

# SBRA Member Survey, April 2010

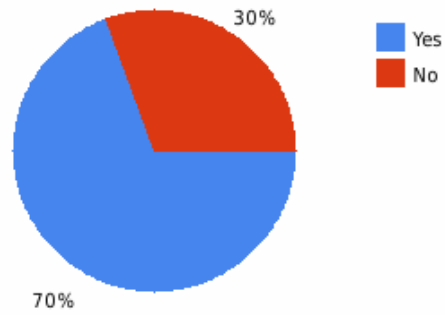
132 Responses as of May 31, 2010

## What level rides do you participate in?

A+	b	C
A+	B	C
A and above	B	C and C+
A	B	C- and D, C when I'm in better shape
A/B+	b	C- C C+ B-
B B+ B+/A	B	C C+ B-
B+ & B+/A	B	C D
B+ / A	b	c or b minus
B+ A	B	C- thru B
B,B+-A	B	c, b
B+/A	B	C, C-
B+/A	b-	C-, C, C+, maybe a few B-
B+/A	B-	C, C+
b+/a	B B-	c, c+, b-
B+/A	B- C	c,b-
B+/a	B C C-	C,C+
B+/A that is now B+	B-, B	c,c+,b-,b,
B+/A, B+ (mainly and applies to question 2 below), B, C (tandem)	B/B-	c,d
B+A	<u>B-D</u>	C,D
B- to A	beginner, C, C+, B-	C+
B+	C+ B-	c+
B+	c+ b-	<u>C-D</u>
b+	C+ preferred, sometimes B-	D
b+	c+ to b	D
B, B+	C+ to B-	d
B, B+	C+, B	D - haven't started riding in a group yet
B&B+	C+, B-	d and c
b/b+	C+, B- for now	d c b
B/B+	C+,B-	D to B
<u>b+,b</u>	C+/B	D, C-, C
B	c+/B-	D-C
B	C+/B-	D-C Century training with Bob & Josie
B	C+/B-	Goykin (new member)
B	c	I'm new and have been doing the century training rides for newbies.
B	c	Bob & Josie's Century Training
b	c	

Do you feel there are enough rides at the level you like to participate in?

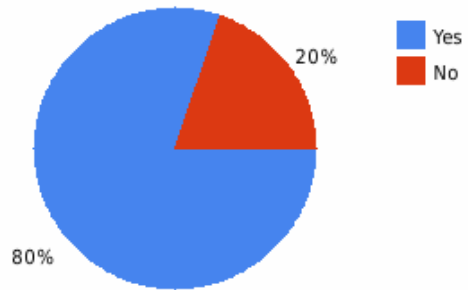
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Yes	89	69.53%	<div style="width: 69.53%;"></div>
No	39	30.47%	<div style="width: 30.47%;"></div>
Total	128	96.97	<div style="width: 96.97%;"></div>

Are the rides kept at the advertised pace?

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Yes	98	80.33%	<div style="width: 80.33%;"></div>
No	24	19.67%	<div style="width: 19.67%;"></div>
Total	122	92.42	<div style="width: 92.42%;"></div>

**What ride leader(s) do you like to ride with?**

**What do you like about the ride leader(s) you prefer riding with?**

No Answer	structured-attention to details and safety
Adam Molny Pete Oliveri Pat Nett	Clear Instructions Adapts to conditions, riders Experienced Rider
Tricia B., Joe Matzelle (sp), I think there is another Joe that does b- rides, whom I like very much. John Bombach often sweeps and he is terrific..helpful to those in need (flat tires, someone going slower, etc.).	keep to pace, nice people, encouraging to riders
Tricia Brandt Joe Matzelle Bill Pope Gordon Dick Cunningham Linda Resnick	Safety Good pace Everyone stays together Control of the group
me. Lil Burliuk There are many great ride leaders but since last year, there aren't many others leading B rides on w/e's or I'd ride w/ them. It seems most of the other B leaders lead on weekdays. I don't usually get to ride week days or evenings.	Steady pace, short stops, no long chow-downs. Friendly, respectful, knowledgable. Try to keep group together. Rides advertised pace for most part but takes advantage of tail winds & down hills, & flexible to group needs. Sometimes as a leader you get a fast group; sometimes a slower group; need to be flexible.
Cunninghams	structure
I do not intend to share this information with you. If you asked what I think are qualities of a good leader, I would certainly respond. But, I will not name people.	They exude a sense of comradery, team work, stick togetherness, and have fun - in addition to making it clear to all about the relationship to riding on the road, riding with a group and what it involved with safety.
Bruce P Anita R Barbara B Barbara A Steve S	No Answer
No preference, convenience to start is greater. I prefer to ride to the start.	No Answer
Ron Goodstadt	Textbook ride leader. Has good cue sheets, great routes and conducts himself professionally and safely.
Marty Ron Jack Bonnie	No Answer
All	they volunteer their time to make rides happen!
Jeff Meyer, Lil Burliuk, Anita Risener, Barbara Braun	They know how to take good care of a group. Most of them lead fairly structured rides. The pace is usually as advertised.

Dick Cunningham, Joe Matzelle, Barbara Bruan, Bruce Presner,	Good Pace,
Like them all...!!!	Like them all...!!!
Bruce	follows cue sheet, sticks to sdvertised plan and speed, no person is left behind without a plan and the man can ride!
Jeff Meyer Bruce Presner	Good attention to detail. They pay attention to the group's needs.
Bob Goykin	Just a great guy
Bruce, Anita, Lil, Babara Braun, Richie Mardosa, Joe matzelle, Barbara Abraham	safe, predictable, educated, experienced
Bruce,Bill, Joe	consistant pace, no excessive stops
Dan	He keeps tract of what is going on behind him.If someone wants to up the pace they are encouraged to ride ahead.The ride is conducted as advertised.No one is dropped.
Rides are unstructured without ride leaders	No Answer
Jeff Meyer,Dan Muessler,Barbara Abraham	keeps group together
Pat nett, Ron Goodstadt	Nice people, even pace
rob smith is great	makes it fun
Bruce Presner	No Answer
Doesn't matter to me	N/A
Ron the GuRu Guy	Keep it friendly yet competitive
I take the 5th as I lead a lot of B rides. Joe Matzelle leads a great ride and Bill Pope is great once you get used to him	they keep the group together and are organized
I've only experienced Bob (and Josie). And he's doing a very good job!	I never feel pressured, he's knowledgeable, is friendly and just a nice guy.
Bill Pope Tricia Brandt Jeff Myer is okay too I guess	keep the pace, are helpful, approachable, and flexible...good personalities.
Bill Pope Bruce Pressner	Keep the pace at the advertised pace
Bill Pope Joe Matzel	Ride at the advertised pace Doesn't drop riders
Bill Pope Joe Mazelle Dick Cunningham	They are dependable, predictable, responsible to their group
No Answer	They have waited for all riders to catch up if necessary
Jeff, or Joe M.	They wait up when necessary, and normally their rides are organized.
Joe Matzelle, John Bambach, Bob Miller, Gordon Howard	Knowledgeable, courteous, keep the correct pace, interesting routes, convenient locations,
flash	pace, safety,distance. I'm new at this and have only been on two rides so far-all with the same leader.
tricia brandt joe mattzell bill pope	thay take the time at ride start to explaine ride safty

