



IVW Monthly Note 2017 September Edition

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A picture perfect day for the 44th NBR

You couldn't ask for any better weather for the 44th No Baloney Ride last Saturday with temperature in the high 50's in the morning and the low 70's in the afternoon and a light breeze. Around 300 participants enjoyed the gorgeous day with us. Based from the feedback from participants last year, the routes were changed to reduce the number of time the riders have to ride back into Morton. We also brought back the chili, Italian beef sandwich, peach cobbler and ice cream based on last year's response.

Other than a minor signage issue that weren't in sync with the cue sheet, the entire day went well thanks to NBR Coordinator Mark Wilkinson's meticulous planning since March. A big thank you to Jim Coffey and Randy Anderson for creating routes through low usage roads; the route marking team - Jack Brej, Rebecca Senneff, Sheila Hansen, Reid Hansen, Randy Anderson, Mark Wilkinson; food preparation team - Barb Drake, Bev Ketel, Dick McDonnell, Randy Senneff, Rebecca Senneff, Fai Mok, Mark Wilkinson, and the rest of the volunteers on the day of the ride - Jim DeVore, Cindy Fleming, Randy Anderson, Dirk McGuire, Michelle McGuire, Jim Kamp, Ann Kamp, Morgan Grigsby, Sheldon Shafer, Mark Wilkinson, Bev Ketel, Dick McDonnell, Rebecca Senneff, Steve Kurt, Fai Mok, Sarah Gray, Phyllis Pollard, Heather Fitzanko, Ryan Deemer(Bike Peoria), Andy Stow(Bike Peoria), Evan Stumpges(Bike Peoria)



Heading to NBR on the E. Peoria Trail – Photo provided by Fai Mok.



A couple of small groups of riders about to head out - Photo provided by Mark Wilkinson.



Michelle M. checking everything is well stock – Photo provided by Mark W.



Someone is riding a century - Photo provided by Mark Wilkinson.



Members of the Tri Club getting a group photo - Photo provided by Mark Wilkinson.



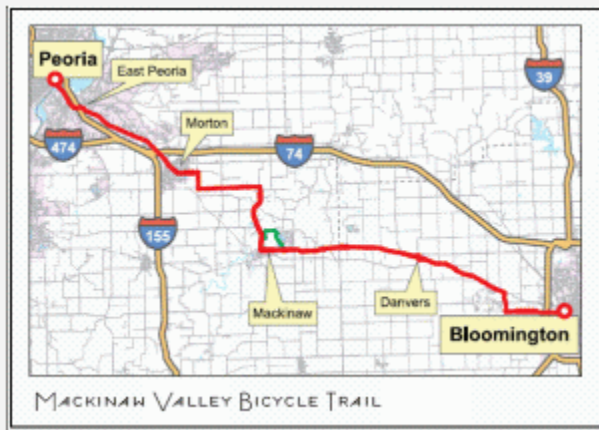
Several bicyclists ride by the Field of Gold – a field full of Black Eyed Susan that is.

Club t-shirt and socks are in, some IVW kit still available

The club short sleeve t-shirts and socks from EmbroidMe are in. The dark royal blue t-shirt have the design from the back of the jersey in the front is \$17 and the socks in white with IVW logo are \$8. There are a few IVW jerseys and shorts left. Both jersey and shorts are \$68 each. Contact Rebecca if interested.

The 6th Meet-in-the-Middle Ride is on Sept. 23rd

On October 1st, 2011, Ride Illinois (formerly the League of Illinois Bicyclists) invited IVW & McLean County Wheelers members to celebrate the official opening of the Mackinaw Valley Trail route. The MVT route is part of the long term plan drawn up by RI, Tri-County Regional Planning Commission(TCRPC) and Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources(IDNR) to connect the Rock Island Trail in Peoria area with the Route 66 Trail in Bloomington-Normal and eventually north to the Illinois & Michigan Canal. Members from both clubs that day started riding from their respective ends of the trail, meeting up in Mackinaw. On Saturday Sept. 23rd (**Sept 30th rain out date**) IVW and MCW will once again take part in this ride as participants will once again meet at the Village of Mackinaw. There will be festivities at the village square. The plan is to have multiple starting locations along the way with the group starting at the farthest point picking up riders along the route leading to Mackinaw. Contact Ride Coordinator Fai Mok (for detail or with any questions you may have. (faimok534@gmail.com))



