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JULY 1988



PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

It's time to begin thinking about next year as we're all enthusiastically riding our bicycles. We are now organizing a nominating committee to select the slate of officers for next year. This is an opportunity for new (and old) members to become involved. There is a job for everyone from President to Social Chairman. We'd like to see some new faces and get some new ideas, too. Anyone interested in becoming an officer or member of the nominating committee should contact me or any other member of the Executive Board.

We're really having some great rides this year. The Saturday morning rides have been well attended in spite of the wind and the heat! Don't forget that Sunday morning rides will begin at 7:30 during July and August to try to beat some of the hot sun and the Tuesday and Wednesday evening rides are a great way to ride and avoid the hottest part of the day!

There will be no monthly club meeting in July. Hope to see everyone at the August meeting when we will vote on the proposed IVW club name change.

See you there!

- Jean Waycuilis

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The June 23rd meeting was a fun filled slide show from the Tour de Femme and TOMRV. Be sure to come to the August meeting for the name change vote and to enjoy the company of your fellow cyclists. The meeting's speaker will be a surprise (to all of us)! If you have any ideas for a speaker be sure to let an executive board member know.

As Jean has mentioned above, the nominating committee needs to know about people interested in serving on the executive board. All positions are open (to the best of my knowledge) so hurry and get your name in for these high-power, low-pay, <u>fun</u> jobs! (You may need something like this on your resume someday! -ed.)

AUGUST MEETING

There will be no meeting in July. The August meeting will be on the 25th at the usual place, Safety Town on Sheridan Road. The main item on the agenda will be the vote on the name change (see next page). Only members present will have a say in this decision.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

Daniel Wolfbrandt Dean Parker Keith Parker & Family Janet Carruthers Howard Cohen & Family Robert & Diane Gomez Donald Head Ray Hettinger Steven Hrovatin & Family Brian Hughes Cyndi Jewell Mark Kiesel Phil King Wayne Lewandowski Teresa Lewis Patricia Macey & Family Mary Przygocki William Schertz & Family Ocie Selby Norma Shook & Family Jon Spacht Rick Sprecher Cathy & Tom Veerman

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We hope you enjoy bicycling with us and look forward to seeing you on many rides this summer! If you are new to club cycling, please don't hesitate to call any of the club officers if you need help or advice. We were all beginners once and we all understand the questions that newer cyclists may have! Come on out - its fun!

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION CHANGE

There is a proposed Article change that will be voted on during the August meeting by members who are present.

The current Article I, #1 reads: The name of the Organization shall be the Illinois Valley Wheelm'n.

The proposed Article I, #1 reads: The name of the Organization shall be the Illinois Valley Wheelers.

RIDE CALENDAR

TUESDAY EVENINGS

MORTON, 6:00 PM, NOVICE. Field Shopping Center, 10 miles increasing to 20 later in summer. Ride Leader: Peggy Tresenriter (387-6617).

PEORIA, 6:00 PM, ALL LEVELS. Commercial Bank lot, University at Pioneer Parkway, 10-20 miles. Ride Leader: Bill Wright (685-8549).

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

PEORIA, 6:00 PM, ALL LEVELS, social ride. July starting place is Mossville Grade School, Old Galena Road behind CAT, 15-20 miles. Different ride leader each week. Break bread with us after the ride at Avanti's on Sterling! (During August we will start at Charter Oak School)

WASHINGTON, 6:30 PM, SHOW AND GO. Washington Square, 10-20 miles.

SATURDAY MORNINGS

WASHINGTON, 8:30 AM, ALL LEVELS. Washington Square, ride to nearby town for breakfast, usually 25-30 miles. Show and Go. (PLEASE don't park on Square. Be considerate of the shoppers and local merchants.)

MOSSVILLE TIME TRIALS, 7:00 AM. Cat Tech Center visitor's lot, 5 miles out, 5 miles back. Watch your performance improve each week!

SUNDAY MORNINGS

JULY 3, 7:30 AM, CHARTER OAK SCHOOL, NOVICE-INTERMEDIATE Meet at Charter Oak School. Show & Go. No ride leader.

JULY 10, 7:30 AM, TEAM CHALLENGE, NOVICE-INTERMEDIATE
Meet at Washington Square with your bike, bike bag (if you have one), watch,
pencil, and your wits for Glen's team challenge. Each team will have riders
riding varying distances (20-65 miles depending on how you want to play the
game) - something for everyone! Ride Leader: Glen Thompson (685-4571).

JULY 17, 7:30 AM, RIDE OF THE MONTH, NOVICE-INTERMEDIATE
Meet at ICC tennis courts for a scenic 35 mile ride to Eureka Lake. Ride
Leader: Suzi Woodward (688-2972).

JULY 24, 7:30 AM, EAST PEORIA TO MORTON, NOVICE-INTERMEDIATE
Meet at corner of Oakwood and Washington (Rt 8, 1/2 mile east of Fondulac Plaza by Volks - old YMCA) for choice of 20 or 30 mile ride to Barb's restaurant in Morton. Leaders: Roger, Sandy, and Janet Jensen (699-1434).

JULY 31, 7:30 AM, MORTON TO TIMBUKTU, NOVICE-INTERMEDIATE Field shopping center, Morton, show and go, destination by argument.

AUGUST 7, 10:00 AM, ROLLA'S RIDE & SWIM, NOVICE-INTERMEDIATE
Start at Dunlap High School for a 20 mile ride and then swimming and hot
dogs after, bring swim suit and towel. Leader: Rolla Godfrey (243-5691).

