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RANDONNEURING MOMENTS: A VIEW FROM SAN DIEGO



Photo Credit: Maitram Giske (#15823)

Location: San Diego, California

Details: On the Audax Club Parisien Elsinore 300k on February 22, 2025.

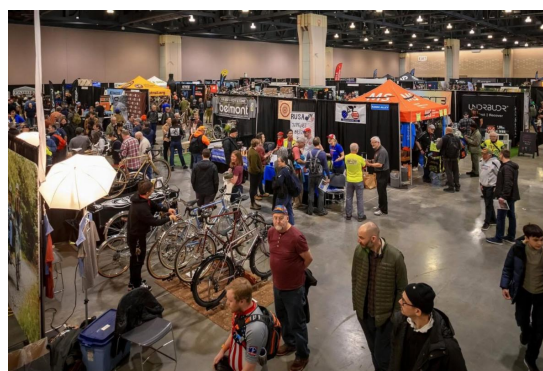
RAIN JACKETS

In December 2024, Bikepacking.com reviewed 14 cycling rain jackets, evaluating their waterproofing, breathability, and weight/packability.

[REVIEW](#)

MEMBER HIGHLIGHT: DOUG MIGDEN

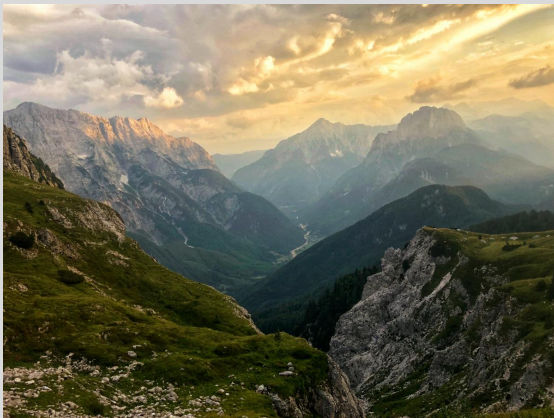
RANDONNEURING MOMENTS: A VIEW FROM THE 2025 PHILADELPHIA BIKE EXPO





Douglas Migden (#5735) of the Seattle International Randonneurs has been a member since 2009. Recently, we spent time discussing his adventures on the Transcontinental Race (TCR) as well as his amazing 8 finishes. Astonishingly, there is only 1 other person who has more TCR finishes than Doug. We are excited to share this interview with him in our April issue.

In the meantime, we wanted to take this opportunity to share an [article](#) that Doug authored in DotWatcher about the TCR.



Location: Mangart Sedlo, Slovenia

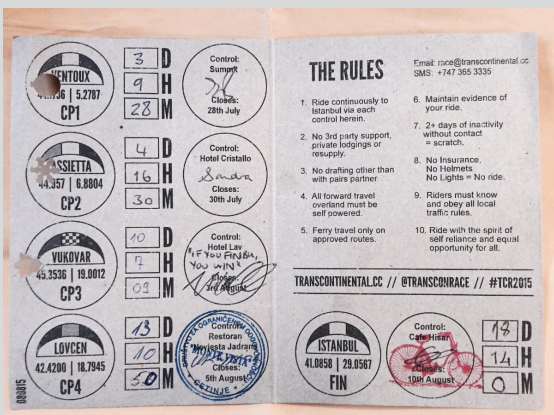


Photo Credits: Doug Migden (#5735)
 Details: 2015 Transcontinental Race Brevet Card signed by the late Mike Hall at CP3



Location: Philadelphia Convention Center
 Details: Randonneurs USA sharing our Big Tent of Cycling at the 14th annual Philadelphia Bike Exposition on March 8-9th. We had a booth in "Rando Alley", an interactive seminar and a 100k populaire hosted by the Pennsylvania Randonneurs.

BEHIND THE SCENES

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RANDONNEURING MOMENTS: A VIEW OF A REGIONAL BREVET ADMINISTRATOR (RBA)



Photo Credit: Patrick Chin-Hong (#5923)
 Location: New York State
 Details: Pete Dusel (#5389), long-time RBA of the Central/Western

WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY

Are you new to our organization or need a quick refresher on all things Randonneurs USA?

[NEW MEMBER GUIDE](#)



Photo Credit: Wei Sun (#9917) & The New Yorker
Details: The New Yorker January 2025 cover

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RANDONNEURS USA LOVE

NY region, signing in members on the 400/1000/1200/1300k in July 2024

TEAM EVENTS & GRAVEL CREDIT

Starting 1/1/2025, finishers now get credit for unpaved distance on team events (Flèche, Arrow, Dart, and Dart Populaire).

The credit will work the same as for non Audax Club Parisien (ACP) brevets and other events, and permanents.

Team Event organizers will compile the unpaved distance that each team actually rode when submitting results.

[TEAM EVENTS](#)



FEEL GRAVELICIOUS & GROOVY WITH gRANDO: OUR GRAVEL PROGRAM



Thank you to everyone who visited our booth, attended our seminar and/or participated in the 100k populaire (hosted by the Pennsylvania Randonneurs) at the 14th annual Philadelphia Bike Exposition on March 8-9th. Stay tuned for recaps in our quarterly American Randonneur magazine as well as all of our social media channels.

We appreciate all of our members who volunteered to be a part of the 2025 Philadelphia Bike Commission squad which included:

Deb Banks (#4405)
Lisa Charlebois (#15461)
Nigel Greene (#6245)
Josh Haley (#11601)
Jake Kassen (#3598)
Jonathan Karpick (#4526)
Paul Kramer (#2691)
Brad Layman (#14291)
Chris Newman (#2861)
Emily O'Brien (#3597)
Dawn Piech (#10146)
Ello Shertzer (#13768)
Mac Vergara (#12619)



Video Credit: Dawn Piech (#10146)

Location: Philadelphia Bike Expo 2025

Details: Mac Vergara (#12619) and Deb Banks (#4405) talking about gravel & randonneuring during the 14th annual Philadelphia Bike Exposition on March 8-9th, 2025 at the Philadelphia Convention Center.

GRAVEL PROGRAM

Big thanks to Deb Banks (#4405) for leading our gravel committee and committee members Jake Kassen (#3598), Greg Smith (#8170), Rob Welsh (#3737), Brian Kilgore (#6380), Dawn Piech (#10146), and John Lee Ellis (#153) for all of their work on this new program. This program was started in 2022.

Additional gravel news is on the horizon to explore off the beaten path...



Randonneurs USA's mission is to promote non-competitive, long-distance cycling and serve as the sanctioning body for randonneuring events in the United States.

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