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If you're thinking of starting off the new year with fresh air and your blood pumping, check out the Cherry City Cyclists.

The club is having rides and a meeting this Saturday at the Manor Branch Library. The two rides start at 9:15 a.m. sharp, followed by the meeting and lunch at 12:45 p.m. The shorter ride will go to Alameda, and the longer, hillier trek will wind over to Palomares Road in Castro Valley.

But it’s not a race. The Cherry City Cyclists are about travel, fun and meeting people on rides. They have something for every type of bicyclist, from short rides on the weekend with a stop at a local coffeehouse, to long-distance cruises in the mountains and the desert.

It doesn’t matter whether you have a beach cruiser or a high-tech racing machine, the club is open to everybody on two wheels.

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