

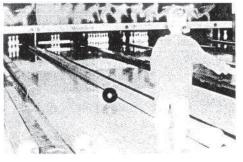
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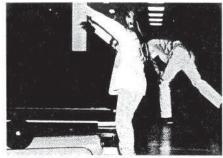
greater peoria's bicycle club



March, 1998







Arizona Dreaming

The Dudleys

As the readers of this newsletter may recall, IVW jerseys have been spotted on some back roads in southern Arizona. The sightings have continued, and the road usage has expanded. As it happens, our campground (RV Park) or whatever is about half way between Tucson and the cities of Nogales on a frontage road that's great low traffic riding.

There's one small problem however. Said frontage road isn't quite continuous, so when we go south to the artists' colony of Tubac we get to ride a mile of the wide paved shoulder of I19-speed limit 75!The noise is annoying, but the eighteen wheelers can produce a large puff of favorable wind. At the crossover point where we go from east frontage road to the southbound shoulder there's a Border Patrol check point. We've provided a little vehicular variety to the guys checking for illegals and pot.

Yesterday we hauled in to Green Valley and did a neat 22 mile loop. The first 4 miles were a pretty steady and gradual up-like Hallock Hollow. Then there was a roller section, still predominately up, then it was flat northbound to Helmet Peak. Then the payoff-5 miles of steady downhill-about 26mph with only token pedaling of the

new green tandem. The right turn on La Ca~nada put us on the flat again. About 3 miles along there and a left turn on W. Woodacre Dr. puts us at our new home-the 6th house on the south side. About 5 miles of flat from there is the Bank of America parking lot where we started. So when we're moved in we can warm up on the flat before we start the climb.

We're hoping to see lots of IVW ride mates when we're installed. We'll be back in Peoria from about the 22nd of Feb. to about the 10th of April. Then it's farewell to lots of good friends, our son and grandson, and off to the great west. Our new address:

George and Eileen Dudley 1275 W Woodacre Dr. Sahuatrita AZ 85629 (520)393-7935 gwdudley@bykerider.win.net

As almost a PS, we spent a night with Bob and Mary Scroggs in the Phoenix area last weekend. They're very well installed in their place. They too enjoy good riding right from home. We hope to see some of you in Arizona and will scope out the good riding and eating.

George and Eileen

Bowling Results Are In!

The scores ranged from those that one would expect in bowling, to those more appropriate for a golf game. No threats to the pro tour appear in the near future but it was a good opportunity to get together and enjoy time with friends. When the Wheelm'n invaded Bowl-Mor-Lanes, they occupied half of the lanes for the afternoon. As always the IVW event included lots of food. The bowlers traveled to Godfather's Pizza to complete the afternoon in the party room. For more photos check the IVW home page.

New Members

| Gordon Grant | Princeton |
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| Patty Isit | Peoria |
| Timothy and Stella O' | 'Hanlon' |
| | Peoria |
| Jim Sloan | |

Renewing Members

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| | Rolla GodfreyPeoria | | | |
| | Steve and Carol Hallock Peoria | | | |
| | Sheila and Reid Hansen family*^ | | | |
| | Peoria | | | |
| | Robert Henderson Peoria | | | |
| | Everett Lyons Peoria | | | |
| | Harold Moloney^Morton | | | |
| Carl and Martha Muller family | | | | |
| | Washington | | | |
| | Robert and Nancy Neumann family | | | |
| | East Peoria | | | |
| | Kelly O'Leary' Peoria | | | |
| | Dean ParkerMorton | | | |
| | Melvin Perrill Pekin | | | |
| | Quinton and Barb Smith family^ | | | |
| | Peoria | | | |
| | Gregg Steffan Peoria | | | |
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Submissions, including stories, news, images and/or humor are welcomed.

Deadline: 15th of the month

DIANE'S RIDE 98

Diane's ride "98" is set for August 22. We will be starting and ending from the same place as last year, the American Legion in Glassford. I hope to have a repeat of last years ride (great food, weather, routes and most of all great fellowship). I will be needing some help to pull this off. I urge any new members out there (or old ones that haven't been to active with the club) to give me a call. This is a great way to get to know people and find out what the club is all about. You might even have some fun in the process. If you will be participating in

the ride I can still use your help. Some help is needed setting up before the ride and cleaning up after the ride. Also there is the ever present need for rest stop and lunch help. You can call me, Brian King or my wife Debbie at745-5960 or e-mail us at ntfdbiker@aol.com So mark your calendars and plan on being in Glassford on August 22, I'll be looking forward to seeing everyone there. Look for more information in future newsletters

Brian King

Pedals for Progress

Sheldon Schafer

Director of Science Programs and Facilities Lakeview Museum of Arts & Sciences

I first learned of this program as a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer in the newsletter of that organization. As a volunteer in India I saw firsthand the importance of bicycles to people in the developing world. For many, a bicycle is essential for survival. The following is from PfP's information packet. I'm hoping to organize a collection this spring, and will have more to say at the March IVW meeting. Sheldon Schafer (Returned Peace Corps Volunteer India 70-72)

