

MONTHLY MEANDERS

AUGUST, 1980

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This is the meeting in which we will tie all the "loose ends" together in final preparation for our main invitational event-- the Harmon Hundred.

Meeting Feature
HARMON HUNDRED
PREPARATIONS

Be sure to be on hand for final instructions, to volunteer for some task as yet unfilled.

Don't forget - we ride together as a club August 31. We *all* work September 7.



SAFETY OFFICER'S CORNER - Howard Paul

An occasional safety lapse has been noted when a left turn is being made on club rides. Even *one* is too many if it results in an accident.

Some cyclists will change to the inner lane, in preparation for making a left turn, without first looking to the rear. They are following the lead of those ahead, but sometimes overtaking cars have come too close for the lane change to be made safely.

Ride defensively - don't rely on the motorist to spare you an accident. Please - always check the rear yourself, and use the arm signal.

(A rearview mirror on your glasses, cycling hat or helmet will give you an instant rear view of traffic behind you. Even more important, the mirror will eliminate the dangerous habit of looking over your shoulder which usually causes a risky swerve to left or right. Ed.)

A second safety breach noted is that of cycling on the left side of country roads - especially riding socially three or four abreast. Members have even been approaching the crest of a hill while in the left lane! It doesn't take much imagination to predict the possible consequences of that situation.

Please, ride single file when hill climbing or approaching a turn - situations in which we or an oncoming motorist don't want any nasty surprises.

BE SURE TO SEE "SPOKESONG"

Fifteen of us very much enjoyed the bicycling musical at the Woodstock Opera House. We all recommend a visit to the early American town before mid-August. It is not a "frothy" musical, there is much more "meat" to make it palatable. Phone 800-338-5300 for seats or write Woodstock Opera House, 121 VanBuren Street, Woodstock, IL 60098.

Thurs, Fri. at 8:15 P.M. or Sunday 6:15 P.M. \$7.00
Saturday at 8:15 P.M. \$8.00
Wednesday and Friday at 1:30 P.M. \$6.00.

Very popular in Ireland, England and New York, it is now premiering in Woodstock, California and Washington.

A CLUB THAT CARES

Perhaps you hadn't noticed, but the last rider on most of our rides has been riding "sweep" - someone like Howard Paul, Don or Judy Stansfield or Gene Pilch who ride at the rear of the column to give moral or physical support to the occasional straggler. That frequent "draggy" feeling is familiar to experienced and novice cyclists alike and it is comforting to know that no one will be left behind. Then, too, there is always someone there in case of a mechanical breakdown.

Fortunately, we are a club that enjoys riding together so we don't have the problem of "gung ho" cyclists disappearing over a hill never to be seen again. We regroup frequently, mix and mingle - that is why we belong to a club in the first place, so we don't have to ride alone.

Because this "sweep" function is too important to leave to chance and rather than leaving the task to the same people all the time, we are asking that the ride leader for each ride appoint a sweep rider for the outbound ride and another for the return. On longer rides this duty could be split into four segments such as on the 100 km or longer rides. The responsibility can be handled by many persons within the club and we urge the ride leaders to spread the duty around among the members.

A big bonus to having a good number of ride leaders and sweeps is that a greater number of our members will gain experience and be aware of the *reasons* behind the basic safety rules.

\$100 Reward - Custom Bike

Custom bike missing on June 24 from North Phelps in Arlington Heights:

The Cyclery North Decal. Metallic Silver Gray 23".
Serial No. 1108041780. Schwinn Super Record tires;
Super Champion rims; Campagnolo hubs; Dura Ace brakes;
Sun Tour Bar End shifters; Sugino crankset; Uniglide chain; Campagnolo head set; Blackburn carrier.


BILL PARKIS - Days 279-5070. Nights 398-0757

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WHEELING WHEELMEN AUGUST SCHEDULE

August 3 - GET LOST RIDE

 Sunday - 8:00 A.M. 115 km.
Kildare School, Long Grove


Bring a sack lunch - maybe a compass, too. Leader Richard Figge 541-2545.

August 9-10 - AMISHLAND AND LAKES

 Sat-Sun. Howe, Indiana
Host: Michiana Bicycling Assoc.


Popular invitational with 50 miles on Saturday through charming Amish country, a bar-b-q dinner, ice cream social, pancake breakfast and 50-mile ride up into southern Michigan lake region on Sunday. Info last minute: 219-272-8700.

