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Bicycle racing club in NYC, providing coaching and friendly competition for all ages. Men, women, and juniors in graded races based on ability. http://www.crca.net

Fast & Fabulous
Wear your pride on a weekly ride with New York’s gay and lesbian bike club. Good place to network and have fun—step out for great dinners. http://www.fastnfab.org

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