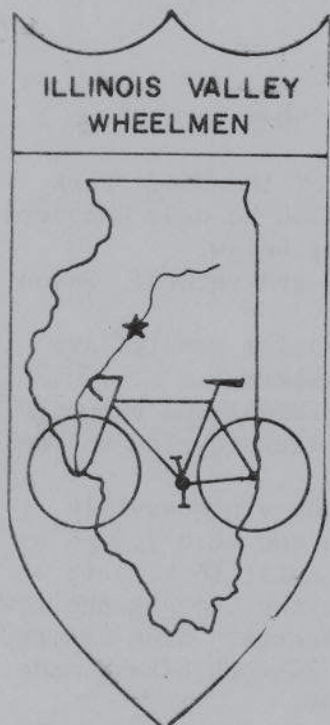


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SEPTEMBER MEETING---9/27/79---CORD Building (Park Police), 6518 N. Sheridan Road.

PRESIDENT'S NOTES: The Chicken Ride turned out very well this year, with approximately 30 riders in all. We saw both old friends and new faces. The weather turned out to be ideal, after a threatening sky at the beginning. Remember the hilly hundred is just around the corner. If you go on only one out-of-tow ride a year, this should be the one. Final travel plans will be made at the next meeting, so come. A rumor is circulating that Ron Matuska has flown North into the Arctic Circle and will ride back on his bike to capture the crown for having ridden farthest to the Hilly. Hmmm?! The truth will be revealed at the Hilly. Be there. The more you put into it, the more you will get out of it.

Jack Welch, President

P.S. Good show on the chicken ride, Don. A job well done. Likewise to Ron for the Metric Century.

SEPTEMBER 1979

HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST MONTHLY MEETING & OTHER RUMBLINGS: Secretary reported, among other things, 81 IVW memberships. Treasurer reported a balanced \$684.84. Jack Allen suggested changing the date of the Metric Century from August to early or middle October. Jack also expressed concern about club communications with the media. Individual club members views should be clearly expressed as such to the media and confusion as to the club's official view avoided. Ron Matuska suggested planning next year's ride schedule by the current Ride Chairman. Anyone interested in helping to construct a bulletin board type display at one of the local bike shops please contact me. See you at the Hilly. Ron Matuska, Secretary

IVW/VITESSE RACING TEAM NEWS: The annual election of officers meeting will be held October 27 at 5:00 o'clock in Peoria. We plan to have a meal with the meeting. Please contact an officer if you plan to attend. The meeting place will be announced in next month's bulletin. We're kicking around the possibility of getting some publicity mileage out of the movie "Breaking Away".

DON EBERLE'S IVW PROFILE & COMMENTS: Harry Waldrop joined the I.V.W. and the velo racing team in 1977. Harry is from Birmingham, Alabama and received his higher education at Louisiana Polytechnic Institute. He rides and works in Normal, Illinois, where he is a System Analyst for State Farm Insurance Co. Harry is 35 years old and owns six bicycles. He rides his Motobecane the most and rode an estimated 3000 miles last year. Harry sometimes commutes to work and generally for physical fitness and recreation. Harry also plays tennis in his spare time.**When you ride your bike 13 m.p.h. you burn 11 calories per minute.**Noggin Protection--wear a helmet. How much is your head worth?

RIDE SCHEDULE OCTOBER 1979			
Date	Time	Description	Leader
Sunday October 7		Hilly Hundred. See this bulletin for details.	
Sunday October 14	10 a.m.	Meet at Pekin Insurance Building, Pekin, Ride east, 60 miles.	Jim Roberts 347-2836
Sunday October 21	10 a.m.	Meet at Limestone High School ride west, some hills, 20 miles.	Ron Matuska 697-9009
Sunday October 28	9 a.m.	Meet at Courthouse Square, Metamora, ride north, 20 miles	Steve Meismer 367-4686
OCTOBER OUT OF TOWN RIDES			
October 6-7		Fall Tour Columbia, Missouri	
October 6-7		Hilly Hundred Bloomington, Indiana	
October 7		Tour of the Rox River Valley Elgin, Illinois	
October 14		Matterhorn Metric, Aurora, Illinois Turning Leaves Century, Edwardsburg, Michigan	

1979 I.V.W. CHICKEN RIDE

Under cloudy skies 15 riders left the Peoria Courthouse, the 1979 I.V.W. Chicken Ride was on the move. Along the way we picked up one more person. At Mossville there were 15 more riders, the sun came out and it was a fine day. Some ate chicken, others ate at Wendy's. After lunch some went on longer rides and the rest went back to Mossville. My thanks to all who helped, especially to Jay Manthey for letting me change the date and Pam Anderson for pulling the trailer. See you next year...
Don Eberle

IVW RIDE REPORTS:

- July 29--Diane Ziegler led 16 riders from Chillicothe to Princeton for a 90-mile trek on a hot, sunny day. Roads were reported as excellent.
- Aug. 11-12--Don Eberle led three others from Morton to Mahomet via Lake of the Woods Park and Tin Cup Campers Park. Very light traffic reported on U.S. 150 to near Danviers on Sunday morning. The group rode 182 miles round trip. See report below.
- Aug. 12--Jack Allen was leader from Mossville to Henry, Lacon, Sparland, and return. Seven riders made the 70-mile trip.
- Aug. 19--IVW Metric Century. Good, hot weather and 55 riders. The financial results are not yet available. Good cooperation and assistance from IVW members.
- Aug. 26--Gary Sams led a group of ten from Pekin Insurance Building to Tremont and return. Gary even marked the route, and reported that over 60% of the riders cycled to the 17-mile event.
- Sept. 2--The annual Chicken Ride was from Peoria Courthouse to Chillicothe via Mossville School. Fifteen riders, led by Don Eberle, started from Peoria and were joined by 16 others at Mossville. Riders ate at Chillicothe. Some then split to ride to Princeville; others rode back to Mossville or Peoria. Pam Anderson brought the IVW trailer to Mossville to pick up riders wanting a lift back to Peoria. Ride covered 28 miles ending at Mossville. Several youngsters, a couple on 20-inch bikes, made the shorter leg of the trip. Don did an excellent job as leader.
- Sept. 7--The Moonlight Ride, Eureka to Goodfield and return, was held in perfect 50⁰ windless weather, under a brilliant moon. Carol Stiles led six others starting at 10 p.m.
- June 9 & 10 from Morton to New Salem State Park
Seven riders started this ride on a sunny day with a moderate, southwest wind. We picked up two more riders in San Jose; they quit in Middletown. That night we ate in the lodge and walked through the village. It rained before we got back to the camp area. Next morning it was cool and very cloudy with 40 mile winds out of the northwest. Two riders called home for transportation. John Yeck stayed in the lodge, and I have not seen or heard from him since. From Middletown north we had this head wind all the way home. We lost another rider at San Jose. He called in for a ride home. Three of us rode all the way. We all learned a lot on this ride. It could have been worse if it would have rained. This was a very demanding ride.
- August 11 & 12 from Morton to Lake of the Woods, Mahomet, Illinois
This ride was 90 miles each way. Four riders left on this ride after a slight delay. Rick forgot his front wheel, so he had to get one. It was a nice, warm day with slight northeast wind 10-15 m.p.h. We ate supper in town before going to the camp ground. The shower required a quarter for hot water. It was jacket weather that night. The wind held so we rode U.S. 150 back to Bloomington, then we went through Mackinaw. We had lunch at Steak & Shake in Bloomington. The service there left something to be desired. This was a super ride. It had good roads and lots of food.



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