

# Davis Bike Club

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2024, 7:00 pm USBHOF



### 1. Call to order:

#### .a. Attendance of Members and Guests

##### **PRESENT:**

*President: Dave Joshel*  
*Vice President: Michael St. Paul*  
*Secretary: Russ Ewers*  
*Treasurer: Kurt Giles*  
*Philanthropy Director: John Hess*  
*Double Century: Stewart Thompson*  
*Director-at-Large, Ultra Cycling Events: Deb Banks*  
*Outreach Director: Maria Contreras-Tebbutt*  
*Race Team Directors: Heidi Verbeeck and Ray Spore*

##### **ABSENT:**

*Membership Director: Aimer Bhat*  
*Director-at-Large, Tour & Ride Director: OPEN*  
*Director-at-Large, Foxy's: OPEN*  
*Website Manager: Robert Starkston*  
*Quartermaster: Dave Starkovich*

### 2. Consent, informational items:

- a. Robert Enzerink, past DBC President, presented the comprehensive findings of the last October / November membership survey. This accumulated data, comments and responses will be reviewed by the BoD and reported to the membership in form and function over the coming weeks on the listserv, in group rides, events and ongoing discussion.

A copy of these presentation materials are attached to these Minutes and will be posted to the DBC Website after their having been redacted of any personal contact information, which may have been included in the Response and Comments portion of the Survey.

The Board compliments Robert on the outstanding thoroughness and professionalism of his presentation and thanks him for his continued service to the Davis Bike Club (DBC).

- b. It was agreed to have the end of January Financial Report accompany the February 5, 2024 Meeting Minutes, when posted to the DBC Website, rather than the January 26, 2024 Financial Report, which had earlier been reviewed.

- c. The minutes of the February 5, 2024 DBC Board of Directors (BoD) meeting were unanimously approved with no comments or changes. Those approved Minutes and the applicable Financial Report will be posted to the DBC Website.

**3. Unfinished Business:**

- a. Open 2024 Officers, Directors, Appointees – Not discussed
- b. Conversion of the DBC non-profit status from 501(c)4 to 501(c)3 – Not discussed

**4. Directors' reports (as requested):**

- a. Davis Double Century, Director-at-Large (Stewart Thompson)
  - i. Registration is open on the Website or by e-mail.
  - ii. Rest stop Captains are in place.
  - iii. Beginning food coordination with Nugget and Harvesters
  - iv. No apparent problems with the usual suspects
  - v. Maria to assist marketing the event by sending an e-blast notice to all CA Bike Clubs to promote the event.
- b. Vice-President (Michael St. Paul) –
  - i. The Board thanked him for again providing dinner.
  - ii. Michael is working with Sangju, Korea (a Davis Sister City) on a possible cycling tour exchange in mid-October.
- c. Tour & Ride Director - OPEN -
- d. Membership Director (Aimer Bhat) - Absent
- e. Treasurer (Kurt Giles) -
  - i. The February Fiscal and Financial Reports were reviewed and recognized as their being the Year-End Reports. This Financial Report will be attached and incorporated into these Meeting Minutes and posted on the DBC Website when the Minutes are approved.
  - ii. Status of Annual Financial 'Look-over' was acknowledged by Dave Joshel as having been completed.

- f. Philanthropy Director (John Hess) –**
  - i.** John earlier this week sent out a draft of a long letter, which defined DBC's charitable donations. Its gravitas justifies its length. A copy of this draft is attached to these Meeting Minutes. John will make some final edits before entering on the Listserv.
  - ii.** This letter can also serve to meet our monthly news releases to The Davis Enterprise and DBC's internal Changing Gears publication.
- g. Director-at-Large, Ultra Cycling Events (Deb Banks) – No report or discussion**
- h. Race Team Director (Heidi Verbeeck; Ray Spore) –**
  - i.** The first Race Team Meeting will be held at the IBHoF on March 18, 2024. All DBC members will be invited on the Listserv.
  - ii.** Race Team reimbursement system:

The plan is to have the Race Team members become responsible for their own event registrations, fees and event participation, in order to then become eligible for reimbursement up to a pre-determined maximum amount.

Reimbursement will also require a volunteer participation component, currently 8 hours annually. The volunteer component will help maintain the relationship between the racers and other DBC members, by having the Race Team participants assisting in Foxy's Fall Century and the Double Century.

Reimbursement will factor in racing participation (80%) and Volunteering (20%).
  - iii.** As soon as weather permits, the Race Team is planning some controlled weekend DBC rides led by Race Team members to allow interested racers to get away from the current unstructured Saturday morning mongrel-fest rides.
  - iv.** Plans are being made to encourage U C Davis racers to find an off-season home with the DBC Race Team as soon as their season ends. As part of this effort, the DBC Race Team is encouraging participation in U C Davis' upcoming race in Winters.

- v. Trying to incentivize more racing by providing some gifts for participation, perhaps DBC branded towels and water bottles that they can use as part of their racing kit.
- vi. Encouraging racers to increase their presence on social media (DBC website, Facebook and Instagram) for their DBC training and racing
- vii. The July Criterium permitting is progressing favorably and the event is on the State Race Team calendar.
- viii. Food trucks have been permitted.
- i. Secretary (Russ Ewers) – No report
- j. Outreach Director (Maria Contreras-Tebbutt) –
  - i. Russell Reagan is doing an excellent job with Changing Gears.
  - ii. Mary Elise Conzelmann is now doing social media for the DBC for \$150 per month, which is a significant savings from her normal hourly charges. Further, Maria has Mary Elise riding as a member of DBC. There is no end to Maria's persuasiveness. We are blessed to have both women as part of our organization.
- k. Foxy's Fall Century Director OPEN
  - i. Dave Joshel will be sending out a call for volunteers to head the event, as individuals or in a team approach. This team must be in place by late May, 2024.
- l. Webmaster (Bob Starkston) –
  - i. Dave Joshel reported for Bob that the website is going well and that he will attend next month's Board Meeting with a report.

## **5. New Business :**

- a. It was proposed and unanimously accepted that in the future the Double Century will be named in honor of one of its founders, Helen Pool. This renamed event will be known as the Helen Pool Memorial Double Century. A fitting and well-deserved tribute to this fine woman, who was a longtime supporter of cycling and the Davis Bike Club.

## **6. Adjournment: 8:34 PM**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Russ Ewers**

**Secretary, Davis Bike Club Board of Directors**

### **Upcoming Events –**

Davis Double Century (May, 2024) and special thanks to Stewart as its long time steward

Randoneurring rides:

100-mile gravel ride March 16<sup>th</sup> through the area being considered for development in Solano County by a group of billionaire investors / developers. It's an especially beautiful place to ride with very little traffic. Participation requires membership in RUSA (Randoneurring U S A). Notice should be sent to Russell Reagan to incorporate an announcement of this and other distance events in Changing Gears.

200K, 300K and 400 K rides are also upcoming this spring in April and May.

### **Tabled Items (for future discussion) –**

1. New members welcome gifts & raffle items for meetings: solicit bids for H2O bottles, DBC socks, polo shirts, & / or gift cards (or something else?)
2. Board Restructure to reduce number of needed officers due to scarcity of willing volunteers
3. Consideration to be given to conversion of non-profit status from 501( c)4 to 501(c)3.

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2	<b>Davis Bike Club Budget</b>				<b>2023-24 Approved Budget (2/6/2023)</b>				
3	<b>Fiscal Year 2023-24</b>	Actual	Actual	2023-24	Actual	Actual	2023-24	Actual	2023-24 Budgeted
4	December Financial Report	Revenue	Revenue	Budgeted	Expense	Expense	Budgeted	Surplus	Surplus or
5	<b>Item/Activity</b>	February	YTD	Revenue	February	YTD	Expense	(Deficit)	(Deficit)
6	Double Century	\$ -	\$ 40,411	\$ 40,000	\$ 2,098	\$ 30,518	\$ 30,000	\$ 9,892	\$ 10,000
7	Foxy Fall Century	\$ 500	\$ 94,380	\$ 90,000	\$ 1,226	\$ 69,964	\$ 70,000	\$ 24,416	\$ 20,000
8	March Madness	\$ 1,447	\$ 2,047	\$ 850	\$ 100	\$ 1,605	\$ 500	\$ 442	\$ 350
9	Membership	\$ 2,625	\$ 8,675	\$ 8,000	\$ 32	\$ 1,370	\$ 2,000	\$ 7,305	\$ 6,000
10	Ride of Silence						\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
11	Touring	\$ -	\$ 75	\$ 10,000		\$ 559	\$ 12,000	\$ (484)	\$ (2,000)
12	Brevet	\$ 255	\$ 32,360	\$ 5,000	\$ 20	\$ 34,494	\$ 5,000	\$ (2,134)	\$ -
13	Administration&Meetings			\$ -	\$ 424	\$ 6,529	\$ 5,400	\$ (6,529)	\$ (5,400)
14	End of year event					\$ 2,564	\$ 7,500	\$ (2,564)	\$ (7,500)
15	Advocacy						\$ 2,500	\$ -	\$ (2,500)
16	Professional Services					\$ 2,250	\$ 3,000	\$ (2,250)	\$ (3,000)
17	Liability Insurance					\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ (4,000)
18	Outreach				\$ 150	\$ 279	\$ 500	\$ (279)	\$ (500)
19	Philanthropy				\$ 4,780	\$ 5,850	\$ 5,850	\$ (5,850)	\$ (5,850)
20	Special Projects			\$ 500			\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -
21	<b>DBC Subtotal</b>	\$ 4,827	\$ 177,948	\$ 154,350	\$ 8,831	\$ 155,983	\$ 148,750	\$ 21,965	\$ 5,600
22	Cycling Development Programs	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -	\$ 4,500	\$ -	\$ (4,500)
23	Race Team	\$ -	\$ 644	\$ 7,000		\$ 2,346	\$ 10,000	\$ (1,702)	\$ (3,000)
24	Criterion	\$ -		\$ 17,500			\$ 16,500	\$ -	\$ 1,000
25	<b>Race Teams Subtotal</b>	\$ -	\$ 644	\$ 24,500	\$ -	\$ 2,346	\$ 31,000	\$ (1,702)	\$ (6,500)
26	Totals Before Reserves	\$ 4,827	\$ 178,592	\$ 178,850	\$ 8,831	\$ 158,328	\$ 179,750	\$ 20,263	\$ (900)

Hi folks, Here is a summary letter I intend to send to the DBC List Serve on Tuesday, if the Board approves. As such, I suppose that the letter could be considered an attachment for the agenda for the meeting Monday. FWIW The description of each organization listed was prepared with the help of each organization.

cheers,

Hi everyone,

For those that aren't aware, I am the Philanthropy Director for the Davis Bike Club. I've had this position since 2020, and this marks the first year of significant giving after a freeze during the pandemic.

I am very happy and honored to be able to report Philanthropy donations to 4 organizations: The Bike Campaign (\$1780), SABA (\$500), The Bike Collective (\$500) and NorCal Trykers (\$500). These contributions will deplete the Philanthropy budget for the 2023-2024 DBC fiscal year.

Each of the organizations listed is a bicycle oriented non-profit that is directly aiding cyclists in a manner that the DBC does not.

