



2019 CYCLING CALENDAR

The first trip is a meet and ride (see listing for departure time and meeting place). All other trips are by carpool. Participants can either use the carpool website using the link provided on the cycling wiki or they can come to the meeting place on Tupper just west of Atwater on Saturday morning (meet at 8:15 am for an 8:30 departure).

The Cycling wiki (<http://randonnee-cycle.wikidot.com/start>) is where to go to:

- find the trip-specific link to register as a carpool driver or passenger (as of the Tuesday before a Saturday ride)
- find the link to get maps and instructions in PDF form (as of the Tuesday before a Saturday ride)
- check whether there is a weather-related cancellation or postponement (by 7pm on the Friday before a Saturday ride)

To register for weekend overnight trips, visit <http://www.randonnee.ca/cycling-calendar/>

Trip	Date	Destination
1	April 27	Meet & Ride: Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue, QC. Ride flat roads and bike paths along the St. Lawrence to Dorval, Pointe-Claire and St-Anne-de-Bellevue and return via the Lachine Canal. A gentle warm-up for the beginning of the season or for newcomers to try out riding with us. Trip lengths from 24 to 95 km depending on where you turn around. Departure at 9:30 by bike from Atwater Market. Look for other cyclists on the market side of the bridge.
2	May 4	Châteauguay, QC. Beautiful rides in mostly flat, rural areas. Riders can do a longer early-season route without worrying about hills. Trip lengths of 50, 80 and 93 km.
3	May 11	Lancaster, ON. Nice, fairly flat routes through rural Ontario farmland, partly along the St. Lawrence and Raisin rivers. You may want to bring your lunch. Trip lengths of 58, 91 and 120 km.
Victoria Day weekend	May 17-20	Picton, ON. We are returning to the popular destination of Picton, located in Prince Edward County, one of Ontario's most beautiful areas. The region offers the perfect mix of flat and gently rolling hills on quiet, uncrowded roads. Enjoy visiting the wineries and cycling through picturesque countryside, with views of Lake Ontario, cottage country, markets and places of historical interest. Trip lengths from 35 to 175 km. Registration deadline: Wednesday 24 April 2019.
4	May 25	Oka, QC. Great cycling for all levels with splendid scenery. Optional pub stop after ride. One of our most popular trips, not to be missed. Trips of varying lengths from 45 to 120 km. This year we are dedicating this ride to the late Chad Bradley, an RA member who loved getting out on her bike with us and who passed away far too young in 2018.
5	June 1	Chazy, NY. Popular destination: lovely countryside, excellent roads, quiet area with little traffic. Relatively flat, with some rolling hills, not too demanding, so a good early season trip. Bring your passport for the border. Trips of varying lengths from 35 to 108 km.
6	June 8	St-Roch-de-l'Achigan, QC. Beautiful terrain in a rural area northeast of Montreal. Rides mostly flat with some rolling hills. Terrific pub stop on the way home in l'Assomption. Trip lengths of 58, 61, 77 and 106 km.
7	June 15	Berthierville, QC. A new destination for this year, the historic village of Berthierville offers a nice waterfront, and 4 pleasant cycling routes through rich farming country. Cyclists from the South Shore may want to leave their car at the Sorel ferry terminal, take the ferry with their bikes and cycle to the starting point (5.6 km one way).
SJB weekend	June 21-24	Franconia, NH. Weekend destination for both cyclists and hikers that RA has not visited for many years. In the White Mountain National Forest, this destination offers stunning scenery and a variety of cycling routes. Registration deadline: Friday 17 May 2019
8	July 6	Vankleek Hill, ON. Nice, quiet flat roads and some rolling hills, starting in Vankleek Hill, the "Gingerbread Capital of Ontario". Possible beach and/or picnic stop at Voyageur Park on one of the rides. Trip lengths of 60, 63, 70, 84 and 100 km.
9	July 13	Louiseville, QC. Beautiful rides in rural areas on the north shore of Lac-Saint-Pierre, east of Trois-Rivières. Good hills but not overwhelming. Longer rides include a stop at Auberge Le Baluchon for picnic or purchased lunch. Trip lengths of 46, 70, 79 and 96 km.
Weekender	July 19-21	Nomingue, QC. Nomingue is located in the beautiful Upper Laurentian region. Discover the quiet and peaceful countryside and charming small villages north of Labelle, with good roads and the Petit Train du Nord cycling path. On Saturday, there is an option to cycle in the beautiful Mont-Laurier area. Two nights (Friday and Saturday). Trip lengths between 49 to 92 km. Registration deadline: Friday 21 June 2019.

10	July 27	Lake Carmi, VT. Quiet and well-paved back roads through scenic rural landscapes. Quite hilly. Popular pub stop in Bedford after the ride. Bring your passport for the border. Trip lengths of 44, 70, 78 and 92 km.
11	Aug. 3	Covey Hill, QC. Quiet roads, with a long, slow climb and descent before lunch and then mostly flat. After the ride, we'll get together at the Rockburn pub. Some routes go into the US so bring your passport for the border. Trip lengths of 60, 74 and 99 km.
12	Aug. 10	Champlain Islands, VT. Beautiful rides for all levels. Beach stop possible on some rides. Bring your passport for the border. Trip lengths of 37, 70, 88, 94 and 120 km.
13	Aug. 17	Ormstown, QC. Great cycling along quiet roads by the Châteauguay River with scenic views of the Adirondacks. Trip lengths of 79, 86, 105, 110 and 131 km.
14	Aug. 24	Ste-Mélanie, QC. A new destination for the club. On the mostly quiet roads of Lanaudière, you can choose your pleasure – bucolic farmland, rolling foothills, or twisty backroads with good climbs. Trip lengths from 46 to 100 km. Pub stop in the pretty town of Joliette.
Labour Day weekend	Aug. 30- Sept. 2	Shawinigan, QC. Experience cycling in the hills and quiet roads around Shawinigan or a longer route through the Mauricie National Park that involves several climbs and descents and beautiful views.. Trip lengths ranging from 44 to 116 km. Registration deadline: Friday 26 July 2019.
15	Sept. 7	Mooers, NY. Spectacular scenery and very quiet roads. There's a pub stop in Hemmingford on the way home. Bring your passport for the border. Trip lengths of 54, 84 and 103 km.
16	Sept. 14	Bedford, QC. Great scenery, quiet roads and manageable hills. Routes offer a variety of distances and degrees of difficulty. A nice pub, Le Belvédère in Bedford, awaits us after the rides. Trip lengths of 45, 74 and 93 km.
17	Sept. 21	Sutton, QC. Some rides go over the border into Vermont to the beautiful Berkshire area or North Jay. Rolling hills on some routes and others have long climbs and steep descents. Bring your passport for the border. Trip lengths of 50, 55, 72, 75 and 77 km.
18	Sept. 28	Sorel, QC. Lovely farmland, good roads, fairly flat. Some routes are along the Yamaska River. Trips of varying lengths from 50 to 90 km.