AUGUST 14, 7:30 AM, PANCAKE & SAUSAGE RIDE, INTERMEDIATE
Meet at Lake of the Woods for a ride to Princeville for breakfast, 30 miles.
Leader: Gregg Benning (234-5206).

SPECIAL IVW RIDE FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Diane's Ride

Southwest Peoria County and Canton area, 25-50-75-100 mile routes. Planning for this annual event is now in final stages. We need volunteers (especially a cookie chairman)! We would also like to begin training a new events chairman for next year. Now is the time to get involved.

OUT-OF-TOWN RIDES THAT YOU MIGHT FIND INTERESTING

LION IV
BEAR III
TIGER V
Bicycle Early Agricultural Roads
Information on the above tours is available from TOGIR TOURS,
2325 Fulton Ave., Davenport, IA 52803.

July 9-10, 1988
July 29-31, 1988
August 13-14, 1988
From TOGIR TOURS,

Third Annual Spoon River Mountain Bike Ride
"Pileup on Polecat Hill", sponsored by the Spoon River Wheelmen, 20-30-45 miles, starts at Putnam Park in Cuba (near Canton), \$7.00 by July 24th, \$9.00 after, registration 6-8 am. Information write SRW, PO Box 353, Canton IL 61520, or call Allan Crossland (1-647-1018) or Dick Casper (1-647-8891).

Pedal to Biq Muddy

150 mile ride from Peoria to Hannibal, Mark Twain country. For info contact Multiple Sclerosis, 2422 N. North St., Peoria IL 61614, 309-688-1778. It is a fund raiser so there are financial obligations, as well as prizes.

Apple Cider Century
25-50-75-100 mile routes. Information on this Midwestern favorite can be obtained by writing ACC '88, PO Box 5000, Three Oaks, Michigan 49128.



WANT ADS !!!

FOR SALE: _ 24" Wheel youngsters 10-speed RAMPAR by Raleigh, everything works, good tires, \$65.00. Call Chris Drew, 692-6161 or 699-4005.

<u>HELP WANTED</u>: Stoker for tandem. No experience necessary. On the bike training for an enthusiastic person. Salary consists of good times. Benefits include exhilarating downhills. Call Ron Matuska 697-9009.

Bicycle related ads are free to IVW members. Mail or phone them to the newsletter editor (692-6161).

RIDE REPORT

RAILS TO TRAILS (ATLANTA, ILL.) - Ten crazy souls arrived at Pekin Mall on Saturday, June 25th in ungodly heat and took off for Atlanta via Mackinaw, Minier, and Armington. As the temperature soared above 100 degrees, 15 year old Calvin DeBoer led the pack with his dad, Carl, following closely behind. Ron Matuska got the boring job of sagging in an AIR-CONDITIONED VEHICLE; while the rest of us enjoyed the divine weather! George and Sandy Burrier and Pat and Norma Shook from the Mackinaw Canoe Club (big promoters of the trail) gave us highlights of the trail during our trek.

When we arrived at the park in Atlanta about noon, we cruised the town, showered at the school gym, visited the local tap, and talked with people from other clubs. (One group from Bloomington/Normal had put in an extra 20

miles because someone had changed three county road signs!)

The fun really began after the big meal that the town put on for us. The clubs were invited to play softball on a local diamond, and afterward we saw a slide show about the trail, and then went to bed. The temperature during the night changed from sweltering to cold, and people could be heard scurrying for their sleeping bags.

Sunday morning arrived and, after breakfast at a "two-calendar" restaurant, we set forth for Hartsburg, Emden, and Delavan, and home. Although the temperature was cool, we rode into a strong head wind for more than 20 miles. Thanks to Dalton Larson and Rolla Godfrey serving as a wind break, yours truly made it back to the Pekin Mall without requesting sag service! All in all, the trip served as a fun mini-vacation for most of us!

- Jan Ketchmark

PRAIRIE LAND TRAIL

George Burrier (mentioned in the Ride Report above) is chairman of the Prairie Land Trail support group which has its headquarters at 711 First National Bank Building, Peoria IL 61602, phone 309-676-6113. Our club received a letter from George mentioning that there is an effort by opponents of the trail to defeat it and that the Department of Conservation needs to have an indication of the amount of support for the trail. There is an organized petition drive underway and if you haven't signed one yet you might contact George Burrier at the above phone or at his home in Morton, 266-5085 (I know he would be very appreciative of anyone willing to get other signatures). Also, a postcard or letter to your Illinois senator or representative will be a very effective counter to the efforts made by farmers (and others that fear having hell-raising cyclists and vandals roaming the countryside!) to have the land sold to them. Specifically, from most of this area, you could write to Hon. Sen. Robert A. Madigan, 116 N. Mclean St., Lincoln IL 62656.

The Prairie Land Trail runs from East Peoria to Decatur over the old Norfolk & Western right-of-way, about 74 miles. There is also a short (8.2 miles) trail from Morton to Pekin being considered at the same time.

WOMEN'S CYCLING SURVEY

BICYCLING Magazine recently printed a request for women cyclists to participate in a survey that will result in a how-to book for women in cycling as well as express a consensus of women's needs to the cycling industry. If you wish to participate in this survey and perhaps have your views and experiences become part of this book, contact Mary Scroggs, 216 Evergreen, Morton IL 61550, or phone her at home (309-266-5790) or work (309-675-0040) and she will send a copy of the survey to you.

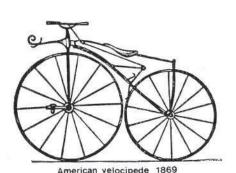
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