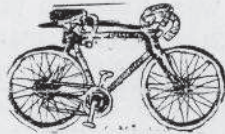


ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMEN  
 Peoria, Illinois  
 August, 1977

Ron Anderson	President	283-2018
Bob Small	Vice President	565-4890
Rose Brewer	Secretary	685-7172
Jack Welch	Treasurer	346-9866
Carol Stiles	Ride Chairman	467-2617
Bill Perry	Program Chairman	691-7277
Jo Wineke	Publicity	346-3962
Diane Ziegler	Bulletin Editor	688-2714

AUGUST MEETING - August 25, 1977, 7:30 P.M., C.O.R.D Bldg., 6518 N. Sheridan Road, Peoria, Illinois.



Be sure and come. Mr. Keith Kingbag will be with us from Chicago to speak in his capacity as a foremost expert on bicycles and bicycling in the United States, and as a member of the staff of the President's Council on Physical Fitness, the Outdoor Recreation Association and the National Education Association. On Friday, we have arranged for Mr. Kingbag to meet with the Greater Peoria Area Transportation Coordinating Committee and other public benefit groups, where he will contribute his counsel in support of cycling. Come to our meeting prepared to exchange thoughts with Mr. Kingbag to help him support our needs with these groups.

\*\*\*\*\*

Don't forget to mail in your HILLY HUNDRED forms now. The more members of the IVW we get down in Bloomington, Indiana, the better. The hills are challenging, but its only 50 miles a day and you will have plenty of time to finish leisurely.

Jack Welch reports that the Schwinn tour was really nice. Schwinn gave our IVW members the 'red carpet' treatment and a good look at the Paramount construction.

Ron Anderson, Pres.

Sugar River Trail Trip - October 1 and 2

Plans are being made for another fall cycling tour of the New Glarus, Wisconsin, area and the Sugar River Trail. (Last year's trip was very successful - warm weather and beautiful fall colors.) As we did last year, we will drive up Saturday morning, tour the New Glarus countryside that afternoon, and ride the Sugar River Trail on Sunday. A half dozen rooms are being held for us at the Swiss Aire Motel (change from last year) until September 1, when we must make firm reservations. Camping is also available at nearby New Glarus Woods State Park. Be at the August 25 club meeting for more details or call Ron Anderson at 283-2018.

NOTES FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

The July picnic/meeting came off very well. Thanks to Rose for making pre-picnic preparations. As intended, the meeting was short. Members approves a recommendation from the officers that a Peoria Post Office box be rented at \$20/year (when available). Presently, club mail is sometimes received by one or more ex-officers for a year or more. Members also voted to transfer about \$50 from the general treasury to the race section treasury to help out with Morton Criterium losses (more than offset by Pedal-In profit). IVW is in good financial shape.

As you can see by this newsletter, the next couple of months will be busy ones for active IVW members! It's great to see so much acticity at a time of the year when cycling activity usually starts slowing down. Our enthusiastic members apparently are not about to let that happen! Fall is really a great time to ride.



## TICKETS FOR HIBELL LECTURE - On Sale August 25

You have read in previous newsletters of IVW's plans to bring Ian Hibel to Peoria on Thursday, October 20 (7:30 P.M., Unitarian-Universalist Church) to tell of his worldwide cycling adventures. Tickets go on sale August 25 at our club meeting and then to the public through Illinois Cycle and Competition Cycle (cosponsors of Ian's visit).

Who is Ian Hibel? Well, he grew up in a small town near London. During his school years his sense of adventure and liking for travel was heightened through solo and group bicycle tours. Later he joined the Royal Air Force. Planes were then his magic carpet to exotic locales of Asia and Africa. The routine of RAF life soon prompted Ian to return to England where, during his employment at an electronics factory, he found the opportunity to tour the rural surroundings and such rugged places as the barren interior of Iceland.

Ian soon tired of factory life, was granted a year's leave of absence at his request, and embarked on a global exploration that would last for more than 10 years. Needless to say he never did return to the factory.

For a time, Illinois was Ian's temporary home as he inspected boots at a shoe factory for income and toured the midwest. It's said that after "a year of midwestern flatlands and the endless march of boots" he sensed that it was time to move on again.

