

41ST ROTARY CYCLING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

September 2nd to 6th, 2026 in Kitzbühel (Austria)

Organizers: Rotary Cycling Fellowship Austria



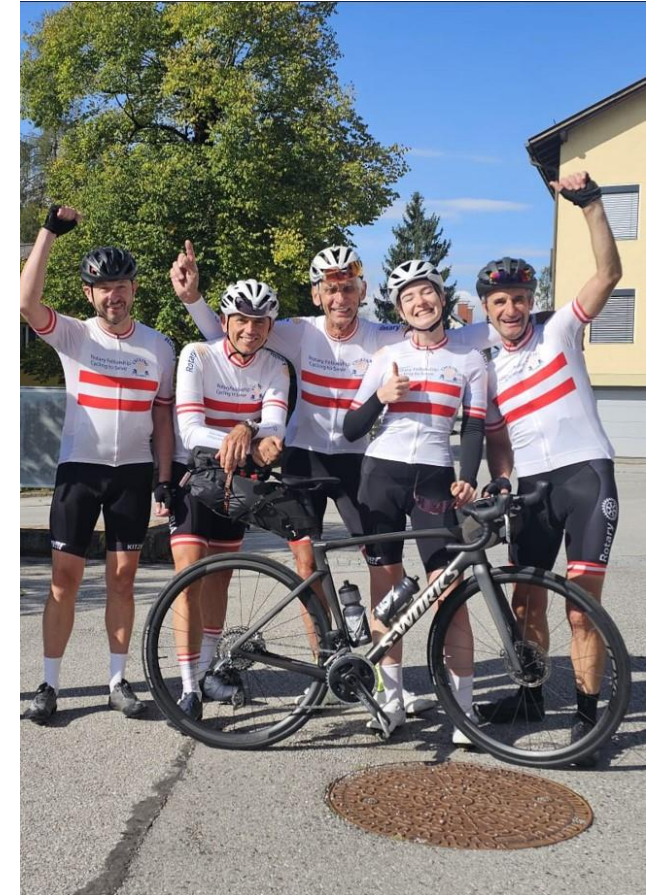
Rotary Cycling World Championships



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- The Rotary Cycling World Championships (RCWC) have been held annually since 1985
- 2026 we expect 100 Rotary cyclists plus approx. 70 non-cyclists from around the world
- Focus on friendship, casual and competitive cycling and fundraising
- RCWC 2026 shall be truly international:
English as event language
- Event activities cover cycling and non-cycling activities, exploring the area of Kitzbühel
- Organizer: Rotary Cycling Fellowship Austria



Rotary Cycling Fellowship Austria members on a Charity Cycling Tour through Slovenia, 2025.

Our Goals for 2026 RCWC

- 1. Become more female**
→ 40% women cyclists
- 2. Become younger**
→ 40% of participants under 40 (Rotaract)
- 3. Become more international**
→ 40% of participants outside DE, AT, CH
- 4. Promote spirit of Rotary**
→ Friendship is more important than competition
- 5. Fundraising for donations**
→ Still pursuing the 'Cycling to Serve' motto
- 6. Regional value creation**
→ Promotion of Kitzbühel as a destination



Fellowship Austria members Anne Götzendorfer and Viktoria Veider-Walser in front of the Vatican. Charity Cycling Tour Innsbruck (AUT) to Rome (ITA), 2020.

