



JUNE '85 Illinois Valley



Wheelmen

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ARM CHAIR TOURING

BY RON ANDERSON

Just prior to arrival of the April newsletter, I had finished reading Miles from Nowhere. I enjoyed Don Wendt's account of his time spent with the book. It's surely a "must read" for those of you who enjoy two-wheel travel adventure stories.

Let me recommend another book which will take you on an "around the U.S." adventure with a young lady who's on this trip by herself. Her name is Martha Retallick and her book is Ride Over the Mountain. Get the book. Read the account of the mountain crossing. Reflect on Martha's other experiences. You'll well understand the double meaning in this book's title.

This story is of special interest to me and my family. You see, our listing as a hospitality home with the L.A.W. brought Martha to our house for an overnight stay in the summer of '81 as she was headed west. (The kids remember Martha as the gal who wanted no meat in her spaghetti sauce). To have been just a small part of Martha's adventure makes me feel real good!

If you're going up to Madison next month for the National Rally, you may meet Martha. She will be presenting a workshop on her 8300 mile tour. If you can't be in Madison but would like to read her account, order Ride Over the Mountain for \$6.95 (includes postage and handling) from: Martha Retallick; PO Box 90101-C; Pittsburg,PA 15224.



NEWCOMERS

SPARLAND: Steven Shaffer

PEKIN: John Morgan

PEORIA HTS: Brad Stewart

WASHINGTON: Kay Helms

Elizabeth Born

PEORIA: Brian White

Amy Amberg

Doug Deluhery

Pat Ferrell

Jon Bierman

BRING A FRIEND:

Club members are always welcome to bring friends on any club rides. In fact, we should all encourage it. So why not bring someone along to our next ride and introduce them to a great sport and some interesting people.

OFFICERS

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685-9348

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682-2015

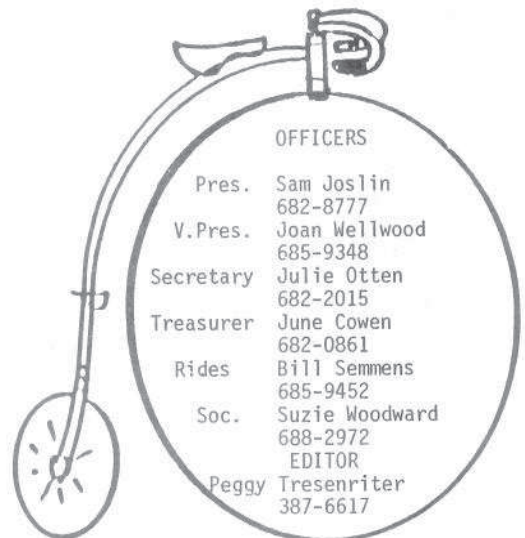
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IVW MEMBERS ON THE ROLL



Several IVW members are taking advantage of their cycling abilities and are using them for vacation fun! Bob and Val Jones camped and moteled it on their 455 mile bicycle trip to St. Louis and everywhere from May 17-25. Ken Kiley started his vacation/cycling trip around Illinois with his first stop at the Galesburg Railroad Days. Ron and Diane Matuska are planning another one of their fantastic bicycling trips--this time out East.



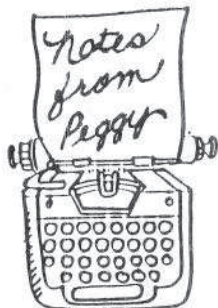
A big **CONGRATULATIONS** goes to Mo Kelly and Julie Otten for their first centuries. Mo said she survived the first 70 miles of the windy McLean County Century, but owes her success on the last 30 miles to Ron and Diane and their tandem. What a draft! Julie Otten completed her first century on the Steamboat Worker's Ride along with Mo Kelly, Bill Semmens, Steve Meisner, and Peggy Tresenriter. It was a beautiful day with a headwind (that we could have done without) on the last 3 miles. For those of you who haven't done a

century, picture it---100 miles on a bike. Most people don't like to ride in a car that far. If you're easily impressed by that--read on!!

A DOUBLE CONGRATULATIONS goes to Andy Cowan, Sam Joslin, Jewel Moyers, and Don Wendt who rode the 13th Annual Litchfield Central Double Century (yes, that's right---200 miles). This ride is timed for individual performance. The results of the IVW members were: Don Wendt 16 hrs. 45 min, Andy Cowan 16 hrs. 31 min, Jewel Moyers 15 hrs. 20 min, and Sam Joslin 11 hrs. 1 min. In the next newsletter, results will be provided from the SpoonRiver Wheelmen (Canton) who attended the event. Two of the SRW members were traveling on to the 300 mile mark when the IVW members were leaving the course. Complete listing of results from the CDC won't be available until July but the more interesting times and records will be passed along at that time.