Glen Blink John Youngman Marty Steve graham	I like that the focus is on having fun and riding as a group with wait-ups. Also, safety is really important. Some ride leaders do not stop at red lights or stop signs.
Ron, Robert	Fun, Relaxed, Supportive but keeping pace.
Linda Abraham	Give good orientation prior to ride.
Art, Ron, Glen, Steve Gram, Matry, John Youngman, Joe Matzelle, Gorden, Bruce Presner	The pace, the route
those that abide by the advertised pace	can lead
Joe Matzelle	He runs the ride like he says he is going to.
Dick Cunningham; Joe Matzelle; Mary Lou Beldy; Bob Miller; Gordon Howard	They keep a good pace and are easy to follow.
myself though I don't ride often enough and specially not with a lot of forethought. I mostly do impromptu rides that can't be put up on the site due to short notice and unknown routes.	Gordon Howard is a good leader. He makes sure everyone is comfortable in the group.
Ron,Glen,Art,Jack	WELL ORGANIZED, KEEP THE GROUP TOGETHER
most of them	consistency in the ride, regrouping as promised, making sure the pace is good at rest stops
I only have experience with Bob and he does a great job.	Consistent and flexible.
No preference for any particular leader	No Answer
Pat Brennen Gordon Barbara Tricia	very conscientious, well organized ride, observant of the entire group, and work well with the sweep.
Gordon, Trisch, Barbara	They all do a good job relating to safety
No Answer	keep the pace; adequate rest / break stops; route designed to minimize traffic and bad roads
Jeff Meyer, Barbara Abraham, Bruce Pressner, Joe Matzel, Bonnie Meyer, Lil	They keep to the stated pace, keep everyone together and make it more about a fun time out vs. a competition
Jeff Meyer, Jose Mazelle, Bill Pope	They keep the pace, are familiar with the routes, stop to wait up for stragglers and always make sure the riders are okay.
No Answer	kept the pace, nice to talk to and encouraged the group along
All ride leaders at these levels	All have different personalities, which makes every ride a little different
Bob Miller Tricia Brandt	Anyone who is supportive, keeps an even/true pace, picks interesting places to go, and likes to teach new skills.
Joe Matsel is the only leader with whom I've ridden	steady pace, ensures all are with the 'pack', takes breaks as needed
Bruce Presner	He's a friend and many of the riders on his ride I've known and ridden with for many years
never met one i didn't like	nice route, never get lost, sensitive to the needs of the group
Bruce, Barbara A, Anita, Christine T, Rich M	No Answer

Dick Cunningham	He and I ride tandem.
bob, john b, gordon	their patience and positive attitude
Paul Miklean, Bruce Presner, Joe Matzel	Steady pace, will challeng my ability
Bob Miller, Joe Matzelle, Tricia Brandt	No Answer
Bob Miller	Keeps exact pace; kind
Dick Cunningham, Jeff Meyer, Joe Matzelle et al.	Keeps the pace he advertises unless he is sure that everyone can keep up with a faster one. Stays tuned into the end of the pack.
Bonnie,Steve Gram,Ron,Patt Nett..	Good pace
Bruce presner	No Answer
Joe Matzelle Bob Miller Bill Pope	Consistent, safe, don't drop anyone, not a rushed food stop.
Joe M, Gordon, Shannon	easy going people who dont make the ride a bad experience
I enjoy riding with all the current Ride Leaders.	They ride the pace they advertize although at the B+/A ride the rides tend to break into different groups.
Ron G, Costa,Adam,Mark and myself.	All good riders who are safe and have a great deal of knowledge and experience
Ron Goodstadt, Kevin Williams,John Youngman	They treat the riders like adults...don't do a lot of wait ups
Anita Risener Bruce Presner	Anita usually does short stops. Pace works, rides are social. Like the routes. Both are good friends.
Pat Net Ron Goodstat Costa Kathy Mulray Art Searle Dennis Jackson Norm Samuels Usually do not ride B rides unless I lead them	Enjoy the company of the fellow riders
Joe Matzelle, Bob Miller	Joe (the Robot) Does an even steady C+, Bob is a lot of fun and if he dies on the ride I hope to get his bike.
Joe Matzelle, Bob Miller	Pace, safety, nice scenery, pizza
Ron (Guru Guy) Glen Cochrane Steve Graham	They maintain the cohesivness of the group.
About 2) and this -- I lead my own ride most the time I go for club rides now.	Looking back: I liked the consistency and nice atmosphere as I got started with B level rides. This time w B.Fountain from Sunshine a lot.
I typically ride with Bill Pope, Joe Matzelle or Bruce Presner	they're all 'user friendly'
Trish Brandt Robert Goykin W Pope Bob Miller	Trish Brandt becasue the ride is paced at the advertised speed unless if am training or I am willing to extend myself beyond a c+ speed.
I like all of them	They are friendly, well organize.
Bob & Josie	Organized, personable, informative

Joe Matzelle Barbara Abrahms John Bamback	Joe is amazingly consistent with his speed. I don't know how he does it. Joe, Barbara, and John seem to go out of their way to make everyone welcome and explain to all the riders what to expect. You aren't asking in this question but John Bambeck is the greatest Sweep. He will stay with slower riders and encourage them and get to know a little about them.
BRUCE PRETZNER BILL POPE PAT NETT MARGRET ZEIL	THEY KEEP A STEADY ADVERTISED PACE AND PAY ATTENTION TO THE NEEDS AND BEHAVIOR OF THE RIDERS. IF SOMEONE IS NOT RIDING SAFTLY THEY WILL ASK THEM TO COMPLY TO THE CLUB RULES OR LEAVE THE RIDE.
Bruce	He challenges the riders. He shows concern when someone falls back or has problems.
anyone who leads a ride is a hero!	they are leading and not me!
Glenn.	I want a leader who understands the ride is not a race and makes sure that everyone in the group understands that and trys to keep the group together.
Mostly all of them	Keeps to advertised pace
Steve S., Bruce P., pretty much all of them	Pace and variety of rides
Jeff Meyer, Bill Pope	Jeff keeps the rides moving and maintains the 'advertised' pace. Bill keeps the ride fun and takes a personal interest in his riders. Both stress safety and good riding habits - especially riding single file.
pope	pace
Glen Cochran	He is very low key.
Ron G., Glen C., Adam M.	No Answer
Bruce, Pat Nett, Pete Olivieri, Rich Mardosa, Barbara Abraham, Paul Miklean, Anita	Compassionate leaders, do a good job of supporting the group, sticking to ride-level pace
Bruce Pressner	Well, I just started riding with SBRA again, so I've only done rides with Bruce. But he leads a good, honest B pace.
I generally lead rides and prefer that but I do enjoy riding with Joe Matzelle, Bill Pope (just recently have been riding with him), Gordon, Karin Gluth.	They are consistent with their speed, wait up for people, are generally positive and encouraging.
Have ridden, and enjoyed, rides with Gordon Howard, Tricia Brandt, Joy Macana, Bob Miller, Dick Cunningham and Linda Resnick.	They're sensitive to needs of group (rest when needed, adjusting pace when group needs determine). Some even have a good sense of humor!
I've just started riding with Bob and Josie for the century training. They are great. I've only rode once with Jeff Meyer and once with Bob Miller last year. That's all I know.	I'm not sure yet. Bob and Josie are great.
Ron Goodstadt John Youngman Pat Net Steve Graham	Safe ride leaders who push the speed a little
No Answer	i enjoy leaders who encourage members who look out for all riders

Pat Net, Paul Milken, Ron Goodstat	They keep everything safe and fun.
PAT NETT, RON GOODSTADT	THEY ARE THOUGHTFUL RIDE LEADERS. WILL WAIT, RIDE WITH YOU IF YOU ARE LAGGING, ALWAYS HELPFUL ON MECHANICALS.
Joe Matzelle, Jeff Meyer, myself (Bill Pope)	They all keep a steady, honest pace and try not to lose anyone.
Bruce Pressner Dave Diroma (when he leads) Bill Pope Joe Matzelle	NICE PEOPLE ALL OF THEM
No one in particular, so long as they know the route, lead a safe ride and concern that the group stays together.	They have to be fun and flexible, not over lead, preaching the rules of the road all the time.
Bill Pope, Joe Matzelle	Bill...His Great personality...

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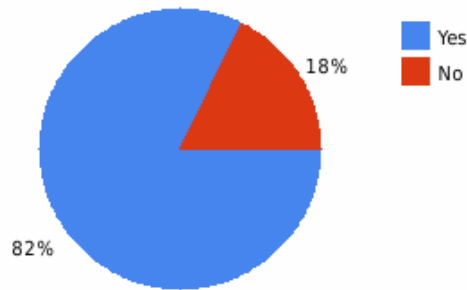
If the rides are not kept at the advertised pace, please explain what you have experienced.
B+ rides turn to A rides but that is to be expected
Either I've been getting slower, or the B pace I was accustomed to has increased. I think that the pace tends to increase when faster riders show up, and the leader unintentionally loses control of the ride pace. A ride leader should responsibly hold the pace advertised.
for the most part they are. But, like everything in life .. fortunately, personality has an impact... so I know for myself which rides are good for me.
For the most part, that is the way it's always been for the past 15 years now. And that's fine.
He tends to accelerate up hills and then stops pedaling at the top to rest. This results in the group who try to catch up suddenly find the pace slowed dramatically and they bunch up.
i have experienced rides 4 mph faster than the advertised class
I have gone with other ride leaders who are very capable of riding at a much higher pace than advertised pace. Unless that ride leader is very disciplined they will be going the higher pace by the end of the ride. Another thing that happens is that riders that are accustomed to riding with this leader go on these lower paced rides and naturally wind up pushing the pace to the speed of the higher level.
I think that the pace of rides should not be the average pace for the total ride. I think if a C ride is 11-12 mph, that should be the pace throughout most of the ride. Not 16-17 miles per hour to make up for the slow hill climbs. I find this is often the case with many leaders. Not Linda.
I would really answer sometimes. It depends on the ride leader. I've been on rides where the group goes slower than advertised and sometimes faster. Mostly faster and usually on flats.
INFILTRATION BY UPPER CLASSED RIDERS GRADUALLY INFLUENCES THE RIDE LEADER TO ALLOW SPEED BEYOND RIDE CLASSIFICATION.
It seems impossible to find a ride exactly your pace. I've been on a few rides where they break into 2 groups and I've enjoyed those rides. I'm too slow for most B+ rides and would like a little faster pace on the B rides. So practice, practice until I can hang with the slow A riders on the B+ rides LOL



