

## New cycle team to raise money for Arms Around Bainbridge



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROGER MOORE  
Carleen Gosney, Jan Fick, Phil Burger, Roger Moore, Jackie Fabbri, Kim Williams and Darren Gray sported AAB jerseys for the charity's fundraiser in August.

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The Bainbridge community is known for its support of islanders in need. One group of peddlers has found a way to lend a helping hand, one mile at a time.

“Our goal is to raise \$50,000 for Arms Around Bainbridge in 2013,” said Roger Moore.

Along with a handful of other cyclists, Moore has started the Arms Around Bainbridge Cycle Team, or AAB Cycling. They plan to raise money through pledges of support for every mile they ride.

From 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14 at the Madison Avenue Fire Station, the AAB Cycle Team will hold an informational event for islanders to join the team, or to pledge money.

Arms Around Bainbridge is an island charity that supports community members in need of medical assistance — especially when it comes to hefty finances associated with medical care.

Last August, the organization held its annual fundraiser, a swimming, cycling, running and rowing event.

Moore was one such bike rider at the August fundraiser. Now, a group of cyclists have come together to keep the money making momentum up the only way they know how, on two wheels.

The newly formed Arms Around Bainbridge Cycle Team is asking people to join the team, or to pledge money.

“Right now there are six of us on a steering committee, our goal is 50 members,” Moore said. “Based on the enthusiasm we’ve received so far, I think we are going to exceed that.”

Team members will commit to mileage goals for 2013 and take pledges for the miles they complete. The miles can be earned in various ways.

“It can included spin-class miles and road miles,” Moore said. “Some of us ride long miles on the road, and others never get out of the spin class.”

“I may commit to 3,000 miles on my bike in 2013,” Moore added.

Moore noted that many cyclist are out on the road, anyway, from commuting to participating in events like the Chilly Hilly.

This way, they can get another benefit from their two wheels, one mile at a time.

Anyone over the age of 18 can participate.

“They don’t have to be an advanced, skilled cyclist to participate,” Moore said. “They can come to a spin class or sit on an exercise bike at home.”

“Whether it’s a penny a mile, or a dollar a mile,” he added.

AAB Cycling has more information on its Facebook page, as well as its website at [www.aabcycling.blogspot.com](http://www.aabcycling.blogspot.com).

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