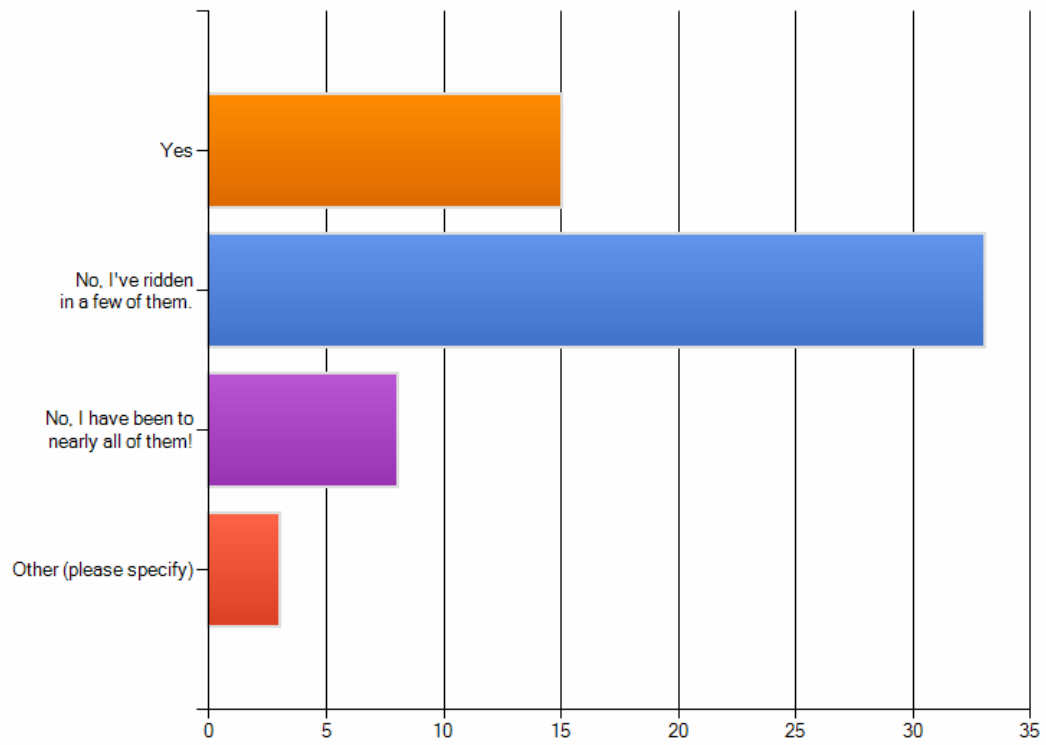
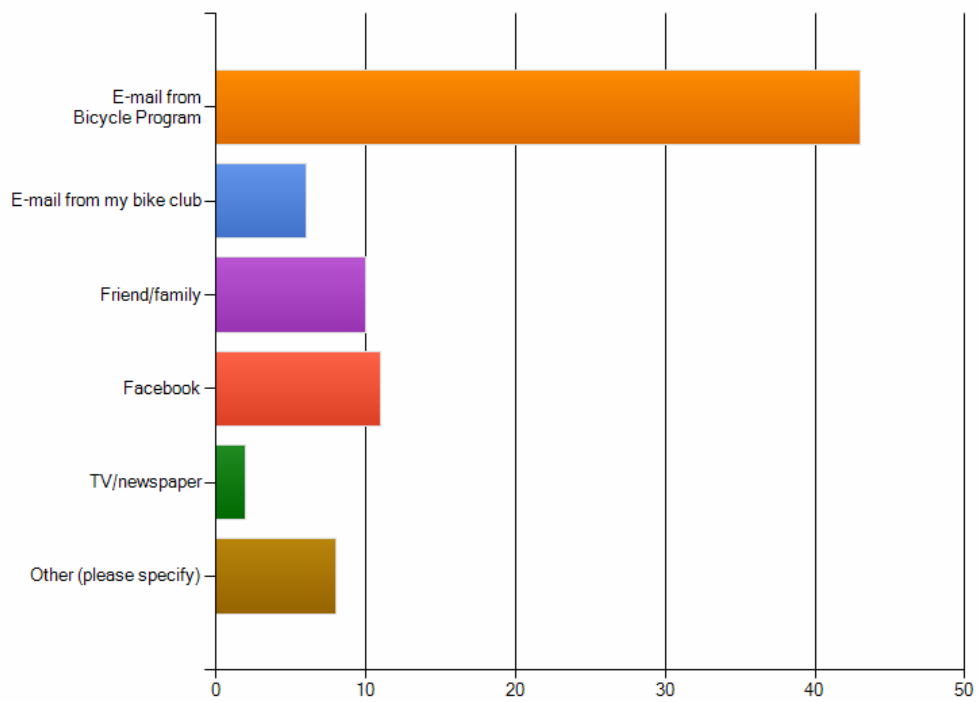


