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## Who Does What?

### What do TCA members do?

Write articles, draw cartoons, send letters, host rides and rallies.

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**Webmaster:** Maintains the TCA Website - [www.tandemclub.org](http://www.tandemclub.org)

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## From the Editors --

It's hard to believe – 2010 is almost over. We only have one more issue of DoubleTalk scheduled for this year—and that may be a problem! Why, you say? Well, it's simple to explain – we're not getting many contributions for DoubleTalk right now. Our mailboxes – both electronic & USPS aren't overflowing with your articles and letters these days. And that presents a problem for us.

You see, DoubleTalk is YOUR magazine. We edit & publish what you send us. (And if you've sent us an article, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts). Without your contributions, we have nothing to put into the magazine. Other than this editorial page, we don't create content. DoubleTalk isn't our magazine. It's yours. So help us out. Send us your articles. Tell us about your trips and Write us letters that are suitable for publication. Let's get DoubleTalk beefed back up, with your great articles, letters, and other contributions. We know you can do it. You have in the past, and we think you can do it.

DoubleTalk is the newsletter/magazine for, about, and by TCA members. Please, take a few minutes and write us. Tell us what's on your mind. Tell us where you've been (or where you want to go). Don't let DoubleTalk wither and die.

With that said, we'd like to invite all TCA members (and prospective TCA members) to stop by the TCA table at the Midwest Tandem Rally, to be held this year in Shipshewana, IN. You can hand in your articles to us there, you can

renew your memberships for another year, you can sign up your friends (TCA membership can make a great gift for your tandem-riding friends). If you'd like to volunteer to work a shift or two at the TCA booth in Shipshewana, please stop by the vendor area where the table will be and sign up. We need your help to strengthen TCA so it will survive for years to come.

Have you ever wondered how long TCA has been around? TCA was started in 1976, by Malcolm Boyd & Judi Allison, a great team who thought that there must be other tandem riders out there, looking for other like-minded individuals with similar interests. They contacted a few teams, who contacted other teams, and when 50 teams had expressed a solid interest in forming a club, Malcolm & Judi went forth and started the Tandem Club of America. Malcolm and Judi put out the first issues of DoubleTalk, which originally were little more than a few typewritten and copied pages, sent out a few times a year. The club grew, as did DoubleTalk. A few years ago, TCA peaked at nearly 3000 teams, and DoubleTalk had grown to 40-44 pages! Unfortunately, TCA membership has been dwindling since then (today we have approximately 900 teams in TCA), and DoubleTalk has also dropped in size, to 32 or 36 pages. We'd like to see both the TCA and DoubleTalk return to the days where our membership is again over 2000 teams strong (or stronger) and DoubleTalk is back to a 40 page magazine. We can do it with your help!

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share your  
thoughts  
with  
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Next year (2011), the Tandem Club begins its 35<sup>th</sup> year of existence. We hope it's the start of a strong run for another 35 years.

That's enough from us for this issue. We're off to attend our last two rallies for 2010 – The Midwest Tandem Rally in Shipshewana, IN, held over the Labor Day holidays in September, and the Southern Tandem Rally in Florence, AL (NW AL, near the Natchez Trace). We hope you can attend one or both of these great events, or one of the other events listed on our TCA Calendar, printed elsewhere in DoubleTalk. If your at MTR or STR, we hope you take the time to visit with us and let us know your thoughts about the TCA and how we can improve it in the future!

Keep the rubber on the road, and the wind at your backs

## RAGBRAI 2010

And miles to go before I don't sleep" is what Robert Frost would have penned had he been on Ragbrai (the Des Moines Register's Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa.) While we missed the solitude of his snowy woods, the experience and adventure of Ragbrai is not one we will ever forget!!

Bicycling across Iowa allowed us a unique perspective on this state's treasures: deep green cornfields and acres of soybeans punctuated by gigantic wind turbines whose silhouettes exclaim evidence of productive wind corridors while announcing head or tail winds to us.

We started out, as is customary, by dipping our rear tires in the Missouri River at Sioux City, Kyle and me on our tandem (our "conjoined twin" Kyle called it) and Connor and Mike on individual road bikes, riding our first "68.5 mile" with great enthusiasm and lots of energy! The pass-through towns celebrated riders with brass and bucket bands, colorful banners and waving flags, and feasts of breakfast burritos, rhubarb and blackberry pie, and thick, tender pork sandwiches.