Most of the ones I have been on stay to the pace. Sometimes a few people show up that will push it, but generally that has not been my experience.
not sure, never had a problem.
Not with other leaders
On question #5- Sometimes not many I have to throw out an F word about our pace to the leader.
One particular ride leader advertised a C. A friend of hers came on the ride and we had to stop many times to allow this person to catch up. It is frustrating when the speed has wide fluctuations - going 9 MPH and then 16 MPH.
Only my own.
pretty much, sometimes faster when it works for the group
Really depends on who shows up for ride many times A riders come because i dont think enough A riders post rides.
Rides usually exceed the pace a little but nobody gets dropped for long and it is usually on hills. There are wait-ups for those that fall back.
Some of the rides went faster than what a C+ or B- is supposed to be
Some rides are hijacked by better riders
Sometimes much slower, riders who shouldn't be on the ride are on the ride.
sometimes they get hijacked by faster riders who usually never lead, bit lawyas ride
sometimes toward the end of the ride they go a little faster.
Sometimes we start at the right pace but midway through the ride it changes because there are faster riders in the group. D usually becomes C
Sometimes. Some leaders push the pace to the top of the scale - ride is listed at a C and the pace is pushed up to a B
The above people have been good about keeping their advertised pace or close enough. I have done some rides with Jeff Meyer but have struggled a bit as he tends to be faster than he specifically states.
The ride leaders above do keep the rides at an advertised pace. I have been on Ron's rides many times and the pace is way over. Ron will average 19 or more miles on a B+ ride. Although, I enjoy working hard and riding at a high pace; that is not the ride I always want to do. I also feel that many riders who are on his ride take risks that are dangerous to keep up with him (going through red lights). For some reason he obviously wants to attract slower riders and crush them! Otherwise he should post an A ride. Take a look at some of his posts and ride averages.
There is usually a breakaway group and it is not a problem as long as they do wait ups.
THIS IS SBRA. ALL RIDES SUBJECT TO HIJACK.
unbrideled competition that should be allowed at the A paced rides
usuallu a faster
USUALLY, HOWEVER I HAVE BEEN ON RIDES WHERE A FASTER RIDER WILL SOMETIMES PUSH THE PACE.
varies by leader - some are ok.

Does the group stay together?

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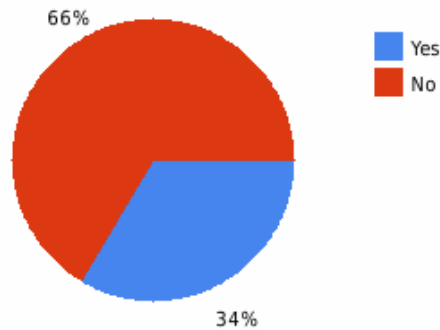
**If not, please explain what you have experienced.**

Actually, more or less is a more appropriate response. Large gaps will open at times.
Generally they are all together. More often it is a few slower riders that seem to drop far back. That may be because they are trying to move up in ride class or misjudged their riding ability.
I would really say sometimes. It again depends on the ride leader and the size of the ride. It is understandable that on larger rides it is hard to keep everyone together.
AT times the group will break into sub groups. the group riding ahead will do a wait up to bring the group back together.
Every man for himself
For the most part the groups stays together.
Groups I have ridden with usually wait at certain points to allow slower riders to catch up.
Groups spread when leadership is lacking
I have not been on enough rides to judge most of these questions.
I like the rides to be 'group' rides not led rides. As an experienced rider I don't want my hand held. If someone wants to stretch their legs, so what, as long as they're not a problem for the group. I like it free flowing, too many rules, it's a turn off. Sometimes I'll join the ride for some miles and then when they stop for lunch I'll keep going, letting the leader know of course. Having different riders in the group take turns a the front only makes sense. Otherwise only the strong can lead. Then when would a slower person in that level ever lead? And no they're not looking to lead slower rides. For them to pull the whole ride makes no sense, if they want to fine, but maybe that's why they don't lead...
It seems some people choose a ride lower than their ability so they can ride faster than others. Some ride leaders seem to advertise the ride at a slower pace then they intend to ride - perhaps so they won't get dropped.
Most of the time same riders show up so we all share in ride.

no, which is fine because not everyone can ride exactly the same and the leaders always make sure we come together at some point in time.
Not always, rest stops too long.
Not always. It seems that on a number of rides some groups disintegrate and everyone is on his own. I'm not talking about a breakaway situation where the group comes together a mile later.
Occasionally, a small group of faster riders will depart on their own
people don't want to wait up for flats. That's normal.
Recently, I had an accident on Ron's ride (3/20). My accident was very serious. The group stopped for a mechanical and I took the opportunity to change my shirt. Ron knew that
ride leader and 2 others were faster and lost 3 of us once
riders seperated by lights, traffic or flats are left behind
Same thing. Sometimes , Sometimes not
See above
Some ride faster, some slower based on fitness. That's fine with me.
sometimes the groups split to a slower and faster group which makes sense
SOMETIMES. MOST OFTEN WILL SPLIT INTO 2 OR MORE.
The ride leaders keep us together although at times some ride ahead.
THE RIDE STRETCHES OUT, PARTICULARLY ON HILLS FOR REASONS LIKE THE STRONG MAINTAINING THE PACE WHILE THE WEAK SUCCUMB, ELEVATED AGE OF RIDER, ETC.
they more or less try to stay together, but can string out pretty far. I suppose the C+ through B can have people a lot stronger than others. I have been shy about signing up for a B pace in fear they will go faster and i'll be left behind.
usually one or two riders not riding at the appropriate level - either fall behind or go ahead
Usually the groups fracture, and there are a lot of wait-ups for slower riders. (not fun for the fast guys, or the guys struggling at the back of the pack)
We are a competetive group. There will always be those that have to take off in front of the group and show you that they are faster than everyone else. I DON'T see how you can stop them and although its annoying its not that big an issue.
When going too fast the group has divided
When stronger riders show up the group may break into 2 or more groups. I expect this with an unstructured ride.

Have you ever been dropped from a ride?

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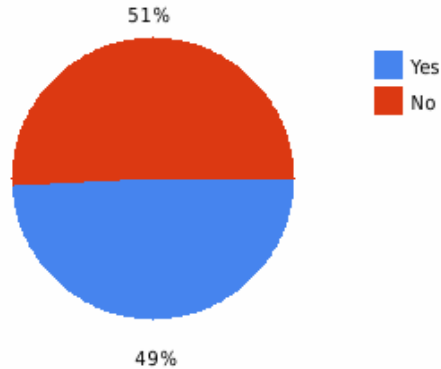
**If yes, what ride and explain what happened?**

(not from a club ride)
A lot off fast riders turned out and they did not want to wait for anyone who couldn't keep up.
A+, the other riders were better.
B+ Rides they are more like a race then a ride
B+/A Sometimes just a bad day. No big deal. You have to be expected to be self sufficient on these rides
Bathroom stop- was sweeping waited and oh oh too far back to catch group.
But not the B+ ... The B+/A rides get A and AA riders who should be posting and doing rides of their level.
Early Birds
faster riders dominate the pace, the leader follows them, all others should have just gone out alone for the day, since they are now riding alone anyway.
Going years back when riding with b+/a and early birds. No problem with this ! That is how the rides are set up and understood. Open ride !
Got a flat and ride kept going - a few times
Haven't we all?
I dropped out of a B+/A ride. Let the leader know. It was just too fast for me. Think I was the only B+ rider. I was familiar with the area so no big deal.
I found that B and B+ rides the ride leaders do not normally care about their riders. On one occassion there was B ride from Oakdale RR to Babylon, after 4-5 miles I never saw the group again until I reached the beach at Babylon.
I got cought at a light.

