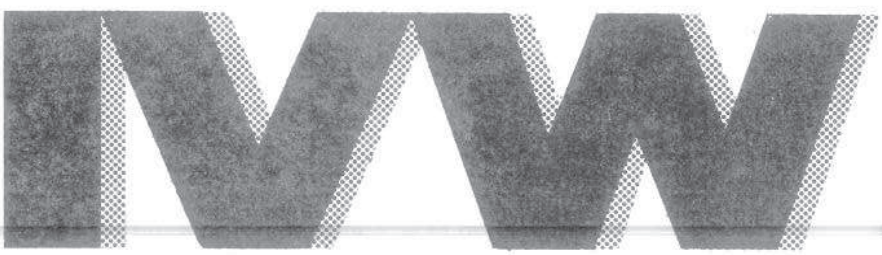


Ron Anderson



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Illinois Valley Wheelm'n

ROSTERS DISTRIBUTED

If you did not receive your annual IVW roster this past week or so, contact Eric Hutchison at 685-3921, and he will gladly send you one. This is the first time in recent memory that we have attempted to send out the rosters to all current paid-up members and past members. We hope you will use them to contact cycling friends and get together and ride, socialize, breed your dog, cat, canary or such, exchange jokes, exchange silverware, switch fireplaces or whatever.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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|------------------------|------------|
| Charles Rodgers Family | Peoria, Il |
| Steve Geddes | Peoria, Il |
| Rich Huffman Family | Peoria, Il |
| Gregg Bechter | Peoria, Il |
| Mike & Janice Lukich | Peoria, Il |

We Welcome you to the Illinois Valley Wheelm'n and hope that you enjoy the companionship and that the wind will always be at your back.

MEMORIAL DAY RIDE AND PICNIC

On May 28th, 9:30 a.m. , the IVW will have a Ride and Picnic at Jubilee Park, which for you new folks, is out west of Peoria (contact any Board member or other person who knows where the place is located for directions). The ride will be about 30 miles with the picnic to follow. A covered dish would be appreciated if you plan to attend. Contact Sheila and Reid Hansen (693-9807) by May 26th if you plan to attend this gala affair. Bring along balloons, swords, Bassinets, Bassoons, Oboes, Trumpets, Drums, music racks, whips & chains, Mace n chains, insect repellent, old innertubes, and anything else that might provoke the natives.

MAY MONTHLY MEETING

George Burrier will be the speaker at the monthly IVW meeting on May 24th. The subject for the meeting will be the Rock Island Trail.

The topic of the June 21st IVW meeting will be Steve Weast's Trip to California. He will show slides and tell us all about his fantastic trip cycling in the land of glitz and glitter and cactus and weirdos. IVW Board of Directors meeting always precedes regular monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m.

BEGINNER RIDES

For four Saturdays, May 19th, May 26th, June 2nd, and June 9th, the IVW will lead Beginner rides from St. Patrick's School parking lot in Washington, Il. They will start at 1:00 p.m. each day. These rides are intended for the person who has just made the purchase of their first bike and are just getting started. The rides will be short and easy (8-10 miles) with stops as required by the participants. They will be informative and concentrate on becoming familiar with the bike, safety, necessary items to have along on a ride, and, in general, the sport of bicycling. We will need members to come out and support these Beginner rides and be ride leaders/instructors. Call Randy Townsend (347-3848) or Dalton Larson (694-2272) if you need info or want to volunteer to lead or work at these rides.

EASTER SUNDAY RIDE

It certainly wasn't the prettiest of Easter Mornings - and there wasn't a very large turn out, but a group of us (Denny & Peggy, Glen, Troy, Don, Bob & I and Eric turned out) had a great ride. We met at the Field Shopping Center in Morton and rode over to Hopedale - along the way we ran into a "Wild Life Park" - a smaller version of the one in Peoria. So being the adventurous sort that we are (plus Glen wanted to see the Buffalo) we took a side trip and rode thru the park and even saw some Buffalo - who decided to come over and check us out!

So - for those of you who have not dusted off your bikes - now is the time to do it, just dust it off, pump up those tires and come join us, we always have an interesting crew and certainly see some pretty countryside, not to mention that besides having all that fun we're getting ourselves in great shape!

