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Boy Scout Troop 212 Bavaria Bike Trek*Submitted by Fran Miller*

Moraga Boy Scout Troop 212 took their semi-annual bicycle trek in July. Returning once again to Bavaria for 10 days, they followed the route the troop first took in 2001. In all, 26 scouts and 14 Dads rode over 200 miles. After arriving in Munich, they took a day to visit Dachau, the BMW Museum and Central Munich. The next day, they left Munich in the pouring rain for Wilhelm via Lake Starnberg and their first night at the Naturfreundhaus. The following day's schedule had them riding to Garmisch via Oberammergau, but a storm flooded the bike trail. They caught a train for the final 10 miles and the weather improved.

A cogwheel train and tram trip up the Zugspitz (Germany's tallest peak) was spectacular. Other highlights included a river rafting trip in Austria on the Ins River, a visit to Oberammergau by bus and a rousing Bavarian meal at the Gasthaus Fraundorfer. From there, they continued on a 55-mile ride to Fusen. They visited the famed Neuschwanstein Castle and then took a long, leisurely ride back to Wilhelm. The final day took them back to Munich for a victory dinner at the Ratskeller before flying home the next day.

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