

August, 1982



MONTHLY MEANDERS



AUGUST MEETING

August 4 - 8 p.m.
Wheeling Community Center
Wolf Road 1 block north of Dundee Road
12th HARMON HUNDRED

Meeting Feature
Preparations/mailling
for HARMON HUNDRED



This is our big annual invitational. We will mail our brochures to previous participants and clubs, distribute brochures for delivery to bike shops. If you know of anyone who would like to be on mailing list, bring addresses to the meeting.

This year we will have a 100, 50, and 25-mile ride so all bicyclists can participate. There will be a commemorative postal cancellation stamp designed by Herb Liebsch (included in registration), cookies donated by Darrow Glockner, and a Harmon Hundred or Half Hundred patch. The 25-mile riders will receive the L.A.W. Quarter Century patch. For those who also want the L.A.W. National Century or Half Century patches, they will be available for \$1.25

Don't forget, Wheeling Wheelmen will ride the 100 or 50 miles from the Wheeling Community Center - 6 a.m. - on September 5. Then on September 12 we can all serve in various capacities and be perfect hosts to our guests.

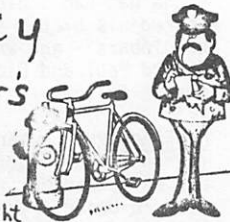
Problem on the Road?

Let us know of any traffic or on-the-road problem you have so we can correct it.

Jim Andresen was stopped by a State Trooper on Rt. 20 just east of Elgin and told he could not bike on any 4-lane highway in Illinois...he had to walk his bike! Finally he rode on the shoulder of the highway which *is* wrong but the State Trooper threatened Jim with a traffic ticket! Bicyclists are only restricted on limited access highways like I-294. So we contacted the Secretary of State's Office as well as the State of Illinois Law Enforcement office and obtained the uniformed trooper's name and District phone number. Jim should not have that problem again.

Safety Officers' Corner

Mike Enwright



Sharing The Road

DRIVERS AND BICYCLISTS

PROBLEM: THE LAW

One reason why there are so many car/bicycle accidents every year is because a lot of drivers and cyclists don't know what their respective legal rights and duties are. Remember, you as a bicyclist have the same basic legal rights and responsibilities as the driver of a motor vehicle.

For this sharing to work -

Bikers Must: Stay to the right of the roadway. Never ride against vehicle traffic and obey all traffic laws that apply to cars.

Drivers Must: Yield the right of way to a bicycle in any traffic where they would yield to another motor vehicle; allow bikers a safe operating space and pass only when and where it is safe to do so.

PROBLEM: VISIBILITY

This is a major factor in bicycle/motor vehicle accidents. Motorists fail to watch for bicycles in four wheeled traffic and accidents occur because motorists never see the bikers.

Bikers Should: Always wear bright-colored or white clothing and use safety pennants; avoid shadows and blind spots, equip bike with proper reflectors and pretend you are invisible until eye contact is made.

Drivers Should: Realize that you have probably trained yourself to see only large car-shaped objects in traffic. Make a conscious effort to look for bicyclists in traffic and drive with full headlights at dawn and dusk.

PROBLEM: TURNING

Perhaps the most dangerous situation for a bicyclist is when either a biker or a car close to the biker makes a turn.

Bikers Turning Left Should: Make lane changes into the left lane (center lane or left turn lane) well in advance of the turn. Signal your intention to change into left lane. Establish eye contact with oncoming driver. Pull over to center of lane when it's safe to do so and complete your turn as close as possible to right-hand curb. If turning from a left-turn only lane, make your turn from the right side of that lane.

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Bikers Turning Right Should: Keep to the right; give your turn signal. Be alert for drivers turning right across your path. Watch for turn signals or car's front wheels start to turn. Be ready to react immediately.

Drivers Should: Watch for biker near curb; pull in behind biker rather than passing and making a right turn in front of biker.

10% Discount

Lon Haldeman phoned to say club members would receive 10% discount at the Sunset Cycles, 1110 South Street, Elgin, IL 60120. Phone 888-4788.

The 10% discount also applies at two of our member shops:

Dick Spirek, BIKES PLUS, 1313 N. Rand Rd., Arlington Heights - 398-1650

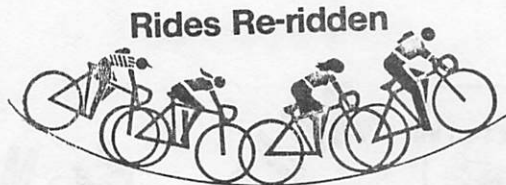
Jim Andresen, ABC CYCLERY, 320 Northwest Hwy., Arlington Heights - 253-7700.

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Rides



Aug. 7 BAHAI RIDE, Wheeling



Saturday - 9:30 a.m. - 35 miles
From Potawatomi Woods parking lot on Dundee Road east of Milwaukee Ave. Bring or buy lunch to eat on lakefront.
Leader: Howard Paul 824-2941

Aug. 15 HILL & DALE RIDE, Long Grove



Sunday - 75 or 40 miles
7:30 a.m. from Kildeer School on Old McHenry Road east of Algonquin. Hilly!
9:30 a.m. from stop light in Algonquin. Hilly!
Leader: Rich Figge - 446-2945.

Aug. 22 RACINE COUNTY BICYCLE TRAIL Wis.