I have dropped rides. I've told the leader that I'm returning on my own because I can't keep up with the group. I'm totally comfortable doing this.
I lked a hilly ride and ended up sweeping it as well.
I tried to move up to a B- ride with Jeff Meyer. I struggles and lagged for an hour. When appropriate, Jeff arranged for ? Henry Wong ? to ride me back to the start.
it was a B+ ride and I was not up to the pace
It was a C level ride. I was signed in and ready except I wanted to grab a cue sheet. The ride and sweep left without me. I was going to catch up, but I was distracted by a late rider coming up in their car at the stop sign and was unable to clip out and fell. No one ever came back or tried to call me on my cell to see what became of me. It was just assumed because I usually rode on faster rides that I was ok and had gone off to do my own thing or something.
It was my decision
I've been occasionally dropped in th past on hills but they always wait-up
I've dropped off a ride if it's not working for me. Or if the ride is faster and I've had enough. It doesn
Many years ago I tried to ride on a level I was not ready to ride on.
Not in shape to keep the pace. Discussed with ride lead that if dropped to carry on with me.
Not recently. I got a flap while at the back of the group and the group rode on. Attempts to get their attention where futile. But when I did get the flat fixed, and it didn't take that long, I found that the group had not waited at some future point in the ride. I was told later that they assumed I decided ride my own ride at that point.
on new route sweep rode with leader ?????
ON several occasions the group has divided significantly, and I have been left significantly behind.
Once. At the time, I was on the border of a B/B+ rider. I wanted to try a B+ group. All the other riders who showed for this ride were A riders, at least. They took over and turned it into an A ride.
Only once - the lobster ride, I think, and it was probably my fault. The ride was stretched out with a group ahead and a group behind. I was somewhere in the middle and missed a turn. No worries, though. I realized my mistake and turned around.
Rode a B+/ A ride after 3 previous consecutive days of riding. It was unstructured and I had a cue sheet.
Several years ago, we fell behind one ride and joined another (same destination)
Taining ride last year with Bruce. I fell off the pace, in the hills and did not have a cue sheet.
the riders were faster than me.....it comes with the territory
Tired and couldn't maintain the pace.
Was my fault, I followed someone who took off when I asked to wait for the group. The group did turn and I got in the middle whitout anyone with me.
Who has not been dropped from a ride? Lance. Most of the time it is just an off day and someone comes back to ride with you back to the finish of ride.
WHO HASN'T ? REMEMBER HIJACKED RIDES. ALSO MY LACK OF FEELING GOOD ON THAT PARTICULAR DAY POSSIBLY, STAYING BACK TO RIDE WITH SOMEBODY WHO IS LAGGING.
Yes. I was on an A ride of about 50 miles. At about mile 35 we were going up a slight incline and I was just hanging on when I had to dodge a pot hole and I lost the wheel in front of me and couldn't hook on again. I never saw them again. It was really a fast A.

Do you ever ride ahead of a ride leader?

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**If yes, what ride(s) and was it suggested/agreed to by the ride leader?**

Agreed to by the ride leader
All rides....leaders may suggest to ride ahead/ at own pace on an open stretch...or an area with steep hills.
Any part of a ride where we all know we're heading into a dead end or resulting in a stop or rest area.
B+ Ride Leaders don't seem to mind sharing the pulls
bob, jamesport to greenpoint
Brief periods up hills or straight away's, where all has agreed to wait up at the end.
During a B ride to ridge with the ride leader's blessing. Had another experienced ride leader in our group.
Happens all the time. No problem.
He agreed.
I did it often. I never asked for permission.
I only do this if I ask the ride leader permission and it's ok. It's only up to an agreed on point where I will join up with the ride again.
If agreed by ride leader
If given the OK on a straightaway or a hill
if i am faster then the ride, its safer then staying in the group
If the ride leader tells me to, or if he/she wants to be spelled from the front.
If there is a long straight-away, the leader will occasionally suggest that those who want to ride ahead can. Sometimes, I will pick up the pace and ride ahead of the group at that point.
IT WAS AGREED UPON TO GIVE THE LEADER A BREAK ESPECIATELY IN EARLY SEASON RIDES OR IN WINDY WEATHE

most of the time
Mostly suggested, sometimes not. I knew the consequences and accepted responsibility that I could make a wrong turn and that they were no longer responsible to look out for me.
no specific ride - always get ok with ride leader
Normally, i only rode ahead when the ride leader said it was okay and ride was normally within the last 2-3 miles of the ride.
Note-as a leader I will occasionally suggest to people that they can pass me on a hill since I'm not a good hill rider. But then they wait at the top (or bottom). Occasionally when there is a long stretch on one rode (3-4 miles) I might suggest those who want to push it a bit can go on ahead and wait at a certain spot.
occasionally we have dropped a ride leader. It happens. We make every effort to wait up. This weekend we waited up for our ride leader on a few occasions and finished together. Final ride average was within the advertised pace. Other times we have finished without the ride leader. Usually after the ride leader gives the ok.
occasionally I will, if it was suggested or agreed to by the ride leader. Usually this occurs on long stretches or if there are riders who showed up slower than the posted pace.
ON glens rides. Glen has never mentioned it being an issue.
On the B+ / A rides the group will sometimes break up into two groups. The ride leader often stays with the slower group to shepherd them.
Only if it's okay with ride leader and only when group intentionally breaks up.
Only if there is a series of hills or a long stretch where the group is stopping ahead. People ride at their desired pace but regroup at the stopping point.
only on hills when people might go at a different pace to climb the hill
only when a stretch comes and the ride leader says go ahead and ride as fast as you want and we will regroup at the end of this one stretch
ONLY WHEN AGREED OR ASKED BY RIDE LEADER
Only when I need to get home earlier than anticipated finish time for my children.
Only when instructed - usually on hills where the group is instructed to take the hills or a stretch of road at their own pace, and to meet up at a spot once the free-for-all is finished.
Only when ride leader said ok and gave a place to wait up and it is usually only when hills are involved.
ONLY WITH THEIR PERMISSION. WILL WAIT AT PRE DETERMINED SPOT. USUALLY ON STRAIGHTS, OR HILLS. NOT MY NORMAL PRACTICE THOUGH.
Participated in C+ ride and the ride leader recognized that some of the cyclists were a bit restless...so the ride leader shared with us were the straight aways or hills and we reconvened at the end of the straight away or top of the hills.
Ride leader was fine with sharing the pulls
Ride leaders suggested to go ahead and have a wait up.
Sometimes I wanted to do a little workout, but the leader give us the ok first.
Sometimes it is suggested by the ride leader to go ahead and regroup later. Sometimes it is a breakaway. We re-group a mile or so up the road.
Sometimes there is an open stretch where riders can go ahead at a faster pace to a specific destination (i.e. rest stop) where the group will meet up.
suggested by ride leader
The leader can not be expected to be out front the entire ride. It happens frequently and we all take our turn up front.
There is a stretch of the Riverhaed Speonk Road that I always jump ahead of the group and will take a few others with me to 'race'. I always tell the leader and wait for the group at the end of the road.
There is one road on the ride where the ride leader has allowed me to go ahead and meet at the next traffic light.
There really is no 'ride leader' on the B+ and up rides. More of an organizer. I have been dropped from my own rides lol
Usually I ask the leader, as on hills or certain sections of the ride, if it's OK to go ahead (I know where to wait for the group). Usually they say it's OK.
We usually ride our own pace going up hills, then regroup at the top.

When riding in hilly sections. For safety sake I prefer to ride without much company on the downhills. Yes I tell the ride leader I'm going off the front and will regroup after section has been finished.

when the leader gives the OK on certain climbs and long stretches

With Dick Cunningham, and it was agreed, and to meet-up at a certain location.

yes

yes and understood

Yes if on a hill and the leader says ok

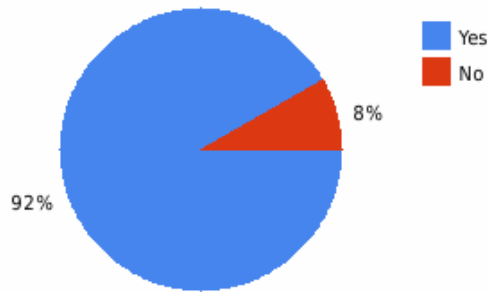
Yes, if B+ or higher and pace lined, BUT stay with the group, just share/help pulling -- everything under control... not FAR ahead of the GROUP!