Mike arrived first at Storm Lake, excavated our bags from the luggage mountain -- truly the proverbial needle in the haystack, and established our claim at the crowded tent city which erupted daily. We then traipsed off to local schools for showers before heading to town for dinner and the evening's entertainment. Each community participated in an engaging time – jazz and rock bands, jokesters and jugglers, late night



This Iowa wind farm had an information booth.

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fireworks, and later, just when we were drifting off to sleep a local train would rumble through!!

From Storm Lake we had a mere "79" miles to Algona (All Gone Ah miles, per Kyle) with less elevation to climb that day. Again, Mike arrived, liberated our 4 bags and got started with setting up camp. (Some of us were beginning to see the benefit of dawdling at the numerous food stops and towns along the way . . .)

Day 3 we took off for Clear Lake, 70 miles away. Our usual morning wake-up call was the sound of someone's tent poles collapsing around 4 a.m. (the baggage truck opened at 5 a.m.) and after packing up tents and gear, we then hauled our bags up the slippery gangplank and heaved them onto the luggage truck. Our bags weighed about 40 pounds each, and Connor and Kyle held their own, literally.

The day from Clear Lake to Charles City was supposed to be our "easy" day at about 52 miles and mostly downhill



Kathy and Kyle dip their rear wheel in the Missouri

elevation changes, but headwinds and heat were oppressive and we were more than glad for the regular sumptuous feasts of pork sandwiches, "dirty, kinky spuds" --potatoes loaded with cheese and fajita meat, root beer floats, dill pickles, pies, ice cream, corn on the cob, loaded PBJs -- especially beyond the "map er-

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Kyle, Kathy, Mike and Conner are ready to roll across Iowa.

ror” that added another 6 miles to the route! While the boys and I ate our way through each day, Mike refueled on Gator Aid, pickles, artichokes, and a few almonds, then enjoyed his feast with us each evening in town! We couldn’t understand where he got the energy to beat us in almost every day and he couldn’t understand how we could gobble down such huge amounts of food and pedal on full bellies!

Charles City into Waterloo was the longest mileage, stretching from the 82.2 to 87, with the only disappointing campground of the week. Whereas, most camp sites were on thick green fields

of soft grass, in Waterloo we were sent to a furrowed hay field with straw remnants so sharp they poked into tents and the dust from the dry roadbed coated everything when a car passed through. It had to be the only rock hard dry spot in Iowa this summer! The logistics of supporting this massive group made us think about Armies on the move during the Civil War: food, water, places to set up camp, all had to be secured.

We were glad to move out of Waterloo and on to Manchester early that morning, especially before the building downpour turned the field into a torrent of mud. It was cold, however, and riding 57+ miles in the pounding rain with thunder crashing overhead and rain slashing at our arms was tough. On this day, the uphill were our friends, keeping us warm as we generated our own heat. But the following downhill caused us to chill to the bone. After 40 miles, Kyle and I stopped at a local gas station for hot



One of many amazing bicycle sculptures along the route.



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chocolate. We were in good company as about 100 other dripping wet, shivering riders milled around, sipping hot beverages. Kyle and I perched near the pizza heater, enjoying the warm blast with each slice removed. I stood behind Kyle wrapping my arms around him in a close bear hug, sharing our warmth as we stood, when we were joined by four big, tall, male bicyclists also standing near the pizza heater, shivering and drinking mocha, their rippled muscles coated in goose-bumps. They seemed to eye us curiously. We all stood there a long half hour or so, chattering teeth and shaking limbs beginning to calm, when one of them blurted to the others, "I wish MY mom was here to give me a hug right now!" After a good chuckle we darted back out into the rain for the last 20 some miles of cold riding. We arrived just as the sun was peeking out, so thankful that Mike had pushed through and already set up our tents! Kyle stripped off the wet clothes and dove into his sleeping bag for a long snooze! Connor joined us (an anxious 20 minutes) soon thereafter; he fell asleep immediately, with his cell phone in his hand and his Ipod connected to his ears.



WiFi - some can't leave it home.



Lines, lines and more lines - this one gets our gear into the semi for its ride to our next stop.

Mike had to bring along a solar charger just to keep Connor's music playing!

