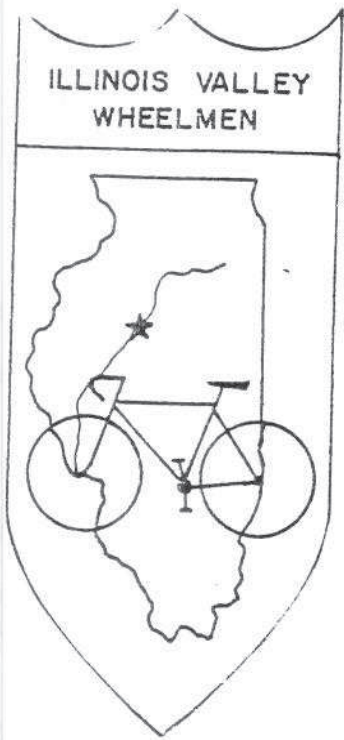


ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMEN

April, 1977



Ron Anderson	President	283-2018
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Diane Ziegler	Bulletin Editor	688-2714

ARPIL MEETING - April 28, 1977, 7:30 P.M., C.O.R.D. Bldg., 6518 N. Sheridan Rd., Peoria, Illinois.

Among many good reasons for attending this months club meeting is that Phyllis W. Harmon will be with us. Phyllis is the editor of the L.A.W. Bulletin and will have things of interest to tell us about national biking matters and the popular tours outside our usual area of familiarity. Here is another uncommon opportunity to exchange ideas with a real expert in biking organization and promotion.

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Ian Hibell's fall visit to Peoria has been set for Thursday evening, October 20. Action taken at our March meeting, combined with the generous contributions by Joe Bousky of Illinois Cycle and Terry Jones of Competition Cycle, make this visit possible. Ian's descriptions of his worldwide cycle-touring experiences should be most interesting. (Ian recently cycled through Uganda during the Idi Amin troubles.)

Don Eberle received the Broken Saddle Award at the March meeting. Don rode 975 miles with the club in 1976 and about 7800 miles tole. Congratulations Don, that's a lot of miles!

An officers meeting is planned for mid-April so that the business portion of our club meeting on April 28 can be shortened. I'd like to devote more of our time to this month's program.

Thanks to Terry Jones for presenting our March meeting program on new cycling products and trends in the industry. A very good presentation.

The MAINTENANCE CLINIC was semi-successful. The limited attendance did not overcrowd our limited space. The afternoon ride was rained out: The doughnuts and coffee were appreciated, Bill! With help, Carol Stiles received a complete bike overhaul. Most other work was less extensive - but no less needed.

We finally have the trailer licensed! Les Siegrist broke through the red tape to accomplish this task. Thanks Les! The trailer will be used primarily to transport bikes to out-of-town tours and races but will also be used for local sag service and court-house pickup when available and needed.

Ron Anderson, President



1977 ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMEN APPLICATION

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NOTES FROM THE RIDE CHAIRMAN:

The schedule is busy with rides, so take your choice, Saturday mornings, afternoons, two Wednesday night rides in Washington or Peoria, regular Sunday rides, plus several good LAW Century rides are coming up. Rider participation has been good. I encourage you to come and bring your friends and ride with us, we would love to see "hoards" of bicyclists in our area populating the by-ways of Illinois.

Coming up on June 12 we are planning a ride co-organized with the Sierra Club. It will be a picnic after a leisurely ride from Mossville to Chillicothe and return. More details in coming Bulletins.

Several of our members are riding the Prairie Spring Century in Champaign, IL on May 1; they are driving down on Sunday and returning on Sunday. However, some of us are riding our bikes, leaving Saturday morning and staying overnight and will ride the century Sunday and return with those who drove down. If you would like to join us call Don Eberle 699-2790, Diane Ziegler 688-2714, or Rose Brewer 685-7172.

ACTIVE MEMBER AWARD

During the period April 1 thru November 1, IVW members may qualify for the IVW Active Member Award Certificate. Qualifications are as follows:

Gold Award: Attendance at 5 of 7 club meetings and a club sponsored or promoted ride (or race) on 25 of the 30 weekends.

Silver Award: 4 meetings and 20 weekend rides.

Bronze Award: 3 meetings and 15 weekend rides.

Note: Any out-of-town L.A.W. or U.S.C.F. event is to be considered promoted by IVW. Inform Carol Stiles of your attendance at out-of-town events if you want credit. Award certificates will be presented at the January 1978 dinner meeting.

CYCLE '77 - L.A.W. Convention, Denver, Col. June 30 - July 4. Is anyone interested in riding their bikes to Denver to attend the convention. Several of the club members are leaving Saturday, June 18 for Denver. We may join a group leaving from the Chicago area on June 19. We may take a train or plane back.