During the next few years Ian cycled in Alaska and the Orient, then headed for Australia. While bicycling through Indonesia, Ian encountered wild boars, witch doctors, and waist deep mud. He contracted malaria. He spent time in New Zealand. While supervising a youth hostel for two years he would chat with other world travelers and plan his next adventure.

That next adventure for Ian lasted three years. It covered 18,000 miles - from southern South American up the Pan-American Highway to Circle City, Alaska. Ian returned home after this journey to write and lecture on his explorations - but still his sense of adventure had not been fully satisfied.

Ian's most recent cycling accomplishment is his 8,000 mile trip from North Cape, Norway to South Africa - which you have heard briefly about.

What an extraordinary cyclist! Now in his forties it might be guessed that Ian will end his globe cycling expeditions with this latest accomplishment. Perhaps he will tell us on October 20th when he is here to show us what he has seen and tell of his experiences.

### Rambling Rally Ride - Sunday, September 4

We have something new and different from Les Siegrist and Bill Perry. It's a bike rally. You determine your speed. It's a twenty mile course, you tell us how much time it will take you to cover the distance. This is a club first as far as we know. Meet us at 8:15 at the square in Washington for our RAMBLING RALLY RIDE. Sign in, declare your riding time, get instructions and everyone leaves promptly at 8:30 A.M. We can't tell you where the 20 miles is headed but we can say it will be flat country roads with no hills. Three gift certificates in the amounts of \$15, \$10 and \$5 will be awarded to IVW members who come closest to guessing the correct length of time. This will split the prizes. Anyone can ride, but only club members can win the prizes. If you are not a member, it only \$4.00 to become one (just call an officer listed on the front of the Bulletin for a membership application). All of those members who haven't ridden with the club this year, this is our challenge to you to come out for this event.

### Moonlight Century - August 27, Saturday night

Doug Bertram came up with this ride - one hundred miles by moonlight! He likes the idea of riding amidst lights and shadows and then watching the sun rise after an all-night ride. Nature will provide us with a full moon on this evening; club members will provide two sag wagons, one in front and one in back. Meet at the north side of the Holiday Inn in East Peoria near the I-74 ride at 10 p.m. Bring your own sandwiches. Depending on the weather, lemonade or hot chocolate will be provided. BIKE LIGHTS, front and rear, are a must. Any person without battery or generator lights will not be allowed to ride. Reflectors cannot be seen by drivers. WEAR BRIGHT REFLECTIVE CLOTHING AND BRING EXTRA BATTERIES.



## Ride Reports:

### July 10 - Washington to Eureka

Ten riders - beautiful and cool morning. Two teenage boys from Washington joined us, riding from their homes in the country. One had a CB with a 7 ft. antenna on the back of his bike! The antenna was quite lethal when it started swaying.

### July 17 - Eureka to Goodfield

We took my favorite route to Goodfield; the way there is level ground and straight, the way back is hilly and full of curves. We had eight people turn out, one was new and helped with the sag wagon. We had one breakdown - Doug Bertram had spokes break on his tandem - too many to continue riding the bike. No trouble at all to give him and his bike a ride back to Peoria.

### July 24 - Peoria to Morton

Four people showed up for this ride. This was during Cat's vacation, so some of us were on vacation and some of us went on the Elroy-Sparta bike ride.

### July 23-24 Elroy-Sparta Bike Trail

We had a very good time on this ride with five members of the Peoria Ski Club. Several IVW members stopped by to ride part of the trail. This trail is worth it just for the tunnels. The tunnels are dark, eerie, and wet (and no, you don't ride your bike through them). Sparta was having a bike celebration Saturday night, so we saw Drum and Bugle Corp, genuine Indian dances with audience participation and several all girl baseball games. Plenty to do and see.

### July 29 - Eureka Moonlight ride

I finally had to take my turn at driving the sag wagon. Thirteen of us rode by a full moon to Goodfield and back. Everyone wanted to take the hilly way back, hardy souls that they were. We had six new people, three of which rode a night ride with us last year. I understand they meet Sunday mornings at six a.m. to ride! Snacks complete with chocolate chip cookies afterwards.

