

Tour of Minnesota Update February 22 2017



Tour of Minnesota

Wed 2/22, 7:58 PM

You



Reply

!2017 Updates

2017 Tour of Minnesota

June 16th - 23rd, 2017



Welcome

We want to welcome you to the Tour of Minnesota formerly the Klobuchar Ride community. We filled up in under six days even

while increasing the group size to 175. We would like to grow the ride but we need to grow at a reasonable rate to keep the service up.

Please read as there is new and important information regarding the tour. I do repeat some information because we constantly have new riders on the list.

If you registered, you should have received an email from Race Roster Event promotions.

Waiting list

We are full and filled up quickly. If you are on the waiting list, we will let you know if anything changes.

Personal sags or extra vehicles

The Tour of Minnesota is a fully supported bike tour. I have been asked if people can bring their own sag support for the tour. The answer is no.

Visitors meals

Our group is now 175 strong. In the past we have honored guests joining us on the tour for a breakfast, lunch or dinner, we are not able to do that this year. Our group size has grown and we will be at capacity for meals so we won't be able to honor visitors joining us for meals.

Baggage/Gear Limit

There is a 50 pound weight limit maximum.

Riders may have one large bag less than 50 pounds or two smaller bags totaling less than 50 pounds. Chairs, tents, sleeping bags must be **inside the bag itself** and not attached to the outside nor separate. All bags must be labeled with a luggage tag, first name, last name, cell phone number.

Helmets

Helmets are required whenever you are on a bike on ride days and even on the day off. Our insurance requires helmets to be worn at all times.

Balance

If you registered and paid the 50% down payment, remember that the remaining balance needs to be paid by March 1st, which is one week away. Please visit the site below and select the Tour of Minnesota Balance.

[Click Here to pay your balance](#)

Bike Tune Up or Overhaul

Please get your bike looked at by a professional bicycle mechanic before the start of the tour, it is just a really good idea. Mike Weiss will be back again this year but they are not available to provide tune ups at the start of the tour, he is really busy.



Penn Cycle

Penn Cycle has \$99.00 Deluxe Tune Up or 50% off a complete overhaul special running now through March 1st. You can find details here or at any of your local Penny Cycle and Fitness locations. Tell them Bob from the Tour of Minnesota sent you.

<http://penncycle.com/articles/bicycle-service-repair-pg8.htm>

New This Year

1. Pork Belly Ventures Tent Service
2. Events Bike Ride Services massage service



Pork Belly Ventures

There is still time to sign up for Pork Belly Ventures to provide your tent and porter services for the Tour of Minnesota. Pork Belly has been providing tent and porter service for RAGBRAI for more than twenty years. This is an optional additional service at your own cost.

[Click here to sign up for tent service](#)



Massage

Tired? Sore? Need a massage? We are proud to announce Glen Morey of Events Bike Ride Services to provide massages during the Tour. there is still plenty of time to sign up for this. If you would like a massage, please contact Glen:

C: 727-457-6994

[Email Glen for a massage](#)

[Click here to sign up for a massage](#)

Hotel Options

New this year, we have added a cities page to the web site. If you plan to stay in a hotel/motel on the tour, check out [hotels](#). The hotels listed near the top are closest to our camping sites.

Shuttle

If you are staying in a hotel listed on the cities page, we offer a shuttle service for your gear for \$2.00 per day, \$10.00 for the whole week. You can fill out the form and pay at check in. I cannot guarantee shuttle service except to the hotels/motels listed on our web page.

Camping locations and addresses

Available on the bottom of our <http://www.tourofminnesota.com/cities.html>

FAQ

Please read the FAQ.

I receive many questions from new and returning riders so I put together a Frequently Asked Questions. The FAQ link is on the archives page at

<http://www.tourofminnesota.com/archives.html>

Also on that page are a day in the life of a rider on the Tour of Minnesota, great packing lists and more. Check it out.

