

ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELM'N



April, 2001

greater peoria's bicycle club

IVW Board Meeting Minutes, March 14

Present: Patty Sage, Jim Emmons, Sarah Emmons, Larry Davis, Sheila Gribble, Eric Hutchison, Marge Semmens, Bill Semmens, Chris Hill

Patty reported that we will have speakers at the IVW meetings through May. Sheila reported the books are balanced and have been loaded on Quicken. The bill for LAB affiliation dues was received and the board voted to pay it. Marge inquired about the IVW's tax-exempt status. It is believed that Brenda Clark filed a tax-exempt form with the state. Sheila is looking into it.

With regard to the 2001 Ride Schedule, it was announced that Jim Vaupel would be leading a Thursday night ride from Pekin's Coal Miner's Park. And, that Glen Thomas had offered to lead a ride one weekend. The board would like to encourage more members to lead the occasional weekend ride. Marge reported on the Sugar River/New Glaris ride July 21 - 22. Since it is a festival weekend, lodging could be a problem. Group rate reservations for 25 have been made at Yellowstone campground. The group rate cost would be \$4 per person for both nights. Individual camping costs \$10 - \$15 per person. Those interested in the group rate camping should contact Marge. Reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. The Johnson-Sauk/Kewanee ride will be held May 19 - 20.

Sarah reported that the Annual Banquet will be held November 3 at Kenyon's in Lacon.

Marge recommended the club pick a day (or couple days) in May to set up an IVW table on the Rock Island and East Peoria trails to promote the club. A budget of \$20 would be provided to purchase bagels, juice, etc. Patty

indicated that she had additional Membership brochures. IVW water bottles could also be distributed. Sarah mentioned that the Children's Hospital does a trail ride early in the year on the Rock Island Trail and maybe we could plan around that.

With regard to old business: The Double Century will be held June 23 as part of a series. The No Baloney will be held Saturday, September 22. Flyers were completed in time for CABDA. Greg Benning agreed to distribute flyers left over from CABDA at bike shops in the Joliet/Chicago area. Marge will submit the "Best Biking in America" form.

With regard to new business: Patty presented the Asimba.com offer. The board was unclear on whether their Fitness Pro and Weight Loss Pro programs would be offered at no charge and minimal frustration to members during Asimba's "fine-tuning" process. A decision was postponed until we had more info.

The timing and length of the newsletter was discussed. Marge reported that several pages could be added to the newsletter without increasing postage. Materials are not getting to the editor by the 15th deadline. Since the IVW meeting falls on the second Wednesday, there doesn't seem to be enough time to get new materials to the editor by the 15th. The board discussed adding pages to the newsletter with information provided after the 15th but before it goes to print - even if it means that those pages are one-sided or only half full.

The club roster is due to be sent out again. The board decided it would be sent out with the May newsletter.

Chris reported on the Peoria Park District program. Lisa Ullenius at the Park District had indicated that to be included in the summer program, the

IVW would have to pay a \$153 ad fee. Sara is going to check with a member of the Illinois Valley Striders to see if they had to pay for their advertisement in the PPD program. Larry and Eric provided the names of additional contact people (Dave Wheeler and Bonnie Beno) at the Park District.

Eric reported that he and Sheldon would be leading the Pedal Peoria city rides again this year.

The IVW will not be participating in the Sports Classic weekend this year due to poor organization and turnout last year.



New Members

Les Bonick^ Peoria

Renewing Members

Allan Carr^ Peoria
Ron & Gwen Chandler Family
..... East Peoria
Bill & Freda Clark^ Washington
James & Sue Hooker^ ... Chillicothe
Patrick McGovern Putnam
Stephen & Theresa Meisner Peoria
Steve Miller West Peoria
Allen Monts^ Dunlap
Brad Niemcek & Sharon Murphy^ .
..... Peoria
Quinton & Barb Smith Family^
..... Peoria
Diane Williams^ Pekin

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Submissions, including stories, news,
images and/or humor are welcomed.

Deadline: 15th of the month

IVW On The WEB

[http://www.geocities.com/
ivw.geo](http://www.geocities.com/ivw.geo)

enter the above as one line, no
spaces

Club Calendar

April 11, IVW Meeting 7:00 p.m. Held at Safety Town, 6518 North Sheridan Rd., Peoria. *Tentative* topic: presentation on double centuries and how to prepare for them.

May 9, IVW Meeting 7:30 p.m. Held at Safety Town, 6518 North Sheridan Rd., Peoria. Marty Potts of the Antique Bike Club will give a presentation on his hobby and plans to bring his 1897 tandem. This bike has dual-steering and is designed to have the woman in front. The original factory building still stands in Chicago.

May 18, Bike to Work Day!

May 19, Bicycle Film Fest. This event is being arranged by Tim Beeney. 6:30 p.m. at the Apollo Theater

May 19-20, Johnson-Sauk, Kewanee camping (or not) ride. Leaders: Bill & Marge Semmens.

June 2-3, Quad Cities Trail Ride, Leader: Larry Paustian.

June 23, IVW Double Century Ride, Leader: Bill Semmens.

July 21-22, New Glarus, Wisconsin Trail/Road Ride. This is in lieu of the Elroy-Sparta ride, thought we would try something new. Ride leaders: Bill & Marge Semmens.

August 11-12, Interplanetary Bicycle Ride, The Lakeview Museum's invitational ride (with assistance from the IVW).