The Bike Campaign has existed in Davis for 13 years and currently incorporates 50 volunteers. Volunteer mechanics provide free bike repair services at two Bike Garage locations (Davis & Woodland) twice a week; in addition, skilled riders train kids through our Bike Skills Training program at a total of 20 schools in Davis/Woodland, in the 2023/24 school year. We have taught thousands of kids and adults how to ride and use bikes as transportation.

The Bike Campaign's primary focus is to encourage more people to ride bikes and reduce car trips. Support is provided by being available 365 days a year by phone, email and website to answer questions. We have designed and provide Davis & Woodland Bike Maps, promote community bike rides, collaborate with area bike advocacy organizations to create synergy and reach more riders. We recycle hundreds of bikes every year, turning them into reliable transportation and develop the skills of many teens through our mentoring and internship and employment program.

Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocates (SABA) is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to making the Sacramento region a safe place for cyclists of all kinds. SABA advances its mission through education, encouragement and advocacy, and is known for programs like bike valet, hosting May is Bike Month for the SACOG 6 counties, and by up-cycling bicycles and gifting them to residents in historically underserved neighborhoods. SABA is an active stakeholder in City and regional meetings providing input in favor of safe cycling infrastructure for all cyclists, including those of us across the river in Davis.

The Bike Collective, sometimes known as Bike Forth is an organization that keeps people bicycling by providing equitable access to tools and advice to help cyclists fix their own bikes and learn more about how bicycles work. The Bike Collective has a huge stash of parts from frames/forks/wheels to ball bearings. Most are sorted and located in old library card catalog drawers or file cabinets and are available on a sliding scale basis. The Bike Collective is run by an all-volunteer staff and is always looking for more mechanic-educators and admin talent interested in supporting cycling within the community.

NorCal Trykers may not be known to most DBC members, and I am proud to provide them with a donation. NCT is an organization that provides customized, therapeutic tricycles to children with disabilities that can't ride a traditional cycle. NCT has a team of physical and occupational therapists that assesses the needs and customization of a tricycle to fit the rider, including hand cycles. This service helps get children riding and works like the Bike Campaign in repairing donated tricycles or passing along outgrown tricycles to other children.

The contributions this year are not substantially different from DBC contributions of the past. In prior years, the Philanthropy budget was bigger and groups received larger DBC donations.

DBC is only able to provide support to these organizations because of the income generated by annual Double Century and Foxy's Fall Century rides. These milestone rides are only possible DUE TO THE VOLUNTEERS OF THE DBC. THANKS to the many, many, folks who come together to make the DC and Foxy's such well known, well respected and popular events.

Again, THANKS to the Volunteers of the DBC.

cheers,  
John F. Hess  
Davis, CA



# Member Survey

March 2024

Fielded October 2023



# 2023 Member Survey



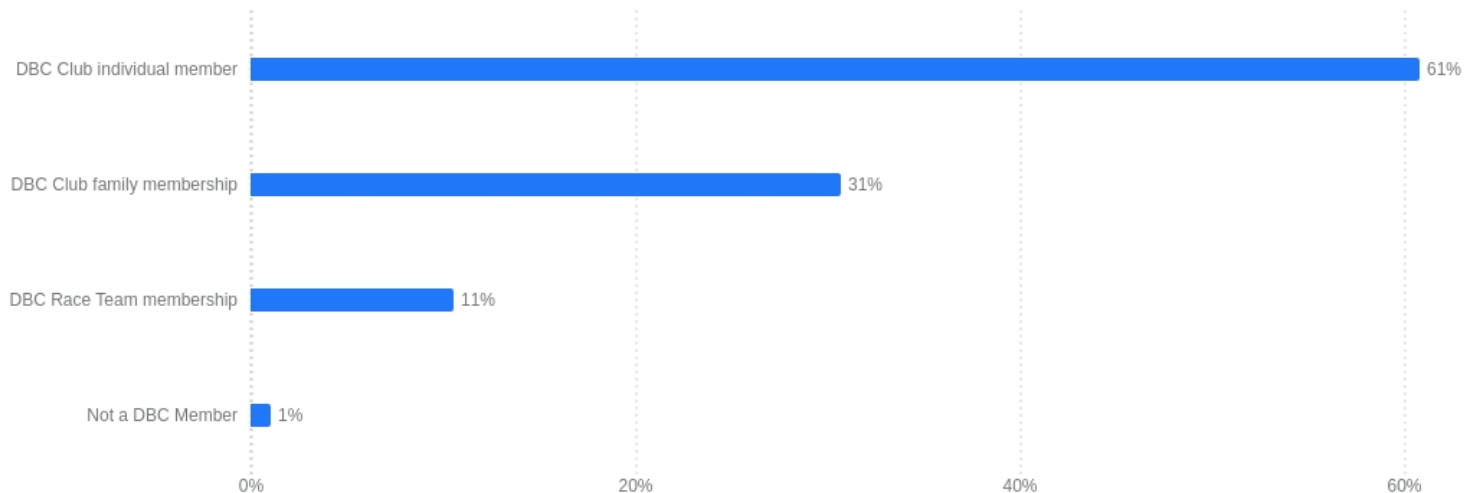
- ▶ Fielded Oct/Nov 2023
- ▶ Fielded to 425 club MEMBER emails only
- ▶ 191 completes
  - ▶ 48% response rate
  - ▶ 95% completion rate (median: 6.7 minutes)

# Respondent Demographics

## Membership Status



What is your current membership type? (Select all that apply) 189 ⓘ



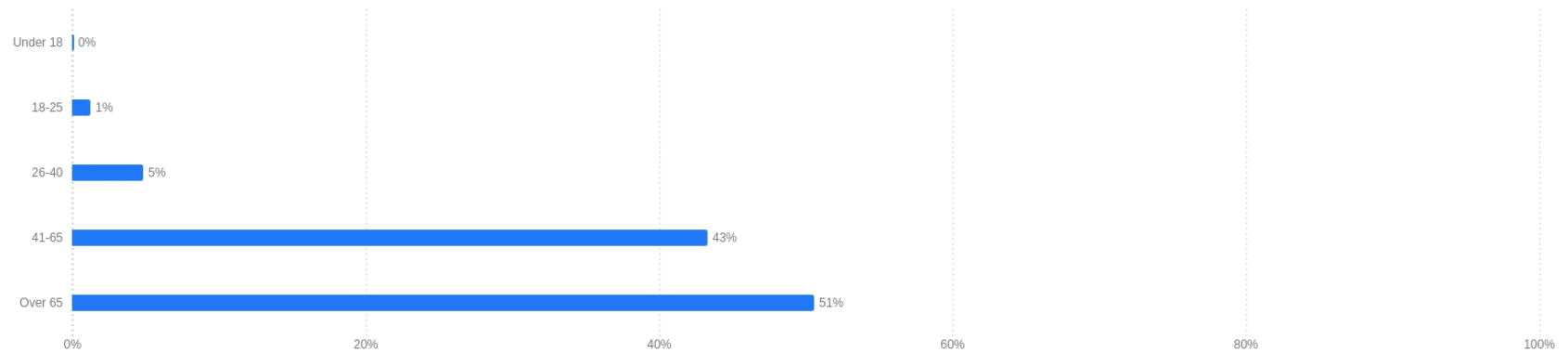


# Respondent Demographics: Age

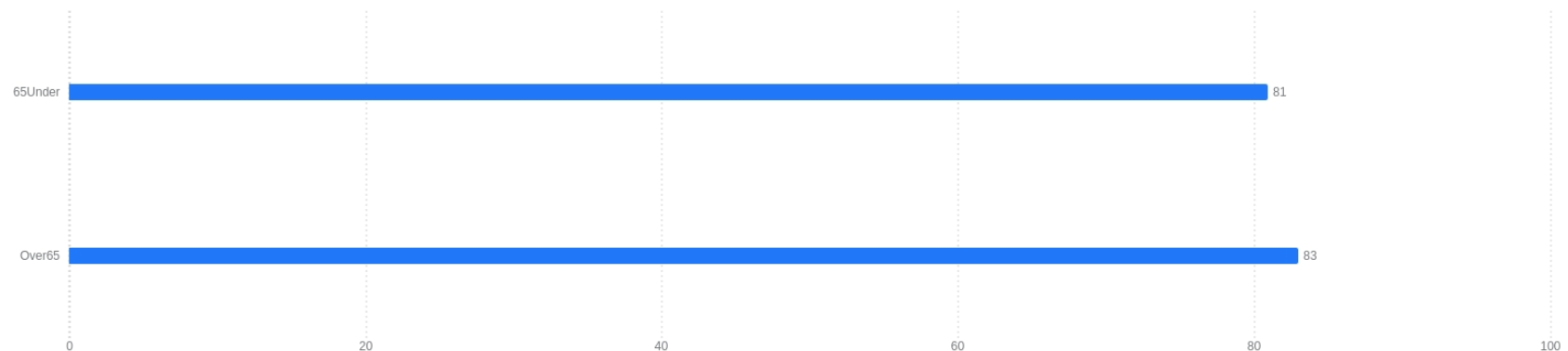
▶ Half of responding DBC members are over 65

What is your age? 164 ⓘ

Note: 27 respondents did NOT declare an age



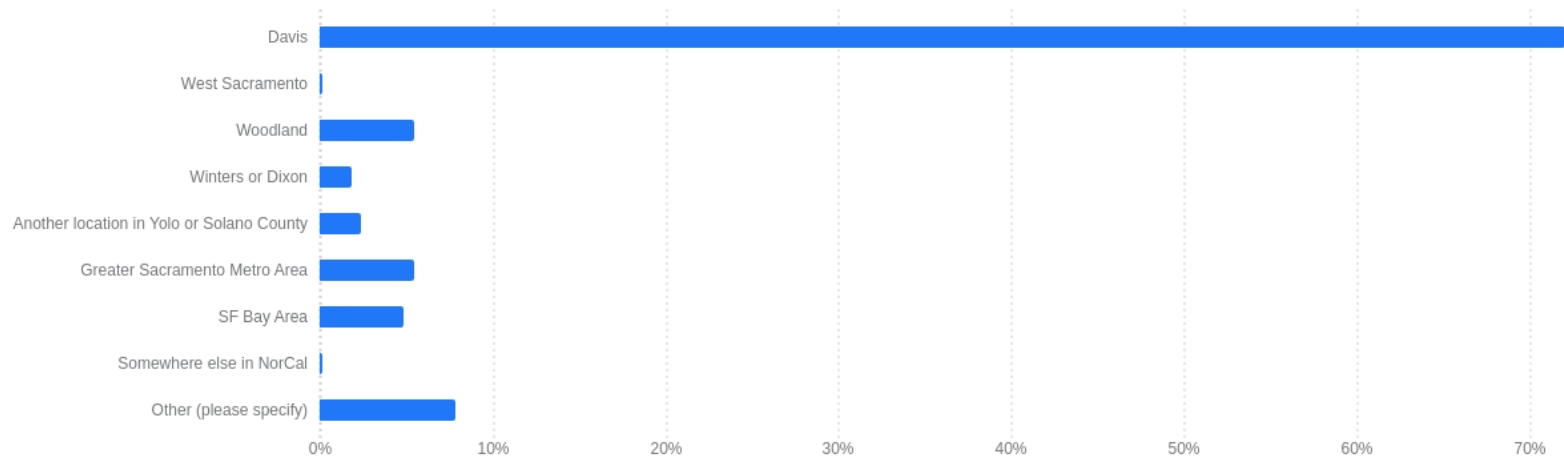
LifeStage (count) 164 ⓘ





# Respondent Demographics: Location

Before we conclude, we'd like to know a little bit about you, and give you a chance to add your suggestions. For starters, what most precisely describes where you live? 165