Our final day's ride into Dubuque was awesome! The landscape is rolling with hills and valleys like mountains out of nowhere, with one famous climb, Potter's Hill, a mile long with a 19% grade on part of it. Mike and Connor were among the small group who conquered this slope without stopping or walking!! The challenge of pedaling the hills combined with tight elastic on new bike shorts caused 2+ pitting edema on my legs-- like logs made of "memory foam" according to Kyle.



Multi day rides require lots of fuel.

Like all days, Iowa Highway Patrol officers stood in the stampede of bicyclists to direct traffic. Meanwhile, trumpets and jazz bands greeted riders

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Many towns had welcome banners - Dubuque was our final goal.

again, we were in agreement, “No”. Riding with 10,000+ other riders 7 consecutive days was just too many bikes and bodies to ride, sleep, and move comfortably among. While Mike replied there are many other states we would enjoy touring by bicycle, Montana, California, Nebraska . . . Connor suggested Rhode Island!

Kathy Krafska  
Pensacola, FL



lining up to dip front tires in the Mississippi River. There was pervasive exuberance, massive relief, and an incredible sense of achievement at the completion of this ride. Kyle, Connor, Mike, and I rode RAGBRAI this summer, 442 (more accurately 484) miles of it, alongside of 10,000+ other riders of various ages (9- 83 years), bike configurations (singles, tandems, recumbents) and skill levels -- most impressively the paraplegics who cranked out all the miles by hand and who had no option to walk Potter Hill. We'd made our goal as a family.



When asked if we would do RAGBRAI

Front wheels in the Mississippi - This family rode the whole way.



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## Saratoga Springs Eastern Tandem Rally July 4th weekend 2010



Smiling faces and re-usable goodie bags filled with 'Saratoga Stuff' greeted us as we arrived for our 4th of July weekend.



One of the springs - this one was available for drinking.



Saratoga Springs water and Saratoga chips - the original potatoe chip



Saratoga is all about racing - horses everywhere.



Lots of fantastic homes too.



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Eastern Tandem Rally. July 4, 2010, Saratoga Springs. Red, white, and blue bike jerseys were the colors of the day on that hot July morning, and a trip to the Saratoga National Historical Park was the ride for the day. The route through the rolling countryside of upstate New York was beautiful and many riders arrived in time to witness a memorable naturalization ceremony where 20 people hailing from 13 different countries recited the oath of allegiance and were naturalized as United States citizens on a hill overlooking the battlefield of Saratoga National Historical Park.

Our national holiday celebrating the signing of the Declaration of Independence is an appropriate day for natural-

ization ceremonies. Among the grievances against King George III mentioned in the Declaration is:

*He has endeavored to prevent the population of these states; for that purpose obstructing the laws for naturalization of foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migration hither...*

Saratoga National Historical Park is an equally

important location to remind us of our country's history. State Sen. Roy McDonald, R-Saratoga Springs, spoke to the new citizens, saying it was important to remember that the rolling hills before them had been stained with the blood of patriots who fought to make all Americans citizens of their own land. "That's why they did it 234 years ago," he said, "for you, for us, for all of us."

The site of the first significant American military victory, Saratoga ranks among the most decisive battles in world history. In September and October of 1777, American forces met, defeated, and forced a major British army to surrender, leading France to recognize U.S. independence and enter the war as an ally.

After Washington's memorable crossing of the Delaware on Christmas night in 1776, and his victory at Trenton, Washington settled his troops in for the winter. During the winter's pause in the hostilities, British General Burgoyne took leave in London, where he bet that England would win the war by Christmas, 1777, and he would eat his Christmas dinner in Albany. The key was British control of Lake Champlain and the Hudson River which would cut off New England from the rest of the country.

Burgoyne's strategy called for a three-pronged attack, including attacks from the west, and General Howe's army moving up the Hudson River from New York City to rendezvous with Burgoyne at Albany. But Howe had a plan of his own and set out to attempt a capture of the rebel Continental Congress at Philadelphia. Unfortunately he didn't tell



The Saratoga obelisk.

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Burgoyne who was left waiting for troops that would never arrive.

Cyclists who visited the 155 foot high obelisk saw its four niches with three holding statues of American generals Gates, Schuyler, and Morgan. But who should occupy the empty niche? Another American more famed than the three generals, Benedict Arnold, the “hero of Saratoga.” Gates and Arnold were feuding. Jealous of Arnold’s September 19 tactics at the battle at Freeman’s Farm, Gates refused to mention Arnold’s name in his official dispatches to Congress. When a furious Arnold confronted him, Gates relieved Arnold of his command.