May is National Bicycling Month, what a better time to come back out and ride. This message especially goes out to Susie Woodward, you are missed!

You might want to make special note of May being National Bicycling month and make others around you aware of the benefits of cycling, this ties in very nicely to Earth Day also!

Hope to see you on the highways!

Mary Scroggs

WEEKDAY RIDES

- TUESDAY** 6:00 p.m. All level (ABC) meets at Morton Field Shopping Center parking lot. There will be a definite fast group at this ride as well as a more comfortable paced group. The fast group will have leaders as chosen among themselves week by week. The comfort group will be lead by Susie Townsend beginning in May. Call Susie Townsend, 347-3848 or Dalton Larson, 694-2272 for information.
- Beginning in May at 6:00 p.m., Bill Wright will lead an ABC ride from Commercial National Bank, Pioneer Park Branch (7901 N. University, Peoria). Call Bill at 685-8549 for information.
- WEDNESDAY** 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. at Charter Oak School, 5221 W. Timberridge. The 5:00 p.m. ride is a show and go and the 5:30 p.m. ride is lead by Eric Hutchison and Bill Stevenson. Eric (685-3921) and Bill (688-7281) can be reached for info if necessary.
- 6:00 p.m. at Washington Square in Washington, Il. This is a show n go and will be for all level of riders with the group deciding on the distance and speed.
- THURSDAY** 6:00 p.m. at Bergners in the Pekin Mall. This is a show and Go.
- FRIDAY** 6:00 p.m. at Metamora Court House in Metamora. Lead by Dave Diebel, this ride will be a mild ride with moderate distances. Call Dave at 367-4067 for information.
- SATURDAY** 8:30 a.m. at Washington Square in Washington. Show and Go with varying distances and speeds. Please park off of the square on side streets and back parking lots.
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MAY SUNDAY RIDES

(all sunday rides start at 8:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

- May 6th** "No Hills Ride" starts at Pekin Mall (Meet at big Mall sign). Susie Townsend is the ride leader and the ride will have both a long (35 mile) and short leg and will stop at Ernie's Restaurant in Pekin for Breakfast. Call Susie at 347-3848 for information. Rating: ABC
- May 13th** Mother's Day Show and Go, departs from Charter Oak School. No leader
- May 20th** Jubilee Park to Brimfield American Legion for breakfast. Steve Weast is leader (639-2291) roughly 40 mile ride. Rating: ABC
- May 27th** Departs ICC tennis courts for Wernsmanns in Germantown Hills for Breakfast. Don Jacobs is the leader (745-9001). Will be a fast and hilly ride of 40 miles, so is not recommended for beginners or novice riders. Rating: AB
- May 28th** (MONDAY - MEMORIAL DAY) Club ride & picnic at Jubilee Park. (See other article)
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JUNE SUNDAY RIDES

(all rides start at 8:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

- June 3rd** Meet at Field Shopping Center in Morton and ride to the American Legion in Deer Creek for breakfast. This ride will be at least 25 miles in length (longer if riders in attendance desire) and will be lead by Don Eberle (699-2790). Rating: BC
- June 10th** Meet at McDonalds in Chillicothe. It will be at least 35 miles long and have a couple of real good hills. Ken Parker is leader (263-0169). Rating: AB
- June 17th** Father's Day Show-n-go starting at Charter Oak School on W. Timberridge (west of I74, Rt. 6). Rating: ABC
- June 24th** Meets at the square in Metamora and goes to Roanoke for breakfast. Ride will be about 38 miles long. Eric Hutchison is leader (685-3921). Rating: BC



OUT OF TOWN RIDE CALENDAR

The IVW mailbox is busy filling with news of special cycling events. Forms available for those with #.
For more info, contact Eric Hutchison, 685-3921.