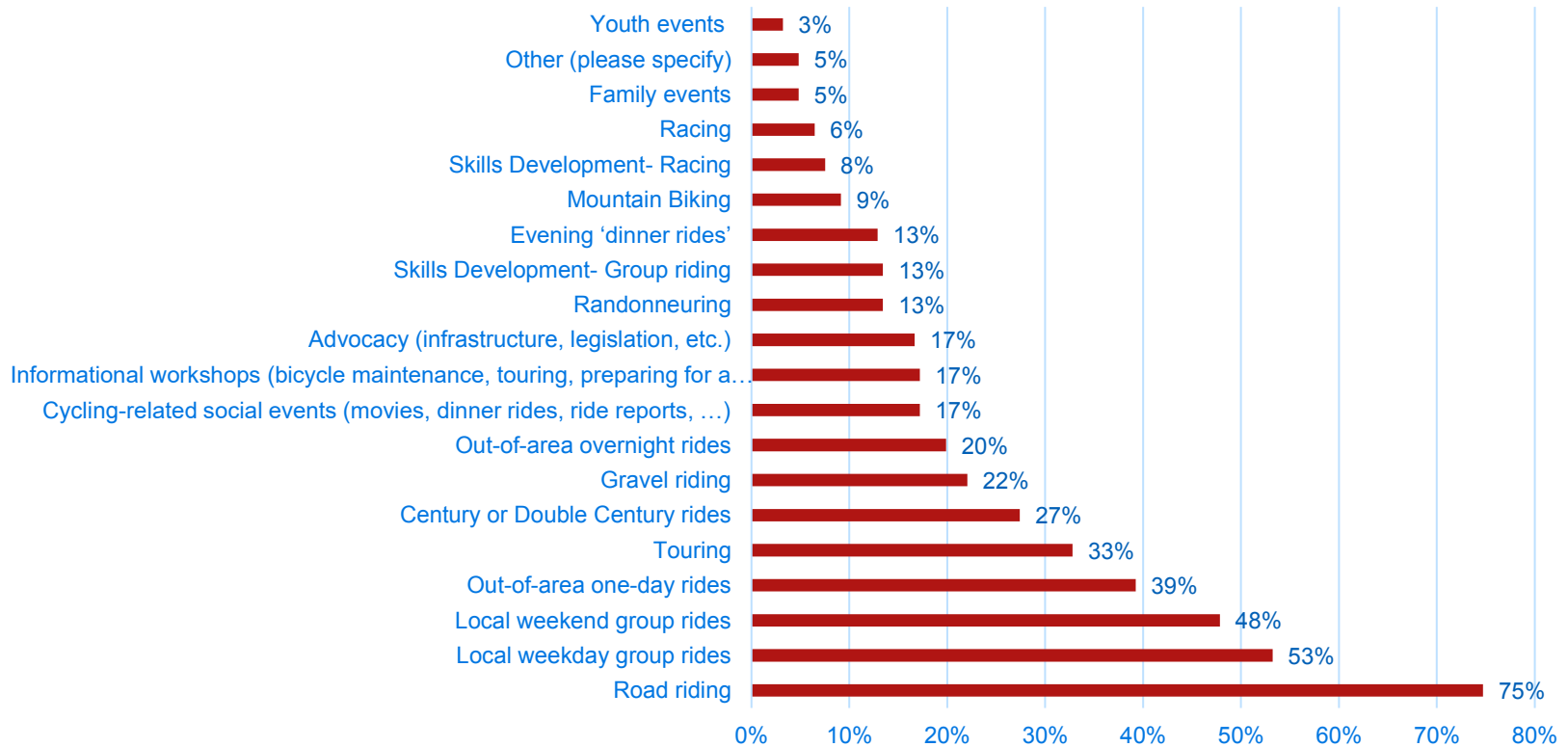
Others: Chapel Hill, NC; Sometimes in Davis, Placer County, Seattle, WA, Las Vegas ,granite bay, Australia but come over each year for 6 weeks ,Davis and north Bay Area both ,Chico, WA, Portland Oregon, Carmichael; usually 6-7 months in Davis, 3-4 months in Vermont; 2-3 months traveling (mostly internationally)

# Member Interests



► Note: little current interest in youth/family events, racing, MTB

Regardless of how well DBC delivers on these, which cycling activities are MOST appealing to you?



# Member Interests



## ► Others:

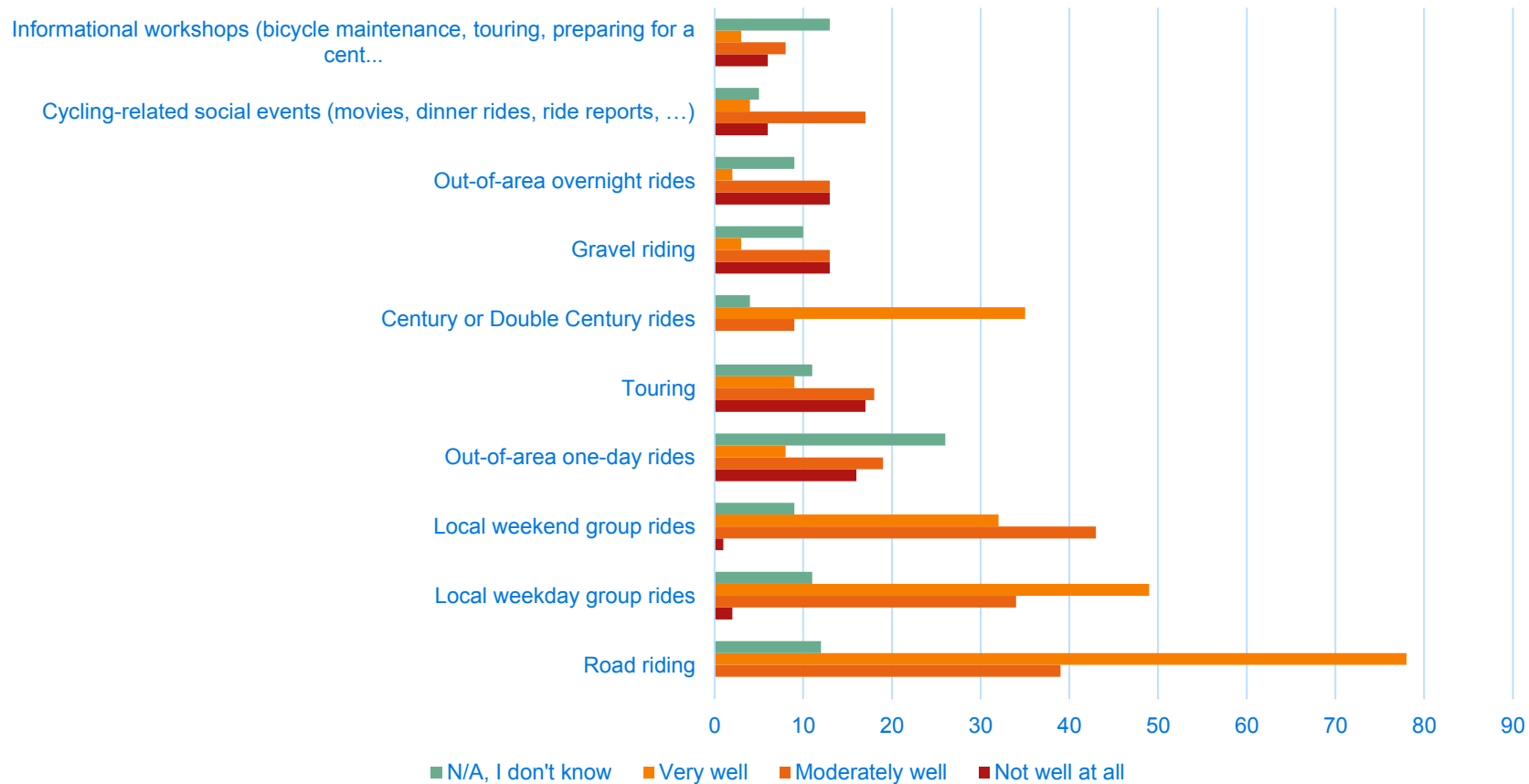
- Not cycling
- Newsletter folding parties like we had for decades, ha.
- I enjoy volunteering, especially working in Guinda for the Double Century.
- bike instead of drive
- short trips to area with perhaps 3 rides like the ETNA trip
- I volunteer but no longer ride at all
- None
- Triathlons
- Rides for 14-16 ave for building climbing ability, and some fun sprints. About 30-50 miles. And destination rides like pacific grove, towalluome, bishop. AND camping with road cycling!



# DBC Delivers (Top Ten) ....

- ▶ Top 10 interests shown from lowest to highest frequency
- ▶ Opportunities for improvement:
  - ▶ Out-of-area rides, touring, gravel, social events (and dinner rides)

Top ten: how well does DBC deliver on the activities that interest you most? (n=177)

