



# Spoke and Wheel

Bicycle Club

Madison County and Surrounding Areas

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August 2009

**Monday Morning Brunch Ride, 9:00 am:** This ride is moderately paced for anyone who wants to take the day off. The ride leaves from the K-Mart north lot on Broadway. It's informal and mileage is flexible, depending on who shows up and how they feel. All are welcome.

**Tuesday:** This ride leaves at **6:00 pm from Edgewood School (3525 Winding Way, Anderson).** The marked route is about 27 miles round trip. **THIS IS A FAST PACED RIDE.** You are on your own.

**Tuesday: 6:00 pm.** Madison Park Church of God is again sponsoring a slower paced ride led by Pete Spoo. All are welcome. The ride leaves from the church parking lot (Columbus and Providence Dr.)

**Wednesday:** Ride begins at **6:00 p.m. from the SE corner of the old K-Mart parking lot (Southdale Plaza) at 53<sup>rd</sup> St and Columbus Ave.** Ride averages around 15 to 25 miles. Routes are marked on the streets. Several ride levels and speeds available. **Please recognize and welcome new riders!** Various members have volunteered to accompany new or slower riders, so no one is left behind. Please take a turn doing this.

**Sunday:** The ride will begin at **9:00am.** Meet at Falls Park in Pendleton. at the west entrance near the lake. There is no designated ride leader or destination. Come join the group and help make the decisions on where to go.

#### Club Officers:

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**Club Meeting: August 20th at 7:00pm** at the Anderson Public Library in the Carnegie Room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. All meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. Meetings are open to all club members. Please plan to attend. **We need your help to make this a great club!**

**Amishland and Lakes: August 7th, 8th & 9th:** Even though this isn't a club ride, we feel like it is, as we usually have about 25 members attend. Since we know we can depend on Rex to make sure we don't go hungry, here's his eating schedule for the weekend. As usual, we'll meet to eat at his PT Cruiser behind dormitory D. All are welcome to join us.

5:30pm Friday: Rex's Dinner Ride to DJ's in La Grange, IN (15miles total)

6:30am Saturday: Rex's Breakfast Ride to Howe Diner (1 mile total)

8:30am (SHARP) Saturday: Mass club start from registration

Saturday dinner options: See Rex for possible ride to Applebee's in Sturgis (13 miles total)

Check with members regarding dinner at the Blue Gate in Shipshewana

6:30am Sunday: Rex's Breakfast Ride to Howe Diner (1 mile total)

8:30am (SHARP) Sunday: Mass club start from registration

**Moonlighter Series: Friday, August 7th, 8:00pm:** Monthly rides begin at the west entrance to Falls Park in Pendleton on the Friday closest to the full moon. 19 miles of back roads take riders to the Fortville Dairy Queen and back. The pointed tips of the ice cream cones point the way. **LIGHTS ARE REQUIRED!!** Rex will not be there as he's going to Amishland. You guys are on your own!

**Fairmount Brunch Ride: Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am:** Leaving from the Muethings' (1105 Greenway Dr. Anderson) we'll head north past the Giant Paint Ball, through Summitville and on to Fairmount. Brunch will be at Subway. We'll vary the route on the way back. Total distance is about 58 miles on mostly flat roads.

**Monon Trail Lunch Ride: Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am:** We'll meet in the Roher St. Parking lot which is 1/4 mile south of 146<sup>th</sup> St. Led by Steve and Francie Seybert, this is a leisurely ride to downtown Indy for lunch. Total ride distance is about 35 to 40 miles. Remember - no speeding on this ride!

#### **CLUB NOTES:**

**July Meeting:** Members present were Tom & Rosemary Frazier, Steve & Mary Kay Rybolt, Rex Upshaw, Steve Seybert and Paul & Nancy Muething. Rosemary reported a balance of \$877.96. Reports were given on past rides and the August ride schedule was set. Rosemary received orders for 20 jerseys and has sent in the money. We will notify members when the jerseys arrive and they can be picked up at Rosemary's. Julie ordered more business cards for us. If you would like some cards to distribute, contact Tom.

#### **Wednesday Ride Leaders:**

August 5 Fraziers  
12 Muethings  
19 Rybolts  
26 Lokers

#### **Chocolate Moose Ride**

Greg and Shari did another great job with this ride. Fourteen riders left the Greenway Trailhead and headed to Farmland. We didn't encounter the rain clouds this year and the wind wasn't a problem. We stayed together fairly well on the way to a delicious lunch at the Chocolate Moose. Shari took off early to set up our end of ride feast. We separated a little on the return trip, but there were more than ample cookies, watermelon and rootbeer floats for all. Those enjoying the day were Larry Hill, Jim Hoffman, Jim & Mary Johnson, Steve & Mary Kay Rybolt, Jeff Merryman, Paul & Nancy Muething, Julie Ward, Dave Jones, Rex Upshaw, Dave Crandall and the Dixons.

