



ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMEN

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Peoria, Illinois

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IAN HIBELL SLIDE SHOW - October 20, 1977, 7:30 P.M.

Our regular meeting this month is replaced by Ian Hibell's slide and lecture presentation. It's Thursday evening, October 20, at 7:30 P.M., at the Universalist-Unitarian church, 908 Hamilton Blvd., Peoria, Illinois. Ian will use two slide projectors for this show. Ian's

tour recently began on the east coast. We have heard that it has been very enthusiastically received. LET'S SEE ALL IVW MEMBERS OUT FOR THIS PROGRAM! Also bring your friends. This is the highlight of the program schedule for this year so don't miss it!

From your President

We had a great turnout last month for our meeting and Mark Williams' presentation of life and cycling in Australia. We enjoyed your program very much Mark! The programs that Bill Perry has arranged this year have really boosted our meeting attendance.

Our members have really been getting out to the centuries this fall, Springfield, Champaign, Jacksonville, Michigan, etc. We have some very active members in this club!

Our wishes to Dorothy Belke for a speedy recovery from her tree fall injuries. We will look forward to having Dorothy and her family with us on the New Glarus trip next year.

Though the weather and fall colors were not quite as nice this year, the Oct. 1 & 2 trip to New Glarus was nevertheless enjoyed by those making the trip. IVW members who went were Carol Stiles, Rich Miller, Jim Roehm, and Ron and Pam Anderson. Prospective members Helen Young and daughter Patty were also along to enjoy riding the Sugar River Trail. As before 24 miles of hilly New Glarus countryside were ridden Saturday with about 32 miles of the trail ridden on Sunday.

The formalities of incorporation have just about been finally completed. Our thanks to all who helped to get the ball rolling on this matter.

LOCAL RIDE REPORTS:

9/11 - An even dozen showed up for this 25 mile ride of gentle, rolling country. South of Tremont we used Rt. 120 frontage roads from Unsicker to Rt. 122; there was no car traffic. A few riders stopped off at Hopedale for coffee and disappeared as far as this ride leader could tell. He took the route back three times without finding them. We've got a couple more gals showing up at many of the rides - welcome to our club, Cindy Matthais and Shirley Witges.

9/18 - Quack, Quack, Quack! We didn't have any ducks on this ride, but 6 1/2 birdbrains "enjoyed?" themselves on a ride to Lake Bloomington. We broke for lunch at the Green Gables grocery/restaurant/gas station/cafe. Due to floods and broken bridges we did not see Lake Evergreen.

9/25 - As we met for the Morton-Goodfield bike ride, we were reminded as Carl Sandburg penned: "The fog comes on little cat feet. It sits looking over harbor and city on silent haunches and then moved on."

10/2 - Were was everybody? Jack Welch and Bill Perry showed up, said hello to one another and then headed back home.

OUT-OF-TOWN-RIDES:

9/18 - Prairie Fall Century - The IVW was well represented once again even with threatening weather overhead. Everyone managed somehow not to drown (we heard it was worse at home) We were very glad to see Jim Ellington riding with us again.

9/25 - Jacksonville Metric. Couldn't believe the number of IVW members present. 19 or 20! The temperature was perfect. The temperature was perfect, but those of us with glasses complained that we couldn't see. From 8 o'clock until 10 the fog and mist left water dripping on us & our glasses. From then on the sun shown a beautiful day. One accident during the fog-Fred Carrick skidded and fell in gravel. He was bandaged and treated in Jacksonville for scrapes.

9/25 - Apple Cider Century, Three Oaks, Michigan Diane, Doug, Steve M. & Rose attended. The guys rode the century but the girls took a quick break to the ER at St. Anthony's hospital to patch up Rose's broken wrist after she tried to hug a truck. The group drove up on Sat. and spent the evening on Lake Michigan shores and on cannons, and playing frisby etc. The apple cided abounded, almost too much. It was a super ride, more should attend next year, there were around 1,000 riders participating.



10/ 2 - Turning Leaves Century, Edwardsville, Michigan. Once again Rose (who went along for Spectating) Diane, Doug, Steve M. (who by this time had 5 stitches in his hand) Steve Berger, and Bill Semmens, rode along the super scenic hills and lake area. This area is well remembered for its super smooth blacktop roads. Illinois should take some lessons on pavement from them. On the Saturday afternoon before the ride the group visited Warren Dunes St. Park and traced the letters "IVW" on a giant sand dune to let all know that we were there. Our host for that evening was Marv Sher, we would like to thank him and his family for the hospitality they provided, and also the pancake breakfast the next day. A super trip, and a super time was had by all.

10/8-9 - HILLY HUNDRED, Bloomington, Indiana. Well, I must compliment the IVW on participation on this one. We had 35 riders participating and perhaps another 5 or 6 more members along for the sociality. We almost won the prize for points in club participation. One feature of note was that during the Saturday night program, the IVW sat in mass with their brand new yellow IVW T-shirts. Even if we didn't win the prize, we looked the best and got compliments for all who saw us. Good show IVW! The ride was great. The weather was overcast and colors not quite the same as before, but still the route through the Brown county roads were a challenge to even our most skilled riders. This ride was attended by over 1400 bikies from all over the country. We will go again....

IVW VELO RACING TEAM: RACING SECTION MEETING, SUNDAY OCTOBER 23, 8:00 P.M., 900 Bourland, Peoria, Illinois 676-2011.

Fellow Club members,

1977 has been a diverse year for me. From unemployment and racing as my main directive to a full-time job at CAT with touring and relaxation to occupy my days. It has seen me totally engrossed and involved with the racing section, and also to the point of barely fullfilling my obligations as President of the team. The year has witnessed the ecstasy of victory, and the pain of failure. I have reached mental highlights and lowlights. I have been beyond total satisfaction with our racing team and near total disappointment. I feel that I and the team have glimpsed the vision of what we can accomplish, and what can happen if we let things slide.