### July 31 - Pekin to Tremont (Dillon?)

A new member of IVW this year, Dennis Siemsen volunteered to lead a ride, and of course, we took him up on his offer. He had planned the ride to Dillon but someone decided to ride through Tremont. And Tremont is where we lost each other. Some stopped at the cafe, others rode through Tremont without stopping. One group turned left out of Tremont, the other group went straight. We never met up again until the end of the ride. Beautiful day - new people - stopped and talked to Jim Ellington.

## L.A.W. EVENTS:



INTERESTED IN OUT-OF-TOWN L.A.W. TOURING? This is a way to get to see different scenery without getting lost! Below are a list of a few close-to-home (relatively) rides coming up.

August 14 - SPINNING SPOKES METRIC CENTURY (this is ours) Morton, Illinois

August 21 - SUMMER FROLIC, Aurora, Illinois (this is in the Fox River Valley, terrain varied)

Sept. 3/4 - TOUR OF THREE STATES, Louisville, Kentucky (138 on Sat. 110 on Sun)

Sept. 4 - CEDAR VALLEY CENTURY RIDE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

\*Sept. 11 - CAPITAL CITY CENTURY, Springfield, Illinois

\*Sept. 18 - PRARIE FALL CENTURY, Urbana, Illinois

\*Sept. 25 - EASY RIDERS METRIC CENTURY, Jacksonville, Illinois

Sept. 25 - APPLE CIDER CENTURY, Three Oaks, Michigan (rumor has it that this is a nice ride)

Oct. 2 - TURNING LEAVES CENTURY, Edwardsburg, Michigan

Oct. 8/9 - HILLY HUNDRED, Bloomington, Indiana (a must if you want to see hilly fall colors)

\*Les Siegrist will be responsible for the indicated (\*) out-of-town rides in September. Call him at 283-4660 if you would like to go. The trailer will be going to transport bikes.

Otherwise, refer to the L.A.W. Bulletin for details and where to send for information on the other rides. Someone from the club will probably go to each of the above rides. Come to the meeting and inquire about getting a ride.



IVW VELO RACING TEAM REPORTS:



Club Races -

- 7/13 Pioneer Park - no race
- 7/20 No Race (vacation time)

7/27 TT - Grange & Trigger 18 mi.

- 1 Steve Berger 44:49
- 2 Steve Meisner 51:23
- 3 Terry Beachler 58:47

I can't keep up with these racers!



8/3 Pioneer Park 14 miles

- 1 Steve Berger
- 2 Steve Meisner
- 3 Bob Pattison
- 4 Rich White
- 5 Kim Evans (back on the bike again and riding well but plagued with flat tires)

USCF Races -

Milwaukee Super Week

Super week started on Saturday, July 9 at Humboldt Park on a 7/10 mile course. Jay and Paul suffered mechanical failures in their race. Dave Henderson placed 6th in the CAT IV race. Chris Huggins rode well but did not place. Steve Berger was run off the road by a veteran riders and did not catch the pack Rich White was unable to place.

Sunday July 10 race, was held in downtown Milwaukee. Paul places 27th in a 58.5 mile CAT I & II race. Steve B. placed 5th while Dave suffered from a pedal in his spokes and was unable to continue. Rich White was unable to keep up with the 26 MPH pace.

Jay west to St. Louis on Sunday and placed 10th.

Paul raced on Tuesday at Holy Hill but suffered a falt on Lap 1 and was unable to catch the pack.

Steve and Rich rode the Time Trial (27 miles) on Wednesday morning. Steve placed 3rd (min. off the winner but 2 sec. off 2nd. with a 1:07:25 (25 mph).

Wednesday night was a Sr. I & II point race near the lake on the South side of Milwaukee in which Paul stayed with the pack but was unable to gain any points. Steve, Rich, and Dave raced in the Sr. III, IV, VETS & WOMENS race which was ridden half its distance in the dark. Steve placed 5th, Dave had problems in the park and Rich got dropped. The III's were lapping as fast and faster than I & II's.

Thursday was a Sr. III, IV, VETS, WOMEN'S Road Race on a 3 mile course for 36 miles in Grant Park, an extension of the course used in May. Steve placed 8th while Dave suffered leg cramps.

