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RANDONNEURING MOMENTS: A VIEW FROM CENTRAL TEXAS



Photo Credit: Patrick Chin-Hong (#6365)

Location: Country Road 153, northeast of Georgetown, Texas

Details: A beautiful sunrise peeking through on the Heart of Texas 600k with the Heart of Texas Randonneurs out of the central region of Texas.

NEW SOCKS & SWAG



Meet our new Randonneurs USA socks! We are excited to share some brand NEW swag now available in our store.

FAQ:

- 6 inch cuff height

FEBRUARY WINTER ESCAPES

Are you looking to get a break from the winter with some warm weather and Vitamin D?

Check out these special offerings hosted by both the Arizona Randonneurs and the Northeast Florida Randonneurs:

- [Arizona Rouleur Week](#) February 11th through the 16th
- [Northeast Florida Brevet Week](#) February 14th through the 21st

MOMENTS THAT STAYED



Jinwoo Oh (#14570) with the Driftless Randonneurs shared a collection of randonneuring moments in 2025.

Jinwoo shared, *"This is not a ride report, but a collection of moments-storms, strangers, fatigue, laughter, and a Snickers-flavored iced coffee-remembered from long rides on the road."*

[READ: COLLECTION OF MOMENTS](#)

- Crew sock
- Two color options include your choice of blue and/or black
- Inside arch font includes our core values of collaboration, self-sufficiency and camaraderie
- Outside arch font includes Randonneurs USA
- Two options include:
 - Blue option #1: Left posterior sock with font RELENTLESS FORWARD MOTION and right posterior sock with RANDONNEURS USA
 - Black option #2: Left posterior sock with font AUDACIOUS LONG DISTANCE CYCLING and right posterior sock with RANDONNEURS USA
- Produced by Sock Guy

[VIEW / PURCHASE SOCKS](#)

A NEW PLACE TO RIDE & EXPLORE

Many of our 52 regions have a much bigger footprint than a regional name would suggest.

Check out the Audax Club Parisien Super Randonneur Series out of Richmond, Virginia led by Regional Brevet Administrator Hamid Akbarian. The region is hosting a new Super Randonneur series called the Richmond Odyssey.

RANDONNEURING POEM



The Winter Randonneur

My bicycle makes tracks in the fresh morning snow adding to those of the squirrel, fox, and doe

Making fog with each deep breath

WEBSITE LOGIN CHANGES

Early this year, we are planning to require your RUSA membership number to log into our site. We currently allow your membership number, email or name.

RUSA #	Name	City	Club Name / Club ACP Code	Membership Expires	Renew
8	SPRINGSTEEN, Lois	Santa Cruz, CA	Santa Cruz Randonneurs / 905106	2028/12/31	renew

We are requesting that everyone use their RUSA membership number now and save those credentials. This will minimize issues when we eventually disable email addresses and names to log in.

If you have any questions, contact the web team at webmaster@rusa.org

2026 GRAND RANDONNEE 1,200K ROUNDUP



Graphic Credit of Map: Phil Fox (#12365)

Are you interested in one of our 2026 Grand Randonnee 1200K's?

You can access each of them from our main page on our website and get directed to their webpage for additional information.

Additionally, the recently delivered American Randonneur Winter 2025 issue (Volume 28-Issue #4) also has a summary of each on pages 4-8.

2026 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

my water bottle tucked warm in my RUSA vest

On my face sits a nearly frozen nose
matching the nip on my fingers and toes

Heading for home my headlights are bright
on the snow-covered roads as I pass the farms
of families I know,

pedaling mile after mile the winter Randonneur goes

by Robert Booth (#4957)

ROULEUR WEEKS AND SUPER RANDONNEUR BREVET WEEKS

Super Randonneur Brevet Weeks and Rouleur Weeks

Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2025	San Luis Obispo Randonneurs Rouleur Week
Feb 11 - Feb 16, 2026	Arizona Rouleur Week
Feb 14 - Feb 21, 2026	Northeast Florida Brevet Week
Aug 15 - Aug 21, 2026	Seattle Randonneurs Brevet Week
Sep 1 - Sep 7, 2026	Pacific Coast Highway Randonneurs Rouleur Week
Nov 9 - Nov 13, 2026	Carmel Rouleur Week

It's so exciting to see all of the Rouleur and Super Randonneur Brevet Weeks available to you.

ROULEUR AND BREVET WEEKS

RANDONNEURING MOMENTS: A VIEW FROM A NEW YEAR'S DAY POPULAIRE IN SEATTLE



Photo Credit: Seattle International Randonneurs

Location: Snohomish, Washington

Details: A New Year Populaire Red Barn 100k organized by Rose Cox (#3840) on 12/30/25 to close out the year. This event had the start at Snohomish Bakery and the finish at Spada Farmhouse Brewery.

GRAND RANDONNEE SURVEY

Our Awards Review Committee is asking all members to provide input on the strategic review of awards for domestic

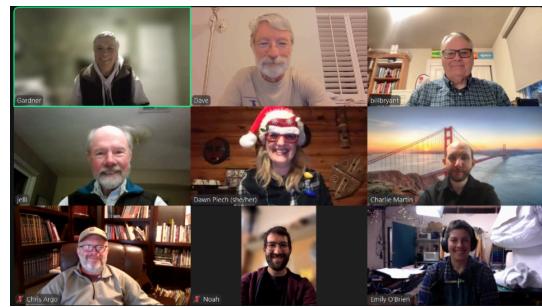


Photo Credit: Dave Thompson (#4226)

Details: December 10th, 2025 Board of Directors meeting with both outgoing and incoming BOD members which include: Gardner Duvall, Dave Thompson, Bill Bryant, John Lee Ellis, Dawn Piech, Charlie Martin, Chris Argo, Noah Swartz and Emily O'Brien.

Your Board has selected the 2026 officers at our January meeting:

President: Dave Thompson

Vice President: Dawn Piech

Secretary: Noah Swartz

Treasurer: Lois Springsteen (*not a Board member, per a by-law change in 2022*)

The remaining Board Members are:

Director: Emily O'Brien

Director: Charlie Martin

Director: John Lee Ellis

RBA-L: Chris Argo

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BEHIND THE SCENES

Interested in understanding what's going on behind the scenes and where we are headed?

Board of Directors meeting [minutes](#)

2025 strategic [goals](#)

1200k+ rides (called grand randonnees). That review includes a proposal to add a lifetime award for 10 domestic grand randomness. That award will be repeatable in increments of 10.

[TAKE SURVEY](#)

CONTACT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

If you ever need to reach your Board of Directors (BOD), you can reach out to a specific board member [here](#) or email the entire BOD at board@rusa.org.

We are here to serve you and the Randonneurs USA nation

Mission, organizational objectives & value [principles](#)

STAY CONNECTED TO OUR RANDO ECOSYSTEM

Renew your 2026 RUSA membership, update your club affiliation, and confirm or change your address or email in one easy step.



[RENEW](#)

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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