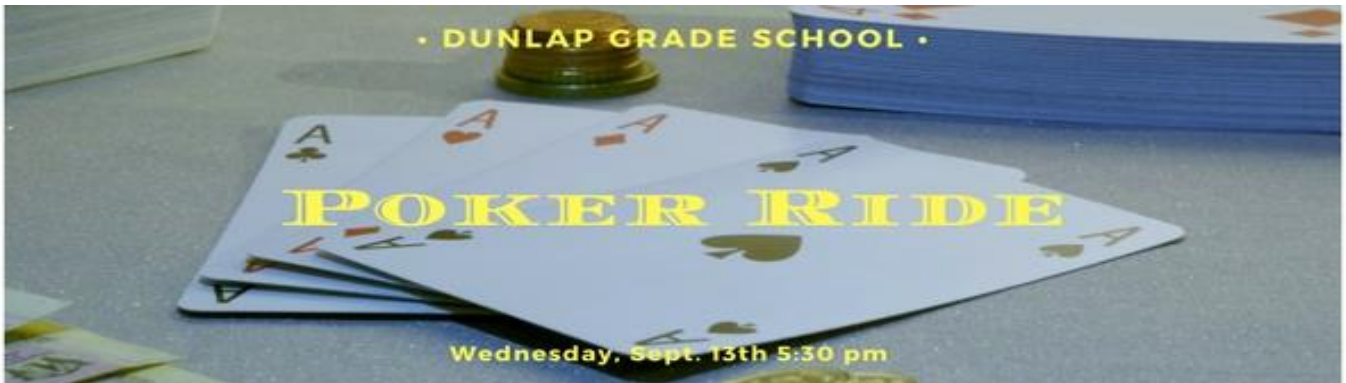
Home stretch for National Bike Challenge

There are only 1 month remain in this year's National Bike Challenge. Since it begun back on May 1st, 30,704 participants has ridden 19,875,146 miles to date. In the past 5 years, the National Bike Challenge was organized by PeopleForBikes and sponsored by Kimberly-Clark's Cottonelle Product Brand, then by Scott Natural Brand. The 2017 Challenge is organized and presented by the League of American Bicyclists with sponsorship by 3M. NBC begun on May 1st and end on September 30th. NBC is a fun way for participants to interact with other riders in the online community, track improvement on a local, state and national level and win prizes.

National Bike Challenge
Presented by **3M**

Poker Ride back again this year

The Poker Ride will take place next Wednesday, September 13th 5:30pm at Dunlap Grade School. We will set up on the north end of the school. Riders can leave any time after 5:30pm. If anybody want to get a longer ride in before or after, they will be on their own. Participants will pick up playing cards at 5 stations along a 10 circuitous route from Legion Hall Road to Evans Mill, proceeding to Park School Road, turning onto Rte 91 and back to Pavilion in Park at Dunlap Grade School. Family are welcome. Helmet required! The best poker hand will get first pick on raffle prizes followed by the second, third and so fore. We will have dinner ready at 6:30pm. Since the ride falls on the same day as the club's monthly meeting, we will conduct the meeting during dinner. Entry fee is \$5. RSVP Pam Hoehne to insure we have enough food for everyone. (pshuckhoehne@gmail.com)



Helpers needed for Poker Ride

The club is looking for some volunteers to make some baked goods for post ride snack to go with the main meal after the Poker Ride. The club will reimburse all ingredient cost. We are also looking for a few volunteers to hand out playing cards at the designated corners on the route. Contact Pam at pshuckhoehne@gmail.com or 309-339-9777 if you would like to help.

2018 club officers & award nomination

As we are nearing the end of another year, it is time to start thinking who will be your club officers for 2018 (president, vice president, treasurer & secretary). You can also nominate yourself. Remember, IVW can only function if there are members leading it. The club is also looking for nomination for the Most Improved Male & Female Rider award and the Hub of the Club award. The HOC historically has been awarded to a club member who went out of their way to represent the club and/or make sure some aspect of the club was extra special. Please include a short paragraph explaining why you nominate that person. You can email all nominations to sennrrr2008@att.net. We will have the election and voting of the awards at the Holiday Dinner.

Share your bike adventures

Participated in a memorable bike tour recently? Planning to partake one soon? Send me your stories or photos of your adventures and share it with the club for next edition of the IVW Monthly Note.

