



MONTHLY MEANDERS



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June 19-20 MS Ride

Wednesday, May 5 - 8:00 p.m.
 Wheeling Community Center
 Chamber Park - Wolf north of Dundee

Had an interesting chat with Ariel Adams re the Multiple Sclerosis 150-mile round trip ride from Wheeling to overnight in Rockton, Illinois, at the Wagon Wheel resort and back. All of the weekend is free..meals, transporting luggage, overnight and all facilities at the resort including hayride, campfire and cookout. At the return to Wheeling there will be an ice cream bash provided by Bresler's.



Jim Andresen of ABC Cyclery will talk on bicycle touring and tell us of some of his interesting trips, including Hawaii. Also, Ariel Adams of MS will be on hand to update us on particulars for the June 19-20 150-mile tour.

Safety Officers' Corner



Mike Enwright

I have ridden in all but one of the scheduled rides this spring and, using the March Monthly Meanders safety article as a reference, my observations are as follows:

1. Most club members *do* ride single file on moderately-to-heavy traffic streets or roads.
2. Most club members cause motorists to pass across the solid yellow line on lightly trafficked roads.
3. When "Car back" is sounded, some club members either don't hear the alert sounded or don't care to do the right thing - or they take their good natured time in going to single file.
4. I find it difficult to criticize my fellow cyclist for not giving hand signals for hazards (potholes, glass) turn signals and stopping because the control of your bicycle is most important. But, verbal commands can surely be given by calling "Hole" "Glass" "Stopping". Let's all work to improve this.
5. I personally make it a point to get my bike and my body off the roadway during rest stops and breakdowns. But I notice most club members don't get off the roadway. This is the most abused of all safety rules. I will make it my personal goal for the remainder of this season to request all club members and guests to get off the roadway during stops. I ask all ride leaders to assist me in making this happen.
6. Most club members *do* stop when auto traffic is present at 4-way stops but occasionally, when larger groups are riding, we tend to take advantage of our numbers and hold up traffic.
7. Fortunately, tailgating or drafting isn't a problem in our club riding but temptation may arise when participating in invitation- al rides.

Membership

Enclosed with this newsletter is our 1982 Membership List. That gives us, as of April 26, 58 Individual members and 38 Family memberships. Twenty five members have not renewed. Of those, John Shipley is working in California, Mary Stewart is living in Colorado and Tom and Tomi Wade will be moving there shortly. That leaves 22 memberships not heard from. At the same time, we are proud of 11 new Individual and 5 Family memberships.

New Members

Welcome to these new members who joined since our April newsletter came out:

- Elida Ann Rech, Arlington Heights
- Nicholas Good, Arlington Heights
- Pat Marshall, Northbrook
- Robert B. Klein, Des Plaines
- Dave Lutzow, Arlington Heights
- Alan D. Rubel, Vernon Hills
- Charles Friedrich, Chicago
- Phil Kahn, Wheeling
- Steve Margolin, Northbrook
- Peter Gianakakis, Chicago
- Jerry Cantor, Highland Park
- Ray and Sally Wokhuk, Des Plaines
- Carl and Diana Piacenza, Long Grove.

Farewell from Tom and Tomi Wade

"Despite our thorough enjoyment of your club and all your rides, we must cease our relationship with the Wheeling Wheelmen. We are moving to Denver, Colorado, and will no longer be able to participate in your club activities.

"Thank you for your enthusiasm and organization. We have enjoyed them both."

Minimum pledges for participants is \$225. \$50 must be in by June 1 and one lucky participant will win a drawing for an RRB bike - a replica of the one Lon Haldeman used on his Great American Bicycle ride double cross the U.S. Custom fit - \$1,000 value.

The deadline for the balance of \$175 in pledges is June 11. All participants will receive a water bottle.

Awards for over-the-minimum pledges are:
 \$300 up: Backpack or Excel seat post.
 \$400 up: Gear-tel bike accessory
 \$500 up: Excel aerodynamic pedals
 \$750 up: Portable stereo headphone set.

The first person to reach \$1000 in pledges will receive a Peugeot 10-speed bicycle.

And - the BIG awards! The four top fund raisers will each receive weekend packages for two at the American Lake Geneva Resort (Formerly the Playboy resort) including the lodge and all facilities, two dinners, breakfast and Sunday brunch.

Don't forget - all pledges are tax deductible.

Dick Ryan is working on the round trip route and other club members are serving in an advisory capacity.

You'll receive applications in the mail.

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Coming Events

May 1 KANE COUNTY RAMBLE, Elgin



Saturday - 10 a.m. - 50 mi.
From Tyler Creek Forest Preserve, Rt. 31 south of I-90 (across from Ramada Inn). Bring lunch. Leader: Terry Schwerin - 894-1325.

May 9 BARRINGTON BACK ROADS



Sunday - 1 p.m. - 20 miles
From Barrington High School on Lake-Cook Rd. (Main St.) west side of Barrington. Leader: Dick Ryan, 381-1775.

May 15 APPLE PIE RIDE, Buffalo Grove



Saturday - 9:30 a.m. - 35 miles. From Buffalo Grove H.S., Dundee and Arlington Heights Rds - rained out last month. To Wauconda Apple Orchard for cider and a snack. Leader: Elliott Kanner - 541-9176.