The RCWC Race



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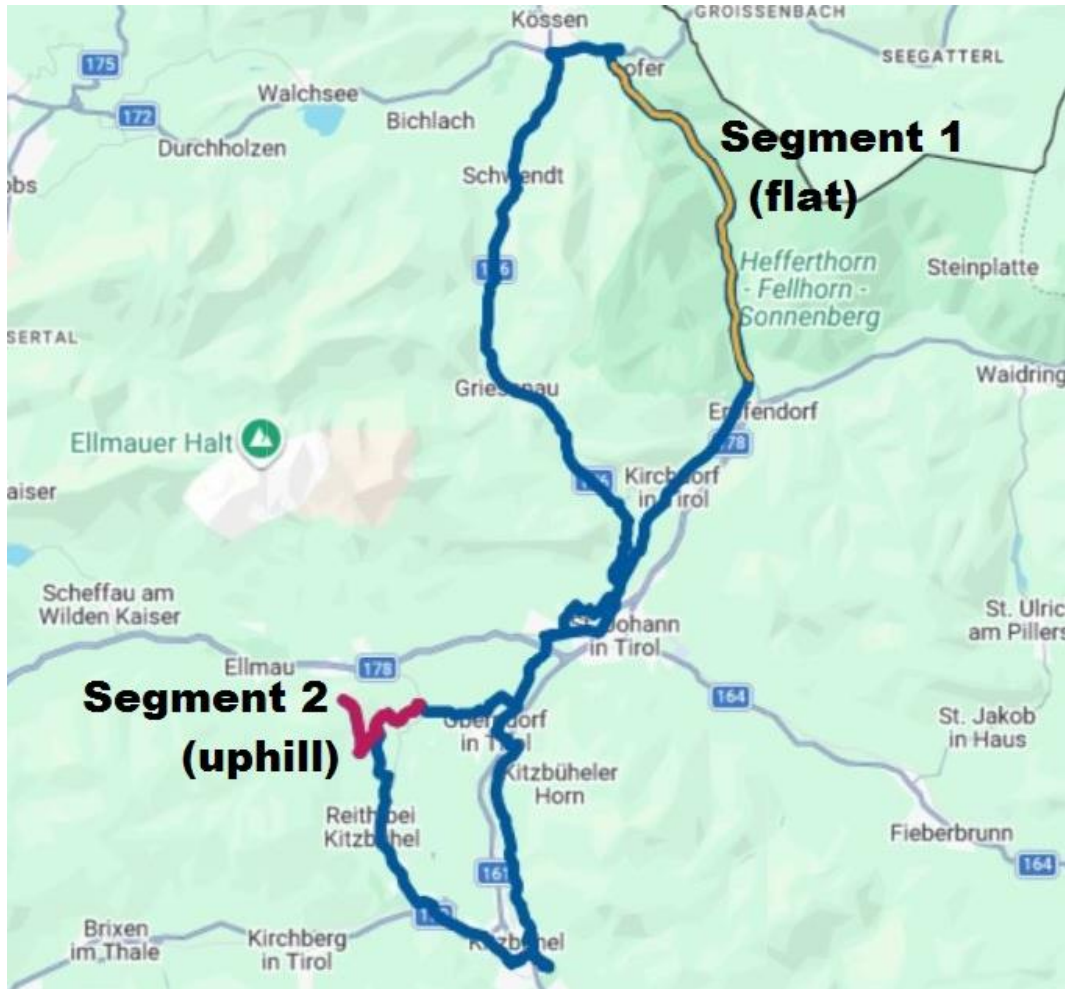


- **Location** **Kitzbühel / Austria**
- **Race day** **Saturday, September 5th, 2026**
- **Race mode** **Segment race**
- We will ride a 68 km circuit in groups of 10 at a no-drop pace; no road closures necessary
- There will be two competitive segments as individual time trials – they decide the titles
- Classifications: Women, Men, Rotaract, Guest class. Age groups as in UCI World Championships



Fellowship Austria board member Raimund Stanger, World Champion 2025, Age Group 45 – 54.

RCWC Course



- **Segment 1:
10 km flat**
- **Segment 2:
4 km uphill**

All participants will receive a high-quality, tailor-made jersey representing their home country as part of their registration



Winner Jerseys



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World Champions | Sprinter | Queen & King of the Mountains

Queen and King of the Mountain

- **Location** **Kitzbüheler Horn**
- **Race day** **Friday, September 4th, 2026**
- **Race mode** **Hill Climb**
- Group ride to legendary Kitzbüheler Horn in a no drop pace
- Competitive riders can prove their strength and battle for the *Queen and King of the Mountain* titles.
- Length of the climb: 7.1 km
- Elevation gain: 875 m
- Average incline: 12.5 %
- Maximum incline: 22.3 %



Kitzbüheler Horn, Austria's steepest mountain road for cycling. One of the toughest hill climbs in Europe.

- **Wednesday, September 2nd**
 - Barbecue evening at the *House of Friendship* (i.e., Schlosshotel Kitzbühel)
- **Thursday, September 3rd**
 - Joint cycling tour with cycling professionals
 - Tour to the start of the world famous Kitzbühel Ski Race (on foot)
 - International Rotary meeting in our *House of Friendship* (Panel discussion: Dr. Kurt Matzler, others to be determined)
- **Friday, September 4th**
 - „Queen & King of the Mountains“: hill climb challenge up to the top of Kitzbüheler Horn, steepest mountain for cycling in Austria: 7,1 km, 900 meters in elevation, 22.3 % incline
 - „Tyrolean Evening“ at Rosi’s Sonnbergstuben

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Rotary Cycling Fellowship Austria members riding around Kitzbühel

- **Saturday, September 5th**
 - 41st Rotary Cycling World Championship
 - Flower ceremony (immediately after the race ends in the finish area)
 - Gala evening and award ceremony at the *House of Friendship*
- **Sunday, September 6th**
 - Option to participate in the Kitzbühel Cycling Marathon event (216 km, 4,600m elevation)



