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greater peoria's bicycle club
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Tanner's Orchard Ride, Oct 8th 2005

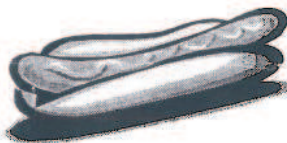
The leaves are turning colors and the weather is cooler, which means that the last great days of biking are here! Join us in celebrating the season by participating in a ride through the Illinois River bluffs to Tanner's Orchard. Tanner's is known for their great apples, as well as their fine baked goods.

The ride will take place on Saturday, October 8th at 9am. We will ride 40 miles (plus or minus a few). We'll stop at the orchard for snacks & drinks, so bring some money. The ride will be unsupported, so make sure you have spare tubes, a pump, etc.

Meet at the Mossville Grade School (a half mile south of the Caterpillar Mossville plant north of Peoria, on Old Galena road). If there are questions, please contact Steve Kurt at 243-7684 (or kurtsj@mtco.com).

October 1 Breakfast Ride

Mike Pula is going to lead another town breakfast ride on the 1st of October. Meet at Vonachen's Junction at 8:30. We will ride downtown to eat on the riverfront. Total miles will be 15 – 20 at a casual pace.



Weiner Roast and Ride
from Pam Hoehne's

235 East Green Acres Ct

East Peoria (Germantown)

694-4828

Date: October 15th

Times 50 mile ride begins
at 1:00 25 mile ride
begins at 3:00
weiner roast 5:00

The longer route will wind along country roads to Washburn. The shorter route will loop around Metamora and back to Germantown.

Bring a dish to pass and a lawn chair. Weiners, buns, non-alcoholic beverages and eating service provided.

Directions: Go 116 towards Metamora. When you get to the top of Germantown Hill, turn left onto Far Hills Drive. (Landmark is Willow Methodist Church) Go 1 1/4 miles until there is a fork in the road. Veer to the right. Green Acres Ct is the second court to the right. 235 is at the back of the court--a red brick ranch. Hope to see you!

Thank You Ride Leaders!

A special thank you to our beginner ride leaders, to our daily ride leaders, and to those of you who have organized special rides this season. We truly appreciate the planning and the time commitment you put into leading a ride. Each of you plays a critical role in the success and growth of our club.

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Mackinaw Ride Redux October 22

Since some Wheelman were not able to make this ride when it was first offered on 8/27, we will again be offering this 25 mile, somewhat hilly ride in the Mackinaw River Valley. We will meet at 9:30 AM at the Dinner Theater Parking lot on Timberline Road in Goodfield.

After the ride we will have lunch at the Busy Corner Restaurant. Need more info? Call Cora Lynn Green (683-3083)

Are you Missing Out?

Approximately 70 members out of a total club membership of 200 receive reminders and up-to-date information on rides and social events. No discrimination intended. It is just that these lucky 70 are on the Wheelman email list and the rest of you are just left out and uninformed. So...if you are tired of not knowing what is going on, here is what you should do.

Send an email to ivwheelmn@yahoo.com with the sentence "add me to the list" in the subject line. If you decide to be taken off the list, you can always send an email asking to be removed. This list is used strictly to inform club members of cycling activities and will not be used to spam people. Notices will be sent via Blind Carbon Copy, so that you don't have to sift through everyone else's email list to get to the message.

IV Wheelm'n Annual Banquet

Date: Saturday, November 12, 2005

Place: Lariat Steakhouse 2232 W Glen Ave,
Peoria

Time: Cocktails at 6:00 P.M., Dinner at 6:30
P.M.

It's that time of year again to get together with other club members and relax, have dinner, and of course, elect board members. We usually have about 40 in attendance and everyone enjoys greeting friends and exchanging bike stories. The venue has changed this year, just so we can have a little variety. Lariat Steakhouse is a great place to dine and has excellent banquet facilities. We will have choices between steak, chicken, or fish. I need a head count by November 5th, so please call me at 682-7771 or email me at ivwheelmn@yahoo.com to let me know how many in your party will be attending. Please try to attend this fun event.

Bonnie Johnson

Want Ads:

Condo Available in Mountain Biking Mecca, Winter Park, Colorado. Inquire: 694-4828

Recumbent for sale: 1997 Reveille Maxam 1 owner, rarely used, 21 spd, sofa seat, like new. \$300 Call Jinny Gunnar 309 688-8345.

1994 Santana Soverign Tandem Forest Green CroMo Frame Wheelsmith 40 spoke (700x26c) Edco Hubs Deore XT Group Bar End Shifters 56/53 configuration Excellent Condition. \$2200.00 Bill Clark (309)347-4841 wdclark@mtco.com

FOR SALE: BIANCHI Reparto Corse frame, seat tube length: 61cm, top tube length: 58

cm, wb: 101cm. 1" steel steerer tube, threadless headset carbon fork. Never crashed, never in the rain. Firm, responsive ride, but rock solid on high speed descents. Low miles. \$300

FREE: Cannondale CAD3 frame, seat tube length: 63cm, top tube length: 58cm, wb: 102 cm. 1" steel steerer tube, threaded headset. Carbon fork. Never crashed, been in the rain. Good ride, stable. Been around a while. Jack Welch, 309-387-6117, jack.welch@insightbb.com

2001 Italian UniVega for sale. Only ridden 5 miles! Call Orv Haun (309) 697-5834

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Wheelman Helps in Katrina Relief

Fred Smiser bought a bicycle about a year ago, and since then he averages about 100 miles a week. He often leads rides from Pekin or joins Laurie Wilbur on the Thursday morning rides as well as other rides offered by the club.