With the main part of 1977 behind us and 1978 looming ahead, let us put those disappointments behind and the goals ahead, and forge out the club we have only glimpsed. Together for victory, pushing and pedalling for the IVW.

*President Velo Racing Team  
Jay Mantley*

RACE RESULTS:

8/24 - 5 mi. cyclocross - Farmdale Park  
1 Terry Jones Essentially a foot race. Lots  
2 Steve Meisner of sand & trees. Falling chains,  
3 Rich White bodies, mashed toeclips, and  
4 Steve Berger bodies are the agenda.

9/7 - 20 mi. rode race Pine Lakes  
Rained out Afraid to get wet? don't you  
ever take showers?

9/14 - 9 mi. time trial - Grange & Trigger  
1 Steve Berger The tandem attempted this but  
2 Terry Beachler didn't eve break 23 minutes.

9/21 5 mi. cyclocross - Farmdale Park  
1 Steve Meisner Come on - what happened?  
2 Rich White

8/31 - 12 mi. criterium - Pioneer Park  
1 Doug Bertram Doug forces the pace from the  
2 Terry Jones start dropping his opposition.  
3 Steve Meisner Hello Rita! We missed you on  
4 Rita Fishman the racing circuit this year.  
5 Rich White Glad to see you.

9/28 - 9 mi time trial - Grange & Trigger  
1 Doug Bertram Doug turned a 22:01 for the  
2 Steve Berger 9 miles. Meisner sheared off  
3 Rich White his drilled crank arm,  
4 Ron Matuska luckily, came up off the  
5 Steve Meisner pavement requiring stitches  
only on his hand.

Racing Profile: /

NAME: Doug Bertram Ht: 5'7" Wt: 135 Pulse: ? Birth: 7 April 1954, Bloomington, IL  
Type Racing: Road Class- Category: Senior 2 Began Racing: 1976 Victories: 4  
Bicycle: Motobecane Team Champion Preferred Weather: Cool and Dry  
Preferred Tactics: Wait Employment: Eagle Food Store (full time)

Watching Doug ride is a pleasure until he comes to a hill, then it is ecstasy. He seems to float right up the inclines without effort while everyone else is in total agony. An EXCELLENT hill climber, he also claims to enjoy races of longer distance, as he "seems to get stronger as the race progresses." Winning is fun, he once said, and he repeatedly tells you that you get as much out of racing as you put in. Winning also means suffering and you have to be able to transcend the pain barrier when it hits you the first time, as that is the point that makes the race. "Once you get past the barrier, you have it made."

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I hope you all get to see Rose Brewer's new bicycle, now she too is a Moto lover. Once the cast on her arm is off, I know we will be seeing a lot of her on the roads next year.

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Steve Meisner's Bob Jackson tandem has made a big hit on the fall centuries. All who see him riding by, are impressed. Riding a fast tandem is virtually effortless and a lot of fun. Riding on the back seat is a lot of fun for a good PR person. Conversation is never lacking and the centuries are never dull and boring.



ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMEN RIDE SCHEDULE

Late October and November, 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
Oct. 16 Sunday	9:30 A.M.	Meet at Courthouse in downtown Peoria - noon lunch in Chilloicthe "CHICKEN RUN"	50 mi.	Jay Manthey 676-2011
Oct. 23 Sunday	9:00 A.M.	Meet at Pioneer Bank for ride to Jubilee Park	20 mi.	Les Siegrist 283-4660
Oct. 30 Sunday	9:00 A.M.	HALLOWEEN Patch ride, meet at Field Shopping Center, Morton for ride to Pine Lakes	15 mi.	Don Eberle 699-2790
Nov. 6 Sunday	1:00 P.M.	Meet at Pekin Mineral Spring Park by the swimming pool.		Jack Welch 346-9866
Nov. 13 Sunday	1:00 P.M.	Meet at Washington Square, Washington, Illinois		Les Siegrist 283-4660
Nov. 20 Sunday	1:00 P.M.	Meet at Field Shopping Center, Morton, Illinois		Don Eberle 699-2790

\* RIDERS UNDER 16 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT.

\*\* IVW ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACCIDENT, INJURY, LOSS OR DAMAGE TO BODY OR BIKE.

\*\*\* CALL THE LISTED RIDE CHAIRMAN FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, QUESTIONS, OR DIRECTIONS.

ALL WINTER RIDES (Nov. through March) WILL BE AT 1:00 P.M. AND NO SAG WAGON. IN CASE OF SEVERE WEATHER, MEET ANYWAY, FOR SOCIALIZING AND RIDING ROLLERS. ALL RIDES WILL GO SOMEWHERE TO GET IN OUT OF THE COLD. LENGTH OF RIDE WILL BE DETERMINED BY THOSE RIDING.

THE TRAILER HAS BEEN USED NEARLY EVERY WEEKEND THIS FALL AND HAS BEEN DOING A GREAT JOB. AFTER THE PROBLEMS WE HAD EARLIER, IT'S BEEN GREAT TO HAVE IT WORK OUT SO WELL. LET'S KEEP OUR FINGERS CROSSED.

IVW T-SHIRTS ARE NOW ON SALE. If you are interested in getting one of the "banana" yellow shirts with the emblem of the patch on the back, call Diane 688-2714 or any of the officers for information. The cost to club members is \$3.00 and the shirts are really nice, they made a good looking group look even better at the HILLY. This is a good way to recognize club members and encourage uniformity with the group.

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