Team HOTT Christmas Ride on Buffalo Bayou Trail December 2, 2018



T'was almost two fortnights before Christmas and all thru the City, not a tandem was unlit, they all looked so pretty...

Team HOTT hosted a holiday ride along the Buffalo Bayou bike path on the evening of Sunday, December 2nd.





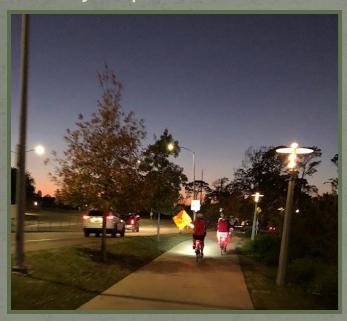
Team Wooldridge organized the event and had the honor of leading the 15 teams on the 6 miles loop course. There was a festive mood in the air as most of the teams had decorated their bikes and bodies With Christmas lighting and attire.

The light was just starting to fade as the tandem teams gathered at Eleanor Tinsley Park for a pre-ride picture and ride safety instructions.





Starting off in the dark significantly lowered the potential of colliding with walkers and other cyclists and made for an impressive light display as the tandem caravan snaked along the bayou path.





Two highlights of my ride were all the shouts of "Merry Christmas!" we heard from others inspired by our Christmas bling and the fantastic views of H-town's lit-up downtown skyline. Team M&R ordered up perfect weather for the event and it was fun to feel the temperature gradients as the path weaved back and forth between the bayou and parkway.

The six mile ride was over in about an hour, so folks could continue the social focus of the evening by gathering at Minuti Coffee on Gray Street. There was plenty of time to catch up with old friends and make new ones, interrupted briefly by a raffle drawing for three tandemthemed prizes provided by House of Tandems.



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Thanks Team Wooldridge for putting together a great Christmas ride!

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