MAY

- 6 WINDY 60: 20,43,62 miles; Dekalb County Bicycle Club, PO Box 192, Dekalb, IL 60115
- 20 SPRING METRIC: 25,62 miles; Starts at South Shores Park, Decatur. Decatur Freewheelers C/O Laura Bickers, 1335 Ravina Park Rd., Decatur, IL 62526, 217) 877-7586.
- 20 McCLEAN COUNTY METRIC: 43,62 miles; Starts at Maxwell Park, Normal. McClean County Wheelers, PO Box 947, Bloomington, IL 61701. President: Larry Shoup 309) 828-2584. (\$12)
- #20 I & M CANAL BICYCLE RIDE: 2 mountain bike routes (26,53 miles), 3 road bike routes (28,64,75 miles). Starts at Ottawa High School. Starved Rock Cycling Assn., C/O Devry, Rt #4, Ottawa, IL 61350. Phone: 815)434-6162 or 433-3981. (\$12)
- 20 SUDDEN CENTURY: 32,62,100 miles; Starts at Joliet Junior College (I-55 N to Rte 52 E, S at first stoplight). Joliet Bicycle Club, PO Box 2758, Joliet, IL 60434. President: Dominick Chellino 708)722-6887.
- 26 JOHNSON HONEYSUCKLE JAUNT: 30,50,70, 100 mile loops through Shawnee National Forest in southern Illinois. Ride starts in Vienna & follows portion of Lincoln Heratige Trail. For info, contact OAC / AYH (++address below).
- #27 PILE UP ON POLE CAT HILL: Mountain bike ride; 20,30,55 miles. Starts at Putman Park (1 mile S of Cuba, IL on Rte 97). Spoon River Wheelmen, PO Box 353, Canton, IL 61520. Phone: 309)647-8891 or 647-3801. (\$7 before 5/20, \$10 thereafter)
- #26 & 27 BLACKHAWK METRIC CENTURY: 31,62 mile routes available each day. Starts at Attwood Homestead Forest Preserve (8900 Old River Rd, N of Rockford). Blackhawk Bicycle Club, PO Box 6443, Rockford, IL 61125. Phone: Virgil Castelli 815) 645-2707.(\$8 before 5/19, \$10 thereafter)
- 27 CEDAR VALLEY CENTURY: 50,100 miles. For info, contact F. Mikkelsen, PO Box 223, Cedar Rapids, IA 52406. Ph: 319) 398 - 9653.
- 27 WATERFORD ROLL: 41,76 miles. From Hales' Corner Park, Milw., WI. Cream City Cycle Club, PO Box 894, Milwaukee, WI 53201. Hotline: 414) 645 - 8583.
- 28 BELGIUM BOUNCE: 45 miles. From Cedarburg Bank, Cedarburg, Wisconsin. Cream City Cycle Club (above).

JUNE

- *2 RIDE ON THE WILD SIDE: (That's our gala event, gang.) From Wildlife Prairie Park, Route loops available from 30-100 miles. For more info, call Sheila Hansen 309)693-9807 or Eric Hutchison 685-3921.
- 9-10 HOOSIER HILLS BIKE TOUR: 15,37,62 miles on Saturday . 20,50 miles on Sunday. Starts at Frank Southern Center (1965 S. Henderson, Bloomington, IN.) Routes pass through Hoosier National Forest, near Lake Monroe & McCormick's Creek State Park. Featured Speaker Sat night RAMM rider Dave Tanner. For info: HHT, Bloomington Bicycle Club, PO Box 463, Bloomington, IN 47402. (\$10.50 until 5/19, \$12.50 thereafter, fee includes one lunch)
- #10 UEKER'S RIDE FOR THE ARTS: 2-50 mile routes through greater Milwaukee to benefit United Performing Arts Fund. Join honerary chairman Bob Ueker at downtown Summerfest after ride. It's a biggie- 1989 ride drew 11,300 participants. For info: 401 W Michigan St., PO Box 2025, Milwaukee, WI 53201-2025. Ph: Chris Thies 414)226-5977. (\$12 till 6/8, \$18 thereafter)
- 9-10 TOMRV (Tour of Mississippi River Valley): Up & down old muddy between Bettendorf & Dubuque, IA. Day 1-103 miles, day 2-86 miles. Shorter route available from Preston, IA (62 & 42 miles). For info: TOMRV-13, C/O Susie Laforce, 2023 E 45th ST, Davenport, IA 52807.Ph:319)355-5530. (Quad Cities Bicycle Club) Registration \$45 **DEADLINE MAY 31.**
- 9-10 CENTRAL DOUBLE CENTURY: Ultra marathon, 24 hour, 200 mile challenge. For info, contact OAC / AYH (++ address below).
- 10-15 RIDE AROUND WYOMING: 6 days, 386 mile Sponsored by Sheridan Bike Club. Contact RAW, c/o Bob Faurot, 18 Paradise Dr., Sheridan, Wyoming 82801.
- #16 FLAG DAY FESTIVAL MOUNTAIN BIKE TOUR: 15,31,63 mile routes. Three Oaks Spokes Bicycle Club (the "Apple Cider" folks), PO Box 5000, Three Oaks, MI 49128. Registration \$15 limited to 500 riders, **DEADLINE MAY 31.**
- 16-25 CYCLE PATH FOR PEACE - IOWA: Joint Soviet / American tour from Eldridge, IA to Winona, MN (&back). Contact James Olson, 209 E. 13th St., Davenport, IA 52803.

