## **2014 American Randonneur Award** Lois Springsteen, RUSA #8

Once a year, the RUSA Board of Directors and the RUSA Awards Committee present the American Randonneur Award to a member of the organization who has made a significant and outstanding contribution to randonneuring in the United States.

This year, we have the privilege and pleasure of honoring Lois Springsteen, RUSA #8.

Lois has been an active RUSA volunteer since its founding in 1998. Lois has served as a Board member, RUSA's fourth president as well as a vice-president, webmaster, membership co-chairperson, RM meeting representative, and two-time PBP Yearbook co-editor.

Lois currently serves as the national Brevet Coordinator, a role that is vital to our organization. She manages our all-important event calendar and event results, processing RBA results for every event, making countless data patches when RBAs need them, mailing homologation stickers to RBAs, and handling the results traffic to and from the ACP and RM. Lois has built up a cordial working relationship with our colleagues at Audax Club Parisien, and they hold her in highest regard.

Lois has also served as an RBA for California's Santa Cruz region. She and husband Bill Bryant, RUSA #7, created and organized the successful California Central Coast 1000k in 2010, which became the even more successful 1200k/1000k version in 2014. Lois also helped design and organize the first Gold Rush Randonnée in 2001, which she rode.

Lois has the distinction of being a six-time PBP ancienne. She rode the Centenary event in 1991 and has been back for every event since then. Here's hoping we see her at Paris Brest Paris 2015.

An active randonneuse on the California scene, Lois earned the Ultra Randonner Award in 2010 for completing 10 Super Randonneur series. She followed



Lois Springsteen at PBP 2011.

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that up in 2014 with the Mondial Award, which is earned when a rider reaches 40,000 kilometers in qualifying events. In addition, she has earned the R-12 Award five times.

For her unwavering commitment to our organization, and for her enthusiastic embrace of our sport, it is our honor to present the 2014 American Randonneur Award to Lois. Please extend a warm congratulation to her when you see her on roads between Paris and Brest.