RIDE REPORT:

Jay Manthey's ride to Jubilee on March 13 started off in a Misty/Rainy combination. One-fourth of the people showing decided it would be too "uncomfortable" to ride and retired thus to their nice warm, dry, snug homes. After a couple of flat tires, and a route mixup the group made a wet ride to Jubilee with a few on a side trip to Brimfield. The weather cleared by the end of the ride. (The reason the rain was ordered, Jay, was to slow you down so we can see what you look like - we usually just see a blur as you speed by!)

May 20 was a nice afternoon to ride - despite the 2" snowfall the night before in the out-lying areas. A tandem led the ride up around Grandview Drive, for a few hills, and out to Junction City and back downtown.

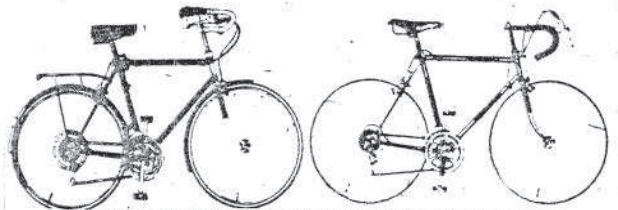
The "Spring Break-Out" ride, held on April 3, was very successful. Twenty-three riders came out for the ride. A free membership and jacket was awarded to the "Bikie" who rode the farthest to the ride. MARK ELLIOTT left him home in Bloomington at 4:30 A.M. to ride to Peoria. He unquestionably rode the farthest and surpassed everyone else by at least 30 miles. We also had several new "potential" riders also. Since it was such a nice day six of the riders got the route direction wrong and ending up in Bloomington instead of around downtown Peoria. Also, after the scheduled ride, a post-ride to Washington put in a few extra miles for some of us. A good biking day generally despite the stiff headwind east.

Representative Mary Lou Sumner has introduced a bill into the legislature which, if passed, would authorize the Department of Conservation to sell at public auction the Rock Island Trail property. If this bothers you, write to your state representative - or someone who you think might listen (Governor Thompson?).

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RACING TEAM NEWS:

Race Results:

March 30 (TT Individual)

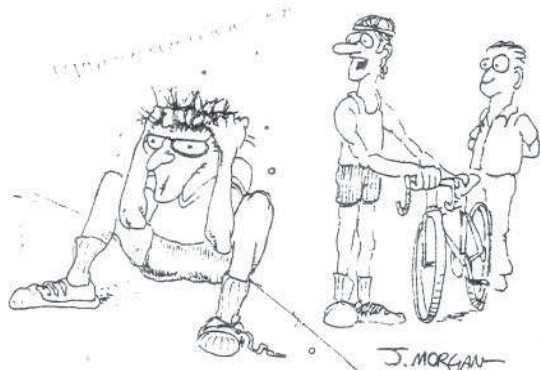
- 1 Jay Manthey 26 min. 13 sec.
- 2 Steve Berger 27 min. 7 sec.
- 3 Chris Huggins 29 min. 27 sec.

April 5 - Road Race

- 1 Doug Bertram
- 2 Steve Berger
- 3 Rich Miller

April 7 - TT (Pioneer Park)

- 1 Paul Henderson 31 min.
- 2 Doug Bertram 32 min. 41 sec.
- 3 Tim Evan 34 min. 37 sec.
- 4 Rich White 34 min. 40 sec.
- 5 Carol Stiles



"It's really tragic. He spent two years and \$1,500 lightening his bike— and then the wind blew it away."

Plagiarized from PCE "Empire Roadist"

 RACING SECTION MEETING 4/18/77
 *6:30p. - 900 Bourland, Peoria *

Race Schedule:

- April 19 ** Training Race / Team Pursuit / 6:30 p.m. / Pioneer Park
- 21 ** Training Race / Road Race / 6:30 p.m. / Pine Lakes / 15-20 mi.
- 23 I.C.A. Training Race / 1:00 p.m. / Miller Park, Bloomington
- 24 Team Time Trial Two Man / 2:00 p.m. / Grange & Trigger / 18 mi.
- 27 ** Training Race Individual TT / 6:30 p.m. / Grange & Trigger / 18 mi.
- May 3 Practice session; feeding, wheel changes, bike changed / Pioneer Park/6:30p.
- 5 Practice session / Pioneer Park / 6:30 p.m.
- 7 Morton Criterium / Morton, Illinois
- 8 Springfield Race / Springfield, Illinois
- 11 ** Training Race Handicap TT / Grange & Trigger / 6:30 p.
- 17 ** Training Race 25 mi. handicap / Pine Lakes / 6:30p.
- 19 ** Training Race 15 mi. handicap / Pioneer Park / 6:30p.
- 25 ** Training Race 3-4 man TT / Grange & Trigger / 6:30 p.
- 31 ** Training Race Matched sprints-Hill climb / Glen Oak Park / 6:30p.