May 16 ARLINGTON 500 (furlongs)



Arlington Heights Bicycle Club invitational metric century...\$3.00 - tandem \$5.00. Registration 7-10 at Frontier Park, Kennicott & Palatine (NE corner) Choice of 15, 38 or 65 mi. Patch, cue sheet, sag service and refreshments. Tom Sherry, 358-7797.

May 23 McHENRY DAM RIDE - Long Grove



Sunday - 10 a.m. - 40 miles
From Kildeer School on Old McHenry Rd. north of Long Grove. Bring a sack lunch. We'll be joined by the Lake County Bicycle Club. Leader: Howard Paul 824-2941.

May 30 60 HILL KILLER - Long Grove



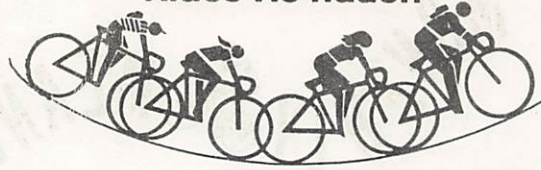
Sunday - 9 a.m. - 60 miles
From Kildeer School (see above). Bring a sack lunch and kill those hills. Leader: Rich Figge 446-2945

WEDNESDAY NIGHT RIDES

Rides start promptly at 6:30 p.m. and end before dark.

- May 5 From Wheeling Community Center Wolf Rd. north of Dundee Rd. Return in time for club meeting. Roger Thauland.
- May 12 From Harper College. Euclid Ave. west of Quentin. Ruth Harlow.
- May 19 From Wood Oaks Jr. High on Sanders 1/4 mile s. of Dundee, Northbrook. Rich Figge.
- May 26 From Carl Sandburg School, Schoenbeck south of Dundee Rd. Wheeling. Alan Zoller.

Rides Re-ridden



APPLE PIE RIDE - This biker with an umbrella was more prophetic than we planned. There were April showers in abundance. Elliott Kanner, leader, turned out just to tell anyone that just *might* show up that there would be no ride...try again May 15.



BARRINGTON BACK ROADS - Six winter clothed cyclists rode Barrington Back Roads and walked through a few slushy areas. We didn't see any flowers so we'll repeat May 9.

ALGONQUIN THE LONG WAY - Unbelievable! After all the rainy, cold weather we had a beautifully warm, sunny day for this ride to Crabtree Nature Center, Algonquin, Cary, Fox River Grove and back to Long Grove. Twenty nine riders rode up and down the hills. This was the first real ride in a long

time for most of us...48 miles led by club president, Roger Thauland.

AUDUBON RIDE - Another beautiful, sunny day with a strong west wind. Twenty eight riders bucked the wind out to lunch in Algonquin at the school at the top of the hill. Most of us remembers the cool weather and chill winds as we lunched there. But this year it was in the 70s and a real pleasure to chat over a leisurely lunch. Howard Paul led the group on to Elgin and they literally blew back east to Hoffman Estates.

APRIL MEETING - Howard Paul, Roger Thauland and Phyllis Harmon showed their slides of the Winter Rendezvous and Elliott Kanner had some pictures. The nine club members who participated had a great time and we hope more of you can attend next March.

Requests to Ride Leaders

Please remember your obligation to appoint sweep riders on your tour. Also, please regroup periodically (especially where a route change is not obvious) - and do it where there is adequate room to get off the road.

American Wheelmen Magazine

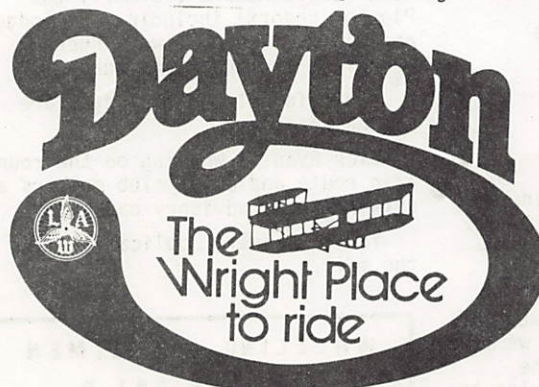
You'll love the cover on the May issue of *American Wheelmen* the monthly magazine of the League of American Wheelmen. It's a rusty tricycle and water bottles for cyclists on a bike tour. There are many more pictures in this issue, too.

Join this organization of, by and for bicyclists. Phyllis Harmon will have applications at monthly meeting.

Long Hospital Stay

Joe Bernat, a former Wheeling Wheelmen member living in South Bend, was hit by a car three months ago. We just learned he is *still* in the hospital and has been flat on his back all this time! It took two months in traction for the damaged muscle to heal. Then the day before Easter they set the bones with a rod and grafted from the hip bone. He now is in partial traction and looks forward to therapy sometime next month.

We'll have a get well card at the May meeting for members to sign. Joe keeps up with all the biking magazines and literature.



League of American Wheelmen
National Convention
July 1-5, 1982

DAYTON, OHIO

MARK THESE DATES...

June 4-6: GEAR '82
Shippensburg State
College, Pennsylvania

June 10-13: GEAR Down
University of North
Carolina at Charlotte.

Application forms in
Feb. *American Wheelmen*
or from Phyllis Harmon
on request.

Convention application in March '82
American Wheelmen.