Swag

Time is running out but there is still time to

purchases men's or women's jerseys at

<https://raceroster.com/events/2017/11143/2017-tour-of-minnesota>

**Innovative Graphics Commemorative
(included with Registration)**

[Youth Sizing Chart Tshirt](#)

[Women's Sizing Chart Tshirt](#)

[Men's Sizing Chart T-shirt](#)

Womens'e Jerseys by Floravelo

[Floravelo Women's Sizing Chart](#)

Men's Jerseys by Primal Wear

[Primal Mens Sizing Chart](#)

All swag can be viewed on our swag page at

<http://www.tourofminnesota.com/swag.html>

Impact of Bicycling

Assessing the Economic Impact and Health Effects of Bicycling in Minnesota study. The Tour of Minnesota continues to be involved with the Tourism Center at University of Minnesota and the Minnesota Department of Transportation in a study on the effects of bicycling in Minnesota.

If you would like a two page summary please click here:

[Economic Impact of Bicycling Events in Minnesota](#)

For the full study, please click here:

[For the Full Study Click Here](#)

Route

The 2017 Tour of Minnesota
June 16th - 23rd, 2017

June 16th 2017, we will start in Stillwater and stay in the following cities: North Branch, Moose Lake, Superior, Danbury, St. Croix Falls/Taylor's Falls and back to Stillwater. Yes, we will be in Wisconsin for a couple of days.

6/16 Stillwater meet 4:00-8:00 for check in

6/17 Stillwater to North Branch **56** miles

6/18 North Branch to Moose Lake **71**

6/19 Moose Lake to Superior **48**

6/20 Superior day off

6/21 Superior to Danbury **52**

6/22 Danbury to St. Croix Falls/Taylor's Falls **55**

6/23 St. Croix Falls/Taylor's Falls to Stillwater **56**

Shortest day **48** miles

Longest day **71** miles

Average day **56** miles

Approximately **338** miles

Your mileage may vary.



Maps

We will have maps in many formats including FrontPack app available online and you will receive a print set of maps at check in.

Download the app here:

[Download FrontPack App](#)

You can find it online at:

<https://www.thefrontpack.com/Maps/Tour/2297>

If you are not familiar with FrontPack, check out the web site for more information. One thing I really like about it is you can download the route to your phone and use it without cell coverage.

Please invite me to be your friend.

Thank You

A great big thank you Brenda Potter, Jeri Kennelly, Julie Heuer, Chris Larrin, Doobie Kurus, Rich Gordon, Steve Reynolds, Dick Borst, Jim Moyle, John Ameel, Vi Olson, Bob Fier, my son James (who will hopefully be riding/working the tour) and so many more. I know I have forgotten some people so I apologize in advance. This job could not be done without agents in the field.

Follow us on social media

Tour of Minnesota Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/TourofMinnesota/>

Twitter
[@tourofminnesota](#)

Instagram
[drumminglibrarian](#)

Tour of Minnesota Web Site
www.tourofminnesota.com

Bob's Blog
<https://drumminglibrarian.me>

Bob's Bikers Group started by Dusty Pence
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/BobsBikers/>

Registration cost \$485

The registration cost will include meals on riding days, 6 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 5 dinners, camping facilities, showers, gear transport to camping sites, sag vehicle support, bicycle repair service by Penn Cycle, and a commemorative t-shirt by [Innovative Graphics](#). Riders will pay for meals on the day off, snacks along the route and other items of interest along the route.

Helmets

Helmets are required whenever you are on a bike on ride days and even on the day off. Our insurance requires it.

If you have questions, feel free to contact us:

Bob Lincoln

Ride Director, LCI

C: 952-215-5056

drumminglibrarian@hotmail.com

<http://www.tourofminnesota.com>

Rich Daniels

Ride Director

C: 612-701-3183

H: 952-448-4960

richjdaniels@gmail.com



FORMERLY THE KLOBUCHAR RIDE

[Check us out at www.tourofminnesota.com](http://www.tourofminnesota.com)

STAY CONNECTED



2016 Group Shot at Itasca State Park

Tour of Minnesota | 325 Engler Blvd. , #340, Chaska, MN 55318

[Unsubscribe drumminglibrarian@hotmail.com](mailto:drumminglibrarian@hotmail.com)

[Update Profile](#) | [About our service provider](#)

Sent by blincoln@tourofminnesota.com in collaboration with



Try it free today