The Galesburg Railroad Days Race seemed to be the place to be for IVW members. Ken Kiley made this the first stop on his vacation. Jim Hogan rode in from Dunlap. John Wellwood and Jacob Tresenriter served as "water boys" for the racers. And some of our members actually raced in the blisteringly hot sun. In the Citizen Race (no licensing required), Bill Stevenson won a prime (a case of beer - it was all he wanted) and Craig Burgess placed third (sorry, Craig--no beer). In the USCF licensed races, Ken Beckler placed 13th and Mark Kelly won a prime and placed 5th in the Senior 4 Category. While Denny Tresenriter placed 12th in the Senior 3's. Although IVW members, these lads race under the Vitesse Racing Team. The USCF races are officiated by licensed officials which included two more IVW members: Steve Meisner and Jim Roberts.



As you can see, our club members have really gotten into cycling on all levels. If you have any exciting happenings to report, send them to me: Peggy Tresenriter, RR 1, Pekin Illinois 61554 or call 387-6617.

REMEMBER THE DEADLINE IS THE 10TH OF EACH MO.



REMINDERS

ELROY/SPARTA UPDATE:

There will be a pre-trip meeting for those people going on the Elroy/Sparta trip. We'll meet at Avanti's on Sterling right after the social ride on Wed-June 26 (about 8PM). Bring your questions and we'll set up our schedule. Remember, this is the opposite of a typical summer weekend. We'll sleep out and eat in.

- June 23: 7:30 AM Lk of Woods Plza to Chilli
25 mi (I) Jim Hogan: 243-9313
- 8:30 AM Morton Field Shpg Ctr. to Blmgtn
70 mi (I-E) Jack Welch: 387-6117
- 1:00 PM Charter oak School-visit Greek
Fest after ride (N) Joan: 685-9348
- June 25: Novice Ride/6:15/ Pioneer Pk Bank
Club Meeting/Safety Town/7:30 PM
- June 26: Wednesday Night Social Rides/6:00
Avanti's- Bev:685-4911
Wash.Square- Ron: 444-2018
Pekin Eagle Store- Gary: 346-2008
- June 28: Elroy/Sparta leaves 6:00 PM Venture
- June 29: Time Trials-7:00 AM
Washington Show N Go 8:30 AM
- June 30: 7:30 AM Pekin Ins. to Mackinaw
40 mi (I) Gary: 346-2008
- 1:00 PM Tremont Park to Minier
Joan: 685-9348 (N) Longer Ride

JULY SPECIALS



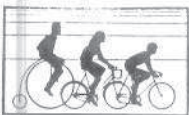
July 4: Celebrate the 4th of July with a bicycle ride!
We'll leave Morton Freedom Hall at 8:30 AM and ride to Eureka Lake.
Ride Leader: Sam Joslin: 682-8777



July 14: Mid-Summer Rendezvous!!! Ride leaves from Jubilee at 2:00
and will return around 3:00. We will picnic at 3:00 (or there about).
Pot Luck Picnic: Bring own dishes & food to share. The club will
bring lemonade and other drinks.



July 27: Moonlight Ride!!! We'll meet at 8:30 PM at the Pioneer Park
Bank and have a one hour ride. Lights are required. Bring marshmallows
and sticks 'cause we plan on having a bon fire afterwards.
Ride Leader: Bill Semmens 685-9452



July 28: Wildlife Prarie is having their "Recreation Weekend."
We will start our ride at 8:30 AM from Wildlife Park. After the ride,
you may use your driver's license as a deposit at the gate and view
the exhibits offered without paying the entry fee. They have allowed
us one hour to see the exhibits, if you wish to stay longer, you will
be expected to pay the fee.

JULY RIDE CALENDAR

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NR: NOVICE RIDE
 PIONEER PK BNK
 TUESDAY 6:15PM
 RON JOHNSON-682-8777

WEDNESDAY SOCIAL RIDE
 PIONEER PK BNK 6:00
 Pekin EagleStore 6:00
 Wash. Square 6:30

S/G: Washington Sq
 Show N Go 8:30AM
 15-35 mi (I)
 Bob 676-0166
 Ron/Diane 697-9009

