

Celebrate the Greenbelt Weekend

June 2 -3, 2018



One of the biggest bicycling events in Harrisburg is the Tour de Belt that attracts over 700 riders who enjoy riding around the 20 mile Capital Area Greenbelt, the “emerald necklace” that surrounds Pennsylvania’s capital city. This is an event you won’t want to miss! More information at

<http://caga.org/tour-de-belt/> . While you’re in Harrisburg, why not enjoy a whole weekend of Greenbelt related fun?

We are offering multiple activities to showcase all the City of Harrisburg and the Capital Area Greenbelt has to offer.

Can’t participate in Tour de Belt this year? We ask that you consider a donation to the Capital Area Greenbelt Association to support the future development of this urban trail system and the important connections between the communities that the Greenbelt provides. <http://caga.org/donate/>

Questions about Greenbelt Weekend? Contact mchastek2009@gmail.com

Saturday, June 2 – National Trails Day

Saturday’s rides are free and there is no pre-registration required.

10:00 a.m. **BIKE the BURG!** Sponsored by *The Burg Magazine*

- Choose from a 4 or 11 mile route
- Family friendly, free ride no pre-registration needed.
- Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Underground Bike Shop,
 - 1519 N. 3rd Street, Harrisburg

Enjoy these family friendly flat rides along the riverfront and Greenbelt. Feel free to add more miles on your own. Meet afterwards at the Broad Street Market, where Urban Churn is giving children under age 12 who “Bike the Burg” a free ice cream cone and adults can get theirs at ½ price! Allow some time to enjoy the vendors at the Broad Street Market and Midtown Area. While you’re at the market, be sure to enter for a chance to win a classic Schwinn Stingray bike. Don’t have a bike? It’s easy and inexpensive to borrow a bike from Harrisburg Bike Share. <http://bike.zagster.com/harrisburg/>



12:30 p.m. SAMBA Parkway Trail Mountain Bike Rides

Rides start at 1:00 p.m. at the Derry Street

gate behind the City Line Diner: 3302 Derry St. Look for the SAMBA signs for parking off Derry Street at the Greenbelt parking area. Beginner/novice ride of around 8 miles of a mixture of mountain bike trails and the connecting Greenbelt trail. The advanced ride will include 12 miles of intermediate and advanced trails off the Paxtang and Cameron Parkways. As always SAMBA rides are free to all participants Helmet and waiver required. Riders under 18 year of age require a parent or guardian to be present. Details and weather related updates are on SAMBABIKER.COM.



4:00 p.m.- 5:30 p.m. Five Bridges Tour

Sponsored by Bike Harrisburg and Recycle Bicycle

There's no better way to see the City than from the top of a bridge! This leisurely sightseeing ride will meander over the Harvey Taylor, State St., Mulberry St., Market St. and Walnut St. bridges returning riders back to City Island. Catch the Senator's baseball game after the ride. The ride is around 10 miles long. There is no cost for this ride, Donations will be accepted and all riders must wear helmets. You can join the tour at 3:40pm at the HACC Midtown Campus parking lot or from City Island at 4:00 p.m. HACC Midtown has free parking on Reily St. between 3rd and 4th Streets. Car parking at the Senators Game on City Island may have a charge. The Five Bridges Tour will cycle back to both starting points. *Hint: Parking at HACC Midtown will eliminate the traffic jam on City Island at the end of the Senators game. Just ride your bike back to your car using the Walnut St. Bridge and the Greenbelt back to Reily Street.*



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6:00 p.m. Greenbelt Night at the Harrisburg Senators Minor League Baseball on City Island!

The Senators are playing the Portland Seadogs. Only \$11 for general admission tickets and part of the proceeds will be donated to the Capital Area Greenbelt Association. Game time is 6:00 p.m. Ride over after the Five Bridges Tour or ride in from home. Secure bike parking will be available. The Senators games are always a good time and the stadium concession stands offer a good selection of local foods and beverages. Parking is available on City Island. Use this link to purchase your tickets:

<https://groupmatics.events/event/BikeHarrisburg>





Tour de Belt

Sunday, June 3

Registration is required for the Tour de Belt and Community walk.

9:30 a.m. HACC Harrisburg - Tour de Belt

This is your chance to have a great time on your bike while supporting the Capital Area Greenbelt. Volunteers are placed along the 20 mile route to cheerfully provide encouragement, directions and refreshments to all riders. Get a team of riders together to have more fun and provide a greater level of support for this valuable community resource. Pre-registered riders get a free commemorative t-shirt! Registration is \$25 for adults and \$7 for children. After May 15th adult registration goes to \$30. To register or for more information go to

www.caga.org.