** Training race points awarded at these races.

April 19 - WEAR FULL RACING UNIFORM FOR PHOTOS!

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BIKEWAYS: A GOOD INVESTMENT

Last month I started a series on the transportation problems this city faces (but refuses to recognize) and asked the city government to begin to show originality in their thinking.

Instead of looking at Peoria's streets and roads as the exclusive domain of motor vehicles, these rights-of-way should be considered integrated multi-purpose transportation corridors (to use terminology that bureaucrats thrive on). In other words, as streets are resurfaced or new streets are planned, bicycle and pedestrian lanes should be incorporated.

Separate bicycle lanes need not be built on each and every street in town. But connections from one part of town to the other via major streets should certainly be provided with a separate bicycle-pedestrian path.

Traffic problems are not solved by adding turn lanes or increasing the number of lanes from 2 to 4, or 4 to 6. Rather, increases in lanes often brings with it a more than proportional increase in traffic volume to give a net result of more congestion. What needs to be done is not to build more parking garages or wider roads, but to encourage people to get out of their cars. Other forms of transportation are feasible, but not readily available.

No form of transportation can match the convenience of an automobile. Many people would not give up this convenience regardless of the alternatives (short of no gasoline). But many would, and have. Several cities have proposed commuter bicycle paths. Peoria has several bicycle and pedestrian commuters.

Peoria once planned a bike-way once. Organized by the Explorers Scouts, it was described in the June 24, 1973 Journal Star as follows:

"What it could mean, ultimately, is a network of safe, marked bicycle lanes for use by shoppers, students, housewives, workers and businessmen, many who would use bicycles in place of cars for basic transportation--if they could do so safely."

". . . Peoria has no designated bicycle lanes or routes and riders are thrown into the dangerous situation of competing for street space with high-speed traffic, much of it hostile."

Thirty to 40 miles of bikeway in the area was planned. It was to use sidewalks, parking lanes and roadway shoulders protected by dividers or poles and marked with bikeway symbols. Estimated cost was \$ 40,000.

What happened? Almost nothing! A few bike-way signs were posted on some side streets and called a bike-way. Not only is it hard to follow, it goes nowhere and could get someone killed the process of trying to cross University or Main Streets.

The Club has a trails committee. Let's give this committee a lot of support and revive the in-town bicycle lane concept. If properly done, the cost to the city would be low indeed. But it must be planned soon--before work begins on up-grading existing streets.

Next month a feasible route will be outlined which could be marked and constructed this spring at very little expense. Will the city buy the idea? Call your councilman or woman and find out. If we can spend \$350,000 for a parking deck plan an elite few will use, we can afford \$40,000 for a bicycle path every Peoria family could use.

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ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMEN RIDE SCHEDULE

Late April and May, 1977

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	LENGTH	RIDE CHAIRMAN
SATURDAY MORNINGS	9:00 A.M.	Saturday morning ride leaving from Square in Washington	20 mi. or less	Les Siegrist 283-4660 or Ron Anderson 283-2018
SATURDAY AFTERNOON	1:00 P.M.	Impromptu ride, meet at Kroger on Sterling, those who show, go.	30+ mi.	
SUNDAY MORNINGS	8:30 A.M.	Meet at McClure Library.	Optional	Joe Mugavero 685-6608
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS	6:30 P.M.	Washington - SE Corner of Square. [starting May 4] Peoria - McClure Library	Optional	Les & Ron Joe Mugavero
APRIL 16		Westwood Slow Spokes L.A.W. Century, Fulton, MO.	100 mi.	LAW Bulletin
APRIL 17 SUNDAY	9:00 A.M.	Hanna City to Glasford. Meet at Hanna City Bank. Bring a light lunch for end of ride.	25-30 mi.	Bob Small 565-4890
APRIL 23	7:00 A.M.	Ride to ICA Race in Bloomington/meet Peo. Courthouse [no sag]	100 mi.	D. Ziegler 688-2714
APRIL 24 SUNDAY	9:00 A.M.	Peo. Courthouse to Glen Oak Park (Stop at Donut Shop) Peo. Courthouse to Eureka (Food stop at Washington)	5 mi. 50 mi.	Dorothy Belke 682-4155 Ron (268-2018)
APRIL 30 MAY 1	6:30 A.M. 8:30 A.M.	Ride to Champaign, IL for PCC Century on Sunday McClure Library	100 mi. 10-15 mi.	Diane 688-2714 Joe 685-6608
SUNDAY MAY 8	8:00 A.M.	Prairie Spring Century, Champaign, Illinois (L.A.W. Bulletin) Meet at Limestone HS - to - Smithville, snack stop after	100 mi. 15 mi.	Diane 688-2714 Mike S. 674-7479
MAY 7&8		TOSRV - Columbus, Ohio (Carol has a # for sale)	210 mi.	Diane 688-2714
May 15	7:00 A.M.	Morton Pedal-In (See Flyer)	50/100 mi.	John W. 346-3962
May 22	8:00 A.M.	Ride to Galesburg, Sag Back (see details in May Bulletin)	50 mi.	Bill O. 691-0040
May 28	8:00 A.M.	Ramblin Wheel's LAW Century, Aurora Bicycle Club Breakfast Ride/Morton to Goodfield (details in May)	50/100/200 mi. 25 mi.	Rose 685-7172 Harold 264-0725
May 28&29		Blackhawk Metric Century (LAW) Rockford, Illinois	100 km.	Rose 688-7172