"Pedals for Progress sponsors the collection of used bicycles, which will be shipped to developing countries. Anyone with a bicycle in repairable condition, who no longer has need of the bike, is urged to donate the bike to this cause. PfP collects over 5000 bicycles annually and transfers this material wealth to those more needy. To date more than 18,000 have been shipped to projects in 16 developing countries of Latin America, Africa, and Pacific islands. In these countries the bikes are reconditioned by partner agencies and distributed at low cost to poor working adults to give them reliable transportation for commuting to work, for transporting produce to market, or for accessing health

care and other services . Steady employment for these adults is vital to development and success for their economies. It averages \$35 to collect, process, ship, rebuild and distribute a bicycle. A donation toward shipping costs is requested (suggested \$10 per bike; minimum \$5 per bike). All cash and material donations are fully tax deductible. Pedals for Progress is a 501 (c) 3 corporation and a registered charity in the States of New Jersey and Ohio." Pedals for Progress is headed by Dave Schweidenback, a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer. More info can be found at: www.p4p.org pdls4prgrss@worldnet.att.net

March Meeting

Roger John and Kathy Jones have ridden the RAGBRAI and would like to share their experiences with you. See the official ride video and maybe you will want to ride the Ragbrai, too.

> Come join us! Leonardo's Pizza 700 E. War Memorial Dr., Peoria 6PM March 18 Vicki

SUNDAY RIDES

Meet at the Peoria courthouse at 11 a.m. Steve Grube is the leader (699-6956)

Spring Breakout Ride March 22, 8:30 A.M.

The Spring Breakout Ride will begin at St. Mary's Hall in Metamora, 4 blocks west of the square. First on the agenda is a Pancake and Sausage Breakfast to benefit the Knights of Columbus. Second, you can work off all those calories with a choice of two rides. The Level 1 ride will be 10-15 miles and the Level 2 ride will be 20-30 miles, tailored for those that need to expend the extra calories.

Folks on Spokes Easter Ride

Sunday, April 19. There will be 25, 35, 45, 65 mile routes and the famous Easter egg sandwiches to follow. University Park, IL contact (708) 730-5179 or http://www.lincolnnet.net/FOS/

For Sale: Schwinn Joyrider pull-behind trailer. Excellent condition New was \$325, will sell for \$250. Contact Dirk @ 699-8482

NO BALONEY LIVES AGAIN

Jim and Sarah Emmons and Dirk McGuire will be co-chairing the ride. The date is June 6th. We will be looking for ideas and the oh-so-important volunteers and home-made cookies. Especially looking for rest stop workers. If interested call Jim & Sarah at 246-2166 or Dirk at 699-8482

Wednesday Rides Again

Stretch and Dirk will be hosting the Wednesday night rides again starting April 8th at 6:00. We will be leaving from Pleasant Hill School in East Peoria. Levels 1 and 2 - No one will be dropped.

Evening Ride and Food

TOUR YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD will begin on March 25th at 4PM and continue until 1AM. This is a tour of 8 restaurant/bars chosen for their menu and/or atmosphere and also for their willingness to accommodate cyclists. The participating establishments will provide a dinner and drink special exclusively for tour participants and secure bicycle parking. The biker will receive a punch card with each restaurant and the special offer listed on the card. Each rider will also receive

a tee-shirt proclaiming the event. Bikers who visit each establishment and present their completed punch card will receive a certificate of completion. The registration fee is \$15 if paid before 3/18 and \$20 up 'til 3/25. For more information call Tim at The Bicycle Bus and Deep Elem Brews (309)676-4678 or BikeNBrew@mcleodusa.net. Flyers are forthcoming.

REPAIR CLINIC / SWAP MEET

March 15, 1:00 p.m. I have enough tools on hand, but only have one repair stand. If someone could supply an extra stand or two, give me a call. There will be chili and Swedish cornbread on hand too. For directions or questions call me at 387-6117.

Jack Welch

Feb. Board Minutes: The board decided to have the meetings at 7:00 P.M. on the first Monday of every other month unless business required additional meetings. Bill Clark reported that another organization was using the IVW account number for unauthorized After numerous transactions. discussions with the bank the problem was resolved. The board decided to pay the artwork fee for the club jerseys. Discussion was held concerning the dues for our affiliate status with the LAB. Mark Padeski reported on the March club meeting.

> Are you renewing, or is this a new membership? (check one)

ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELM'N MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

| | | | Renewing New |
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| Name #1please | print clearly | Birthdate | |
| Name #2 | | Birthdate | club? |
| Name #3 | | Birthdate | Are you an LAB member? (check one) ☐ Yes ☐ No |
| Name #4 | | Birthdate | Basic membership: |
| E-mail address (print clearly | | | IndMdual (\$10) \$ |
| Address | | | Household (\$12) \$ |
| City | State | ZIP | Voluntary advocacy contribution: |
| Name and the second sec | | | (\$5,10, 15, other) \$ |
| Signature (Name #1) | | Date | Total enclosed \$ |
| | or guardiain if registrant is under 18) | | |

DISCLAIMER: In signing this form, I understand and agree to absolve the officers and members of the Illinois Valley Whellm'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.

Make check payable to: ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELM'N, 6518 NORTH SHERIDAN RD, STE 2, PEORIA IL 61614-2933

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Your IVW membership expires: 10/03/98

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"Ride the Ups and Downs"

Saturday, May 2, 1998 Elizabeth, IL (12 miles east of Galena) 22/31/46/55 mile routes. The 55 mile route goes to the highest point in Illinois. \$10 by April 20, \$15 thereafter. For information: 673-8647 Beth & Ken Beckler; 815/858-9837 ride director The Becklers have brochures on Elizabeth, Galena, and Jo Daviess County - listing accommodations and attractions.