August 16 - CHOP SUEY RIDE

 Sat. 9:00 to 3:00 55 km
From Arlington High School
502 W. Euclid, Arl.Hts.


How good are you with chopstick?
Leader: Don Stansfield - 885-4270.

August 23 - MIKE'S SURPRISE RIDE

 Sat. 8:00 A.M. 75 miles.
From Moraine Hills State Park

Meet at the first parking lot on right. The park is north of Rt. 176 on River Road, just south of McHenry Dam State Park. Some hills. Bring sack lunch. Leader: Mike Lackey - 639-0793

August 31 - MEMBERS' CENTURY-HALF CENTURY

 Sun. 6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.
From: Community Center

This is our day to ride the Harmon Hundred so we will be free to host, check in, serve on sag wagons, serve refreshments on Sept. 7. Leader Gene Pilch - 541-3191.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT RIDES

These evening rides start at 6:30 P.M. promptly and start at dusk. Leisurely, short rides.

- Aug. 6 - Wheeling Community Center
- Aug. 13 - Kildare School, Long Grove
- Aug. 20 - Buffalo Grove High School
- Aug. 27 - Kildare School, Long Grove



KM KUMULATIONS AS OF JULY 9, 1980

Women	Men
Judy Stansfield 928	Dick Ryan 1001
Madeline Kanner 710	Don Stansfield 839
Rita Moody 588	Elliott Kanner 770
Phyllis Harmon 534	Howard Paul 746

WEDNESDAY NIGHT KMS

Madeline Kanner 166	Dick Ryan 208
Judy Stansfield 164	Roger Thauland 166
Margie Papajesk 68	Richard Figge 135
Phyllis Harmon 62	Don Stansfield 127

Kms count only on the regularly scheduled Wheeling Wheelmen rides, not other clubs' invitational rides also listed on our monthly calendar.

Philatic Booth For Harmon Hundred



With the very much appreciated assistance of Herb Liebsch, the U.S. Post Office has approved our club's request for a special cancellation stamp for the Harmon Hundred. On the day of the ride there will be a special Philatelic Booth where envelopes will be cancelled with our special stamp.

Wording on the cancellation stamp, in addition to "10th Harmon Hundred" will be:

Harmon Hundred Station
September
07
1980
Wheeling, IL. 60090

Also, on the bottom left the cancellation stamp reads:

100 MILE
CENTURY
AND
50 MILE
HALF-CENTURY.

Spread the word to all the collectors!
More info in September newsletter.

Juveniles: Little rivers
that lead into the Nile.

Rides Remembered

Moraine Hills State Park to Lake Geneva

Dick Ryan led us over hill and dale on new routes for us to Lake Geneva in Wisconsin. Although we struggled against a gale wind all the way to Fontana, where we lunched along the lake, we literally sailed with the wind all the way back for an exhilarating 64 miles. Dick, you can lead more rides for us any time!

Zion Ride

Success! This ride, always led by Gene Pilch, was rained out the last two years. He must have made a special deal with the weatherman this year, for we couldn't have had a better day! Gene set a good, steady pace that kept us all rolling along comfortably together. He varied the usual route which gave us a big bonus of exceptionally beautiful scenery with very little traffic. Thank you, Gene!

Huff 'N Puff Ride

Our Huff 'N Puff ride was misnamed! Instead of the gale winds we have always found on rides to Union, we enjoyed a pleasantly mile wind that offset the heat of a beautiful summer day. We lunched in Union and, as the heat increased, we enjoyed welcome refresher stops in small towns along the route. Thanks to Don and Judy Stansfield, we enjoyed a memorable 80-mile round trip.

Lambs Farm Ride

In spite of the high temperature, 30 riders turned out for Howard Paul's enjoyable easy-paced ride to Lambs Farm by way of Wright Forest Preserve. After browsing through the farm and socializing over lunch, we returned the "long way" by way of Telegraph Road for a total of 24 miles.

"Spokesong"

The increased development of bicycling has been capturing public attention in many forms, but a full scale, professional theatrical performance is probably a "first". "Spokesong", performed at the Woodstock Opera House, was a delightful combination of musical and dramatized vignettes set in Ireland in 1970 and linked together with historical flashbacks, beginning with the age

of "Bloomers" and the "ordinary". It has wide appeal to all whose hearts are in cycling. Those of us from the club who could attend are again indebted to the Stansfields for alerting us to a delightful evening.