*Riders under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

**IVW assumes no responsibility for accident, injury, loss or damage.

***Call the listed Ride Chairman for any additional information.

****Check the LAW Bulletin for details on any LAW ride mentioned above, the ride chairman listed may have registration blanks in advance.

MORTON PEDAL-IN



MORTON COMMUNITY BIKE SAFETY COMMITTEE AND ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELM'N

TIME - Sunday May 15, 1977 (rain or shine) - 7:30 a.m. - registration at 7:00 a.m.

PLACE - Idlewood Park, Morton, Illinois. South side of Morton by swimming pool.

ROUTE - is mainly over blacktopped, secondary roads, moderately flat. The ride will consist of a 100 mile tour through Spring Lake. 50 milers will cut off and meander thru some of the Mackinaw river valley - rejoining the main route at Mackinaw.

WATER & REFRESHMENT STOPS - will be provided at the cut off for 50 milers, lunch at Spring Lake and where 50 milers join the 100 mile route. Routes pass some towns where additional carbohydrates may be found. Of course you may wish to carry some supplies to supplement the snacks provided.

ENTRY FEE - Send \$3.50 preregistration fee by May 10 - \$4.50 thereafter. The fee covers embroidered patch, map, route marking, sag wagon and refreshments. NO REFUNDS will be made to persons who enter and fail to start. Riders under 16 must be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult.

SIGN-IN - You must sign in before and after you ride whether or not you complete the ride.

CAMPING - Primitive camping facilities available at Oakwood Park two miles north of Morton. Camping permit (\$2) available at Police Station.

MOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Field Lodge on the south end of Morton, Town House Motel - 2 locations - one north and one on the west side of Morton. Note - Morton is eight miles east of Peoria.

TOUR CHAIRMAN - John W. Wineke - 309/346-3962 Pekin, IL

COME SEE: MORTON PEDAL-IN CRITERIUM ON SAT., MAY 7, 1977
SPRINGFIELD RACE SUN., MAY 8, 1977

In registering below for the Morton Pedal-In Century and Half Century, I hereby make known that I am responsible for my own safety, and will follow the "Illinois Rules of the Road." I will hold blameless in case of an accident, injury, misadventure or damage of any kind, the Morton Community Bicycle Safety Committee, the Illinois Valley Wheelmen, its officers and representatives, the Peoria Park District, and any other parties connected with this event in any manner whatsoever.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

STREET _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ PHONE _____

PARENT OR RESPONSIBLE ADULT (IF RIDER UNDER 16)

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MORTON PEDAL-IN

MORTON COMMUNITY BIKE SAFETY COMMITTEE AND ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMAN

TIME - Sunday, May 15, 1977 (also in Italian) - 1:30 a.m. - registration at 7:00 a.m.

PLACE - Belmont Park, Morton, Illinois. South side of Morton by returning pool.

ROUTE - is mainly over blacktopped secondary roads, westerly side of the river. The ride will consist of a 100 mile loop through Spring Lake. 50 miles will not be and another 50 miles of the Rock River valley - returning the same route as before.

MAPS & DIRECTIONS - will be provided at the site for 50 mile, 100 mile and 150 mile loops. 50 mile loop starts at the 100 mile loop. Bikes must have tires, wheels, fenders, lights, horn, bell, etc. of course you may wish to carry extra supplies to supplement the snacks provided.



30 registration fee by May 10 - \$4.50 donation. The fee covers registration card, map, route booklet, and water and refreshments. NO REFUND will be made to persons who enter and fail to start. Riders under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult.

STOP HERE TO REGISTER AND AFTER YOU HAVE REGISTERED OR NOT YOU REGISTER

Ron and Pam Anderson
203 Locust Street
Washington, IL 61571

1 location - one north and one of the west side of Morton. 50 miles is eight miles east of Peoria.

5000 Dollars - John A. ... - 501.245-2881 Peoria, IL

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