Survey Results: 2011 Neighborhood Bike

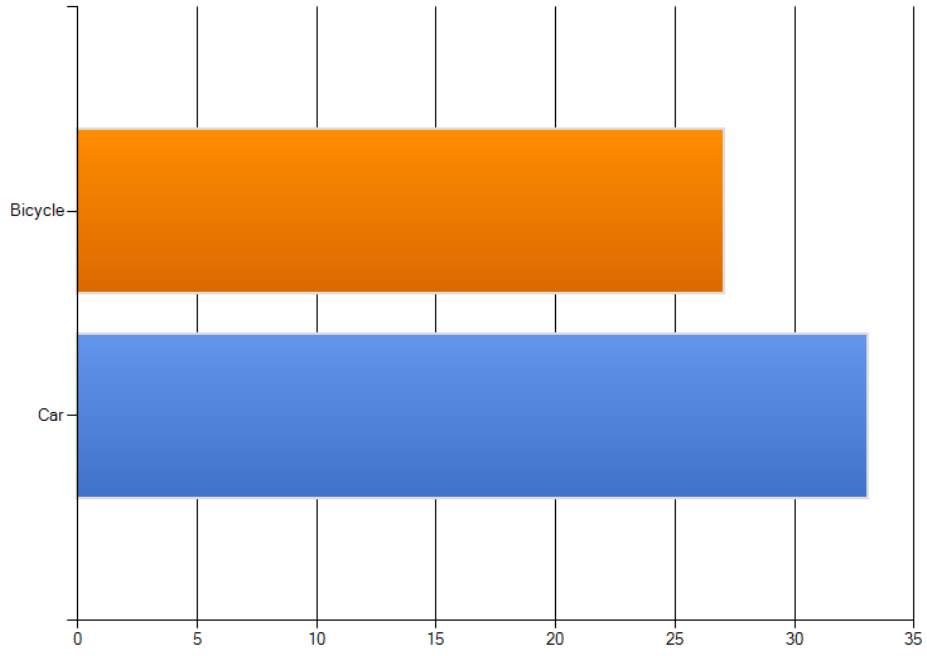
Was this your first time participating in the Neighborhood Bike Ride?



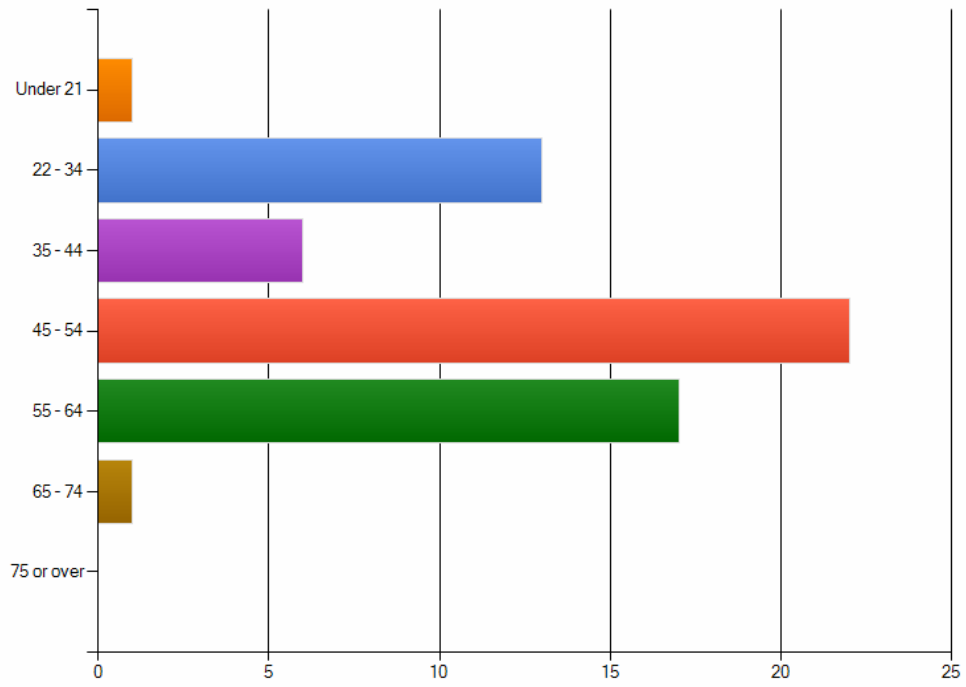
How did you hear about the ride? (check all that apply)



