

**OCT 90**

**Illinois Valley Wheelm'n**

**OCTOBER MONTHLY MEETING  
Thursday Oct. 25, 1990**

The Mountain Biking Experts from Russell's Cycle World, Washington, Il. will give the program and guess what the topic will be. . .you're right! MOUNTAIN BIKING.  
**BE THERE!**

**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 Grethey, 1907 Canterbury Apt. D , Washington, IL, 61571 or Phone 444-3360.

**FOR SALE**     **McLain Trainer** - \$50.00 - Call 274-4849

**WANTED**        **Truing Stand** - Park Professional model or similar style. Call Steve Daggs at (672-6282 days or 444-3458 evenings).

**FOR SALE**     **Tandem Bicycle** - Columbia, 2 speed, front hand brake, and rear coaster brake, chrome fenders. \$175 Call Bill Becella 699-8711

**FOR SALE**     **Ross Grand Tour bike** - 6 years old, but still in real good shape. Chrome Moly steel frame with newly installed Shimono Index Shifting, 12 speed, black in color, 22 inch (56 cm) new rims, tires and inner tubes. Asking \$125.00 Jerry Stomberg (309) 347-9066

**FOR SALE**     **Sovereign Bike** - Maroon in color, 1 year old, 12 speed, Shimono Shift, like new in shape, 22 inch (56 cm) Steel frame. Asking \$90.00 Jason Stomberg (309) 347-9066

**PEORIA'S BICYCLING HISTORY**

The book BICYCLE FEVER written by Steven Streight has just been published by Ruppman Marketing Services, Inc. in Peoria. This book, complete with rare photos, paints an excellent picture of bicycling in the "Central City" during cycling's early heyday (1800's). In those days, Peoria was a nationally recognized bicycling center complete with 8 cycling clubs, 5 cycle manufacturers, and a 1/2 mile race track (complete with large grandstands) in Lakeview Park. Informative and entertaining, copies are on sale now at Vitesse & Russell's Bike Shops and Junction City Book Store.

**NEWSLETTER WORKER NEEDED**

We will need a new "mailing person (s)" to handle the folding, stapling and mailing of the newsletter for 1991. Val Jones who has so graciously done this task for the past year has indicated a desire to hand the ball off to someone else after the November issue. We will need someone to take over this position for the December issue of the IVW Newsletter. So, if you are interested in this extremely important position, please contact Dean Grethey (444-3360) or contact any member of the Board.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Val for the outstanding way she handled this job for the IVW in the past year. She was always there to promptly get the newsletters out, sometimes in rush situations, so **VAI, THANK YOU VERY MUCH-YOU DID A GREAT JOB!**

**DAYS OF LONG SHADOWS**

Well gang, its "adjustment" season again. Time to dust off the tights, wind jackets, and (for those of us who are even a bit more stalwart) long johns & gloves. As you pack your gear to enjoy some fine fall afternoon riding, please remember early sunsets. Don't get caught (as I have) making a panic-stricken "twilight dash" home as the headlights begin to pop on around you. If your day's ride starts at any time past NOON, it's a good idea to take some simple night riding gear along. A reflective vest and a fanny strobe work wonders for convincing passing traffic that you are a tremendous chuck-hole (to be passed with a very wide berth) as the sun gets low. Even if you plan to be home way before sunset, remember, flat tires tend to be a bit unpredictable.

Happy (& safe) Trails.....Eric H.



## WEEKDAY RIDE SCHEDULE

\*\*\*NOTE: ALL 6:00 PM RIDES MOVE TO 5:30 IN SEPT. AND 5:00 IN OCT. EARLY RIDES STAY THE SAME

- 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.
- WEDNESDAY 5:00 p.m. and **6:00 p.m. (NEW TIME)** p.m. at Charter Oak School, 5221 W. Timberridge. The 5:00 p.m. ride is a show and go; the pace is generally brisk and a distance of about 30 miles ("AB rating"). The **6:00** ride is intended to be a social ride (BC rating), new riders are welcome. We usually meet for dinner to "refuel" after the social ride. Contact leaders Eric Hutchison (685-3921) or Bill Stevenson (688-7281) for more info about the **6:00** ride.
- 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 5:30 p.m. at Field Shopping Center in Morton. 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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## OCTOBER SUNDAY RIDES

- Oct. 7th (Hilly 100 Weedend) Show and Go from Field Shopping Center in Morton. 8:30 a.m.
- Oct. 14th ERIC'S FIRST ANNUAL FALL FAIR WEATHER RIDE- Meet me at **1:00 PM** at the Sterling Center (TENTATIVE) shopping plaza (Sterling & Reservoir, Peoria) and we'll explore one of the more obscure and scenic roads that is right in Peoria's back yard (it is paved, by the way). Approximate destination is Peoria Airport (15-20 miles). **Rating BC.**  
This ride is extremely tentative. Please call me the AM of the ride to see if we're on (regardless of weather) Eric Hutchison 685-3921.
- Oct. 14th ANNUAL CENTURY RIDE **Starting time is 7:30 a.m.** from Germantown (Grade School) to Lacon for a fifty loop - on to Toluca and Rutland for the Century. Leader: Dave Ringland (822-8504) **Rating: AB**  
Select either the 50 or 100 mile distance.
- Oct. 21st SCROGGS ANNUAL FOOTBALL RIDE- Meet at Scrogg's home in Morton for a 40-60 mile ride of unknown destination with a breakfast stop included. After the ride enjoy Chilli and Football. **Start is 8:00 a.m. R.S.V.P. PLEASE as soon as possible.** Leaders: Bob and Mary Scroggs, (266-5790) **Rating: AB**
- Oct. 28th Tanner's Orchard Ride (The Seasons Last Ride) Starts at Mossville Grade School and goes to Tanners Orchard. fo breakfast at Tanners. 40 miles approx. Carl DeBoer is the Leader (692-7985) **AB Rating**