September 22, IVW's Pedal In Invitational Ride (a.k.a. No Baloney) Jubilee College State Historic Site and Park

November 3, IVW's Annual Dinner & Awards Banquet Kenyon's in Lacon

Items of Interest

Not affiliated with IVW

April 1, Pimiteoui Trail Assn. Hike 2:00 p.m. Meet at Forest Park Nature Center.

April 1, Spring Forward, No Foolin' Union, IL. Schaumburg Bicycle Club, contact Freda Brown (847) 622-5356 schmburgbikeclub@aol.com

April 22, Easter Ride University Park, IL. Folks On Spokes, contact Tom Derrig (708) 730-5179 TJDbike@aol.com

April 29, Silver Springs 60 Yorkville, IL Fox Valley Bicycle/Ski Club, contact (630) 584-7353 don@irdon.com

May 6, Pimiteoui Trail Assn. Hike 2:00 p.m. Meet at Forest Park Nature Center.

May 6, Sudden Century Minooka, IL. Joliet Bicycle Club, contact Tess Bishop (815) 722-7251 i-think-not@worldnet.att.net

Sunday Rides

The club is looking for Sunday morning and afternoon ride leaders. So, pick out your favorite route and call Bill Semmens at 693-9388 (or Semmens@mtco.com) to get it posted in the newsletter. Please allow about two months lead time.

Johnson - Sauk Trail Park

May 19 & 20, Kewanee, IL This is a camping and bike trip to beautiful Johnson - Sauk Trail Park about five miles north of Kewanee, IL. You can camp one or two nights or just join us for day rides. We'll ride Saturday and Sunday. The ride will be 30+ miles. There will be a group dinner on Sat. so let us know what you want to contribute. Sunday we'll ride to Bishop Hill (about 50 miles) and have lunch at one of the restaurants there; we'll need a head count for our reservation. Rides will leave the park about 9:00 a.m. each day. Call Bill or Marge Semmens at (309)-693-9388 or Semmens@mtco.com

Bike Quad Cities

June 1-3

Camp at Illinwek Forrest Preserve on the east bank of the Mississippi River. We will ride Sat. morning on the Ben Butterworth Memorial Parkway then on to the scenic back roads. Pack a lunch in case restaurants cannot be found. Sunday we will travel south along the river with side trips to islands. Helmets are required. Saturday night you are welcome to join us at Miss Mamie's Catfish House. Gary Hartzler will lead us on some of the back roads for our road riding. Gary's number is (309) 762-6753. Call me if you plan to come along. Larry Paustian, 694-3947.

Sugar River Trail

July 21-22, New Glarus, WI. Instead of the long drive to the Elroy-Sparta Trail, we're trying something closer to home. The Sugar River Trail is about a four-hour drive from Peoria and offers a nice flat trail surrounded by lots of hills. We plan to ride the trail and highways on Saturday and Sunday. We have a group campsite reserved for a base camp in the Yellowstone State Park. Send \$4 per person to reserve your spot; we only have space for 25 people. There are also B&B's and motels in town; make reservations early because there is a festival in town. Call Bill or Marge Semmens at 309-693-9388 or Semmens@mtco.com for sign up or more info.

Weekly Ride Schedule

Day	Location	Start Time	Start Date	Distance	Ride Level	Leader	Phone	Extras
Mon.	Dunlap Grade School	6:00 p.m.	5/7/01	Depends on group	Beginners and above	Marge Semmens	696-9388	
Tues.	Dunlap Grade School	5:30 p.m.	4/3/01	Depends on daylight	All levels	Steve Kurt	243-7684	
Wed.	Pleasant Hill School, East Peoria	5:00 p.m.	4/4/01	Depends on daylight	All levels	Dirk McGuire Larry Paustian	699-8482 694-3947	
Thurs.	Coal Miners' Park, Pekin	5:30 p.m.	4/5/01	Depends on daylight	All levels	Jim Vaupel	353-6104	
Fri.	Pearce Center, Chillicothe	6:00 p.m.	5/4/01	Depends on daylight	All levels & Families	Jim & Sarah Emmons	246-2166	Eat After
Sat.	Washington Square	8:30 a.m.	Year Round	25-35 miles	Level 2 & 3	Show 'n Go	699-2790	
	Russell's, Washington	8:30 a.m.	Now	Varies	Level 2 & 3	Don Eberle		
	Pearce Center, Chillicothe	9:00 a.m.	4/7/01	20-25 miles	All levels	Show 'n Go		

Ride Levels

Beginner	Averages 6-10 mph. Little or no road riding experience
1	Averages 8-12 mph. Leisurely, can ride 20 miles
2	Averages 12-15 mph. Touring, can do up to 50 miles
3	Averages 15-18 mph. Fitness, can do a century

ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELM'N MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name #1 _____ please print clearly Birthdate _____
 Name #2 _____ Birthdate _____
 Name #3 _____ Birthdate _____
 Name #4 _____ Birthdate _____
 E-mail address (print clearly) _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
 Phone () _____
 Signature (Name #1) _____ Date _____
(parent or guardian if registrant is under 18)

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

Renewing New

If new, how did you find out about the club? _____

Are you an IAB member? (check one)

Yes No

Basic membership:

Individual (\$10) \$ _____
 Household (\$12) \$ _____

Voluntary advocacy contribution:

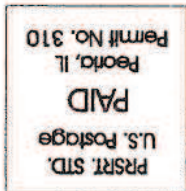
(\$5, 10, 15, other) \$ _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

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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Peoria, IL. Enjoy the following: *2 Secondes*, *Velorution*, *Return
Of The Scorcher*, *Pedalphiles*, *I'm No Fool With A Bicycle*.
Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Call Tim at 685-9818 for more
information.