Rotary Fellowship Austria cycling apparel on President Günther Aigner

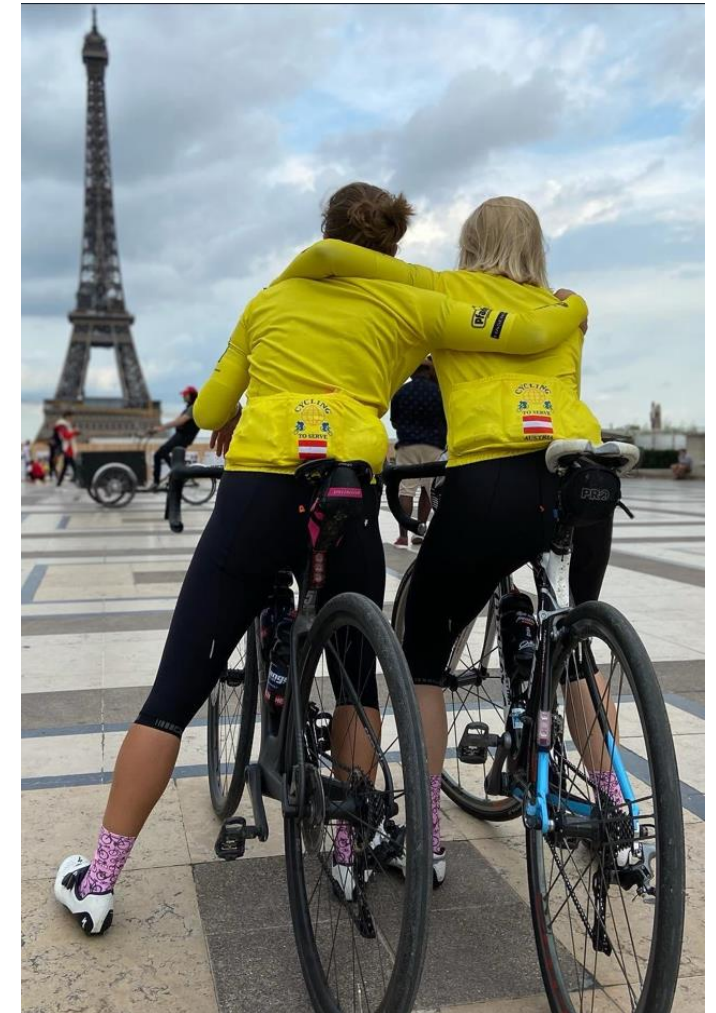
Additional activities



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- **Daily Partner Program**
 - Sightseeing, hiking and golfing for non-cycling participants
- **Social highlights**
 - “Tyrolean Evening” on Friday at Rosi’s Sonnbergstuben
 - Gala dinner on Saturday at the ‘House of Friendship’
- **Tour to “Kitzbühel Hahnenkamm Ski Race”**
 - Visit its “Start House” on the Hahnenkamm mountain
 - Listen to stories and insights about the world’s most famous downhill ski race



Fellowship Austria members Anne Götzendorfer and Viktoria Veider-Walser in Paris.
Charity Cycling Tour Kitzbühel (AUT) to Paris (FRA), 2021.1

Participation Fees & Accommodation



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- **Rotary members**
EUR 450
- **Rotaract members**
EUR 190
- **Friends & guests**
EUR 450
- **Accompanying persons**
EUR 350

Our “House of Friendship” for the RCWC: The Schlosshotel Kitzbühel [Website](#)

→ A top-rated 5-star hotel in the Alps!

We’ve secured exclusive rates:

“Comfort” Double Room

EUR 188 per room per night for single occupancy
EUR 238 per room per night for double occupancy

Suites

EUR 268 | 318 per room per night (single or double occupancy)

Information and booking at: event@schlosshotel-kitzbuehel.com



[Schlosshotel Kitzbühel](#)
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Book now on:

[Online registration and booking](#)

2026 Championships – online information

<https://www.rotary-cycling.at/World-championship-2026/>

General information

... about the Austrian Cycling Fellowship:

www.rotary-cycling.at



Fellowship Austria members Raimund Stanger and Günther Aigner in Prague (4 Days 2024).
Charity Cycling Tour Perg (AUT) to Prague (CZE), 2024.

Fundraising Targets: Cycling to serve



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Regional

- We help discreetly disadvantaged families in Tirol and in Austria – without dragging these people into the public eye
- We support a project for the prevention of violence in schools in the district of Kitzbühel

National

- We support educational projects across Austria

Global

- We support the international Rotary project “Kidera – adopt a village” in Uganda. <https://www.sam-owori-projects.net/>



Fellowship Austria board member Kurt Matzler, finishing Race Across America, June 2025

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Rotary Fellowship „Cycling to Serve“ Austria: Our Board of Directors

We are a registered association
in Austria. ZVR number:
1317582023

- We hold an annual general meeting featuring an activity report and an audit of the financial statements.
- The audit is conducted thoroughly by a lawyer and a management consultant.
- Our meeting minutes are available for review at any time.

Please visit our website:
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See you in Kitzbühel!