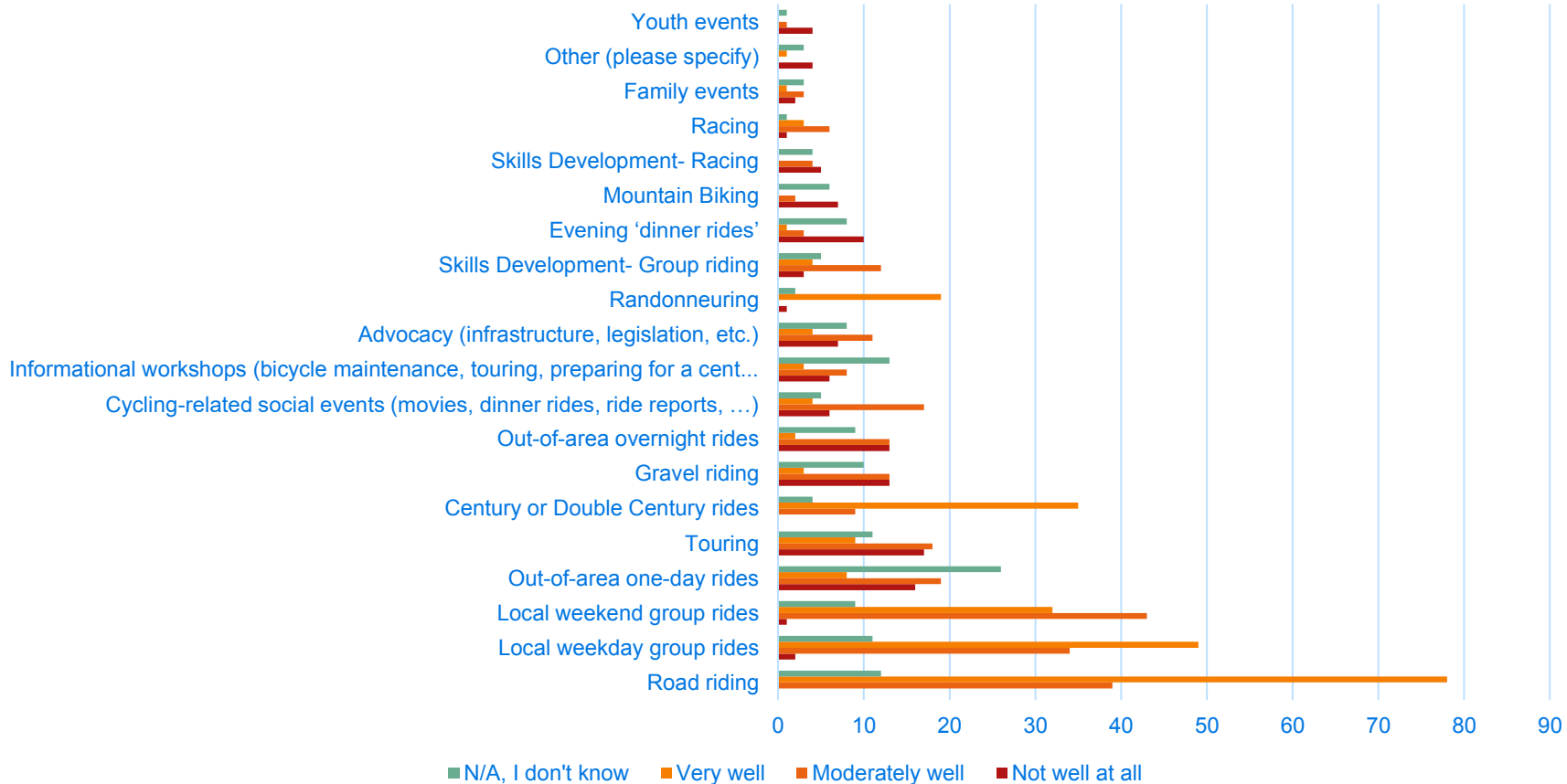


# DBC Delivers....



- ▶ All 20 metrics shown from lowest to highest frequency

In your opinion, how well does DBC deliver on the activities that interest you most? (n=177)



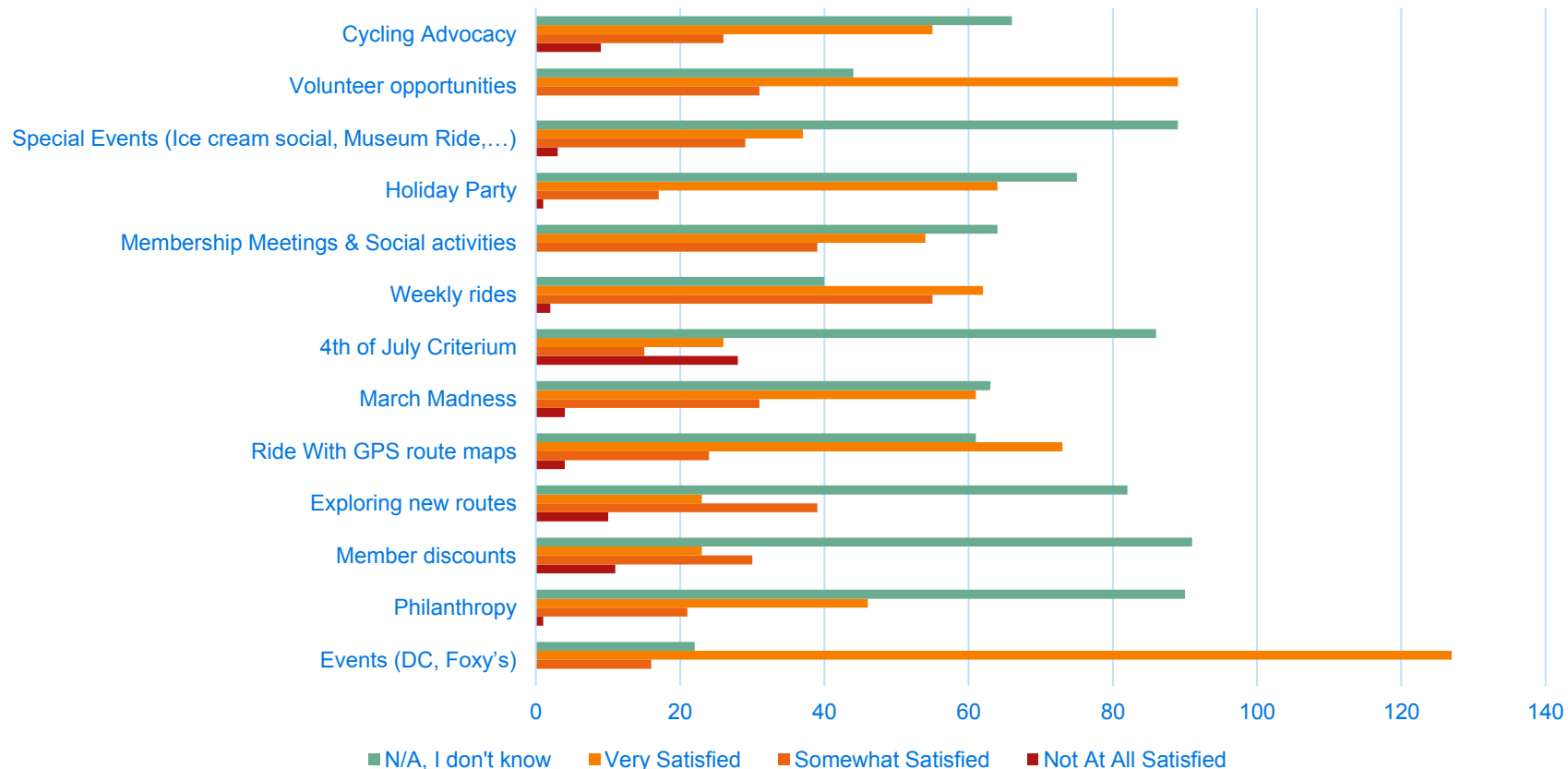




# Satisfaction with current DBC Activities

- ▶ Opportunity: high incidence of “N/A, IDK” suggests to improve communication about club activities/benefits

How satisfied are you with current DBC activities? (n=169)

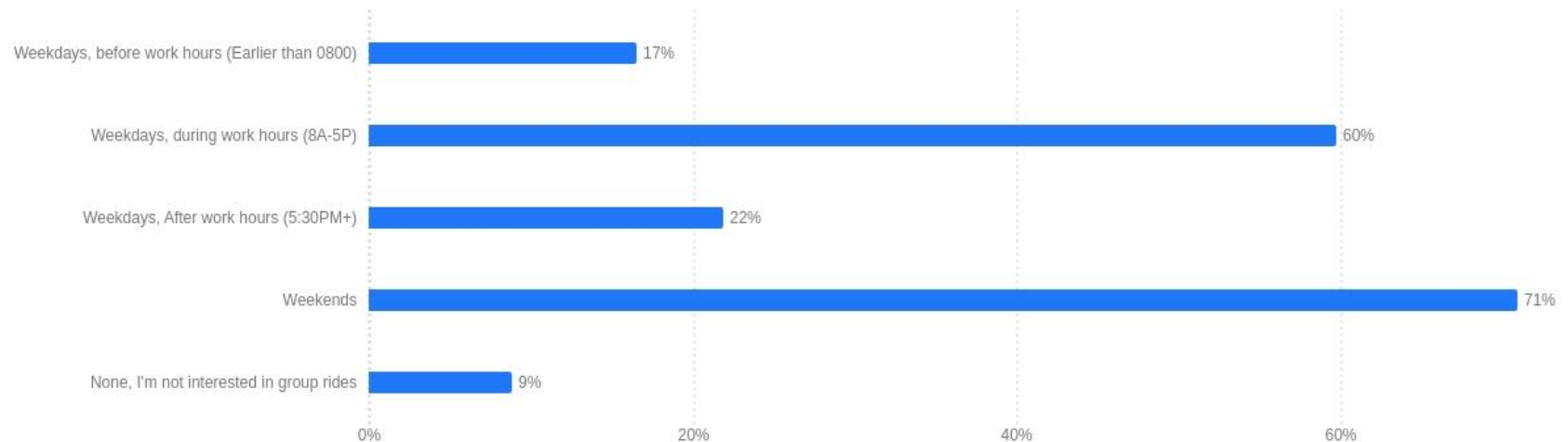




# Days/Times Likely to join Local Group Rides

- ▶ Opportunity: 40% of members would like weekday morning or evening rides outside of work/school hours

Group riding opportunities are a reason many join a cycling club. To offer the rides members are most interested in, please give us your group riding preferences. Weather you most like to join club group rides? (Select all that apply) 169 ⓘ

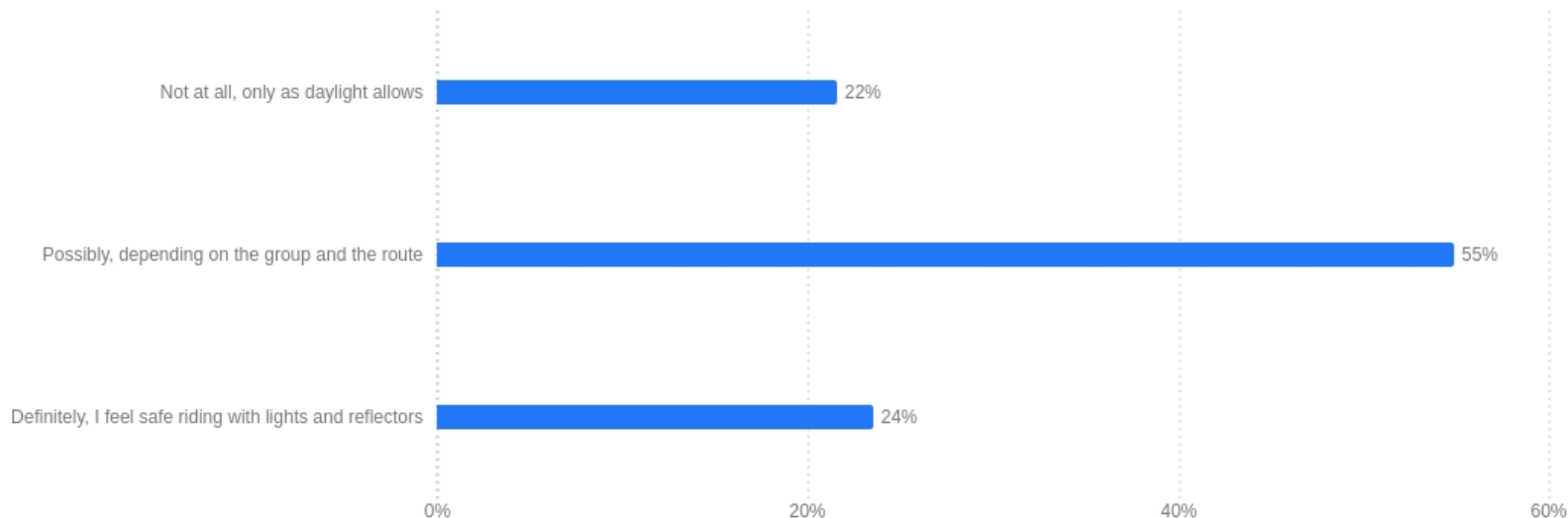


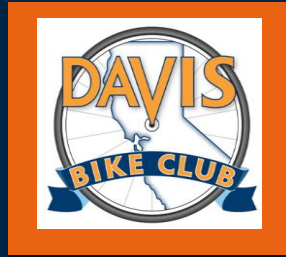


# Willingness to Ride in the Dark

- ▶ Over  $\frac{3}{4}$  of respondents looking to ride in early morning or evening hours are willing to ride in the dark, suggesting these could be held year-'round