JUNE (CONT)

17-23 CAMP'90, CYCLE ACROSS MISSOURI'S PARKS:
From St. Charles (near St Louis) to Weston Park (near
Kansas City). About 65 miles per day. For info, contact
OAC / AYH (++ below).

23-29 TOGIR IX, THE OTHER GREAT IOWA RIDE:
Davenport and points beyond. 7 days, 436 miles. Contact
TOGIR tours (+++ address below).

24-30 TRIRI: The Ride In Rural Indiana, 65 miles each day.
Route starts in Indianapolis and passes through 6 state
parks SE of Indy. For info: TRIRI, C/O Bloomington Bicycle
Club, PO Box 463, Bloomington, IN 47402. Phone: Barbara
Anderson 812) 332-6028. Registration \$65 **DEADLINE**
JUNE 11.

++ OAC / AYH : Ozark Area Council of American Youth
Hostels, 7187 Manchester, St. Louis, Missouri 63143.
Ph: 314) 644 - 4660

+++ TOGIR TOURS, 2011 Ridgeview, Davenport, IA 52806.

JULY

1 FIRECRACKER 100: 100 miles, Begins in Belleville, IL.
Passes through Columbia, Waterloo, and Smithton. For
info, contact OAC/AYH (++below)

#1-7 GRABAAWR: Great Annual Bicycle Adventure Along
The Wisconsin River. Land 'O Lakes to Prairie Duchien,
WI. 500 miles total or ride any number of the 7 one day
segments. For info: GRABAAWR, Common Cause, 16 N
Carrol St (310), Madison, WI 53703. Ph: 608) 256-2686
Fees: Don't include meals, \$115 (with bus transport back
to start), \$85 (no bus), \$15 one day rides. Regist: Before
JUNE 1 to get bus transport and the above fees.

#4-8 RALLEY AT THE ROCK: League of American
Wheelmen national rally at Slippery Rock, PN. Dozens of
different rides each day, 15-100 miles, workshops,
exhibits, entertainment, food. For info: 1990 LAW
National Rally, PO Box 838, Youngstown, OH 44501.
Regis: \$60 (LAW membership also req'd, \$30 / family).
DEADLINE. JUNE 1

7-8 LION VI, LOOP IOWA'S OUTSTANDING NORTHEAST:
Decorah, IA and vicinity. Contact, TOGIR (+++ below).

8 LEONARD LEIGHTON MEMORIAL BICYCLE POKER
RIDE: 15,25 miles. Collect playing cards at 5 check
points. Best hand wins \$50. For info contact OAC / AYH
(++address below).

#8-13 SUMMERTOUR '90: Manchester to Mackinaw City,
MI. 55-85 miles per day. For info: Summertour, PO Box
17088, Lansing, MI 48901. Regist: \$125, **LIMITED TO**
350 ENTRIES.

AUGUST

4-5 TIGER VII, TOUR IOWA'S GREAT EASTERN REGION:
Mt. Vernon, IA area. For info, contact TOGIR (+++ below).