## 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.



### OCTOBER

12-15 LEAGUE OF AMERICAN WHEELMEN REGIONAL RALLEY: Held at Bellville, IL. Features choice of many routes each day, workshops, boat race on St. Louis Riverfront, and (of course) FOOD. For info: S.I.R.R. '90 Registration, 1217 St. Michael Dr., Cahokia, IL 62206. Ph: Art Scholbe at 618 ) 332 - 2002

13 COLORBURST: 25, 40, 62 miles from Fallsburg Pk, Lowell, MI. Rapid Wheelmen, 2021 140th Ave., Dorr, MI 49323; 616)681-9601 or 245-1728.

13 GOLDEN HARVEST BIKE TOUR: In conjunction with Eckert's Golden Harvest Days fall festival. 15,500 miles through Belleville, IL (near St. Louis). For info, contact OAC / AYH (++below).

13-14 TREKK'N 90: 120 miles between W. Lafayette and Logansport, IN along historical toepath route. Fundraiser for Family Services Inc. (United Way Agency, \$225 pledges required) in conjunction with Wabash Cycle Club, W. Lafayette. Contact Family Services, Inc., 731 Main St., Lafayette, IN 47901-1313; Ph: 423-5361.

### NOVEMBER

10 & 11 VETEREN'S DAY BICYCLING FESTIVAL: 30 mile to 110 mile events from Lake Charles, LA to the Gulf of Mexico. Contact Bicycling Festival, PO Box 3402, Lake Charles, LA 70602-6000; Ph 318)436-9588.

10-15 FLORIDA BICYCLE SAFARI: 3 & 6 day tour options between Eustis and Trenton, FL. (Airport shuttle from Orlando available). Registration supports Public Radio Station WMFE (no pledges req'd). Contact WMFE Public Broadcasting, 11510 east Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32817-4699; Ph 407)273-2300 Ext 192 or 107.

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

### 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.

### Our club is an affiliate of the League of American Wheelmen

For a limited time, the League is offering a ~~trial~~ membership... to club members only.

- For three dollars, you will receive:
- Two issues of *BICYCLE USA*, the League membership magazine.
  - Informative bicycling articles.
  - Product reviews.
  - Bicycle action information.
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Try League membership for two months. It's only ~~three~~ **three** dollars. It's good for you, for your club and for bicycling. **Here's my three dollars. I want to try the League for two months.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Send application and three dollars to:

**League of American Wheelmen**  
6707 Whitestone Road  
Suite 209S  
Baltimore, MD 21207-4106  
(301)944-3399

this trial membership offer is good through October, 1990  
Please allow time for processing.

### CATEGORY A..

**Aggressive rider** - capable of going long distances at above average pace. Capable of riding alone if lost or dropped. Knowledgeable of high speed group riding techniques such as pace lining.

### CATEGORY B...

**Intermediate rider** - capable of long distance rides at a reasonable rate (15 to 18 mph ave). Knowledgeable of group riding techniques.

### CATEGORY C...

**Social rider** - not interested in vigorous exercise. This also could be someone unfamiliar with group riding, the route, or their equipment. This rider can expect assistance from the group if necessary.



ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELM'N  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DO NOT WRITE  
IN THIS AREA

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
CHILDREN'S NAME (S) \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
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EXPIRES \_\_\_\_\_  
JOINED \_\_\_\_\_  
PKSNT \_\_\_\_\_

- Individual (\$10)
- Family (\$12)
- Ride after work
- New
- Renew

DISCLAIMER: In signing this form, I understand and agree to absolve the officers and members of the Illinois Valley Wheelm'n bicycle club of all blame for any injury, misadventure, harm, loss or inconvenience suffered as a result of taking part in any activity sponsored or advertised by said organization.

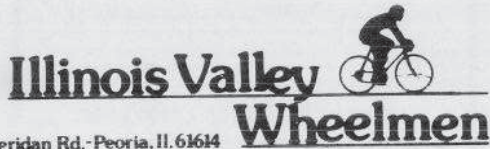
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The Illinois Valley Wheelm'n is an incorporated nonprofit organization of more than twenty, but less than three hundred members in the tri-county area. Newsletters are distributed twelve times each year through bulk third class mail. The newsletter will not be forwarded, so let the membership chairperson know if you are planning a move or are not getting your newsletter.



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