Friday was the Milwaukee International a Sr. I, II & III points race in downtown Milwaukee. Paul rode in the pack while steve rode 45 of 55 laps with the pack before quitting a race which set a new record by averaging 30 MPH for 80 Km (50 miles).

Saturday was a road race along the northern lake front on a 2 mile course. Paul rode with the pack but was unable to place in the 60 mi. I & II race. Steve placed 5th in the 30 miles Sr. III IV, Vets, Women's race. Dave crashed in the sprint and required some stiches and lots of bandages.

Sunday was a Sr. Handicap with the III & IV's receiving an 8 Min. lead. Steve quit after being dropped after 25 miles following a prime sprint which reduced the III, IV field to less than 20 riders. Paul rode in the chasing I/II field but did not place.

It should be remembered that Paul was racing against most of our Olympic and International team riders with Wayne and Dave Stetina putting on an impressive performance. There were several foreign riders also present.

The CAT III riders also demonstrated their worth by consistantly lapping as fast as the I & II's although for shorter distances.

\*\*\*\*\*

FOR SALE: FUJI "Finest" Campy, Dura-Ace, Cinelli, cyclone 'PRO' Quality Serios inquiries only - Doug Bertram 676-2011.

Do a Good Turn for the Crippled Childrens Center

"Pitch In" your aluminum beer car,s foil, TV trays, and pie tins into the container located at Glen and University in the shopping area near the Super Liquor store and the Eagle Store. All proceeds will be given by I. Bork & Sons to the Crippled Children's Center.



## ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMEN RIDE SCHEDULE

Late August and September, 1977

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	LENGTH	RIDE CHAIRMAN
Saturday morning	8:00 A.M.	Meet at square in Washington	20 mi./less	Ron 283-2018 Les 283-4660
Wednesday evening	6:30 P.M.	Washington SW corner of square	Optional	Ron 283-2018 Les 283-4660
Sunday Aug. 14	8:00 A.M.	Spinning Spokes Metric Century. Meet at Idlewood Park (Morton) Patch, Maps & food stops.	63 mi. 100 k.	Rose Brewer 685-7172
Sunday Aug. 21	7:30 A.M.	Peoria to Brimfield. Meet at Convenient Food Mart on Sterling. Breakfast at Legion Hall in Brimfield	35 mi.	Colleen Brynes 685-7459
Saturday Aug. 27	10:00 P.M.	Moonlight Century. Meet at Holiday Inn, East Peoria - side near I74. Lights required. See details in Bulletin.	100 mi.	Doug Bertram 676-2011
Sunday Aug. 28		No local club ride - Come out for the Moonlight Century the night before or come down to the Holiday Inn at 8 A.M. to see the century riders return.		
Sunday Sept. 4	8:15 A.M.	Rambling Rally Ride - prizes - Declare your own time. Meet at SE corner of Square in Washington (details in Bulletin)	20 mi.	Les 283-4660 Bill 691-7277
Monday Sept. 5	4:00 A.M.	Drive to Chicago for 8 A.M. bike ride along Lake Shore Drive. Back in time to watch Michigan Boulevard Race. Meet at Venture parking lot for car pool.	25 mi.	Dennis Siemsen
Sunday Sept. 11	8:30 A.M.	Meet at Tremont Park for ride to Mackinaw.	25 mi.	John Wineke 346-3962
Sunday Sept. 18	8:30 A.M.	Picnic ride. Eureka Courthouse to Lake Evergreen. Bring something to eat or stop at fruit stand.	40 mi.	Rich Miller no phone

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

\*\*IVW assumes no responsibility for accident, injury, loss or damage to bod or bike.

\*\*\*Call the listed Ride Chairman for any additional information, questions, or directions.

THIS TIME OF YEAR IS A SUPER TIME TO RIDE A BIKE. YOU CAN ACTUALLY SEE THE SEASONS CHANGE RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOUR WHEELS. IF YOU AREN'T OUT RIDING THE SEPTEMBER CENTURIES, BE SURE TO CATCH UP ON SOME OF OUR LOCAL RIDES. ALL RIDES YOU PARTICIPATE IN COUNT ON YOUR POINT AWARDS AT THE END OF THE YEAR.





Ron and Pam Anderson  
203 Locust Street  
Washington, IL 61571