge #9 replacement: A public meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, April 30, at 4:30 pm** at the Columbia Parks and Recreation Office, Gentry Building, #1 S. 7th Street. The replacement plan employs a pre-fab bridge with a concrete approach. City Staff expect that a concrete approach will be smoother and less likely to erode. City staff will provide presentations to the appropriate Commissions followed by a report to City Council (date TBD). Following a public hearing (date TBD) City Council will evaluate whether to proceed with the construction project. Comments can be made on [beheard.como.gov](http://beheard.como.gov) or click [HERE](#)
- b. Colt Rail Bank. All comments were positive and City staff are working on the legalities of this project.

### 3. *“Improve I-70.”* The Commission sent a letter to the City Council proposing modifications that would improve bicycle and pedestrian safety at the intersections in the City where city streets meet or cross the expanded highway. Comment or get more info - click [HERE](#) and see page 6 for more details

### 4. *Business Loop 70 Improvement Project.* Comments have closed but updates and summaries are available [HERE](#) at [beheard.como.gov](http://beheard.como.gov) including plans and schedule

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## Pedalin' Times

Pedalin' Times is the official publication of the Columbia Bicycle Club, 2502 Spanish Bay Dr. Columbia, MO 65202. This is a not-for-profit corporation for the promotion of biking.

Pedalin' Times is published monthly. Deadline for submissions is the second Tuesday of the month.

Pedalin' Times welcomes articles that would be of interest to the membership. We request submissions for publication be Emailed to the editor at the address below

Articles may be edited for grammar, clarity, and good taste. The editor reserves the right to refuse publication of any item.

Annual dues for the Columbia Bicycle Club are \$20.00 (US) per household, on a calendar basis.

If you move, please let us know by sending an Email to Secretary Joe at the Email address below. We really do want you to get your copy of the newsletter.

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2026; [RAGBRAI](#) July 19-25 will be one of the shortest routes ever- also one of the top 10 hilliest ever. [Tour of Wyoming](#) in July – currently a waitlist – limited to 250 riders.

## Minutes from April 7<sup>th</sup> 2026 meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm.

11 members were present.

One Guest : Randy has been riding sine retirement last summer – a Trek and an EBike – mostly east of 63.

### Treasurer's Report -

Opening Balance 3/1/2026 : \$1966.10. Expenses Pizza \$65.80.  
Income : pizza donations \$65 and one membership Renewal \$20.  
Closing balance 3/31/2026 \$1985.30

### Old Business

- Reminder that Bike, Walk, and Wheel Week is May 2-10. CBC will staff a breakfast Station at Beet Box on Friday, May 8. Volunteers are needed between 6:30 am and 9:00 am.
- There are several upcoming events: Bear Creek Bluegrass on April 18, Furry Fifty gravel race at Cooper's Landing on May 2, Tour de Stooges in Lebanon, IL, on May 2, and Pedaler's Jamboree on May 23-24.
- The Rhett's Run cross race and the Criterium at the Columns are both on June 14. Calls for volunteers are expected but not yet out.

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### New Business:

- *By-Laws* : The proposed amended By-Laws for CBC were presented for discussion at the last meeting. Members present voted on accepting the amended ByLaws. Vote taken, passed unanimously by members present. Board members are BobG, DanS and Karen – pending someone contacting her. ExOfficio members are Joe and Brenda.
- Joe shared some details of their Great Bike Expedition, along EuroVelo15; he's around for several more weeks, but once they leave Joe will post updates via his usual means.
- Bike Rides discussed : [Minnesota BAM](#) is Aug 13-16

No further business was conducted. The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 pm as pizza arrived..

## Up coming rides that might be of interest – some local, some at a distance

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Off-Track Events is partnering with Walt's for the Pedaler's Jamboree! The Great Folks at Walt's will be providing mechanical support at the starting line at Flat Branch Park in Columbia, AND at the Kemper Park Campground in Booneville, AND several stops along the way!

If you are interested in renting a bike for the event Walt's will have a variety of offerings to choose from, as well as any gear you might need to stay riding all weekend long.

For more information about rentals or accessories, give Walt's a call at 573-886-9258. For more information about the event itself, checkout the Pedaler's Jamboree Website at the link above.



See you on the trail!

### [Furry Fifty](#)

Saturday, May 2, 2026 8:00 AM 5:00 PM  
Cooper's Landing

The successor to the Hairy Hundred gravel race, the Furry Fifty showcases some of Southern Boone County's premier gravel roads. The race is part of the Show Me Mo Gravel Series. Come join us to race or spectate this awesome event! For more information about registration, check out the link above



### [UFD Rhett's Run XC](#)

Sunday, June 14, 2026, 7:30 AM 1:00 PM  
Rhett's Run Trail ([map](#))

The United Federation of Dirt is returning to Cosmo Park for the Rhett's Run XC race! All proceeds from this race will be going to one of our fantastic community partners, COMOTA, so be sure to sign up for the event and show your support! For more information, visit the UFD's website at the link above.



### [Pedaler's Jamboree](#)

Sat, May 23, 2026 7:30 AM  
through  
Sun, May 24, 2026 4:00 PM

## [Criterium at the Columns](#)

Sunday, June 14, 2026 10:00 AM 4:00 PM

We are excited to announce that crit racing will return to downtown Columbia for another year!

Because 6<sup>th</sup> street is closed for construction

there will be a NEW Route this year!



There will be competition at every level including a free race for kids 10 and under.

For more information, visit the event registration page above This event is presented by CycleX Racing.

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## [Show-Me State Games XCO](#)

Sunday, July 19, 2026 8:00 AM 2:00 PM  
Rock Bridge Memorial State Park ([map](#))

The Show-Me State Games and the United Federation of Dirt are partnering up yet again to bring mountain bike racing back to Rock Bridge Memorial State Park.