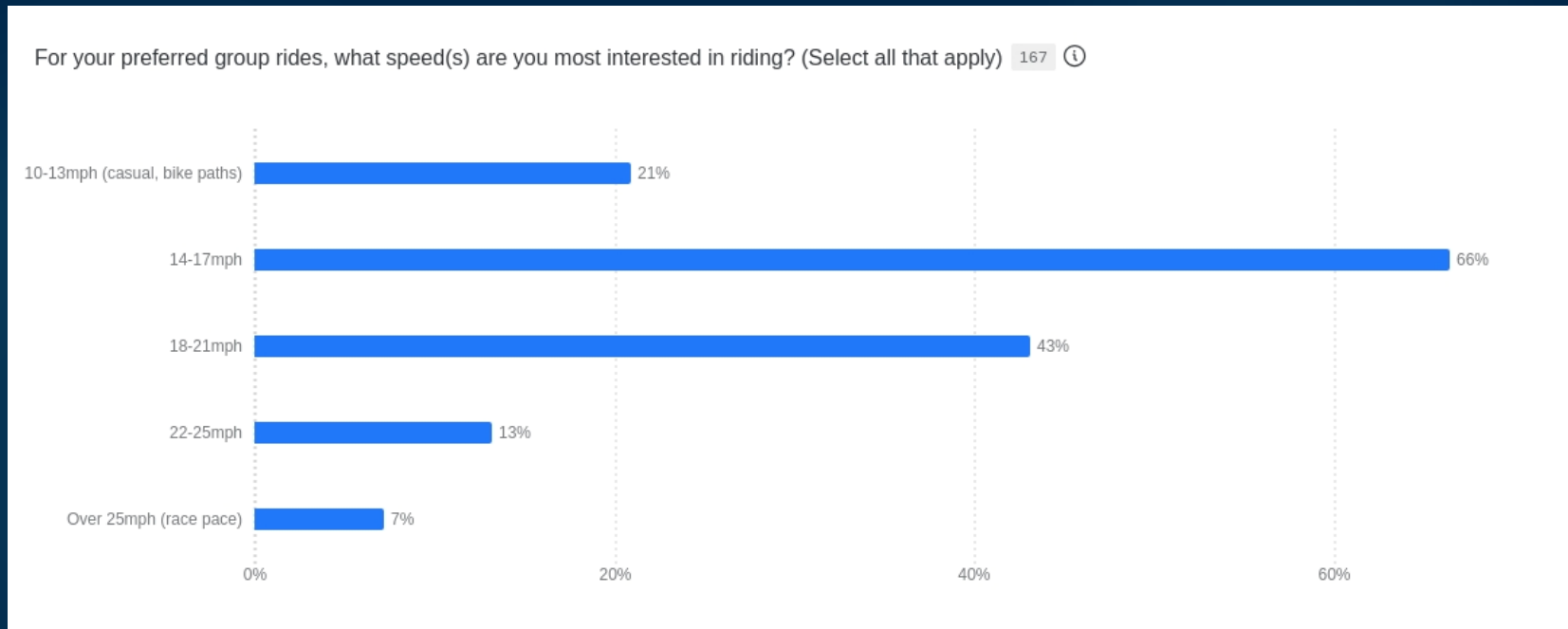
Since you are interested in early morning or evening rides, how willing are you to participate in a group ride in the dark as days get shorter? 51 ⓘ





# Group Ride Speeds

- ▶ A variety of available speeds should be offered; however, comments suggest more importantly, provide guidance and commitment on expectations for posted rides

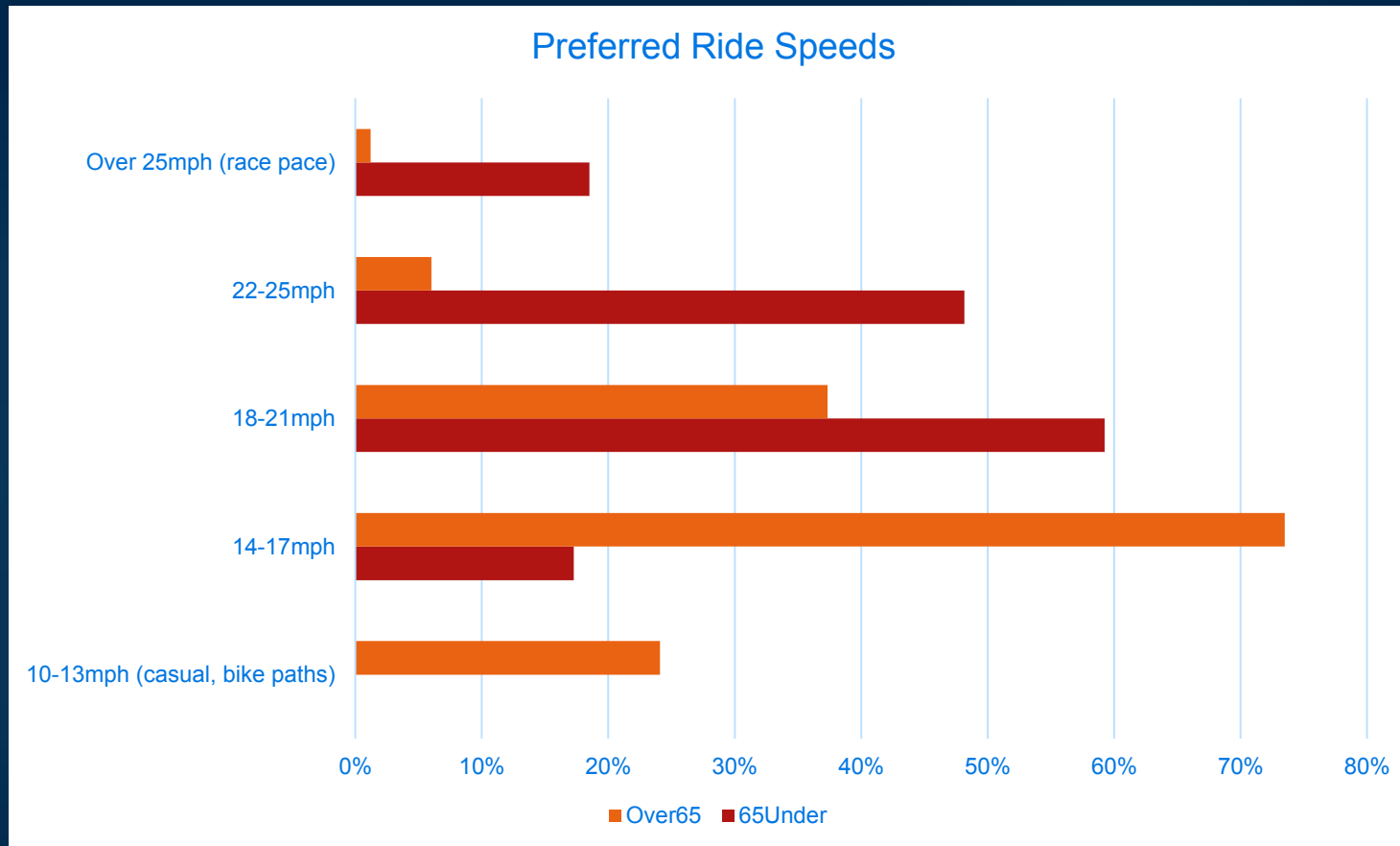


# Group Ride Speeds, by Life Stage



\*Life Stage >65, ≤65

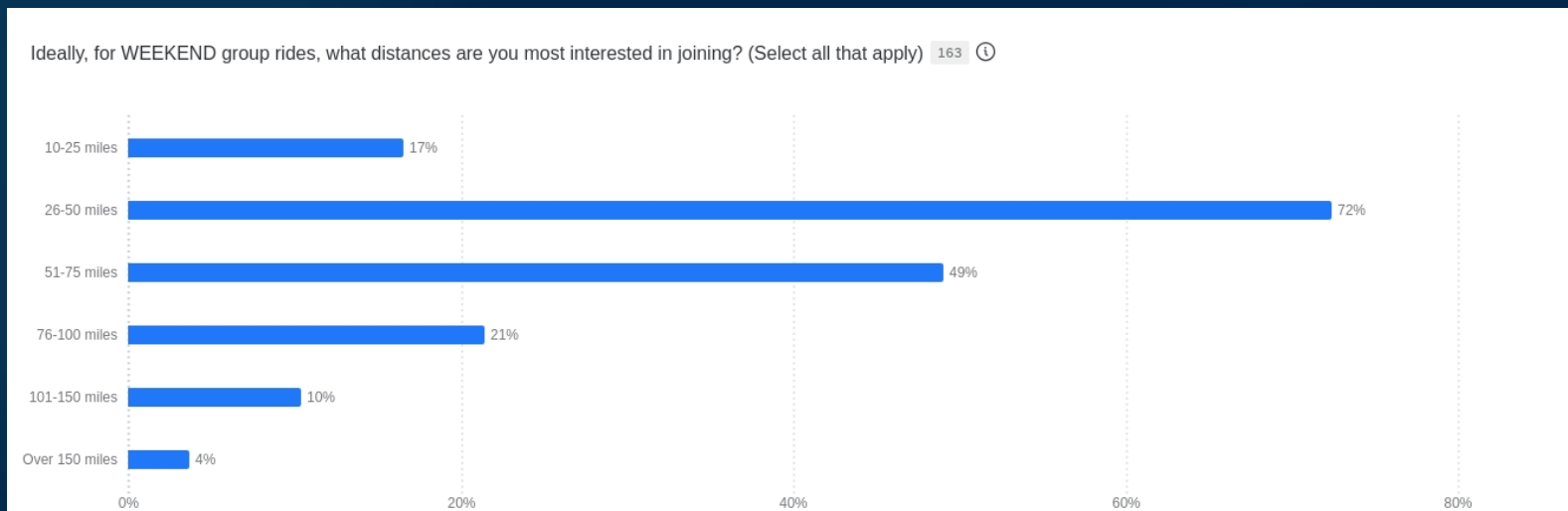
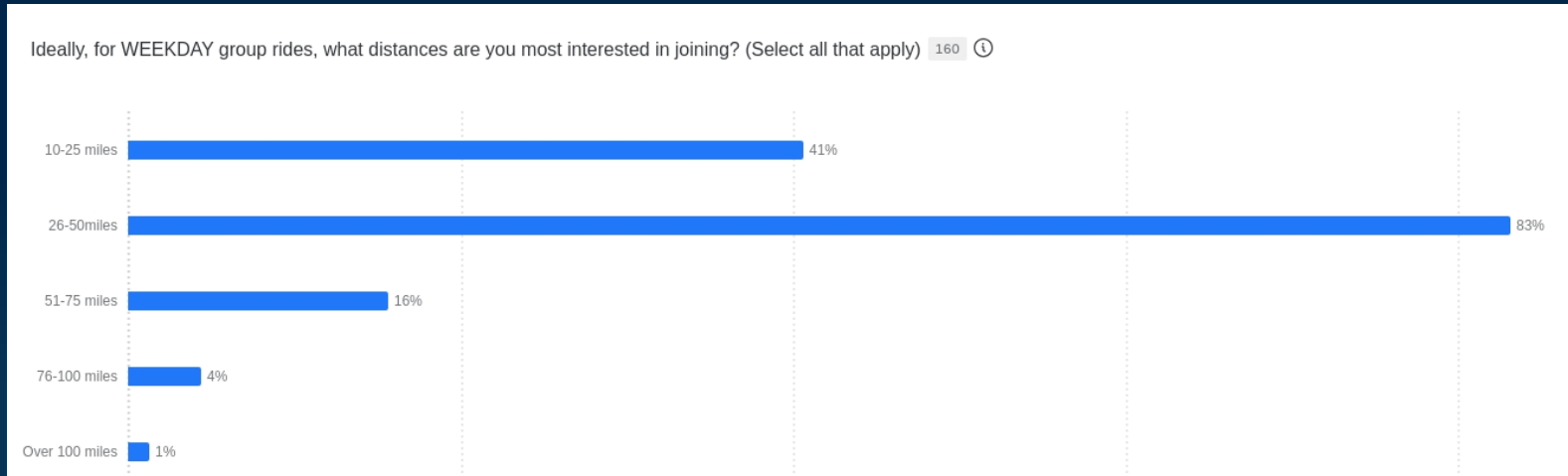
- ▶ To appeal to more ≤65yo cyclists, offer some rides of 18+ mph pace