Sunday - 8:30 a.m. - 50 miles
From Eagle Lake Park on Church Rd. just west of Rt. 75. Take Rt. 83 north (or 45) where 83 turns west on Rt. 50 in Wisconsin, continue north. That is the start of Rt. 75. Continue north across Racine County Line, cross Rt. 11 and turn west on first through road to parking area. Beautiful scenic ride. Buy lunch on route.
Leader: Phyllis Harmon - 537-1268.



Aug. 29 NORTH SHORE GREENERY, Glencoe or Lake Forest



Sunday - 8:30 a.m. - 65 or 50 mi.
65 miles from Glencoe Recreation Center on Green Bay Rd. Glencoe about 1/4 mile north of Dundee Rd. or 9:15 a.m. for 50 miles from Sheridan and Old Elm Rds.
just north of north entrance to Fort Sheridan - south of Lake Forest. Bring sack lunch to eat in park.
Leader: Joseph Tobias - 835-2547.

WEDNESDAY EVENING RIDES

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

Aug. 4 From Wheeling Community Center. Return in time for meeting.
Leader: Roger Thauland

Aug. 11 From Kildeer School, Old McHenry Rd. in Long Grove.
Leader: Al Petty

Aug. 18 From Deerfield Train Depot on Deerfield Rd. west of Waukegan Road. Leader: -

Aug. 25 From Carl Sandburg School on Schoenbeck Rd. between Hintz and Dundee Rd. Leader: Mike Enwright.

TWIN LAKES RIDE - It was a really warm day when over 30 of us gathered at Long Grove for a beautiful ride up past Grass Lake, Chain of Lake, Wilmot and on to Twin Lakes for a leisurely lunch. Rich Figge had had a bicycle accident - he locked his brakes and flipped over the handlebars - and was unable to lead, so Howard Paul and Dick Ryan took over - thanks fellows.

HUFF AND PUFF - Many of us were out of town over the Fourth of July weekend, but 14 turned out for this hot and humid ride to Union. The group lunched in both the restaurant and the pizza spot before heading home. The hot and thirsty cyclists took a long, cooling break at the water fountain in the park in Huntley before swooping down through Algonquin and back to Long Grove.

LAMB'S FARM - Over 40 drove or pedaled into Potawatomi Woods for the 25-mile round trip to Lamb's Farm. It was a perfect riding day. The group was divided into two groups, one led by Lois and Howard Paul on their tandem and the other by Mike and Laura Enwright. We were surprised to find a huge crowd of people at Lamb's Farm. After time for

browsing through the shops and nibbling on ice cream cones, the groups headed back to Wheeling. It was a pleasure to have Jerry and Lenore Goldman ride along with their youngsters, Bob and Ken.

PIZZA RIDE - Thirty three Wheelmen and twelve visitors braved the 92° heat and 86% humidity on this forty mile ride. Dick Ryan led the first group of 20 riders followed a few minutes later by the second group led by Alan Zoller. We enjoyed the rolling hills and sunshine as we pedaled northwest through Barrington and south to Hoffman Estates for delicious pizza at Garibaldi's in Barrington Square. Jim Baum's tray was really loaded down: he learned there was a two-for-one sale...2 sodas, 2 splits....! Some of the riders had never ridden in 90° heat and were amazed at the comfort afforded by a moderate pace with frequent breaks for water. We were pleased to see several of our more experienced riders bringing husbands, wives and children for their first long ride. We hope that these new riders, as well as the many visitors, will make more club rides this season.
Alan Zoller

New Members

Welcome this month to three new members and renewal of a family membership. Be sure to add these to your membership list as well as the additions and address changes listed below:

Rick Gaines, 300 E. Evergreen, Mt. Prospect, IL 60056 253-5201

Sherry Gjelsten, 7921 N. Kedvale, Skokie, IL 60076 677-2812

Terry Uhlemann, 105 Sunset Place, Lake Bluff, IL 60044 295-1783

Jim and Jacquie Luby, 221 Prospect, Mundelein, IL 60060 949-1257

NEW ADDRESSES

Gail Galante, 9074 Terrace Dr. #6B, Des Plaines, IL 60016 827-7065

Glen Schon, 4101 Jay Lane, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008 253-4238

Congratulations to Debbie Donovan..add Hardman for a last name. Same address. Phone 577-8727.

Jim Baum phone - 540-0369

Jim and Ruth Wieder phone - 537-2105



CLUB CONDUCTED RIDES

Howard Paul, Rides Committee Chairman

I have noticed that, although all our rides start out being conducted by a ride leader, as soon as the leader takes a break or slows down on an uphill climb many bikers surge on ahead. We don't intend to discourage this, because we know that all cyclists aren't comfortable at the same pace. However, those that want to stay on a conducted ride, please watch for the ride leader and stop when he does. This has the advantages of group companionship, mechanical assistance and not getting lost.

The ride leaders should remember that their responsibility is more toward the moderate cyclists. Let the strong ones set their own pace, but don't follow it. And an hourly break is not unreasonable. This does not discourage a faster than usual pace if that is the capability of the whole group.



L.A.W. MEMORIAL DAY Patch

If you rode within a week before or after Memorial Day you qualify. Patch \$1.25



L.A.W. HALLOWEEN Patch

Here's another new one for October.
L.A.W. Box 988
Baltimore, MD 21203
\$1.25