The British advanced on October 7, but Arnold was confined to his quarters by order of Gates. When he heard the battle in the distance, he seized a horse and galloped onto the field. Without any official authority, Arnold assumed command by general consent of those present. An angry Gates sent a messenger with orders insisting that Arnold leave the field but the message came too late. Under Arnold’s leadership, the Americans surged into the British. During one of the assaults late in the day, Arnold was unsaddled by a musket ball that hit him in the left leg and killed the horse beneath him, injuring his leg for a second time and effectively ending his career as a fighting soldier. Today there is a curious “Boot Monument” on the battlefield which commemorates Major General Benedict Arnold’s service at the Battles of Saratoga in the Continental Army, but doesn’t name him.

As Arnold lay bleeding on the field, Gates’ belated order directing him to return to his quarters arrived, but the battle had already been won. Burgoyne, abandoning his sick and wounded, tried to run, but seeing that flight was useless, he surrendered on October 17. Arnold was sent to Philadelphia to recuperate and nurse his grievances, and the process began whereby his name would become synonymous with “traitor.” As for General “Gentleman Johnny” Burgoyne, he lost his bet but he did indeed eat his Christmas dinner in Albany in 1777. He dined as a prisoner of war.

Saratoga is regarded as one of the most decisive battles of the war. It brought hope and confidence to the colonists, doubt and despair to the British. The French had no fondness for the British before, but Saratoga finally convinced them of American competence and American resolve. With the victory at Saratoga, France and the United States signed treaties of commerce and alliance, formally bringing the French into the war.

How appropriate this destination was for the Fourth of July. Without the battle at Saratoga, our nation’s celebration would likely not happen. In



The battles display.



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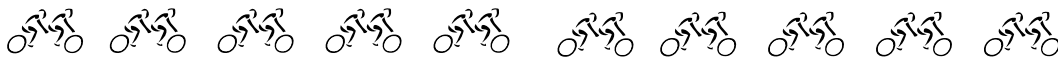
a letter to his wife Abigail, our second President, John Adams remarked,

*Oh posterity, you will never know how much it cost us to preserve your freedom. I hope that you will make a good use of it. If you do not, I shall repent in heaven that I ever took half the pains, to preserve it.*

Our Fourth of July cycle to this Revolutionary War battlefield was a wonderful reminder of our history and our reasons for celebration.

Joan Laxson  
Concord, MA

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## TCA Tandem Hospitality Homes

Are you willing to become a TCA Hospitality Home? If so please head to the TCA website, [www.tandemclub.org](http://www.tandemclub.org). There you can sign up and find a complete description of the program. If you would like to discuss what's involved, drop an e-mail to us or call the membership chairs or the editors.

A Hospitality Home provides touring cyclists a place to stay for a night. It need not be fancy, a spare bedroom or even a tent site will do. The cyclist will

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Please go on line and register to sign up at [www.tandemclub.org](http://www.tandemclub.org). You will need some basic information such as your e-mail address, your address, and contact information.

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Labor Day, 2010. **MTR 2010** Shippshewana, IN. Nice flat terrain, quaint Amish locale. Hosted by HOOTs (Hoosiers Out On Tandems), part of CIBA (Central Indiana Bicycling Association). More details at [www.mtr2010.org](http://www.mtr2010.org)

September 6 – 10, 2010. **Midwest Tandem Rally Post Tour** LaPorte, IN. A tour of Indiana's "Casual Coast". The tour will feature four days of pleasant riding in the lake country of northwestern Indiana. Jim & Susan Marcotte [posttour@mtr2010.org](mailto:posttour@mtr2010.org)

September 10-12, 2010. **Fall Allegany Rally for Tandems (FART XVII)** Off road MTB weekend at Allegany State Park, Salamanca NY. Private rooms. All meals on your own in the mess hall. Riding XC ski trails, horse trails and dirt roads. Technically not difficult, but be prepared to climb. For more info, contact Karen or Brian Managan 49 Martinot Ave Rochester NY 14609 (585) 654-9624 or [frosty\\_dog@mac.com](mailto:frosty_dog@mac.com). The cost for the entire camp for the weekend is divided by the number of teams, so the more teams, the less it costs! Check out the F.A.R.T. web page at <http://homepage.mac.com/bmanagan/fart/>