# Group Ride Distances



- ▶ Offered ride distances acceptable, though some longer rides, particularly on weekends may be desirable\*\*\*

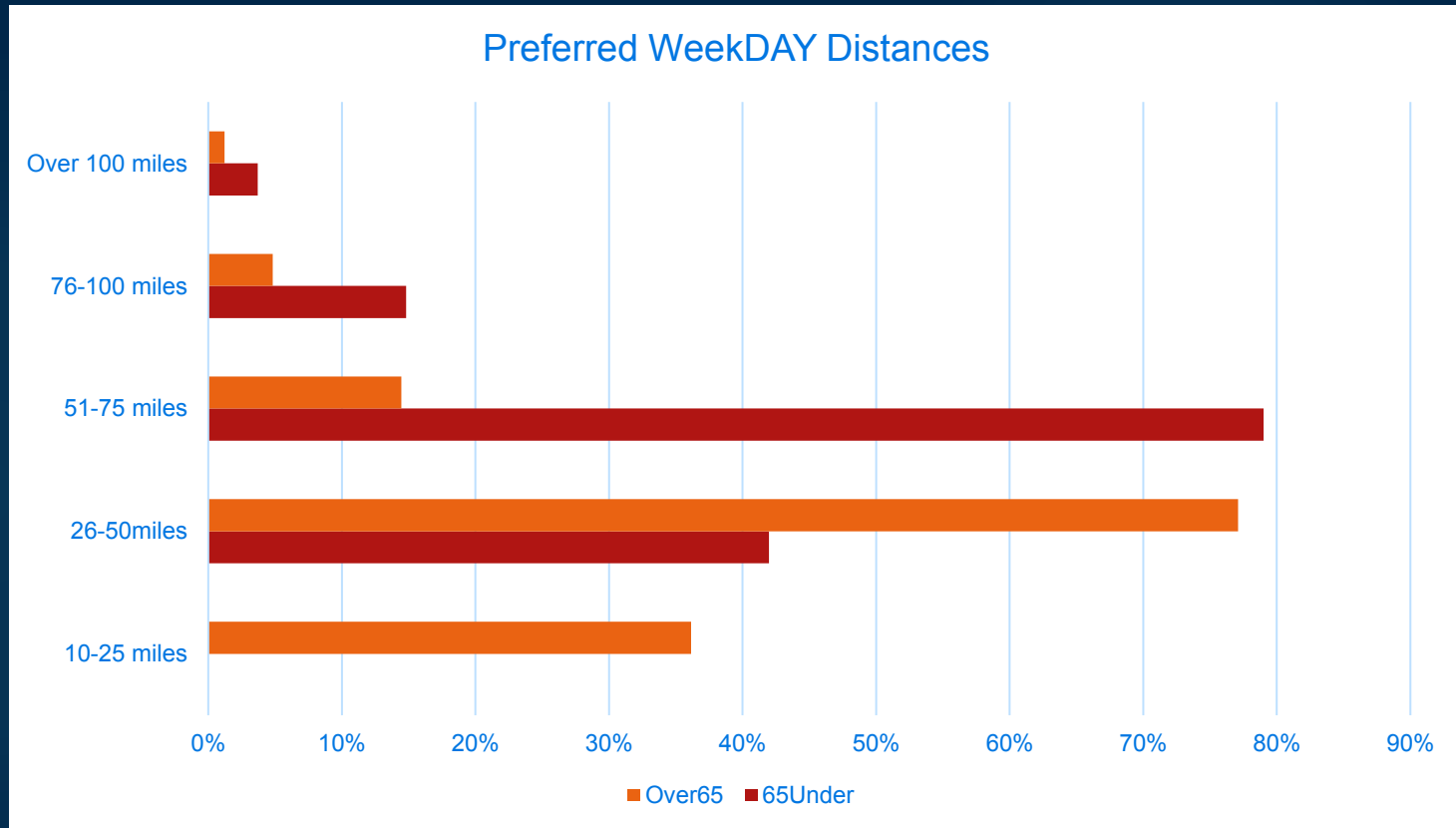


# Group Ride Distances, by Life Stage

Weekdays



► To appeal to  $\leq 65$ yo cyclists, offer weekday rides of 50+ miles

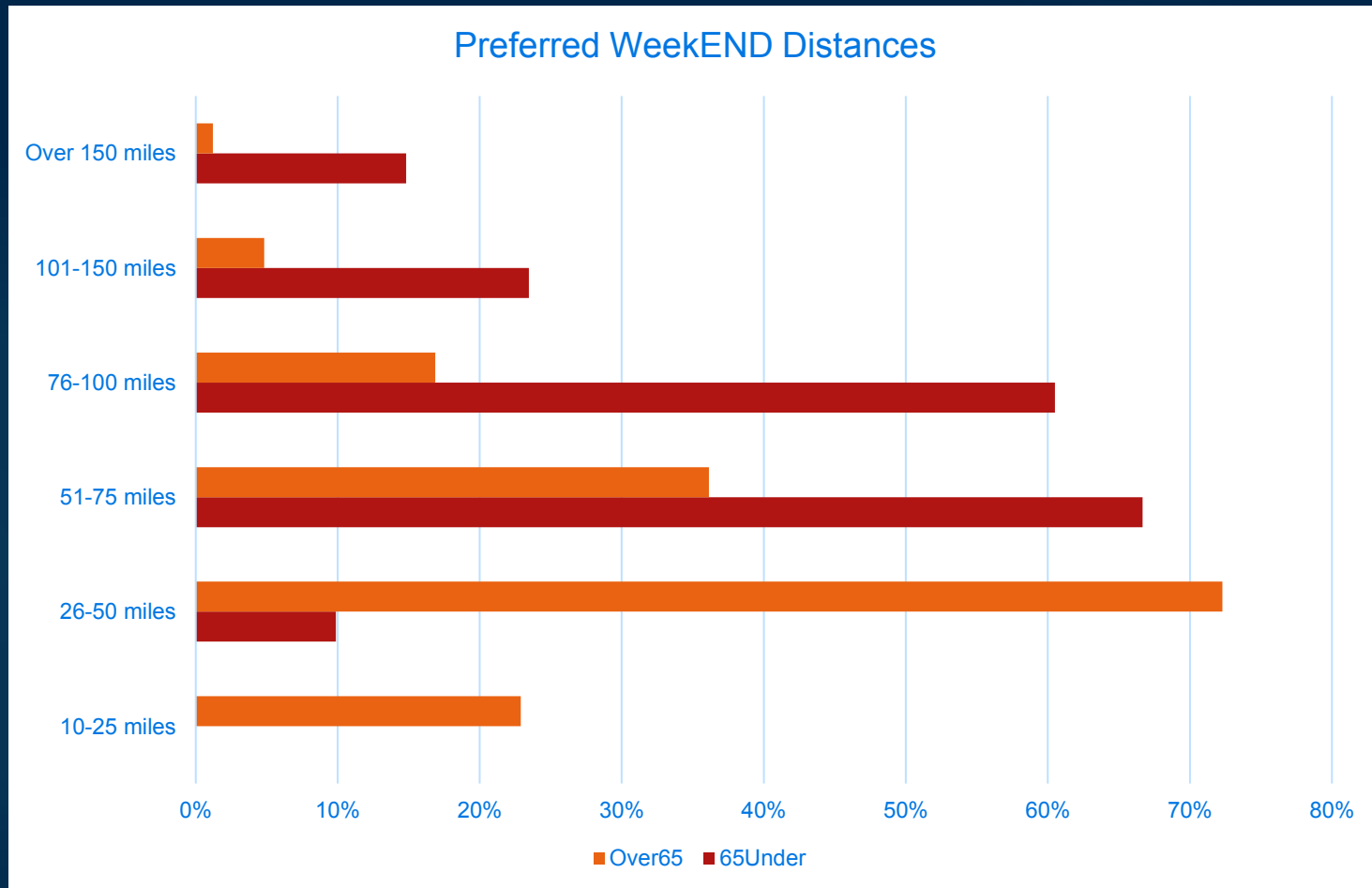


# Group Ride Distances, by Life Stage

Weekends



► To appeal to  $\leq 65$ yo cyclists, offer weekEND rides of 50+ miles



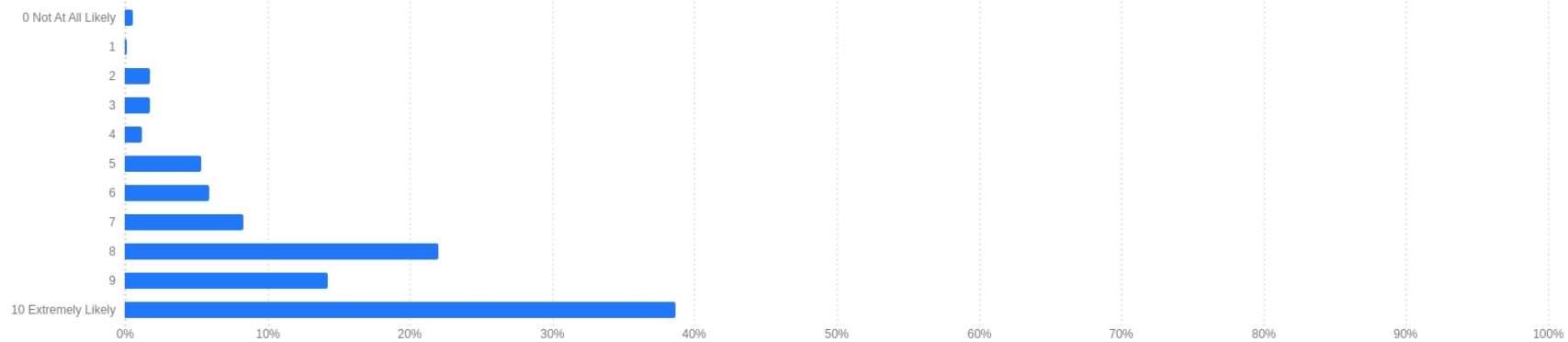


# NPS: Likelihood to Recommend DBC

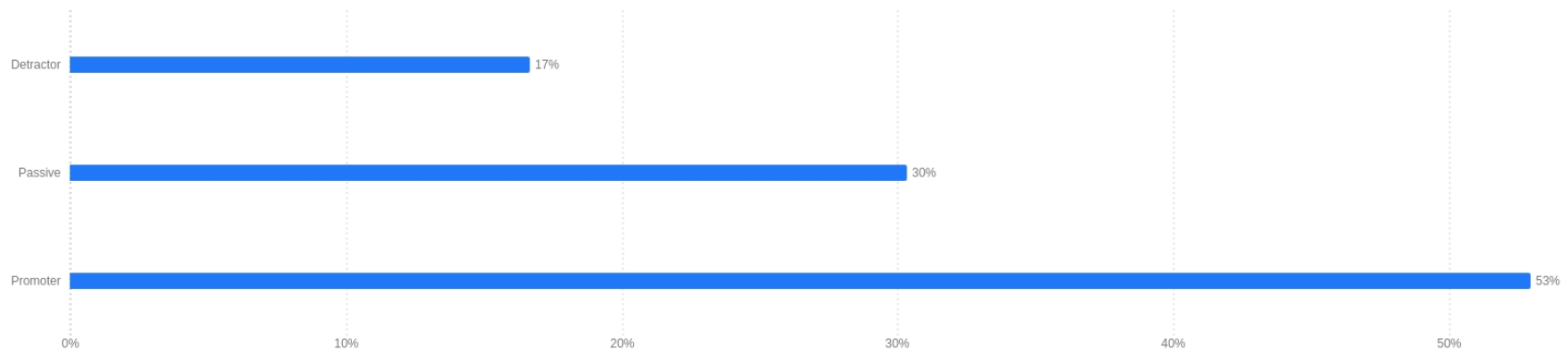


Overall NPS Score = 36 ("great")

OVERALL, how likely are you to recommend DBC membership to new cyclists you meet? 168 ⓘ



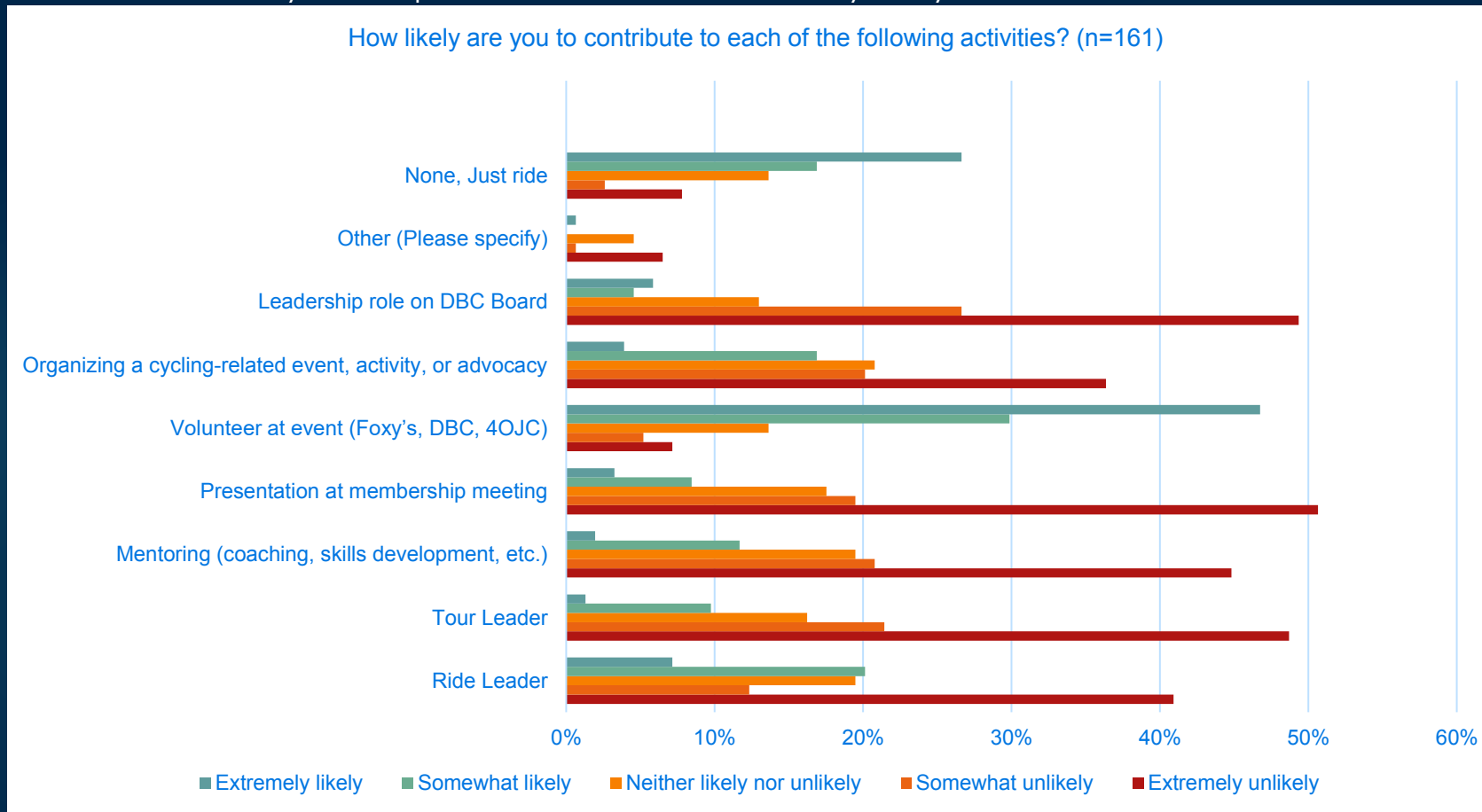
NPS 168 ⓘ





# Volunteering

- ▶ Bad news: fully 44% report somewhat or extremely likely to not volunteer at all
- ▶ Good news: fully 77% report somewhat or extremely likely to volunteer at event



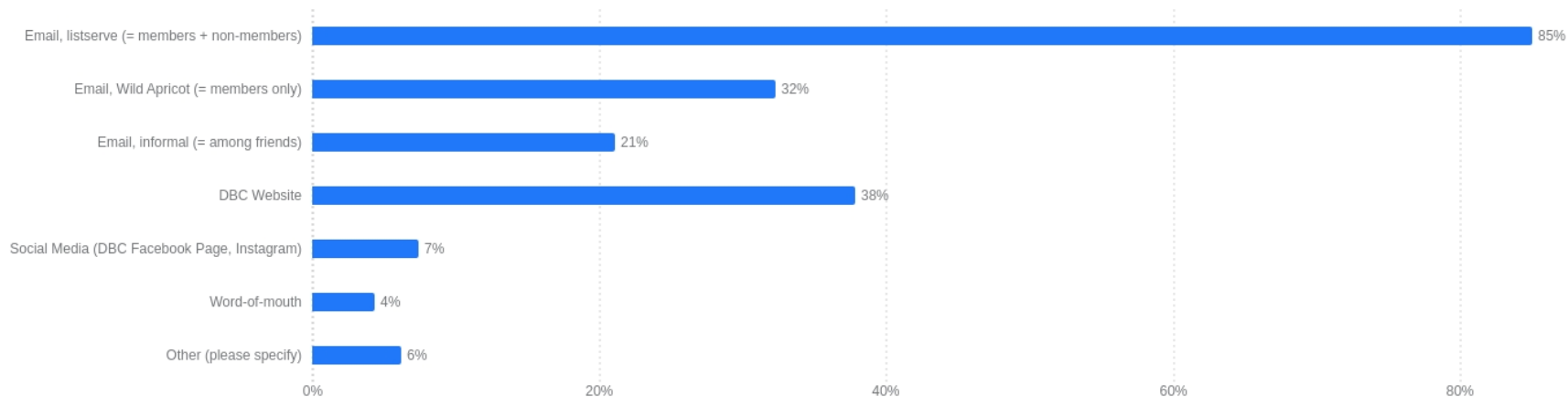
Q: "DBC is an all-volunteer organization. The club is better and more fun with more participation. How likely are you to contribute to each of the following activities?"  
Details & comments emailed to BoD in November; and in appendix

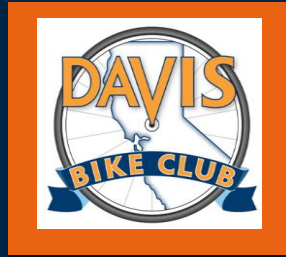


# Preferred Communication

- ▶ Overall, email is still the preferred mode of communication,
- ▶ ...though about 40% suggest DBC website
- ▶ Social Media is not favored by current membership

What is your preferred mode of communication from the club to you? 161 ⓘ





# Preferred Communication

- ▶ Others Mentioned... particularly, TEXTING
  - ▶ Slack or WhatsApp
  - ▶ **Text** w. Friends