TT: Time Trials
 Cat Tech Cntr 7AM
 (Old Galena Rd)
 Ron: 682-8777

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		NR 6:15	WSR Pioneer 6PM Mo: 691-4010 Pekin Eagle 6PM Gary: 346-2008 Wash. Sq. 6:30 Ron: 444-2018	 8:30 AM Freedom Hall (Men) to Eureka Sam: 682-8777		TIME TRIALS 7AM WASHINGTON S/G 8:30
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28	29	30	31	N:Novice/Short Ride/Many Stops/Up to 12mph I:Intermediate/Medium Ride/Stops/12-16mph E:Experienced/Longer Ride/Minimum Stops/16mph (Due to the increasing length and difficulty of the intermediate rides, the experienced ride will join the intermediate ride. Two or more groups may be formed as needed by abilities or desires of the riders).		
8:30 Wildlife Prairie Special Bring your driver's license for admittance into park & see the "Recreation Weekend" exhibits. Ride will start at Wildlife Pk. Dave: 674-4970		NR 6:15	WSR Pioneer 6PM Sam: 682-8777 Pekin Eagle 6PM Gary: 346-2008 Wash. Sq. 6:30 Ron: 444-2018			



ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMEN

SUMMER METRIC CENTURY

Date: Sunday, August 18, 1985
Time: 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Place: Lake Camelot - S.W. Peoria County - near airport

ROUTE: Lake Camelot to Canton Lake. The route will travel on hilly south-western Peoria County roads. Back at Lake Camelot enjoy a cool swim in the lake, a delicious picnic lunch, and shower before heading home

FEE: Preregistration until August 15 - \$6.00
After August 15 and day of ride - \$7.50

DETAILS: The fee includes marked route, map, several snack stops, commemorative ride patch. LAW sanctioned metric century patch available for purchase) sag wagon, picnic and swimming (bring your swimsuit and a towel, showers also available).

DIRECTIONS: Take the Airport Road exit from I-474, turn left on Airport Road. TO LAKE Airport Road becomes Garfield Ave. At the High School stop sign CAMELOT turn right and follow this road approximately 4 miles (Garfield turns into Lancaster Road). You will go down and up two big hills. At the top of the second hill is the entrance to Lake Camelot. Follow the entrance road over the dam and up the hill to the Club-house. (Alternate Directions - follow IVW signs from I-474 exit.)

Make checks payable to: ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMEN
Mail form to: c/o Ron or Diane Matuska
9509 W. Littlefield
Mapleton, Illinois 61547
Contact for information: 309/697-9009



Illinois Valley Wheelmen, Summer Metric Century, 8/15/85, Application

Name _____ Entry fee:
Before 8/15 \$6.00
Address _____ After 8/15 \$7.50
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Amount enclosed. \$ _____

Release of Organizers and Sponsors

In signing this form, I understand and agree to absolve all of the sponsors and organizations, be they individuals or organizations, singly and collectively of all blame for any injury, misadventure, harm, loss or inconvenience suffered as a result of taking part in the Illinois Valley Wheelmen Summer Metric Century or in any of the activities associated with said event.

Signature _____ Date: _____

Name of responsible adult if registrant is under 18 years of age:

Signature _____ Date: _____

PRESIDENT'S NOTES :

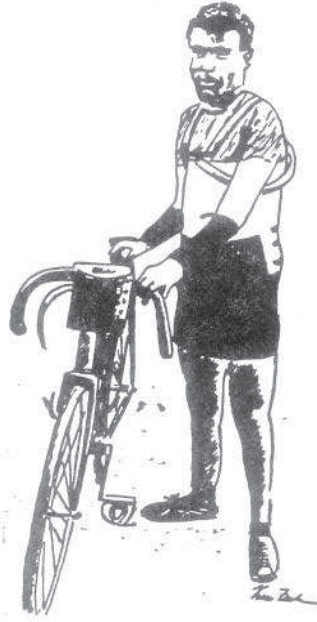
THE ARROGANCE OF IGNORANCE, PART ONE :
 Walked into my favorite running shoe store the other day to pick up a new pair of tennies. After having made my purchase and inquired about a stopwatch for our Saturday morning time trials, I began talking to another clerk. He grabbed a piece of paper and started to draw a sketch for a super long pedal which would give a running shoe (which was velcroed to the pedal) the requisite stiffness of a cycling shoe. The idea was to eliminate the need for a cycling shoe in triathalons, because "most people feel more comfortable in running shoes and wouldn't feel trapped in running shoes." Although the clerk could pick out the exactly correct running shoe for a given activity, he could not imagine that cycling shoes should be as technical or necessary.

THE ARROGANCE OF IGNORANCE, PART TWO :
 The Wall Street Journal ran a brief article on bicycle sales on May 16th. The Journal may know business, but when it comes to bicycles, it's walking up most hills. The Journal reports that "imports are expected to capture a bigger share (about 45% against 42% last year) of the U.S. market." Of course, its source for the information seems to be the Bicycle Manufacturers Assoc. (the group which is pushing hard for import quotas to "protect" Huffy's, Murray's, and other department store bicycles). What, after all, are imported bikes when nearly the only part of a Huffy that is American is the frame? When partisan sources become the Journal's bean counters, the end result is more bad information for a public that by and large uses no other information sources.