4-5 HEARTLAND 24-HOUR CHALLENGE: 24 hour ultra
marathon endurance event. 150 mile day loop, 25 mile
night loop. Contact OAC/AYH (++below).

4-7 AIBR: Across Illinois Bike Ride: 4 days, 320 miles from
Moline to Joliet. For info: Joliet Bicycle Club, C/O Nancy
Fister, 803 E Washington St, Morris, IL 60450.

10-12 BEAR V, BICYCLE EARLY AGRICULTURAL ROADS:
Round trip from Pella to Indianola, IA. For info, contact
TOGIR (+++ below).

12 MOONLIGHT RAMBLE: World's largest nighttime bicycle
ride. Starts at 2AM downtown St. Louis. For info, contact
OAC/AYH (++below).

19 FESTIVAL OF THE LITTLE HILLS RIDE: From St.
Charles (near St. Louis). Held in conjunction with historic
craftsmen's festival Aug17-19. For info contact OAC /
AYH (++below).

#29-Sep2 DALMAC: Lansing to Mackinaw City, MI. 4 & 5 day
options, 60-80 miles / day. For info: DALMAC, PO Box
17088, Lansing, MI 48901. Fees: \$70-\$90.

++ OAC / AYH : Ozark Area Council of American Youth
Hostels, 7187 Manchester, St. Louis, Missouri 63143.
Ph: 314) 644 - 4660

+++ TOGIR Tours, 2011 Ridgeview, Davenport, IA 52806.

In addition to the above mentioned special events, the following groups offer bicycle tours throughout the cycling season. Also, I
have a copy of Bikecentennial's "Cyclists Yellow Pages" which lists cycling resources worldwide...call me for details. Eric H.

1. American Youth Hostels, PO Box 37613, Washington, D.C. 20013-7613. (202)783-6161
2. Bikecentennial, PO Box 8308, Missoula, MT 59807. (406)721-1776. Note: tours or maps available to plan your own.
3. Bike Wisconsin, PO Box 9309, Madison, WI 53715. (608)251-3020
4. Michigan Bicycle Touring, 3512 Red School Rd., Kinglsey, MI 49649 (616)263-5885.
5. Bike America, PO Box 29, Northfield, MN 55057. (507)663-1268 Note: transcontinental route in 12 week long tours.
6. Heartland Bicycle Tours, 1 Orchard Circle, Washington, IA 52353. (319)653-2277 Note: Iowa area tours.

Want Ads in the IVW Newsletter

Members may submit want ads in this newsletter free of charge for one month at a time. If you desire longer than one month, please resubmit the ad each month or call the editor. Ads should be bicycle related items, and be sure to include a name, address and phone when submitting your want ad. Submit ads to: Dean Grethev

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IVW MAP BOOKLETS

Members of the ride committee have completed the first ever two-wheeled guide to the Greater Peoria Area. This humble collection of 9 bicycling route maps offers an assortment of ride lengths and starting locations around the Peoria area. Several maps contain more than one marked route. The map booklets will be sold to IVW members for \$2.00 each, non-members fee is \$3.00. For mail order, send check or M.O. payable to the Illinois Valley Wheelm'n, to: Eric Hutchison, 918 W. Wilcox, Peoria, Il. 61604. The map booklets are also available at Vitesse Cycle Shop in Peoria Hts. and Russell's Cycle World in Washington, Il.

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I Would like to thank all of you for bearing with me the past couple of months, while I went through the mid-life crisis and changed my living environment. If any of you members need to contact the editor of this newsletter, my new address is 1907 Canterbury, Apt. D, Washington, Il. 61571. My new Phone is 444-3360. Hopefully the newsletter will be out a little earlier each month from this time forward. Thanks, Dean

200 miles AGAIN

That's right folks! Here is your second chance at trying a 200 mile day. If your interested and want more information, contact Bill Semmens at 685-9452. The ride will take place June 23rd, and will leave from the Park northwest of Metamora at 5:00 a.m.

If you just want to do one 50 mile lap, or 100 miles, or even 150 miles, you can just meet us at the park and jump in when we come around. Each lap will take about 3 to 3 1/2 hours to complete, so plan to join us if you desire on June 23rd, 1990. See you there!

Bill Semmens

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