Yes, Pace Lining



Do you feel the ride sheets are being submitted in a timely manner so your mileage is recorded accurately for you?

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No	8	8.33%	<div style="width: 8.33%;"></div>
Total	96	72.73	<div style="width: 72.73%;"></div>

**If not, please explain.**

Actually I do not keep track of these things.
And I must commend Joe M for his diligence in keeping the stats updated!
didn't know about this
do not know exactly for rides that time.
Don't have anyway of knowing
DOn't know what this means
Don't know.
Don't really know hard to check total milage
Don't really know.
Don't really track.
Frankly, I'm not concerned about the ride sheets and my mileag
I do not worry about mileage. I is not why I ride.
I don't really pay attention to the ride sheets.
I don't really pay attention tothis.
I don't ride for the statistics,but for the personal accomplishments.
I dont worry about that kind of junk.
I really don't know how this works, so do not feel in a position to answer.
I'm not familiar with this?

Just waiting to see how this season goes. Have submitted 2 ride sheets in pdf from and still waiting to see them reflected as returned on the ride calendar. Pretty recent rides though. This Saturday and last.

mine are!

Never was aware of the fact that there is a ride sheet

no comment- being new I have no idea.

not a concern to me

Not applicable

Not sure we are doing this with the training ride??

Not sure. I know i submit my sheets on time.

Some ride leaders don't turn them in in a reasonable time. I've had ride leaders who have lost sign-in sheets. It is now better with the new system where you can see ride leaders who don't turn them in. However this feature isn't updated very often so it is still difficult to tell.

Who cares?

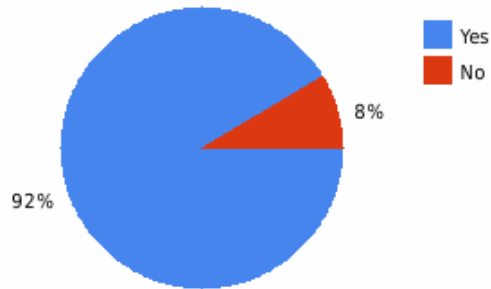
## Is there anything you did not like on any SBRA ride you participated in (please explain)?

Too many stops. The stops are too long.
1)Too many riders, but that's not ride leader's fault. 2) Also in this group there are a few riders who insist on riding two or three abreast in places where rides should really be single file. 3)On last century training ride there were a couple of riders who were weaker on hills. They would create gaps, which is understandable. But then when they were passed, when the ride slowed to regroup they would ride up and again place themselves in front, causing a gap on the very next hill. At least one of the riders was also one of the riders who kept wanting to ride two or three abreast.
A STRUCTURED ride should ridden at the prescribed speeds not to be determined by the group. That does not encourage people who want to step up the next level to participate
Again, when ride went faster than level supposed to be
As a ride leader, it is frustrating that I have to constantly stop the ride and remind a group of middle aged adults that we are using public highways that are open to vehicular traffic.
As stated above, when leaders don't stick close to their advertised pace. Als
Bad routes with dangerous intersections. Rides that went much longer than advertised
breaks are too long, people should not be ordering food that needs to be prepared while out on a ride. A rest stop should be time to relieve themselves, and get a refill on drinks. 5 to 10 minutes max.
cue sheets posted on web site for upcoming ride, It would be nice to choose rides..
hated Bob and Josie's training rides...too remedial, and they spend too much time talking and not enough riding time. Bike fittings should not be done before a ride unless the rider is having an issue/problem. We should not meet @ 9:00 AM, and then have to listen to an hour and a half lecture on bike fittings, how to get on a bike, etc. I know they are geared towards beginners, but their rides are for someone who never rode a bike before...plus their groups are too large and unsafe...no group should be 25-30 people...its just not safe.
Have enjoyed all rides.
I am uncomfortable when people ride beside me unless on a wide shoulder. And I would prefer others to do the same. I don't like when people are riding to socialize, riding together and talking.
I don't like it when people clump up behind the ride leader and ride multiple people across the road. It usually seems to be on B rides where this competition vibe starts to happen. I also don't like it when you yell 'car b
I don't want the rides to end. :)
I hate when riders ride double abreast, I correct them & it turns into an argument.
I have 2 pet peeves. People who repeatedly come on a ride that they are not able to do and expect the sweep to keep them company. Someone needs to suggest that they try other rides. I don't ride again with a ride leader whose pace it dramatically uneven.
I hope to see more rides that meet my work and persoal sked. There are enuf to choose from.
I really only do a few club rides a year. In some groups I d
I strongly feel that we should stress the importance of the 'Car Back' call. All riders should take immediate action to single up and get to the right. Unfortu
I worry that the riders are going to get hurt or have some medical difficulty. I do not think that the Club addresses the issues of Medical Emergency. Riders leaders should at least know how to do CPR and to take care of basic frist aid. ' When should we call 911'
individuals can be cliquey & rude to newcomers.
Just that rides don't stick to the advertised pace.
Leaders being encouraged to go fast by the faster riders and outpacing the level of the ride.

Many ride leaders leave the gate at record-breaking speeds; to reduce risk of bodily injuries rides should have a warm up phase. Don't like long lunch stop
most of the rides stop for food I prefer to just do a ride and if people want to have coffee do it after it adds a lot of time to an over all ride.
No I think the club is very we organized, all the rides are well planned out
No, I've had only positive experiences
No, they are well organized and at the planned pace
ON AN OLIVERIE B TRAINING AN A RIDER JOINED OUR GROUP AND SET THE PACE TO A 17MPH AVS.NOT ONLY DIDN'T THE RIDE LEADER STOP THIS BUT HE DROPPED OFF THE RIDE
ride went over speed-D went to C or C+
Rides leave too early in the mornings. It would be nice to have early afternoon and late afternoon offerings. It is understood that longer rides need to leave earlier. But most should be able to complete a 30 mile ride in two hours without stopping for a 30-45 minute break.
some folks are SO slow we wait a long time for them to catch up
Some rides have far too many wait ups. It's a pain when the weather is cold and at other times your muscles tighten up.
Sometimes the groups are too large, then you have constant wait-ups and too much jockeying for position, etc.
sweating
The B+/A rides get A and AA riders who should be posting and doing rides of their level.
The mid ride stops at the deli last a bit to long.
The most serious issue I have encountered, particularly larger groups, riders do not ride single file. Especiallly on narrow roads , or roads with little or no shoulder. Cars are often justifiably frustrated
to much talking the rodes are dangerous enough. people talk and they start slowing down makeing it dangerous for the riders behing them. if people want to hold conversations they should safely pull out of the group and move to that back.
When faster riders drop down in catorgory and try to hijack the ride.
WHILE SWEEPING A RIDE GOT SEPARATED FROM GROUP DUE TO BUSY UNCONTROLLED INTERSECTION. FLAT ONE WAY, HILLY THE OTHER WAY, DIDN'T SEE WHICH WAY. PICKED WRONG WAY. REGROUPED AT BREAK SPOT. COULD'VE BEEN INJURED, OR MECHANICAL. LAST PERSON TO SEE ME AT INTERSECTION DIDN'T WAIT. SHIT HAPPENS, THIS SBRA AFTER ALL.
Wouldn't mind more frequent (short) stops. They seem to help
yeah, all the wind on last Saturday's ride (4/10)! The ride on 4/17 wasn't canceled, but I chose not to go because I just didn't want to ride 70 miles in the wind, in the cold and especially in the rain. Too bad it couldn't be rescheduled to Sunday, which has been a much better weather day.
yes, last yr participated in a b level ride and was publicly yelled at by one female rider, Lil. Several other members have expressed this very same experience with her on different rides. I did not ride much last yr due to her big mouth.

Are the cue sheets used on rides helpful?