NEWSPAPERS: The Peoria Journal Star is a favorite subject to kick for many of my friends, but I really believe that it's a sharp outfit. However, it does screw up once in a while. Recently, in a "Hotline" column, a reader asked about traffic lights that sense metal in order to control traffic. This reader's small motorcycle could not flip the lights because it was not big enough.

One of the Star's suggestions was to change the route he travels in order to avoid this type of intersection!! The Star then stated City Traffic Engineer Jim Baumann says there are about 60 intersections like this in the city. Just riding home from work, I hit 3 to 5 of these intersections. Why do bicyclists have to put up with poor intersections design? Whoever designed these traffic signals is probably well-off by now, educated, and maybe even a nice guy. But he doesn't ride a bicycle and he is not helping cyclists by his ignorance. PJS does mention that if you have difficulty at a particular intersection, to call Baumann's office at 672-8570 to discuss this problem.

LOOKING FOR A GOOD RIDE? Get out to the Wednesday night rides (in Pekin, Peoria, or Washington). We had nearly 30 people at a recent Peoria ride. After the ride we pulled the tables together at Avanti's on Sterling (as we always do) and ate spaghetti and traded lies. Great times! The June meeting consists of a business meeting, a talk about PACRACC (the Bloomington Pantagraph's hugely successful Labor Day Weekend Ride) and a video on Vermont Bicycle Touring. Stop by and see how we did on the Pedal In.. Enough for now, See ya on the Road!!!!
 SAM JOSLIN



MOSSVILLE 10 MILE TIME TRIALS

No time trials were scheduled for the 8th or 15th of June. This was due to many other events on the 8th (state time trials, Galesburg Races Litchfield, Ride to the Rock, etc.) and the Pedal In on the 15th. More news and results on the Pedal In in next month's newsletter. Time Trials resume on the 22nd of June. They start just north of Cedar Hills Drive on Old Galena Road at 7 A.M. on Saturday's. They are an individual effort against the clock; no pack riding or drafting. The course record is held by Daryl Johnson. With 70 degrees and 95% humidity and no wind, Daryl pedaled to a time of 22:48 on August 4, 1984. You don't have to be Superman to time trial; just take a lively interest in your own cycling performance and join the IVW in the battle against the clock. Our novice riders are being observed for improvement that could lead to the "most improved rider" award that is given at the annual meeting in November.

(Information: 682-8777	Timer: Ron Johnson)	
	5/18	5/25
Dave Martin	35:32	33:42
Steve Butler	29:56	28:03
Dave Harris	28:17	
John Reynolds	27:30	
Mike Hagerty	26:59	25:56
Jim Clark	33:42	
Ron Love	32:54	30:31
Doug Bouvars	28:16	
Mo Kelly	32:58	
Ted Gambogi	27:55	
Dave Sherwood	29:15	
Dave Julazada	26:51	
Mark Kelly	26:34	
Danny Briggs	26:32	25:59
Denny Tresenriter	25:33	23:59
Kevin Holzhauer	25:36	25:04
Marty Hamm	30:19	
Brett Ricket	24:14	
Jim Carroll		30:56
Jim Brownfield		30:59
Ray Murray		30:39
Bill Stevenson		28:26
Pat Karnes		27:24
Randy Senneff		26:14
Ken Beckler		25:20
Mark Taylor		27:13
Daryl Johnson		23:23
David Wirsching		29:29
Alan DeBord		31:45
TEMPERATURE:	55	60
WIND:	N/NE	NONE

ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMEN
1985 APPLICATION MEMBERSHIP

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ New: _____ Renewal: _____

Age: _____

BICYCLING INTERESTS: Short, slow-paced _____ Moderate _____ Other _____

Saturday _____ Sunday _____ Weekend Tours _____ Time Prefer _____ Other _____

DUES : INDIVIDUAL \$8; FAMILY \$10

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent or Guardian (if under 18)



IVW TRAILER:

Thanks to all the people who helped get the trailer back in shape for the summer. It really looks great and is ready for everyone to use. Just give me a call to reserve it. Bill Semmens:685-9452

Now that our trailer is ready to roll, I plan on taking it to a few out of town trips. Here is the list so far: if you want to go with us, call me. Elroy-Sparta Trail/Wisc. 6/28-30 Devil of a Ride (Madison to Devil's Lake State Pk) 8/24-25 Apple Cider Century in SW Mich. 9/28-29 Hilly Hundred in October



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