  - ▶ From my husband
  - ▶ **Text**
  - ▶ **Text** alerts with link to more info and POC info for leader
  - ▶ **Text** messages
  - ▶ **text** groups
  - ▶ Discord DBC devo with Jon
  - ▶ Comment: I don't know about wild apricot. I was considering a **text** group with other women wanting to strengthen their climbing abilities, do distance and go faster with less stops than WOW.
  - ▶ **Text**

# Appendix: Free Response Comments





# Comments, Volunteering

- I [REDACTED] larly volunteering for the double century and the foxy. I have also led some WOW rides.
- [REDACTED] If I had time and motivation, I would lead 14-18 mph rides with frequent regroup (currently pretty much non-existent with DBC, but Foys offers this type of ride) and rides that go to different locations from the standard DBC rides.
- "I have ideas on how we can pull in new DBC members, based on experience and feedback from a group of my peers who are eager to ride with others yet haven't seen the value in participating in DBC. I would consider volunteering on the board if I can better understand the level of effort required and term limits. [REDACTED]"
- [REDACTED]
- already do
- DC Director
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- I do the first aid kits and that's all [REDACTED]
- "I enjoy working rest stops at Foxy's the DC [REDACTED]"
- I live overseas so limited opportunity to help or organise.
- Volunteer for Foxy's fall century rest stops and prep, Saturday morning bike repair (would need some initial instruction and guidance), policy advocacy (My day job is electric vehicle strategy and policy, which includes [REDACTED])
- [REDACTED]
- no