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No	10	8.47%	<div style="width: 8.47%; height: 10px; background-color: #0056b3;"></div>
Total	118	89.39	<div style="width: 89.39%; height: 10px; background-color: #0056b3;"></div>

**Do you have any comments on the cue sheets used?**

A Map on the back would be helpful if seperated from the group.
cue sheets posted on web site for upcoming ride, It would be nice to choose rides..
Do not use them.
honestly, I never needed or really used them
I generally just follow along. If I take a turn in front the ride leader tells me where to wait-up.
I have downloaded and used them for independent rides with a friend, and found them accurate.
I have never needed to look at it yet.
I just kind of follow and don't read them
I like having them and keep the ones for enjoyable rides that I might follow on my own another time.
I really value the cue sheets. Not only the mileage per section but keep them for future rides and to see what rides I might create from the current ones.
I rely on the leader and group. If I have thecue sheet from the site or a prvious ride, I lay it out on a regular map prior to the ride.
I'd rather follow the leader than have a cue sheet but it is good to have a cue sheet if you are going to get dropped and are lost.
It is hard to read a cue sheet when drafting someone. I usually tuck the cue sheet in my pocket and do not refer to it during the ride. I refer to the cue sheet to see where I have been.
It would be very helpful if the leader listed his cell phone # on cue sheet or give it out at the start of the ride. this way if a problem, a rider can contact the leader.
keep them simple but accurate
No cue sheets have been given out

ONLY WHEN THEY ARE PRINTED IN SMALL TYPE WHICH ARE IMPOSSIBLE TO READ WHILE RIDING

PEOPLE DEPEND ON MAP MY RIDE, OR GARMIN TOO MUCH. HAVE BEEN SOME ISSUES WITH THOSE.

Prefer the 4 quadrant folding q sheet so you can see mileage next to the street name without having to turn over q sheet while riding.

Some are better than others. Depends on how much time the ride leader invested in preparation.

some leaders do not stick to the cue sheets, but its usually okay.

Sometimes essential

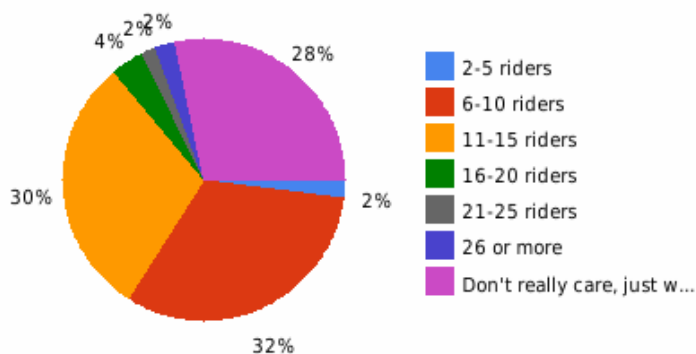
suggest cell phone number of ride leader on clue sheet in case there is a need to get or keep in touch.

They are adequate...I don't use them personally but they're ok.

Would most like to have maps. I'm good on pictures, bad on names.

How many people do you feel most comfortable with on a group ride?

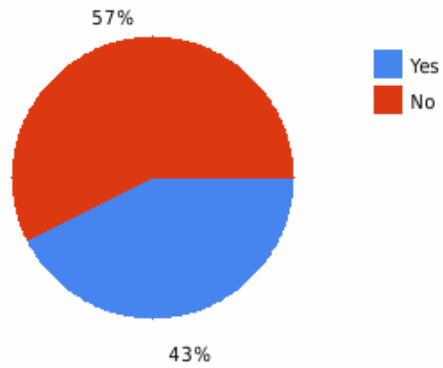
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2-5 riders	3	2.34%	
6-10 riders	41	32.03%	
11-15 riders	38	29.69%	
16-20 riders	5	3.91%	
21-25 riders	2	1.56%	
26 or more	3	2.34%	
Don't really care, just want to ride	36	28.12%	
Total	128	96.97	

Do you currently participate in rides or trip/rides off Long Island?

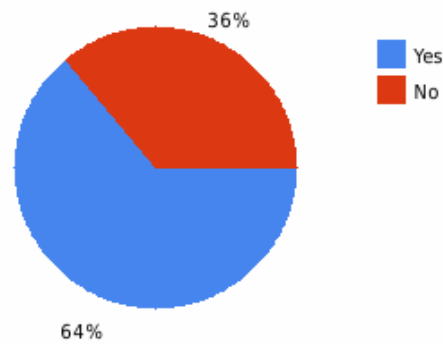
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No	71	57.26%	<div style="width: 57.26%;"></div>
Total	124	93.94	<div style="width: 93.94%;"></div>

Would you like to see more club organized off Long Island rides or trip/rides?

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No	42	35.90%	<div style="width: 35.90%;"></div>
Total	117	88.64	<div style="width: 88.64%;"></div>

## If yes, do you have any suggestions for rides or trip/rides?

A joint venture between GreenArmBandits and SBRA-a race/ride festival
Any where where there are climbs.
any where within 4 hr drive
Anywhere close...CT, RI, and so on.
Drive-able trips for long weekends NY, PA, CT, NJ
Flatest century (Tiverton Rhode Island) very nice . Location if very close to Newport so people have alot of choices when not on the bike.
granitewheelman tristate ride
Having no experience riding on a mountain, I would like to participate in a trip to the mountains, any mountains.
I have ridden with Elderhostel twice and on a tour from a Marriott once. Otherwise I'm a L.I. rider.
I know MBC goes to Saratoga (sp) upstate NY and to Cape Cod each year. Connecticut would be nice also
If organized, credit for mileage should be given. Good example is the bloomin metric (maybe this is the case already). As well, if someone can show proof of a special event ride (e.g., Tour De Cure) they should get mileage credit.
It would be nice to do any rides within a day's drive, but I've been dropped on the Bloomin Metric with a flat. What is the point of a club ride like that.
las vegas would be fun
My favorite solo trip ismy house to OrientFerry to New London. I like rt1 down the coast to Bridgeport. Then X sound to Pt Jefferson then home. Its easy to make hotel and ferry resvtns with your cell phone.
New England Upstate New York (Saratoga) Block Island Canada
New Paltz, Finger Lakes, Adirondacks, Pennsylvania
No suggestions, but would be interested in some that are close enough for a day trip, or a one night stay.
Occasional rides upstate, or on rails-to-trails elsewhere.
Pennsylvania would be nice.
Perhaps a tour through Vermont or Maine.
rails to trails in New Paltz area, Lake Minnewaska trails.
Road rides in vermont...
Sea Coast Century, some rides in Pa. with the Philadelphia Bicycle Club. Some of us joined them for there ride in Hnaover to Gettysburg. It was great and reasonably priced thanks to the Philly Club.
Somewhere close by - Not going overseas for biking.
Summer weekends would be nice.
The Greenway in Manhattan? The Palisades? The Oregon coast!!
The TD Bike tour - riding in a group of people you know would be nice
upstate NY, New England, Canada