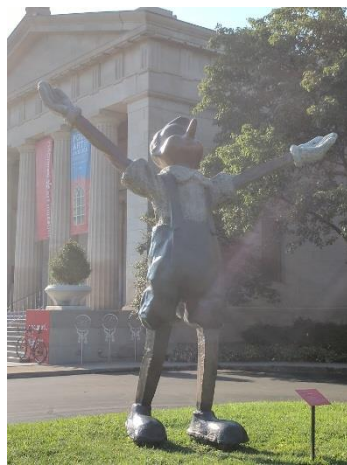
Last month, I went to Cincinnati for a weekend to watch the Western & Southern Tennis Tournament. An annual event my friends and I have attended for the last 11 years. (Except for 2012 when we went to New York for the U.S. Open) This year, I decided to bring my bike to check out the surrounding area with my personal tour guide, Melvin. I met Melvin on Strava, a social network for runners, cyclists, triathletes and anyone who is an outdoor enthusiast. We became pals as we follow each other's cycling activities and chatted frequently. He took me through areas that resemble Jubilee State Park and the Bluffs of Peoria Heights to my surprise. I always thought the suburbs of Cincy are well developed but that wasn't the case. It has a New England feel to it as the roads were rollers and well shaded with trees in a non-grid pattern. The houses are tightly packed with small yards. From the hotel where I was staying, we were able to ride to south to out skirt of Downtown, where Xavier University and University of Cincinnati is located. In the two days, I was able to see a lot on bike. – *by Fai Mok*



A view of the Ohio River from the bluff with downtown Cincinnati across the river on the right hand side.



Krohn Conservatory house a botanical garden with butterflies inside.



The statue of Pinocchio outside of the Cincinnati Art Museum.



Campus of Xavier University, north of downtown Cincinnati.



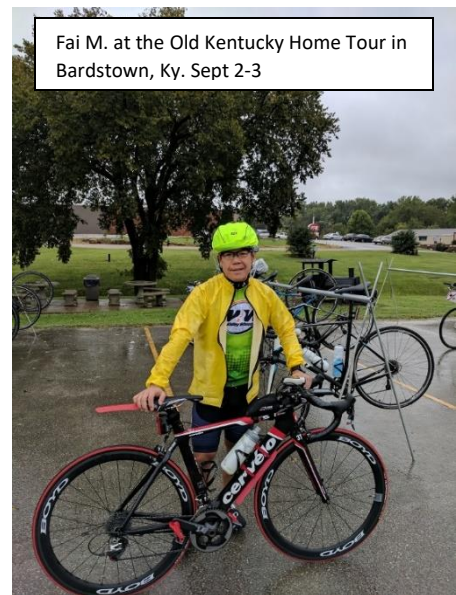
At the hotel front driveway with my Strava pal Melvin.

Where have you taken your IVW jersey?

Did a recent bike tour with your IVW jersey? Send me a photo of you sporting the club kit (old or new) and a brief description of where it took place. I will included in the November Monthly Note. Below are a few submissions.

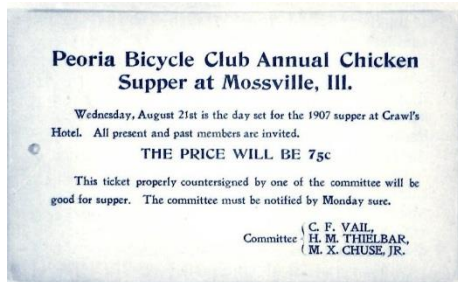


Fai M. at the Dairyland Dare Gran Fondo in Dodgeville, WI. Aug 12



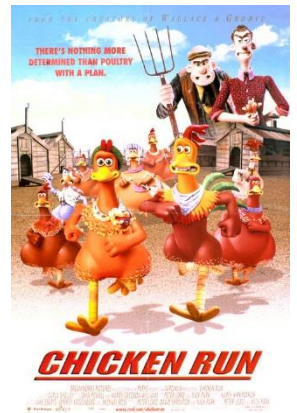
Fai M. at the Old Kentucky Home Tour in Bardstown, Ky. Sept 2-3

Chicken Run Ride in October



In the 1881, the Peoria Bicycle Club was founded by Fred Patee & Harry Rouse, whose father owned a bicycle store. One activity that the club members participated in back in the day was the annual “Chicken Run”, in which bicyclists would ride to a popular restaurant in Mossville for a fried chicken dinner. IVW resurrected the “Chicken Run” Ride 2 years ago with great turnout as well as last year. So we are bring it back again in October. We will have more details on routes and destination later this month. We will need a few

volunteers. Contact Ride Coordinator Fai Mok (faimok534@gmail.com) if you can assist.



