



MONTHLY MEANDERS

NOVEMBER, 1980

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NOVEMBER



ANNUAL BANQUET

NOVEMBER 7, 1980 - 6:30 P.M.

HANS BAVARIAN LODGE

931 N. Milwaukee Ave., Wheeling
(Just north of Lake Cook Road)

Our Banquet guest, Keith Kingbay is "Mr. Bicycle". He started racing when he was 15, became a racing official which included bicycling chairman of the 1959 Pan American Games. In touring he found his great love. His longest tour, from the Pacific to the Atlantic was 2582 miles. Although he has been bicycling over 50 years, Keith sets the pace for most younger riders!

Imagine pedaling in Timbuktu, the headwaters of the Amazon, Greece, Egypt, Morocco, India.. Keith has much to tell and is a world-famous speaker.

Banquet Highlight
KEITH KINGBAY
Bicycling 50+ Years



As Service Manager for Schwinn, Keith wrote the first modern service manual for the bicycle and conceived and developed the Schwinn Service School. He is one of the founders of the modern L.A.W.

SAFETY OFFICER'S CORNER - Howard Paul

Quite frequently on club rides I have noticed a particular breach of cycling courtesy and safety. After the leaders of a long string of riders go through a 4-way stop, one or more cars on the cross street reach the intersection and must wait until our whole group passes illegally. Sometimes this is allowed by good natured motorists who wave us on. However, when they don't, we are obligated to take our turn (perhaps a couple at a time) at crossing the intersection.

Occasionally irate drivers force their way through our group - sometimes narrowly missing bikers who evidently assume that our majority makes us right. Think about it.

Probably one of the reasons that we do this foolishness is our fear of getting too far behind the group ahead. Our ride leaders can help this situation by slowing the pace after a busy intersection to allow the group to tighten up.

These thoughts are really too late for this year's rides but, since this is a pet peeve, I'll probably drag it out again in the spring.



KMS THROUGH OCTOBER 20

Women		Men	
Judy Stansfield	2039	Dick Ryan	2278
Madeline Kanner	1683	Don Stansfield	2018
Phyllis Harmon	1348	Roger Thauland	1639
Rita Moody	1193	Howard Paul	1356

WEDNESDAY NIGHT KMS

Judy Stansfield	413	Dick Rayn	420
Madeline Kanner	346	Roger Thauland	348
Barbara Doyle	135	Don Stansfield	347
Phyllis Harmon	134	Richard Figge	339

Awards will be presented at our Annual Banquet. These points are accumulated only on regularly scheduled Wheeling Wheelmen rides and not on the scheduled invitational events like Amishland Lakes and Hilly Hundred.

P. O. Box 581-D, Wheeling, Illinois 60090



Nov. 2 - TURN RIGHT AT THE RED BARN RIDE



Sunday - 1:00 P.M. - Short ride - length determined by the weather. From Eisenhower Jr. High - Hoffman Estates (One block west of Higgins' (IL 72) intersection with Golf Road (IL 58) go north on Jones to Hassell at the end of the street.) Leaders: Don and Judy Stansfield - 885-4270.

Nov. 7 - Annual Banquet - See P. 1

Nov. 22 - THANKSGIVING RIDE



Saturday November 22 - 10:00 A.M. From Kildeer High School - Long Grove This will be an L.A.W. Thanksgiving Day patch ride - \$1.00. Mileage will depend on the weather.

Dec. 20 - CHRISTMAS RIDE AND SOCIAL



Saturday, December 20 - 10:00 A.M. From Carl Sandburg School on Schoenbeck just north of Anthony, Wheeling.

Approximately 20 miles, depending upon the weather. If ground covered with snow, we'll hike in the snow. Buffet lunch at Phyllis Harmon's after the ride: 356 Robert, Wheeling - 537-1268. Optional Christmas patch ride.

Jan. 1, 1980 - NEW YEAR'S RIDE



Thursday, January 1 - 10:00 A.M. From Eisenhower Jr. High - Hoffman Estates (see Nov. 2 directions). Hot cider and coffee at the Stansfields after the ride. Mileage will depend on the weather. If too much snow for biking, bring your hiking boots. Optional patch ride. Don Stansfield - 885-4270.



The weather is so unpredictable this time of year. If the Weatherman generously gives us some good biking days, grab the phone and call one of the club officers to see if an impromptu ride is scheduled.

If it is clear, but cold, dress in layers - a couple of T-shirts, light wool shirt, sweater, wind-breaker rather than heavy jacket. Two light pairs of socks are warmer than one heavy pair.

THE WHEELMEN

Our October club meeting was truly historic. Jim Parsons, one of the Wheeling Wheelmen's few members of The Wheelmen, (a national organization devoted to antique bicycles) enlightened a small but highly interested group with a carefully prepared talk on the nature of the organization and bicycling history. His talk was illustrated by a genuine 19th Century tricycle which he's restoring, and an "ordinary" high wheeler painstakingly dismantled and carried to the meeting.