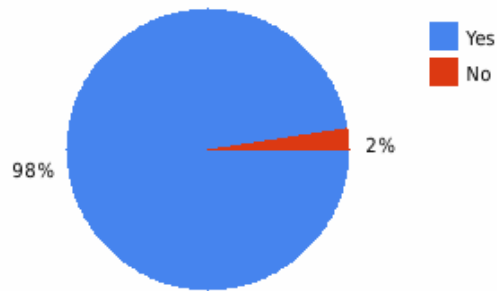


## Do you have any suggestions on how to improve SBRA rides?

# of riders: depends on # of sweeps
does anyone have afternoon rides? they are always early in the AM
For the most part, rides are fine... really really fine. I think that as both leaders and riders gain experience, everything improves.
<b>FREE LUNCH!</b>
get back to basics, have rides advertised monthly, so members can plan & expect riders & leaders to show. These last minute postings have destroyed organized rides, leaders now find there ride abandoned to the popular guy/gal who posted last. what's the point here? the club is now dominated by cliques...just like the riding experience...competition.
I live in the East End, I would liek to see more ride starting from there.
I recently joined the club and would have liked(after 2 c rides) to move up and try a b ride because when I bike alone, I think that is more my pace. I think as spring is progressing the b rides have just gotten too long for me to attend. I would like to see more b or b minus rides or c plus rides that are not 60+ miles long. Many riders in my age group don't have 5-6 hours to ride but only 3 or 4 hours to ride. 30-40 mile rides would be best.
I seldom so SBRA posted rides except Percy's Saturday AM ride occasionlly. I dont mind identifying myself -Owen O'Connor of Green Arm Bandits. The nature of competitive racing lean me toward more stuctured training that does not match well with many group rides. I think the survey approach and how serious you take trying to be accomodating for many riding levels is fantastic
I'll let you know...tomorrow I'll do some hills
Just stop whining and ride people! Riders have to realize that everyone rides for different reasons - stop complaining, take responsibility for yourselves and enjoy the ride!
Keep them moving, with shorter rest stops. (not always an issue)
keep to designated pace
less talking, and communicating during rides. Some people are having full blown conversations from the dinner menu's to what they have been doing for the last few months. Enough, talk about personal subjects at the stops or on your personal time. Why does the entire group need to know about your personal business?
Lets keep in mind that this club is about cycling, the act of riding with others and enjoying the ride together.
make a check list of things a new ride leader has to do to offer and follow up on rides in the order in which they have to be done. I am a bit lost as to how much paperwork must be done (when and how).
<b>NO A OR A- RIDES. ASPIRING A</b>
<b>NO AS MOST RIDES ARE AS ADVERTISED AND I KNOW WHAT TO EXPECT BY WHO THE RIDE LEADER IS</b>
No- good people in club (NOT ALL)
Note to 18) This number is very very dependent on the skill level. I do not mind a 30+ riders group of very experienced riders... it's fun. But it quickly can get dangerous/crazy with just a few newbies not fitting in.
On rides with larger groups 20 or more, perhaps have an 'assistant ride leader in addition to the sweep. to help keep the middle of the pack in line. Or break up the really large groups so the are less clusters
Rides advertised as structured should adhere to the posted speeds. Rides unstructured such as the B+/A s are fin
Some ride leaders don't follow our club safety standards. Add more mid-year ride leader training/mentoring. Run
Truth in advertising. Advertised speeds need to be riding speeds not average speeds - that would go a long way toward solving problems. Most cyclometers have lag times and don't take slowing for specific conditions into account whe
Would like more rides geared to my age group (65+). They could be of any length as long as needs of group were met. From riding with other groups organized by IBT, I'm more comfortable with greater distance between riders; some club members seem to inch up behind. More distance between riders often el

Have you visited the new SBRA website (updated in 2009)?

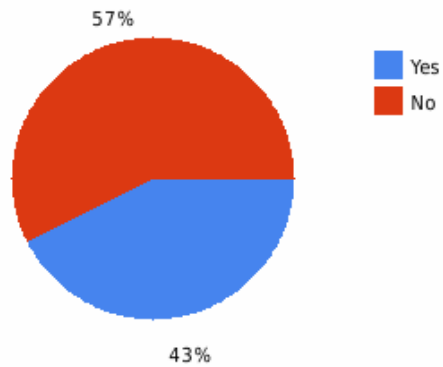
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No	3	2.33%	<div style="width: 2.33%;"></div>
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Have you clicked to request your SBRA Authenticated User status on the new website?

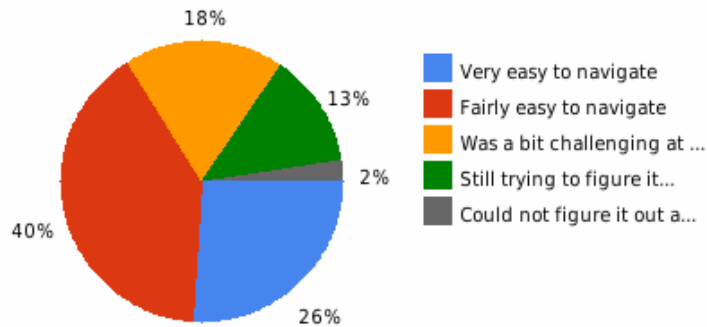
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Are you able to easily find the information you are looking for on the website?

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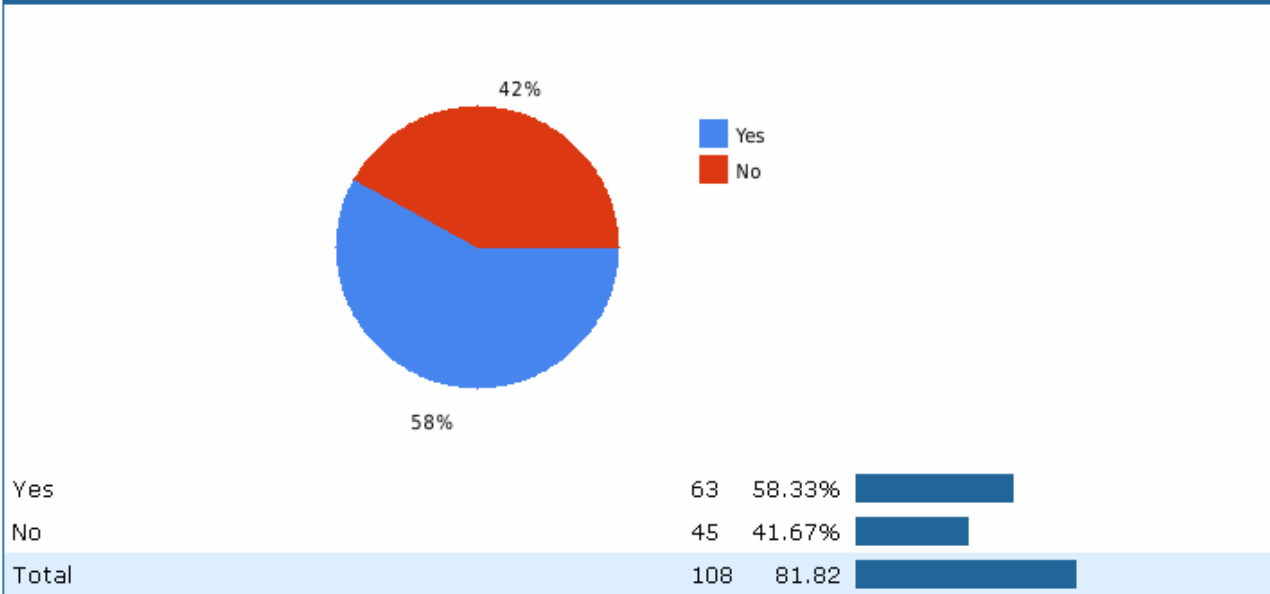
Very easy to navigate	34	26.15%	<div style="width: 26.15%;"></div>
Fairly easy to navigate	52	40.00%	<div style="width: 40.00%;"></div>
Was a bit challenging at the start but I got the hang of it	24	18.46%	<div style="width: 18.46%;"></div>
Still trying to figure it all out	17	13.08%	<div style="width: 13.08%;"></div>
Could not figure it out at all and avoid using it	3	2.31%	<div style="width: 2.31%;"></div>
<b>Total</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>98.48</b>	<div style="width: 98.48%;"></div>

Is there any information you feel is missing from the website?

Don't know enough about the club to comment.
How about links to other outdoors clubs in New York? Kayaking, hiking,running, etc.
I access a lot of websites(travel arrangements,bid and purchase items on e-bay,etc.),I consider the club website awkward.
I can't figure out why more people don't use the forum...perhaps if you opened it to nonmembers you would get more participation and probably a lot of new members. Let's not be so exclusionary.
It remains the slowest website I refer to
no,but not always easy to find.
none that i can think of
None that I can think of at the moment.
Photos from rides.
SBRA Special Events calendar has everything but SBRA events info submitted in a timely manner.
Some kind of a guide to where everthing is
The informaion is generally disorganized and hard to find and the web site is VERY slow... and the problem is not on my end.
The sign in section of the rides does not work.
user friendliness

Would you like to see more SBRA items for sale on the website?

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**If yes, do you have any suggestions of items you would like to see for sale?**

Items which are not as costly, Shirts for \$65.00 that's kind of high. Shirts without so many colors and things on them. Sell T shirts see Climb (\$20.00)
all bicycle related items
Any recommended cycling clothing (socks, shorts, tights, jackets, rain gear, gloves, bike bags, etc.)
ANYTHING bike related
arm warmers, bandana's, buff's.....
but not on a separate e-mail List them
car decal with sbra logo
car window stickers
cheaper prices -- right now a little overpriced new design for jersey
clothes and not just bike clothes
Club logo shirts, including tee shirts, golf shirts, and possibly long sleeve tee shirts.
DECALS,JERSEYS(DIFFERENT STYLES)
don't know, i just guess it would be fun to see more... maybe me checking yes makes no sense...
Jerseys, shorts, bib shorts, jackets, t-shirts
More personal classifieds (used bikes and equipment).
no strong feeling either way
Not at this time

RideWear: tech T's, tech polos, lower priced jerseys, hi-tech jerseys,  
SportsWear: cotton T's, cotton polo shirts, sweatshirts, cotton baseball caps,  
Spirit Branding: Car window stickers, bumper stickers, window clings, whistles, water bottles, camera and phone holders, pennants,  
Location Branding: substantial window clings to mark common st

