



# Just keep riding



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## NEWS FROM THE ABA

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### Holiday Hours

The ABA office will be closed from December 24th until Tuesday January 3rd.

### 2012 Registration

For anyone who needs their license BEFORE January 10th please contact Heather Lothian at [heather@albertabicycle.ab.ca](mailto:heather@albertabicycle.ab.ca). Please remember your club will have to have affiliated before a license can be purchased.

### Important note to all organizers:

Thanks you and congratulations to everyone for helping to make the 2011 season such a success.

If you are interested in hosting an event in Alberta for the 2012 season, please see our [2012 Expression of Interest Form](#). We ask that you please fill out the form (page 2) and submit by January 8th, 2012 for consideration on our Preliminary calendar, to be posted by January 31st, 2012. Following the deadline for submission, we will be hosting a Race Organizer's Conference & Date Setting Meeting that will be used to discuss improving the process for 2012 as well as retrieving input from all organizers to set up a preliminary calendar. This meeting will take place on January 14th, 2012 at the Red Deer Sports Hall of Fame from 10:00am – 3:00pm; all organizers are encouraged to attend.

For all Mountain Bike events, please return the completed form to Josh Peacock at [josh@albertabicycle.ab.ca](mailto:josh@albertabicycle.ab.ca). For all Cyclo-cross, Road and Track events please forward the completed form to Gillian Millett at [gillian@albertabicycle.ab.ca](mailto:gillian@albertabicycle.ab.ca).

\*Please note the January 8th deadline relates to Preferential calendar placement. We will continue to accept Expression of Interest forms after this date, although calendar space will become limited.

Feel free to contact the ABA at any time if you have any questions or concerns.

### Citizen Licenses

For anyone who is looking to try racing for a season but does not want to purchase a full UCI license, the ABA has Citizen Licenses available for a reduced cost. This license lets you compete at the lowest category offered only and is not valid outside of Alberta. For more information please go to <http://www.albertabicycle.ab.ca/membership-types>.

### Bikes for Cuba

Since Jeff donated his own bike first, while cycling around on holiday in Cuba in December 2009, his personal 'Bikes for Cuba' vision has grown. In 2010, helpful Canadian tourists brought 30 bikes down for him. This December 22, 2011 - with the help of Jacqueline and Ralf - Jeff's dream of one hundred racing bikes delivered to four Cuban communities will be realized.

"One of the most heart-warming aspects of this project, is the ongoing generosity of the cyclists who donate the bikes, the parts, the helmets tourists every year now. And all the young people who will ride these bikes, will get to see that a bicycle really is a wonderful way to get around, especially in a place as beautiful and safe as Cuba."

For more information, please visit: <http://BikesforCuba.com> and <http://BikesforCuba.Wordpress.com>

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