# Comments, Volunteering



- I'm already volunteering for the Foxy's
- I already do.
- "I vol at dc and foxysIm clothing directorI have been womens race team coach am still willing to do that"
- I have volunteered at rest stops for 2022 Foxy's and 2023 DC. I would do other rest stop volunteering or rest stop supply preparation or marking. Wish I had made it to board meeting to ask for recommendations about Foxy's. [REDACTED]
- "Let's get the race team going again and start getting people into racing! [REDACTED]"
- Living in Woodland I have been cycling mostly with the Foy's group.
- "I'm happy to help with Foxy's ride and the double century. I'm doing some leading with the WOW group. Would be willing to get the 14-17 speed back in weekday rides. [REDACTED]"
- Saturday bike rides and bike rides for families with kids.
- Ride registration and teaching kids to bike safely.
- I would like to lead rides where the pace would be as advertised, no faster. Riders would agree to ride as a group.
- "I am willing to share information regarding great bikeway infrastructure I have experieced in biking in over 20 countries during the past decade.earl.bossard@gmail FYI: I will visiting Georgia, Oman, Cyprus and state of Vermont until returning to Davis on about Oct 20 and will be visiting Vermont, New Zealand, Australia, Sri Lanka, and Singapore from mid-December until earl Feb., but expect to re residing in Davis from early Feb. until late May. "[REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]



# Comments, Free Response



- Everyone in the DBC is incredibly friendly and welcoming to new DBC members-- I appreciate this. In addition, Ride Leaders are extremely knowledgeable and make me feel comfortable riding with the DBC.
- It would be great if we could offer multiple tours/year again. They take a ton of work for the tour leaders but are a terrific way to boost enthusiasm and buy in for the members who tour. Also, we are a graying crowd. If we could get the post baby boomers out there, it would give the club some vitality that has been slipping over the years.
- I joined DBC as I was visiting family in Davis for a long weekend and planned to join the Friday and Sunday AM group rides. While the Friday group was friendly, I feel they could have been more accommodating and supportive of new riders. Additionally, while I arrived early to the location indicated for the Sunday ride start, I never saw the group and therefore never joined that ride. I am happy to explain in greater detail: larry.moray@icloud.com, THX
- "I have not seen info about discounts in communications from DBC, even though they are mentioned in this survey. I'd like to learn more. It's also not clear how to purchase jerseys or kits. Both seem like important info to share as part of an introductory email and/or reasons to join FAQ. I have a group of cycling friends that continues to grow, and AFAIK none of them are DBC members. I believe several club changes are needed if DBC desires to attract new members such as this group."
- I enjoy the weekday and weekend bike rides. I like the distance and destinations (Dixon, Winters). But I struggle to ride at the 14-17 mph pace. I can do it for a period of time, but I'm really more of a 12 mph. So I pretty much feel excluded from these bike rides. Not by the people, everyone is very friendly and encouraging. But the reality is I just can't keep the group pace. Disappointing for me, but no one's fault
- more group rides that aren't weekday mornings, more out of town riding
- More rides but I know that depends on more ride leaders. Sometimes rides appear on the listserve that is received 1 or 2 days after the actual ride. Can this be changed/
- Y'all do a great job. Please keep up the good work. I would like to volunteer, but between work and family I really only have time to ride one or two days a week as it is. I will be much more likely to volunteer in 5 years once I am retired :)
- Have more weekend rides
- Tours.
- I did not mark volunteer opportunities because I am not an experienced cyclist. I ride a fair amount, but don't feel I have enough experience to show others. Would also like to see a ride that is paced for people who want to go from slow (12-14 mph) to faster (15-17 mph) for 20+ miles without feeling like an inconvenience, holding others up.



# Comments, Free Response



- Can the list serve format be improved? It's so difficult to find what one is looking for and to read and reread other people's responses. I'm not tech savvy enough but there must be a more readable format available.
- I have almost no interaction with the DBC. As a founding member I joined for sentimental reasons.
- I am an out of town, DBC Member, living in Oakland. Have done numerous brevets and occasionally support Davis double or foxy fall. Keep up the good work.
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- The survey has ambiguous questions. If I have no interest in a particular activity, was I supposed to check "not at all satisfied," which would be the same answer to select if I liked the activity but want it to be implemented better?
- The club is great. If I had more free time, I would get more involved.
- More Etna like trips. There must be other areas with good roads, a cheap motel, and 3 days of rides, one good restaurant.
- Keep up the good work with a bit more emphasis on bike advocacy.
- Rides between 9:00 am and 8:00 pm. I'm retired, I don't like getting up early.
- "I understand that there is a GPS app that can be used as a DBC member, but I had to change my password and Now I can't access this and I don't know how to re-get the group app and I'm not sure who to contact to help me with this. I think the people arranging the group WOW rides are doing a great job of including new riders. However, with my current bike, I find it hard to keep up with others on rides of 35 miles or more. I'd like to be able to talk to someone about buying a new road bike, but I don't know who to talk with. Other than people in the WOW rides, I feel like the majority of the rest of the members are young racers. I appreciate that with this survey that you are doing more to find out about current member's interests. About 20 years ago my father and I tried to get involved in the club and both felt very unwelcome. Then about 5 years ago, I decided to give DBC another chance. I paid my membership fee sometime in the spring and then never got a single welcome email or any other message from the club until I got a message saying that it was time to renew my membership. I did not renew. So last year when I joined, it was my 3rd attempt to try to connect with DBC club members. Best of luck on your member outreach."

# Comments, Free Response



- Don't assume that all members are against modifying the Mace Mess. I am completely for it. Also, I thought I read an article in the Davis Enterprise stating cyclists in Davis are against the i-80 improvements. This is untrue. Just an FYI: I feel the roads in Davis are quite poor so I have reduced the amount I use them and head out of town to Dixon, Woodland and Sacramento when I ride, e.g., Mace Blvd, Russell Bike Path, and more.
- "Robert, I still receive announcements from DBC, but I was burned by several members of DBC. I don't hold a grudge, but I am not interested in any DBC activity or event. I have moved on. [REDACTED]"
- over all my years always a great club
- I have yet to really do anything with the club because of conflict and distance. To be honest it would be nice to know if other people are going to group rides as hate to come and find no one or a small group that want to go faster than I can or slower.
- more contact between the club and the race team riders
- Host a Davis biking info session for families where they can learn about how to get started with biking, nearby convenient and safe rides and trails to key destinations like schools and supermarkets, basic maintenance and resources, events, DBC membership, etc.
- I joined DBC looking for a variety of group rides around Yolo, Solano, Napa, Sacramento counties and beyond. But it seems that only very local rides are offered. I also like to go on longer rides, and the rides on the calendar are mostly short or during times that I can't join. I am a member of the Sierra Foothills BC and they offer rides all over the region, some long, some shorter at various paces. If that were available in the Yolo area, it would be great.
- Add lower speed rides for people new to biking or at the end of their biking careers who still haven't adopted e-bikes.
- I like going on the rides... any rides.
- I'm fairly busy so can't commit to a weekly ride but like to know that there are mid-week rides out there.
- Interested in a 13 to 15 mph pace, relaxed. Two to three hour outing.

# Comments, Free Response



- Keep being very creative and open. I've been a member off and on since 1980 and I think you're heading in the right direction. I hope you all advocate for more rides leaving from South Davis when Mace gets fixed. It's been pothole avenue since Campbell's Soup days. New pavement with room for bikes heading North and South would open up rides on Tremont to Dixon and through the University. Riding any direction from El Macero area is really unsafe. Thanks for letting me vent.
- keep up the good work
- DBC is terrific. Would love to see more active participation from members. Member meetings could be more fun and interesting. Are the race team and club different? How do we get information about race team training rides and plans for racing?
- DBC Rocks! Deb Banks is a great RBA! Unfortunately, physical issues have kept me out of brevets for a few years. But I'm hoping to do a SR series in 2024.
- New rider from Oakland meeting another new rider from Auburn. Joined DBC to use your route maps. Thank you.
- "1. Discussion/recommendation for supportive cycling practices, such as: energy consumption while riding, pre-and post-ride stretching, lifting, out of town riding kit, tire changing workshop, puncture prevention, accident advice, road safety. 2. WOW is great. But I think there's room for slower than 18-20 mph ave with some skill building. My solo rides are 14mph ave with a range of speeds up to 20mph. I just don't feel invited to ride with stated fast rides. This is an issue of advertising. I know there are people who want to ride my type of ride but we don't have a way to determine when we can ride together. I might just ask people to contact me for a discussion on when to offer 14-16mph rides with skills development at 40-60mil with occasional travel."
- I'm at a bit of a crossroads with DBC. I realize its demographics but the club is mostly baby boomers who've ridden together for a long time and know one another. As a Gen-x'er, I sometimes find it insular and feel left out. Sure, they'll take my volunteer efforts but not a lot of welcome or outreach afterwards.
- Great club weekend rides.
- DBC does a good job offering opportunities to cyclist. We just need to take advantage of the offerings
- Earlier start times for weekday rides, and more longer rides leading up to races like Foxy's to help with training and to meet others who will be doing the same race.

# Comments, Free Response



- 12-14 mph rides are listed in survey as bike paths. The WOW rides and Women Cycle Sacramento rides are 12-14 (faster riders can go ahead) BUT definitely not bike paths. Rides are 15-45 miles generally. Would like to see more of these rides. Very popular. Pulls in women from all over.
- Tours
- More older female rides, weekday and weekends
- It may already exist and I just haven't looked for it , but a tutorial on how to ride in a group ( i.e. an intro on do' and don'ts and how to ride safely with others for those who haven't done so before)
- More money for philanthropy and cycling advocacy, less subsidy for racing
- Offer more slow paced rides.
- I would like to see club rides and events, new and traditional to continue and improve into the future.
- Even though I am a bit of a lurker and only infrequently ride with groups I am honored to be a member of the Davis Bike Club.
- I think I answered "I don't know" alot because I don't recall seeing any emails about club activities. It is not likely that I would go to the website to see what is going on--I need to get hit in the head with an email that might include a 3 month calendar so I can plan out some rides.
- I don't join DBC rides anymore because the riders' speeds are all over the place. A group ride should be as a group. If you want to ride faster or slower than the listed pace, don't come.

# Comments, Free Response



- DBC is fantastic and I am very grateful to be a member. My lukewarm responses in some categories reflect that I am an experienced rider but perpetually unfit. I used to do the tweeners rides once or twice a week, but since they ended I am generally too slow for the rides that interest me (I am usually in the 13-15 mph range or trying to get back up there). I am currently off the bike due to an injury so it may be months before I become a regular rider again, even if there are changes. Thank you for all you do.
- It's fine as is
- I miss the Christmas dinner
- I really don't like the blue and orange team colors. I have stopped ordering team kits because of the colors. I'd like to see fresh perspective on the kits, both from the person doing the design to the color scheme, etc.
- I've been riding with DBC for many years and have enjoyed it.
- Can't think of anything at the moment.

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