September 12, 2010. **Harpeth Bike Club Tandem Ride**. Nashville, TN area. This ride is intended for tandem riders of all levels. We will all ride together to the first rest stop. Feel free to pick up the pace following the rest stop, or continue to ride at a moderate pace with the rest of the group. <http://www.harpethbikeclub.com>

September 18, 2010. **CATS (Chicago Area Tandem Society) Blind Stoker Ride**. Wheaton, IL <http://chicagotandems.home.mchsi.com>

September 19, 2010. **CATS (Chicago Area Tandem Society) Plowing Match Ride**. Big Rock, IL. It's hard to believe but fall is here. <http://chicagotandems.home.mchsi.com>

September 24-26, 2010. **COWS (Couples On Wheels) Fall Rally**. West Bend, WI. We'll brave the descending temperatures and check out the turning leaves. <http://couplesonwheels.com>

September 25, 2010. **CATS (Chicago Area Tandem Society) Leaf Me Alone Ride**. Barrington, IL. It's a tradition. And that's part of the fun. <http://chicagotandems.home.mchsi.com>

October 8-10, 2010. **DATES (Dallas Area Tandem Enthusiasts) Get-a-way Tandem Tour**. Not Dallas, TX. We're going to get away. Rob Rawley <http://www.doubledates.com>

October 9, 2010. **CATS (Chicago Area Tandem Society) Blind Stoker Ride**. Wheaton, IL <http://chicagotandems.home.mchsi.com>

October 10, 2010. **Harpeth Bike Club Tandem Ride**. Nashville, TN area. This ride is intended for tandem riders of all levels. We will all ride together to the first rest stop. Feel free to pick up the pace following the rest stop, or continue to ride at a moderate pace with the rest of the group. <http://www.harpethbikeclub.com>

October 15-17, 2010. **Southern Tandem Rally 2010**. Florence, AL. Come roll with us in the "Shoals". Find your secret places, live high on the hog, and make good memories. Snap your fingers to a little jive. Listen to the sounds of W.C. Handy, Nat King Cole and more. The "Shoals" is the hit recording capital of the world. Great riding in the Tennessee River Valley and on the Natchez Trace. Host hotel is the Marriott Shoals 256.246.3600 Registration will open in early 2010. Make your hotel reservations now. Contact Jack or Susan Goertz [STR2010@TandemsLtd.com](mailto:STR2010@TandemsLtd.com) [www.southerntandemrally.com](http://www.southerntandemrally.com)

October 17, 2010. **DATES (Dallas Area Tandem Enthusiasts) Uptown TOTS (Tour of the Stars)**. Dallas, TX. Not a big distance ride, but

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a lot of fun. Beckie & Lee Wilson. <http://www.doubledates.com>

October 18-21, 2010. **Southern Tandem Rally Post Tour.** You must attend the Southern Tandem Rally to attend. We'll be exploring North Alabama; Athens, Mooresville, Scottsboro and more. Jack or Susan Goertz STR2010@TandemsLtd.com [www.southerntandemrally.com](http://www.southerntandemrally.com)

October 24, 2010. **CATS (Chicago Area Tandem Society) Chili Pumpkin Ride.** Barrington, IL  
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November 5-7, 2010. **Florida Tandem Rally.** "Florida's Friendliest Home Town," The Villages, Florida. The Villages is an active retirement community in Central Florida with wide boulevards and bicycle/golf-cart lanes. It's a great place to ride, and just 24 miles south of Ocala off U.S. Highway 27/441, or a few miles east of I-75. All rides will begin and end at the Waterfront Inn, a beautiful lakefront hotel. A variety of rides will be on tap, ranging from 28 to 70 miles. Full details and the rally application are at <http://floridatandemclub.org/floridatandemrally.htm> Do not miss this event. It will be one you will remember.

November 7, 2010. **DATES (Dallas Area Tandem Enthusiasts) Century Ride.** Van Alstyne, TX. This is a century for the tandem teams. Come join in the fun. Brenda & Tom Shaddox <http://www.doubledates.com>

November 14, 2010. **Harpeth Bike Club Tandem Ride.** Nashville, TN area. This ride is intended for tandem riders of all levels. We will all ride together to the first rest stop. Feel free to pick up the pace following the rest stop, or continue to ride at a moderate pace with the rest of the group. <http://www.harpethbikeclub.com>