Thanks, Jim, we treasured this!

Covered Bridge Ride - This is always one of our most popular leisurely rides which takes us through the northwestern suburbs for a very pleasant afternoon of bicycling. We did ride through a genuine covered bridge, circled through a newly completed subdivision and experienced a pleasant variation on the theme of last year's ride. Dick Ryan was our competent leader.

Wheeling/Evanston Club Ride - Seven intrepid cyclists from the Evanston Bicycle Club pedaled the 18 miles from Evanston to meet us at the Wheeling Community Center for a joint ride to Kelsey's Road House for lunch. We enjoyed the brilliant, crisp, fall weather and a challenging headwind. It was one of those memorable autumn days when the foliage is beautiful and the weather is invigorating. We all enjoyed the camaraderie and the opportunity to ride and socialize with our Evanston friends.



New Glarus Weekend - The fifteen Wheelmen who participated in this weekend event found it one of the peak events of our whole cycling season. Several factors came together to make it memorable: First, we particularly enjoyed the sweeping panoramas of the rolling hills and Swiss architecture, charming restaurants and delicious food. Second, we were surprised with 35° temperatures Saturday morning, 35 mph winds with gusts up to 50 mph and gray, overcast skies that blocked the sun all day. Even though the temperature ranged to the upper 40s, the windchill factor kept us well bundled up. Also, coasting down the long, sweeping hills with gusty sidewinds added additional adrenalin to the challenge.

Saturday evening we feasted in style at The Mansion, a lovely 15-room home filled with charming antiques and converted to a restaurant in Monroe, Wisconsin.

Sunday, after a McDonalds breakfast, we scraped the heavy frost off the car windows and headed for New Glarus for the Sunday morning ride starting from the headquarters of the Sugar River Trail which winds over an abandoned railroad route through Monticello, Albany and ends at Brodhead. Even though it started at 32° and still windy, the sun came out and the level route, protected with trees and shrubs, made it a delightful ride. W5 lunched hungrily in Brodhead before heading back over rolling, sometimes rugged, hills to Monticello and the last six miles over the trail to New Glarus. We passed many cyclists of all ages going both ways over the trail. This weekend, beautifully organized by Don and Judy Stansfield, deserves a repeat each year!

Tiger and The Pussycat Ride - This event more correctly should have been titled, *Terrible Tiger and Wildcat Ride*. We mistakenly thought we had left the wind in Wisconsin. No way! Whereas the hills were to be a challenge on the 30-mile morning ride, the wind stole the show. No matter which direction we went we had to struggle against the steady winds and gusts that kept us ever alert to stay on the road. We picnic lunched at Deer Grove in bright sunshine along the blue lake and, yes, the wind that tried to snatch anything loose. The more moderate afternoon ride without the hills left us still struggling against the wind but everyone, without exception thoroughly enjoyed the day and felt it was good training for the Hilly Hundred in Bloomington, Indiana, the following week. It was an applecrisp, sunny day topped off with beautiful fall coloring and much appreciated scenic rural scenery - what more could we ask for? Thanks, Don and Judy for a great day.

1980-81 ELECTION

Wheeling Wheelmen

Please mark your ballot and mail immediately to: Wheeling Wheelmen The ballots must be
P. O. Box 581-D
Wheeling, IL 60090.

counted in time for results to be announced at our Annual Banquet, November 7.

If you have a Family Membership, there are two squares for voting: one for the husband; one for the wife. Obviously, if you have an Individual Membership, just mark in one column.

PRESIDENT

Elliott Kanner

VICE PRESIDENT

Richard Ryan
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TREASURER

Richard Figge
 Terry Schwerin

MEMBERSHIP

Carolyn Kropp

SAFETY

Howard Paul

LAST CALL: SEND IN RESERVATION FORM FOR OUR ANNUAL BANQUET - POPULAR CLIMAX TO OUR YEAR OF BICYCLING



Annual Banquet - November 7

Hans' Bavarian Lodge - 931 N. Milwaukee Ave., Wheeling, IL

Cash Bar - 6:30 Dinner - 7:30 Choice of: Rouladen Boneless Roast Duck

Includes soup, salad, dessert and beverage.

Yes, register me/us for the Annual Banquet:

Name/s: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Speaker: Keith Kingbay, Mr. Bicycle, himself - the recipient of the L.A.W.'s first Dr. Paul Dudley White Award. Keith has been biking over fifty years and his bicycling and promotional activities have taken him all over the United States and around the world. Imagine bicycling in Timbuktu, the headwaters of the Amazon, Cannibal country, India. . . . Don't miss this outstanding opportunity to hear him!

Return to: Wheeling Wheelmen
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