With this same enthusiasm, Fred is about to change gears. He has volunteered to help Habitat for Humanity in a new program of building homes for hurricane victims. Fred doesn't yet have all the details, but this is a whole new approach for Habitat, and he is volunteering from the start.

As most of you know, Habitat volunteers help build a home with the new owner putting in a certain amount of sweat equity, but this crisis program is somewhat different. The Peoria volunteers will build complete houses as will volunteers in other cities. Then the houses, somewhat disassembled, will be shipped down to the Gulf Coast and reassembled on the site. Fred has also volunteered to go down and help finish up the house.

There are lots of details Fred doesn't yet know, but we will be following Fred's activities as he participates in this new approach to help the Katrina victims get back into a house of their own. If there are other Wheelman who would like to help in this new program, call Habitat for Humanity at 676-6729.

Illinois Valley Wheelm'n Ride Schedule

Closely view departure dates and times!

Monday Morton Level 1 Dennis Tresenriter (387-6617) is the new leader for this ride out of Morton. Meet at McClallen Park (Soccer Fields at Jackson and Tennessee) Departure time 5:30 PM. Distance will be 15 miles early in the season and increase over the summer. The ride will regroup frequently. **Last ride is Sept 26.**

Monday Dunlap Level 1 Bonnie Johnson (682-7771) will lead this ride departing from Dunlap Grade School at 6:00 PM starting in June. Ride distance will be 15 miles early in the season and will lengthen through the summer. The group will ride together and regroup frequently. **Last ride is August 29.**

Monday Dunlap Level 2 Leo Chuzhoy (740-4266) will lead this newly created ride departing from Dunlap Grade School at 6:00 PM. Ride distance will be 20 early in the season and then increasing. Riders will regroup periodically and make certain no riders are left behind. **Last ride is August 29.**

Tuesday Dunlap Levels 2 & 3 Steve Kurt (243-7684) leads this popular ride from the Dunlap Grade School. Departure time 5:30 PM. Be ready to ride at departure time. Mileage will be 20 early in the season and then increasing. The ride will sometimes break into two groups. One will generally average 16 mph and the other can be faster. Both groups regroup periodically and make certain no riders are left behind. **The last ride will be when people stopped coming.**

Tuesday Dunlap "Kinder Gentler" Level 2 Pam Hoehne (694-4828) will lead the group again this year for the Level 2 rider, or those Level 1 riders looking for a challenge. Departure 5:30 to 5:45PM. **Last ride will be Oct 25.**

Daytime Tuesday Dunlap Show & Go All levels of riders depart from the Dunlap Grade School at 9:00am. Distance 25-50. Contact Laurie Wilbur (446-9367) for more info.

Wednesday East Peoria Level 2 Dirk McGuire (699-8484) will lead this ride from the Pleasant Hill Head Start School (across from the Antique Mall) departing at 5:00 PM. Ride distance will start in the 20 mile range and increase throughout the season. Average speed will be 13-17 mph and no one will be dropped. **Last ride will be October 26.**

Thursday Pekin Levels 2& 3 Jim Vaupel (353-6104) leads this group from Coal Miners Park . Departure time 5:30 PM. The ride is a fast pace (16-18 plus) and includes pace line riding and some challenging hills. Ride distance is 20-40 miles. Jim says the ride may do a rolling re-group to gather up strays but suggests that all riders bring a photo ID or pre-completed toe tag. **Last ride will be September 15.**

Daytime Thursday Brimfield All Levels Laurie Wilbur (446-9367) organizes this ride from various locations each week at 9:00 AM. Refer to the Thursday ride schedule. Ride distance 25-50 miles.

Friday Chillicothe All Levels Edith Albright (274-4849) will co-lead this ride with Melissa McClure from the Pearce Center. Departure time 5:30 PM all summer. Distance varies depending on the group. The ride is normally followed by a dinner at a Chillicothe restaurant for those interested. **Last ride will be September 30.**

Saturday Show and Go Washington Level 3 ride meets at Washington Square at **8:30** all year. Distance varies from 25-60 miles.

Saturday Show and Go from Russell's All Levels Meet at Russell's in Washington at 8:30 Saturday. Distance ranges from 25-40 miles and includes a meal stop.

Upcoming Events:

1. October 1 Breakfast Ride to the River
2. October 8 Ride to Tanner's Orchard
3. October 15 Weiner Roast and Ride
4. October 22 Mackinaw River Valley Ride

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