

# Bay State Bike Month 2022

## Events For Everyone



## In the Pioneer Valley!

**Wednesday, May 4th at 9:00 AM through May 18th**

### **3rd Annual Art Wall**

Celebrate Bike Month with us as we splash color and creativity on a blank mural space alongside the rail trail. Throughout the week, bicyclists, skaters, and others are encouraged to add to the wall with colored markers and street chalk to celebrate one of the best trails in the country! [Northampton Rail Trail](#) near Vets Field on West Street.

**Saturday, May 7th at 12:00 – 2:00 PM**

### **Westfield Valley Bike Demonstration**

ValleyBike and the Friends of the Columbia Greenway Rail Trail invite you to come learn more about the Valley's pedal-electric assist bikeshare system and try the bikes out yourself! Bikes will be available to try for free. Come get a taste of what may come to Westfield in the near future! [Main Street Ramp, Columbia Greenway Rail Trail](#) in Westfield, MA

**Wednesday, May 11th at 5:30 PM**

### **Westfield: Mayor's Bike Ride**

Join Mayor McCabe and the Friends of the Columbia Greenway Rail Trail on a bike ride through Westfield and on the Columbia Greenway Rail Trail. The round-trip ride will leave from City Hall shortly after 5:30 p.m. [Westfield City Hall](#) in Westfield, MA

**Friday, May 13th at 7:00 AM**

### **Springfield Riverwalk Ride**

Join WalkBike Springfield for the Riverwalk Ride starting at 7 am at the entrance to Riverfront Park (State St. entrance) and ending at Granny's Baking Table, 309 Bridge St., who will be serving free beignets to all bicyclists that morning. [East Columbus Ave. at State Street](#) in Springfield, MA

**Saturday, May 14th at 10 AM**

### **Bike for Coffee & Doughnuts**

Fun family friendly 12-mile ride from the Miller Rd. parking area on the Southwick Rail Trail to Main Street on the Westfield Columbia Greenway and back. Doughnuts and coffee will be available. Miller Road Parking Area, [Southwick Rail Trail](#) in Southwick, MA

**Sunday, May 15th at 1:00 PM**

### **Get Ready to Ride**

Bike safety checks, repair clinic, and e-bike demo, and children's K-8 bike rodeo. Parents should pre-register their children for the Rodeo at [southhadleyrecreation.org](#) and plan to bring a bike and helmet for each child. Competitive Edge Ski & Bike, AAA of Hadley and Greenfield, Valley Bike, and the South Hadley Bike Patrol will all be there. Ice cream from Batch Ice Cream. [Buttery Brook Park](#) in South Hadley, MA

**Wednesday, May 18th at 7:00 AM**

### **Northampton Bike Breakfast**

Join the Friends of Northampton Trails, MassBike, and local cyclists in downtown Northampton for the return of the community bicycle breakfast in 2022. Local businesses donate coffee and delicious breakfast items to encourage cycling during bike to work week so plan your morning bike commute to include a brief stop to celebrate cycling with other riders. [Corner of Merrick Lane and King St. across from Hotel Northampton](#) in Northampton, MA

**Thursday, May 19th at 6:00 PM**

### **Critical Mass Ride**

Join the Friends of Northampton Trails and other bicyclists for a Critical Mass Ride! These rides are intended to highlight one of the many alternatives to driving and bring attention to the need for improved bicycle infrastructure and safety. We ride to support the planet, promote alternative transportation, build community, and remind drivers that these are our streets too! Bring your friends and family! [Pulaski Park](#) in Northampton, MA

**Saturday, May 21st at 9:00 AM – May 29th**

### **4th Annual Great Tree Bike Tour**

[Friends of Northampton Trails](#) is sponsoring this self-guided bike tour through the neighborhoods of Northampton that can be completed anytime during the week. Each stop features an audio description of the story and unique nature of these 11 champion trees, accessible via QR code. A printable map of the tour (including QR codes) and detailed instructions will be available online at [fntrails.org](#) by mid-May. Participation is free.

**Sunday, May 22nd at 5:00 PM**

### **Ciclismo Classico Bike Travel Film Festival**

After a few years hiatus, local mobile bicycle shop Speed and Sprocket Cycle Works is bringing the Ciclismo Classico Bike Travel Film Festival back to the Pioneer Valley! For more information please visit [www.ciclismoclassico.com/filmfest](#). The fee is \$20. [Bombyx Center for Arts and Equity](#) in Northampton, MA

Use the QR code to find the Bay State Bike Month website.



Or go on line to [www.baystatebikemonth.org](#)

**Monday, May 23rd 7:00 – 9:00 AM**

### **Holyoke Bike Breakfast**

Join the Holyoke BikePed Committee for a bike breakfast at Veteran's Memorial Park. Stop by to enjoy bagels, granola, fruit, and coffee. The BikePed Committee will also be giving out bicycle safety information and gear (lights, reflectors, etc.) to promote bike safety. The event is sponsored by [PeoplesBank](#). [Veteran's Memorial Park](#) in Holyoke, MA

**Tuesday, May 24th at 5:30 – 7:00 PM**

### **Springfield Mural Ride**

Join WalkBike Springfield on May 24 for a Mural Ride starting at 5:30 PM at the Mason Square Library 765 State St. for a 6-mile ride down State Street and ending at Drueya Way on Worthington St. At the end of the ride, join the post-ride gathering at Smith's Billiards and/or a guided ride back to Mason Square. The ride will view and learn about 15 Fresh Paint murals along the way. You can check out the murals at <https://www.freshpaintspringfield.com/artists>.

**Every Wednesday at 6:00 PM**

### **Wednesday Night Rides – Hampshire Bicycle Exchange**

Bring your light. Expect some asphalt, some gravel and lot of bumpy single track. More information on Instagram at <https://www.instagram.com/hampshirebicycle/Hampshire Bicycle Exchange> in Amherst, MA

### **Bike Month Challenges**

Ride Tracking Challenge. This May, track your rides with the MassBike Love to Ride Group, and each week you log 3+ trips, you'll be entered to win the weekly prize. At the end of the month, everyone who logged trips throughout the month will be entered into a grand prize drawing, a \$500 gift card from Priority Bicycles.

Carry It With You Challenge - May 1st – 15th. Bicycles are a great form of recreation, transportation, and a sustainable, self-powered way to haul stuff around town. Whether you've loaded up panniers, made use of a rack, or found another inventive way to carry something by bike– we want to know about it for our Carry It with You Challenge! One lucky winner will receive a basket from Nantucket Bike Basket Co.

Be a Bike Buddy Challenge - May 21st - 31st. Everyone knows that bikes are better with friends! Be a bike buddy with our second bike month challenge and share a ride with a friend! One lucky winner & their bike buddy will each receive a set of MassBike socks in either black or green, a MassBike Buff, and a 2022 Bay State Bike Month T-shirt so they can be bike-twins.

For more information on the challenges visit [https://www.baystatebikemonth.org/bikemonth\\_challenges](https://www.baystatebikemonth.org/bikemonth_challenges)