

# SACRAMENTO BIKE HIKERS

## Yahoo E-Group Rules

### **bikehikers Group**

The primary e-group for the Sacramento Bike Hikers. The Bike Hikers maintain this Yahoo e- group so members can easily communicate with the group at large. Use the E-Group to post relevant information pertaining to the club and the local cycling community. Always be civil and polite and no person to person posting, please.

### **bhforum Group**

The Bike Hikers Forum (bhforum) has a more open structure than the bikehikers E-Group. Use the bhforum for extended discussions of topics and issues relating to the club and the cycling community. This group is unmoderated. Please be on your best behavior and avoid un-civil comments.

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## Managing E-mail

The Bikehikers e-group is a very active group, and you may find a lot of "chatter" going on that may not interest you. On the other hand, this is where club announcements and last minute changes to the ride schedule are posted, and that information is essential. So, if you want to manage your e-mail box, there are a couple of alternatives. One is to turn off delivery of e-mail altogether and the second is to get a daily digest. Both can be done by logging into the Bikehikers e-group at groups.yahoo.com and clicking on "edit membership." Either way, you can still access the message archive at the group site and read only the messages that interest you.

If you want to step it up on managing your e-mail, many of the e-mail systems have filters or "rules" to help you manage your e-mail. The filters and rules serve the same function – i.e., redirect e-mail to a place other than your in-box. As an example, you could set up a folder to hold e-mails from the bikehikers e-group. You would then set up your filter or rule to have all e-mail from the bikehikers e-group redirected to that folder. From that point on, all e-mails from the bikehikers e-group will be sent to that folder you set up instead of your in-box. Just be aware that e-mails systems have glitches and that you will have to check your filters/rules periodically to make sure that they are functioning.

## Unsubscribing

If you want to leave the e-group, you can do so by logging into the Bikehikers e-group and clicking on "edit membership" (this function is near your name near the top of the webpage). There is a "Leave Group" button near the bottom of your membership webpage. Click on that and you will no longer be a member of the Bikehikers e-group.

## Cyber Rides

There has been some confusion regarding cyber rides posted to the e-groups. The Board clarified the existing policy. Cyber rides are not acceptable when they conflict with a scheduled club ride or event. This is a long-standing policy that has not changed.

# bikehikers E-Group Rules

## Rules for Posting

Bear in mind that messages in the Bikehikers e-group generally are moderated. The moderators will also redirect some of the discussions to the BHForum e-group, if the thread has continued for some time. There are several moderators overseeing the group and they will approve or reject the messages. Their job is to maintain a high quality message board that is relevant to the e-members. Comments are welcome; however, the moderators reserve the right to make changes. Please check the rules below for posting to this e-group.

- 1) No Flaming - on or off-line. Be civil to each other.
- 2) Please post your real name in your messages.
- 3) No cross-postings. Even if you have multiple subscriptions, you should only send your posts to "Bikehikers@yahogroups.com"
- 4) Do your homework. Make sure you know what you are talking about before sharing it.
- 5) Stay on topic. NO chain letters, virus alerts, political statements, religious statements, or copyrighted materials in your posts and signatures.
- 6) KISS -- Keep It Short and Simple. Trim quoted material and keep your signatures short. Messages carrying more than one prior message may be rejected. Be sure to trim your post when responding to another post.
- 7) Use an appropriate subject. Summarize your post in the subject. Descriptive subjects get more attention.
- 8) Use discretion. Post prudently, and send private emails when appropriate. The e-group basically is rated PG-13.
- 9) Please minimize attachments as they may or may not go through. If you have several attachments, post them to the Files or Photos areas of the e-group.
- 10) Set your email program to submit inline text. HTML or other formatting works very unreliably and sometimes will not come through at all.
- 11) If you are posting something for sale, or otherwise looking for private answers, put your email ID in the body of the message. Yahoo filters out the last letter of your address in order to inhibit spam robots from picking addresses out of the archives.
- 12) Moderators will usually comment on the rejections. Be sure to look through the notice and see what you can correct. If you are ever in doubt about the rules, consult the moderator first.

Thanks for joining our group and we hope to see you on one of the club rides soon.

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## Managing E-Mail

The BHForum e-group can be an active group, and you may find a lot of "chatter" going on that may not interest you. There are a couple of alternatives, if you don't want your email box filled with chatter. One is to turn off delivery of email altogether, and the second is to get a daily digest. Both can be done by logging into the BHForum group at groups.yahoo.com and clicking on "edit membership." Either way, you can still access the message archive at the group site and read only the messages that interest you.

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Also, bear in mind that while messages in the Bikehikers e-group are moderated, the BHForum is generally unmoderated. Please observe the rules (see below). The moderators will take action if the rules are broken.

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