The race will feature beginner, sport, expert, and marathon categories.

You can either register for the race at the link above or sign up on race day at the event.



## [Bike, Walk, & Wheel Week](#)

MAY 2—10, 2026

Bike, Walk, & Wheel Week is Columbia's annual celebration of using active transportation to get around our community. We're excited to host events during the week that focus on biking, walking, and wheeling for you to participate in!



Columbia's annual celebration of using active transportation *Events all week - for more info see*

[Farmer's Market](#) •

[Wheelchair & Bike Wash](#) •

[Local Motion Pictures](#) •

[Joyride](#) •

[Breakfast Station Day](#) •

[Mother's Day Ride](#)

### **20+ years of Bike, Walk, & Wheel Week**

Local Motion created Bike, Walk, & Wheel Week in partnership with Mayor Darwin Hindman in 2002. Each year the week-long series of events encourages hundreds of people in Columbia to be more active by walking, biking, using a wheelchair, or riding the bus in a fun, social setting.

[GET UPDATES & REMINDERS](#)

## BIKE, WALK & WHEEL WEEK EVENTS



### Bike, Walk, Wheel to the Farmers Market

SATURDAY, MAY 2

Visit us at the market to pedal a smoothie on our Blender Bike.

EVENT INFO



### Wheelchair & Bike Wash

TUESDAY, MAY 5

Free event where we'll get your wheels sparkling clean

EVENT INFO



### Joyride Book Discussion

THURSDAY, MAY 7

Join us for a book discussion with author Mia Birk on her inspiring story "Joyride"

EVENT INFO



### Breakfast Station Day

FRIDAY, MAY 8

Visit us at the market to pedal a smoothie on our Blender Bike

EVENT INFO



### Mother's Day Family Fun Ride

SUNDAY, MAY 10

Easy bike ride (or walk!) starting at Twin Lakes Park

EVENT INFO

REMINDER : Your CBC will be hosting the Breakfast station at BeatBox on Friday morning – arrive by 7 am to help welcome bikers! We pack up at 9 am.

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### Bike Rodeo : Volunteer Opportunity!

The Columbia Community Recreation Department will sponsor a **Bike Rodeo** on **Saturday, May 16**, at Progressive Baptist Church on Banks Ave. The event is for youth 5-16 years old, and will be from 9:30 am - 11:30 am. Participants will learn safety rules by going through a 9-step course.

The Department is asking for volunteers to help with the event. If you are interested, please contact Mary Dewey by email at [mary.dewey@como.gov](mailto:mary.dewey@como.gov).

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## Planned Improvements for Vulnerable Road Users

### U.S. 40 Interchange at Midway

- New U.S. 40 overpass with 10-foot shoulder on west side for future sidewalk connection.

### I-70 at Perche Creek

- New North & South Outer Road bridges crossing Perche Creek.

### Stadium over I-70

- New 10-foot sidewalk in center of bridge.
- Reconstructed all sidewalks tying into interchange.

### I-70 at Garth Ave.

- Reconstructed 6-foot sidewalk under I-70.

### Providence Rd. over I-70

- New 6-foot sidewalk on west side of Providence Rd.
- Reconstructed 8-foot sidewalk on east side of Providence Rd.

### I-70 over Rangeline St.

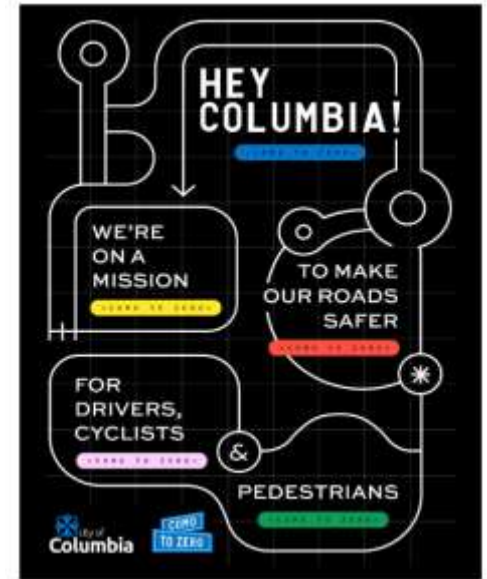
- Reconstructed 6-foot sidewalk on east side of Rangeline St.
- Modified right-turn lanes at Rangeline St. ramps to improve crossing safety.

### Paris Rd., Heriford Rd., and Business Loop 70

- New 6-foot sidewalk on north side of Heriford Rd. between Burlington St. and Paris Rd.
- New crosswalk at Paris Rd. & Heriford Rd./Whitegate Rd. intersection.
- Reconstructed 6-foot sidewalk on east side of Paris Rd. bridge over I-70.
- New pedestrian bridge over I-70 on COLT RR alignment.

### I-70 at Clark Lane

- Reconstructed sidewalk on north side of Clark Ln. from Sylvan Ln. to the Hinkson Creek bridge.



### ***Online Comment Period***

The webform will open until Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> Please submit comments and ask questions regarding the planned improvements for Improve I-70: Rocheport to Columbia.

Comments accepted online *thru March 24 at*

<https://www.modot.org/improvei70/rocheportcolumbia/public-involvement>.

The next meeting of the Columbia  
Bicycle Club will be at 7:30 p.m.,

**Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup>**

We meet at Shakespeare's West  
Enjoy great camaraderie and the  
good feeling you get from spending  
time with fellow bicyclists.

Hope To See Ya!

Need a Bike Box for Travel?  
Remember the club owns TWO  
Contact: EITHER  
CycleX OR TEXT the Club Pres  
at 573 864 6830  
to reserve one.

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