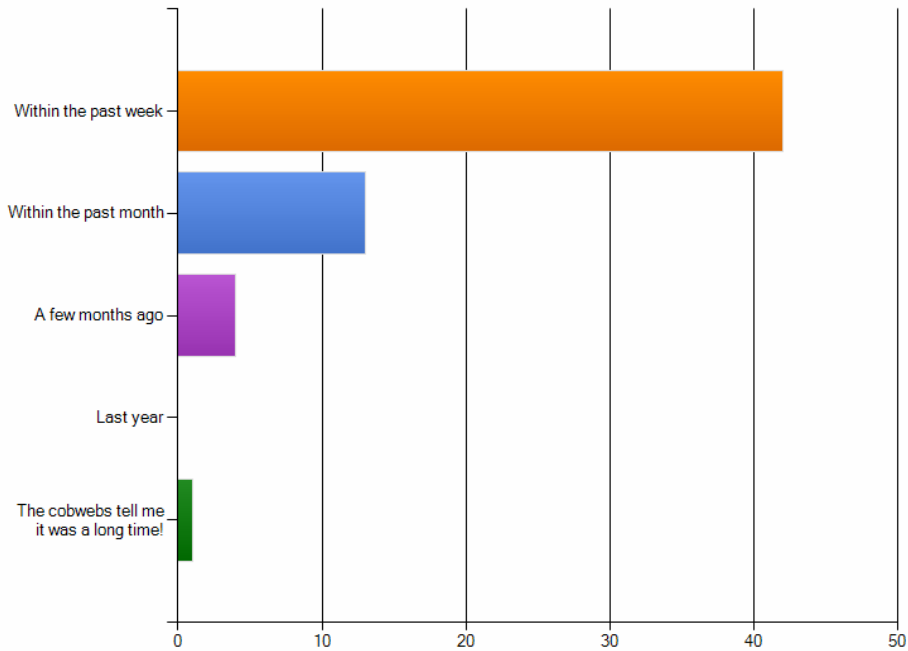
Did you arrive at the start location by:



What is your age?



Before the ride, when was the last time you rode your bicycle?



What was your favorite part of this year's event?
All
all!
As a 'recumbent' rider, I didn't feel like an outsider; I was just another 'rider'. In events where 'serious' bikers participate, I'm regarded as an outsider. I FELT ACCEPTED.
being able to bring child along safely. Would be nice to make it longer for children but safe.
Being in the big group
being part of the growing bike community, riding non-bike friendly roads but feeling safe, good food and drinks,
children starts the ride
combining with Happy Hollapollooza was great. Always love getting acquainted with new neighborhoods.
Fellowship with other cyclists
Getting down the hills...
Going up and down the hills! Such was a good challenge.
Good start/end location with easy parking and nice businesses; saw new neighborhoods I have never been in.
Having a longer and shorter route. I took the longer one and it was more challenging than usual. The rest stops had better food, too.
helmet decoration
Helping our local cycling community.
I always enjoy the incredible mix of people that go on the rides.
I liked meeting new people, I liked the route.

I really liked the friendly atmosphere of the whole event
I really liked the laid back pace and the chance for everybody to ride regardless of their ability.
It was all pretty great. Riding without having to worry so much about traffic.
Lot's of things, but decorating helmets was new and cool!
meeting friends at the start location
More going on in Happy Holler than last year... still not as good as Market Square for a starting point.
North Hills
pizza
Pizza
pizza at the end !
Post ride Pizza!
Riding through the neighborhoods with all kinds of folks from all over town.
Same as always - I enjoy the actual riding, the weather, the scenery, and the people
Seeing new neighborhoods I would not normally visit. Enjoy meeting people from the neighborhoods and their support while riding.
Seeing people out and moving, talking and smiling!
Socializing with friends at start and at end of ride
Solidarity among cyclists. Riding on streets I would never ride alone. Promoting awareness to motorists.
That big old monster hill!!
the chalk drawings on the rest stop building
The cool weather and fall scenery.
The hill.
The large number of people.
The ride itself and the great refreshments
The ride through the different neighborhoods, waving and saying good morning to the folks watching. Hope they noticed how much fun we were having and were encouraged to get on their bike.
The ride was good, except that one hill in North Hills. I enjoyed the refreshments too especially the pizza.
The ride!
The weather was beautiful, the route was good, and the rest break was nicely done.
The weather was nice.
The whole event.
Weather and food
Weather and seeing all the people supporting rides
weather, police escort, wish i had them all the time ;)
Well, the whole thing.