For a special youth group rate and registration process contact Bob Johnston at sbikeb@aol.com before May 15

10:30-11:30 a.m. Greenbelt Community Walk

Sponsored by the Susquehanna Rovers

Not up for biking 20 miles but interested in supporting the Capital Area Greenbelt? The Susquehanna Rovers are providing the "walking" option during Tour de Belt. After the bikers leave HACC, the walkers will tour the beautiful HACC campus and walk the Greenbelt to Wildwood Park and back. Walkers will meet at Rover's booth - in front of the HACC Library and TdB tents at 10:15. It's a great opportunity to learn more about the Susquehanna Rovers - a member of America's Walking Club. Rover participants enjoy walking for fun, fitness and fellowship in Central PA's historic towns and great outdoors. The one-hour community walk will be around 3 miles, giving the average walker an opportunity to enjoy the campus and park and return to greet bikers as they cross the finish line. The Rovers will provide directions and a small award for completing the walk. A donation of \$5 to CAGA will sign you up for the walk. If you donate \$10 a lunch will be included. To register go to the Tour de Belt page on www.caga.org.

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Art of the Bike Show

Stroll the grounds of HACC after the Tour de Belt to peruse the Art of the Bike show, featuring creative sculptures, paintings, photographs and more, all related in some way to the sport we love! Want to add your artwork to the display? Contact Jenifer at jjdtad@comcast.net

2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Birding on the Greenbelt Sponsored by Audubon Pennsylvania

Wildwood Park is part of the Capital Area Greenbelt and a great birding spot. Join Audubon staff and volunteers for a walk around the lake in search of birds and other wildlife. Learn about birds that frequent the park and much more. If you have binoculars, please bring them or borrow a pair from Audubon. Meet at the nature center. All birding levels are welcome. <http://www.wildwoodlake.org/> Location: Wildwood Park, [100 Wildwood Way, Harrisburg](http://www.wildwoodlake.org/)

Staff Leader: Holly Smith, Project Coordinator, Audubon Pennsylvania, hsmith@audubon.org

Sunday June 3 continued:

3 – 5 Tour de Belt After-Ride Party at the Boro Bar and Grill - Riders may join CAGA from 3 -5pm. Sunday to celebrate the Tour de Belt. Appetizers sponsored by Troegs Brewing, hosted by The Boro Bar and Grill, 4425 N Front St, Harrisburg. \$1 from every purchased Troegs' beer goes to CAGA. Please wear your TdB t-shirt.

Thanks to the following groups for their sponsorship of “Celebrate the Greenbelt” Weekend: Capital Area Greenbelt Association, Bike Harrisburg, The Burg Magazine, Recycle Bicycle, Underground Bike Shop, Harrisburg Bike Share, Harrisburg Bicycle Club, the Susquehanna Rovers, and SAMBA.

Bike Friendly Hotels for the Greenbelt Weekend

These hotels have special rates and do allow bikes to be brought into the rooms overnight for safe keeping. Each hotel is located near the Capital Area Greenbelt. Please note that you are responsible for knowing the cancelation policies for any reservation you make as these special rates may have restrictions on refunds for late cancelations. All registrations are between you and the hotel.

Days Inn Harrisburg North

3919 N. Front Street in Harrisburg

Phone (717) 233-3100 Ask for the Greenbelt weekend rate The Days Inn Harrisburg is bicycle friendly and has a discount rate of \$ 79 for either a king or a double, with breakfast included for the Greenbelt Tour Weekend. Reservations at this rate can be made up until May 15th for this special rate. It is near HACC with a short ride to connect to the Greenbelt. You can follow this link and book with the Days in for \$79 per night: [Greenbelt Tour Weekend Online](#) Cancel 24 Hours prior to 4pm day of arrival to avoid 1 Night charge plus tax.

Comfort Inn Riverfront Harrisburg

525 South Front St.

(717) 233 1611 Ask for the Bike Harrisburg weekend rate

The Comfort Inn Riverfront is on the Susquehanna River and closest to City Island and about 6 miles from HACC. The Comfort Inn has a discounted rate of \$105 for 2 double bed rooms.

Reservations must be made by May 20th to get this discounted rate. Please be aware of the Hotel's Cancelation policies for these group rates.

Staybridge Suites Harrisburg Hershey

920 Wildwood Park Dr, Harrisburg, PA 17110

(717) 233-3304

Staybridge Suites is the closest hotel to HACC and only a very short ride to the start of the Tour de Belt. Staybridge is an all-suite hotel and is Bicycle friendly. Breakfast is included. Please be aware of the Hotel's Cancelation policies for these group rates

You can book by calling 800-238-8000 or 717-233-3304 (and press zero) and mention the "Greenbelt Weekend Tour de Belt " block.

You can book online by clicking here [Greenbelt Weekend Tour de Belt](#) The group code is GBW (**must book before 5/4/18 at midnight to receive the group rate**). Cancelations have until 4 pm the day prior to your scheduled arrival to cancel the room without penalty.

Questions about the lodging Bob J. at sbikeb@aol.com