If you are an early riser, you should join Bryan's ride

Do you get up at the crack of dawn? Do you like to get your ride in early so you can have the rest of the day to run errands, do landscaping on your yard or just spend time with the family? If you answered yes to any of the questions, then you should join Bryan Wilburn's Saturday Morning Double Espresso Ride. He will have you back home by 9am. The Saturday Morning Double Espresso Ride meet at 30/30 Coffee on Main St. at sunrise with typical distance between 35-40 miles with a quick espresso stop at Eli's in Morton. The goal is to get 35+ miles and a coffee all in 2.5 hours and back home early. Please do not park in the 30/30 parking lot as there will be spots on the street. Start time are as follow: *May* – 6am, *June* – 5:30am, *July* – 6am, *August* – 6:30am, *September* – 7am, *October* – 7:30am.

Thanks for reading the September Monthly Note. If you have any rides, events or announcements you want to share with the club, please email it to me to be posted in the October Monthly Note. Be aware of your surrounding when riding. See you all out on the road.

Rebecca Senneff - Illinois Valley Wheelm'n President

Classified Ads

Classified Ads from club members are welcome. If you have some bicycle related items you want to sell or you are looking for a bike related item, email your ad to faimok534@gmail.com. **If the item is sold, please send a note stating it so your ad can be remove from next month's posting.**

- **For Sale**, Sigma bike computer (Model BC 16.12). It does all the usual stuff like distance and speed. But it also gives you cadence and the air temperature reading. I'd like to get \$60 for it. It's brand new and still in the original shipping box. Contact Bill Semmens. BSemmens5@comcast.com

- **Wanted**, Bill Semmens is looking for a kid's stoker kit for his Santana tandem. If you have one that is no longer in use, contact Bill@309-693-9388 or BSemmen5@comcast.net

- **For Sale**, Shimano SH-SD 66 ladies bicycle sandals. Brand new EU size 37-38 USA 6.5-7.0, \$25. Contact Michelle@309-253-8482



- **Wanted**, Pam Hoehne is looking to buy a quality good used hybrid bike to fit a person about 5'10" to 6'. The one she shared with her son was stolen. Contact Pam@309-339-9777.

- **Wanted**, Bicycle trailer to hold two grandkids. Contact Jack Brejc@309-264-3175, jbrejc@hotmail.com

- **For Sale**, 2016 Specialized Roubaix SL4 Comp 56. Red on Black Carbon Fact 8r frame. Purchased new March 2016. Excellent condition. With Shimano Ultegra F/R Derailleurs, Rear Cassette 11spd-32, Shift Levers, Shimano 105 F/R Brakes, Praxis Compact Chain Ring 50/34, Fulcrum S-19 Light Wheels, 12 miles on New 28" Continental Gatorskins with Giant inner tubes. New Specialized body geometry 143 saddle. TSB on bottom bracket: repacked, torqued to specs, all bearings greased. F/R Derailleurs adjusted. Brakes set. Never been in crash. Last serviced by LBS in Oct, 2016. Asking \$1700. Contact Mark Wilkinson@309-634-6043.



- **For Sale**, Litespeed Handlebar Tape. I had tape custom made for my significant other's bike and had to buy a minimum of 10 rolls. I'll keep two rolls, so I have 8 for sale. It's black w/white Litespeed approved logo lettering. 2.0 mm thick for a cushy and wide for an easy gap-free wrap. I'm selling for what I have in it. \$21 per roll. Jack Brejc(309-264-3175, jbrejc@hotmail.com



- **For Sale**, hitch mount Xport folding bicycle rack. Holds 2 upright bicycles. Fits either 1-1/4" or 2" trailer hitches. Easily adjustable for any size bicycle and safe for carbon framed bikes. Either remove or fold hitch when not in use. Slotted locking pins hold things in place. Excellent condition. Asking \$50. Email Tom Dorigatti (dorigat@comcast.net) or call (309-347-2844).



- **For Sale**, gently used WIKE bicycle trailer designed especially for children and persons with special needs with a capacity of up to 130 lbs. Trailer comes with a third wheel option that allows it to be used as a jogger or stroller as well. Specifications and additional photos can be seen online at www.wicycle.com. Purchase price w/o shipping was \$800. Contact Rick Gentry (309-678-4622) or Judi Gentry (309-678-6373).



- **For Sale**, Men's Castelli full zip short sleeve jersey, size 3XL. Nice bright yellow color. It did not fit me. \$44 or best offer. Contact Tom Moses (bassplayer974@gmail.com)