General comments

Broadway is one of the most dangerous roads for cyclists in Knoxville and until we have adequate bike lanes on this road we shouldn't encourage people to ride on it. With that said, it may be cool to do a police escorted ride all the way from the old city or from Central to N. Knoxville and back all on Broadway to show drivers that there is a huge cycling community in Knoxville and that they need to Share the Road. Also, the bicycle safety checks and helmet decorating location should have been next to the Bicycle Program booth/sign up as all the riders gathered in this area. I didn't get to help near as many people as usual do to this. I don't think we were noticed by most until too late. Overall it was a good event and I look forward to helping and riding along with more Neighborhood rides.

Climbing the BIG HILL made it very unsafe. The hill was for experience riders only. This was not for family's.

Could have used a water/break stop earlier into the ride. Previous rides seemed to have the stops about mid-way or had two stops. Once again, appreciate the police and other emergency personnel who give added safety to bike riders and also to the city of Knoxville for sponsoring such events. Thank you!

Great job. Well organized. Great KPD escort/support.

GREAT pizza!

Had a great time, great ride until my husband's dehydration problem (which was his own fault). However, there might need to be some "system" in place for what to do with people's bikes is they are sick or injured. It took me about 45 minutes to locate who had his bike...nobody knew where it was or who had it. I left him at the rest-stop and rode on to get the car and come back to get him. Before I got back he called me and said someone called an ambulance and had him taken to the emergency room. He told me he told several people to call me but nobody did. He called using one of the emergency personnel's cellphones. So, I guess there needs to be a little more thought to what to do in emergency situations. Otherwise, great job.

hope to see more rides like this thow out the year

I like the idea of having a reason to hang out for a while after the ride instead of everyone leaving immediately

I like these rides

I missed the boom box bicycle this year :(

I thought starting on a grade with so many riders clumped together was not a good idea. Also some verbal instructions would be good--you can hope parents would teach their children but obviously they did not. They were cutting in and out. That steep hill was dangerous--good riders could do it if they had not had to turn a corner and be in the midst of people stopping, getting off bike and weaving around but was too much for a neighborhood ride. I thought it very stressful and I ride about 100+ miles/week. Should have been spread out lots more.

It was a great time and a great ride. Everything was really good. I hope to bike it in May.

It was a really fun event and I would love to see more of this kind of thing in the future.

it was well run, a great event

Kelly, You're doing an AWESOME job. Thanks.

one hill really was too steep for a general ride. Unless there was something specific to see on/from the top of that hill, the route should have gone around it even if it added a mile.

One hill was steep enough to make many riders stop and walk. At least half the riders near us bailed out. The real problem was walkers all over the road. They'd stop and walk wherever they were in the road without any regard to who might be behind them. The walkers clogged the road making it extremely difficult for everybody else. For future rides I suggest you avoid climbs severe enough to make riders become walkers. Otherwise the ride was absolutely superb! Thanks loads.

Please keep doing these. See you at the Tour de Lights.

Really enjoyed the ride. Some seasoned riders thought it was a little slow but I thought it was great camaraderie!

See you at Tour de Lights!!! Can't wait!

See you on the Tour de Lights.

Thanks!

Thanks!

That extreme hill in North Hills seemed unnecessary, even for advanced riders.

The lead police car drove so slow that we all were bottled up in a tight pack. This tactic seems new and I think an aggravating factor with bikes taking the left-hand lane on Broadway, which I figured would get some notice.

The NBR was a great time! Thanks!

the ride was great but it included one short and somewhat steep climb that was tough on the kids and folks on cruisers. Please consider the type of riders that come to these events and tailor the route profile to the skill/ability of them. Thanks

The route was a little too hilly for those that don't ride frequently.

they need to be more often please.

Well done.

What was up with that monster hill in North Hills?! That was a bit cruel considering the level of rider this event draws. Also, the rest stop was very late in the ride. Earlier would have been nice. Other than that, no complaints.

Wish we had a ride every other month or so? I like riding in big groups of bikes of people.

You do a great job of organizing the rides and coordinating with local police. Well done.