SBRA logo stuff

sbra pens pencils caps windbrakers

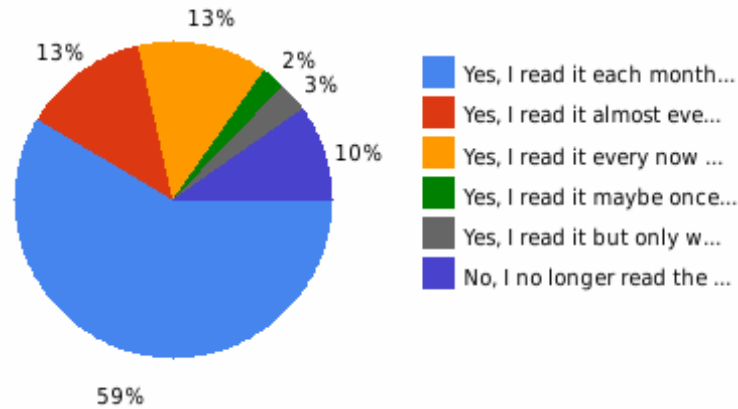
SBRA T-shirts, SBRA baseball caps, SBRA under helmet caps, SBRA socks, SBRA whistles

seem to be out of stock

Tee shirts, caps, jerseys long and short sleeves, jackets,

The members of this club should not be used as a marking group.

Waterbottles, club decals



Yes, I read it each month (thanks for sending the emails when it is available)	74	58.73%	<div style="width: 58.73%;"></div>
Yes, I read it almost every month (say every other month)	16	12.70%	<div style="width: 12.70%;"></div>
Yes, I read it every now and then (say every 3 months)	17	13.49%	<div style="width: 13.49%;"></div>
Yes, I read it maybe once or twice a year	3	2.38%	<div style="width: 2.38%;"></div>
Yes, I read it but only when I am trying to find something	4	3.17%	<div style="width: 3.17%;"></div>
No, I no longer read the newsletter now that the website has more information	12	9.52%	<div style="width: 9.52%;"></div>
<b>Total</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>95.45%</b>	<div style="width: 95.45%;"></div>

## Do you have any comments about the SBRA website?

Any information that goes into the newsletter can be posted directly on the site somewhere. Might be easier then trying to fill space just to make a newsletter work.
Can't find it
Find it a little difficult to navigate
Has to be faster and easier to find things to the casual user. Also spam mail coming as info@sbraweb.org and have received warnings of this site contains malware sometimes when accessing
I can't remember the password or if I do it doesn't recognize it,so why bother.
I don't know my password.
I no longer read the newsletter because it is no longer
I think it's buggy & I think it tracks a person
It could be a more powerful tool to attract new members. Perhaps a different format for the home page that flashes info on different events. Keep the iformational content, but 'sell' the club and it's events. In spite of the issues there have been with the site, it's better than other club's site#
It is fantastic. Great job to the person who updated it !!!!
It is the slowest website a access.
It is very slow and many times I notice it disclose
It might be more efficient to list all the rides for on a specific date on a seperate page by Pace, Distance, meeting place and time.
It seems a bit slow. Maybe update to HTML5 and dispose of the flash and animated gifs.
it's obviously a lot of work and there's a lot of info on it, thanks for the effort, time and hard work
Its ok but could be better,check out c.l.i.m.b. web sight much better an easy to use...
not easy to access info quickly, too many posting areas
Not very user friendly, still too slow. Bulletin board is very poorly organized (which is probably why so few people use it). Home page photos at the top do not reflect our club's membership (looks like an all-male bicycle racing club). Webmaster does not seem responsive to making changes to web site. Also, out of data items are frequently shown on home page for I
S-L-O-W =====
Thanks for having it.
The century training rides for the newbies wasn't easy to find. I'm not even sure if it's on the website??
the website fine
there used to be lots of action on the msg bd. not anymore

Have you participated in any of the following SBRA Events (check all that apply)?			[Back to top]
Montauk Century	61	57.55%	
Bike Boat Bike	89	83.96%	
Annual Picnic	66	62.26%	
Multi-Club Ride	52	49.06%	
Lobster Ride	35	33.02%	
Guide Dog Ride	65	61.32%	
Hampton Maid Inn Ride	41	38.68%	
Halloween Ride	54	50.94%	
Holiday / Awards Dinner	57	53.77%	
# of people who answered question	106		

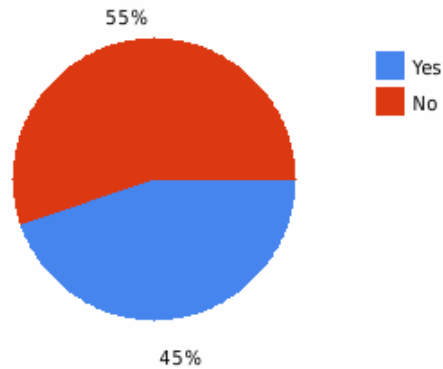
**Do you have any comments in regards to any of the above listed Events?**

All are well done.
all done very well.
All great events
all have been very good and appreciated
all have been very well organized
Enjoy all...
great fun..
Had a great time at each and every one. Thanks
I think the Holiday/Awards Dinner should be earlier than the end of December.
I think when you are asking for volunteers
I'd like to see the multi-club ride 'work' better ... maybe just one per year where all the clubs of LI show up; and perhaps move the hosting club each year.
i'm new this year. I would like to have more info on how to prepare and what's expected. More structured ride prep regarding century ride.
Lobster Ride and Hampton Maid Inn rides were very well run and enjoyable.
look forward to them every year
Montauk Century-the club used to award plaques to first time century riders
need to find a new time for the century - weather seems to be a constant problem with rain, cold. Possibly early september would work better
New member -- a few rides under my belt
No they are all planned very good. Thank you
The Bike Boat Bike is a great ride.
The food at the rest stops is very boring. PBJ sandwiches, Trail mix, oreos and oranges every time. Yuck!
they are great!
well organized, well run, good time.
will there be a hampton maid ride this year
will try them for the first time this year. Have heard many positive comments about Bike/Boat/Bike



Would you like to see more social Events?

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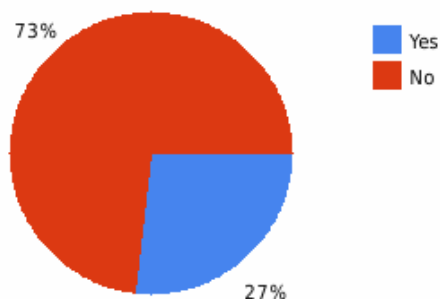
Yes	44	44.90%	<div style="width: 44.90%;"></div>
No	54	55.10%	<div style="width: 55.10%;"></div>
Total	98	74.24	<div style="width: 74.24%;"></div>

**Do you have any suggests for Events that SBRA should add?**

An interclub singles only Date night dance
Dick & I have organized the Pedal-Paddle-Pedal. I will do it again if/when there is interest (not this year).
fund raisers for charity groups
However, the Holiday / Awards part should be held earlier in January. The end of the month is way too late.
i think events are
more events would be nice, but the problem is getting people to step up to run them
no
No
no
more bowling nights
racing related
Two more all-level rides besides the Picnic ride

Would you like to see more award programs implemented for SBRA members?

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Yes	26	27.08%	<div style="width: 27.08%; height: 10px; background-color: #4F81BD;"></div>
No	70	72.92%	<div style="width: 72.92%; height: 10px; background-color: #4F81BD;"></div>
Total	96	72.73	<div style="width: 72.73%; height: 10px; background-color: #4F81BD;"></div>

**Do you have any suggestions of how members could earn awards?**

Annual Award - Most bagels eaten on SBRA rides.
better awards for 'firsts'
good question, will take some thought
I think awards are for wimps. We should be grateful for a great club and the efforts of one another to make it that way. On the other hand it is good to make sure that all ride leaders and/or sw
I'd rather people participate for the joy of helping others rather than to receive an award.
Mile Brackets 500+ 1000+ 2000+ 3000+ etc.
New member, not familiar enough with program to suggest...
no feelings either way. have received rewards and felt good about them.
The Sweep should receiver more points as they have to hold back for the slower people and are responsible to lead the group if it gets broken up during the ride.
These are not incentives and they give recognition for accomplishments.
Too many awards already. Should be simpler ... KISS
Volunteering to help in major events, eg. BBB
Volunteering more hours to work on events
When you volunteer for any of the events in #31 above, get some sort of credit like ride leaders