April 29-30 – May 1, 2011. **Southwest Tandem**

**Rally 2011.** LaGrange, TX. Plans are being made for a spectacular event. Save the date.

May 19-22, 2011. **Georgia Tandem Rally 2011. NOTE CORRECTED DATE!!**

The location will be announced at Southern Tandem Rally in Florence. Check out [www.georgiatandemrally.com](http://www.georgiatandemrally.com)

May 20-22, 2011. **COWS (Couples On Wheels) Spring Rally.** Eau Claire, WI. Save the date, the plans are being put together. Lane & Linda Soltis-Schroeder <http://couplesonwheels.com>

June 3-5, 2011. **Tennessee Tandem Rally 2011.** Tennessee Tandem Rally returns to the hills (mountains for some) of eastern Tennessee. Save the date and stay tuned for the details.

Fall 2011. **COWS (Couples On Wheels) Fall Rally.** Sturgeon Bay, WI. Details are being worked out. <http://wouplesonwheels.com>

The TANDEM CLUB OF AMERICA wants to list your rides in the TANDEM CALENDAR. Rally and Ride Organizers, please send the information about your tandem events to:

DoubleTalk Calendar  
Jack & Susan Goertz  
2220 Vanessa Drive  
Birmingham, AL 35242

e-mail: [editor@tandemclub.org](mailto:editor@tandemclub.org)

Please limit your TCA Calendar listings to TANDEM-specific events, or tours/races with TANDEM classes.



## CALENDAR



# DoubleTalk

September / October 2010  
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FOR SALE: 2003 Bike Friday Triple Tandem Traveller XL. Excellent condition. Awesome pink color. Perfect for Tour de Cure rides or girls only tandem. Can be converted from a single to a double or a triple easily. Fits riders from 3' 0" to 5' 10". Extra stem if taller rider wants to captain. Matching rear rack. Campy chorus shifters and derailleurs. 27 speeds. One set of crank arm shorteners, and an extra set of long handlebars so little ones can ride as early as 3 yrs. Has couplers, so bike will fit into virtually any size car with about 3 feet of space. New @ \$6200.00. Asking \$3000.00 plus shipping. Contact Laura Wright at lwright2708@sbcglobal.net or call 248-417-9386. (MI) 11/10

FOR SALE: Recumbent Tandem, Greenspeed GTT S5. This is one of the world's most beautifully engineered tandem recumbents. Pristine condition. Used less than 500 miles; had to cease riding for medical reasons. See photos and all details at <http://web.me.com/johnfrancis4444> or call (503) 864-3933. (OR) 11/10

FOR SALE: BURLEY Rumba Road Tandem, front stand-over: 31.7 in (80.6 cm), rear stand-over: 29.3 in (74.3 cm), 170 / 170 cross-over drive, 700 Sun rim, 48 Shimano RSX hubs (rear threaded for drum brake), Shimano RSX derailleurs (triple and 7-sp rear), bar-end shifters, Shimano LX canti brakes, Richey headset, Stella saddles (2), drop and bullhorn bars and S&S coupled frame. \$1800 ph. 541-683-1409 or email: richard@eugenegears.org. The Greater Eugene Area Riders Cycling Club (GEARs) is selling this tandem to fund bicycle education for both children and adults in the Eugene, Oregon area. GEARs is a not for profit organization whose mission is to promote and encourage bicycle riding for transportation and recreation. The above bicycle was donated to the Club by Burley, is not warranted and is sold as is. (OR) 09/10

HELP OFFERED: Are you planning a cycling trip to England or Europe? As Overseas Liaison Officers for the Tandem Club (of the UK) we can help with advice on routes, accommodations, bikes by rail, local bike clubs, etc. England is a great place to cycle, and you are sure of a friendly welcome. Chris & Jenny Davison, Pennyfarthings, 4 Badbury View, Wimborne Minster, Dorset, BH21 1DH, England, Phone 011 44 1202 884288 or e-mail to [chris@pennyfarthings.com](mailto:chris@pennyfarthings.com)

WANTED: Objective roadtests, with photos, of tandems built by quality frame-builders. Send articles, photos (prints only), etc. to Jack & Susan Goertz, Editors of DoubleTalk. (or e-mail them to [editor@tandemclub.org](mailto:editor@tandemclub.org))

WANTED: Volunteer artist(s) to prepare sketches, cartoons, and illustrations to Jack & Susan Goertz, 2220 Vanessa Drive Birmingham, AL 35242-4430.

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Please Print your name or Paste Your Label below. Make any necessary corrections.

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