#### **July 4<sup>th</sup> Ride**

Hooray! No rain this year! We followed our usual route to Elwood and ate at the new Richard's restaurant (previously Jim Dandy). Rodney had done some scouting and taste testing for us so we knew it would be okay. We called ahead and the tables were ready. We even had some of our former servers. Dick Fetty's grandson met us for breakfast and part of the return ride. The bison again showed off and stayed close to the road, but somehow Susie missed them! Dick dropped off in Frankton as his grandson had a ballgame. We're really not sure how Dick was managing to ride with that tag-a-long wiggling around so much. We ended the ride with the usual cookie pig out. Riders included Rex Upshaw, Julie Ward, Dave Jones, Pete Spoo, Greg & Shari Dixon, Sherry Smith, Tom & Rosemary Frazier, Steve & Mary Kay Rybolt, Dick Fetty & grandson, Rodney Lawson, Susie Hughey, Chuck & Mike Baden and Paul & Nancy Muething. Sandy Baden joined us for the cookies.

#### **Blue River Valley Ride**

What can I say besides RAIN! The ride TO Bill's in New Castle was great. The radar had given us a clear window until noon. As we left our breakfast of great pancakes, etc. at 10:00, the heavens opened and the Blue River came down on top of us! It rained so hard it hurt. The thunder and lightning was a little disconcerting, too. That 25 mile ride back to our cars seemed to take forever. Tom Frazier was disappointed that he got syrup on his new bike shorts, but noted they got thoroughly washed on the way home. Drenched riders were Mike Flowers, Pete Spoo, Rex Upshaw, Steve & Mary Kay Rybolt, Paul & Nancy Muething, Tom & Rosemary Frazier, Dave Jones, Larry Hill, Julie Ward and Kevin Barker.

### **Greenville Century**

This was a great day for a ride! It wasn't too hot for July and the winds were supposed to be in our favor. So much for predictions! We left the Harrys' right on time with 14 riders. We stopped at the Greenway Trail crossing to pick up Donna Davidson. The roads were mainly in good shape and we only made a couple of refreshment stops along the way. As we stopped outside of Greenville to regroup for the last push into town, some friends of Paul & Nancy's came around the corner on their way back to work from their lunch break. What a coincidence! We couldn't have planned that better. Lunch was wonderful as always. Rex does know where to eat. We were too full for ice cream so we just headed west. The headwind had picked up by then so Paul and Dave let the rest of us draft off of them all the way home. Thanks, guys!. Donna dropped off on the Greenway and we continued on. We had our usual spectacular reward of homemade cheesecake and ice cream at the end. We certainly have some good cooks in this club. Thanks Debbie and Kevin for making this such an enjoyable 100 miles! Riders included Steve & Mary Kay Rybolt, Debbie Harry, Rex Upshaw, Paul & Nancy Muething, Dave Jones, Rodney Lawson, Mark Lyons, Chris Standridge, Mike Buzan ( did his first century) Mark Bradley, Mike Flowers, Donna Davidson and Chuck Baden.

### **R.A.I.N. July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

Five club members completed this awesome 160 mile ride across Indiana on July 18<sup>th</sup>. There were 1129 riders participating this year. Here are our riders and their finishes: #68 Dave Crandall (7:35), #72 Steve Rybolt (7:35), #169 Charlie Loker (8:12), #285 Greg Dixon (8:58), #774 Shari Dixon (10:46), and #1079 Glen Davidson (12:44). Congratulations to all for a job well done.

### **Great Greenway Tour by Steve Rybolt**

Thank You to all Spoke and Wheel members who helped out with our sag stops and home made cookies for the Great Greenway Tour. We had many very positive comments about the sag stops and the people who were working the sag stops. The riders always notice us in our Spoke and Wheel jerseys! It is always great to hear the comments! I would also like to thank everyone for the overwhelming numbers who volunteered. Our numbers were impressive!

Obviously the numbers of riders was down because of the weather. I haven't heard specific numbers, but I heard it was a little less than 200 total. Last year it was a little less than 400 total. We won't know what the profit margin is for a few weeks. Hopefully we will know next month what our club earned from the ride.

### **Lakeshore Century**

Denise Miller thought some of the members might be interested in this ride. She really enjoyed it in the past.

Sunday September 13, 2009 Chesterton, Indiana

25,37,62,73 or 100 miles

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Contact Bobbie Cysyk at 219-462-6035

Cost \$20 before 8/30 after \$25 or day of the ride \$30

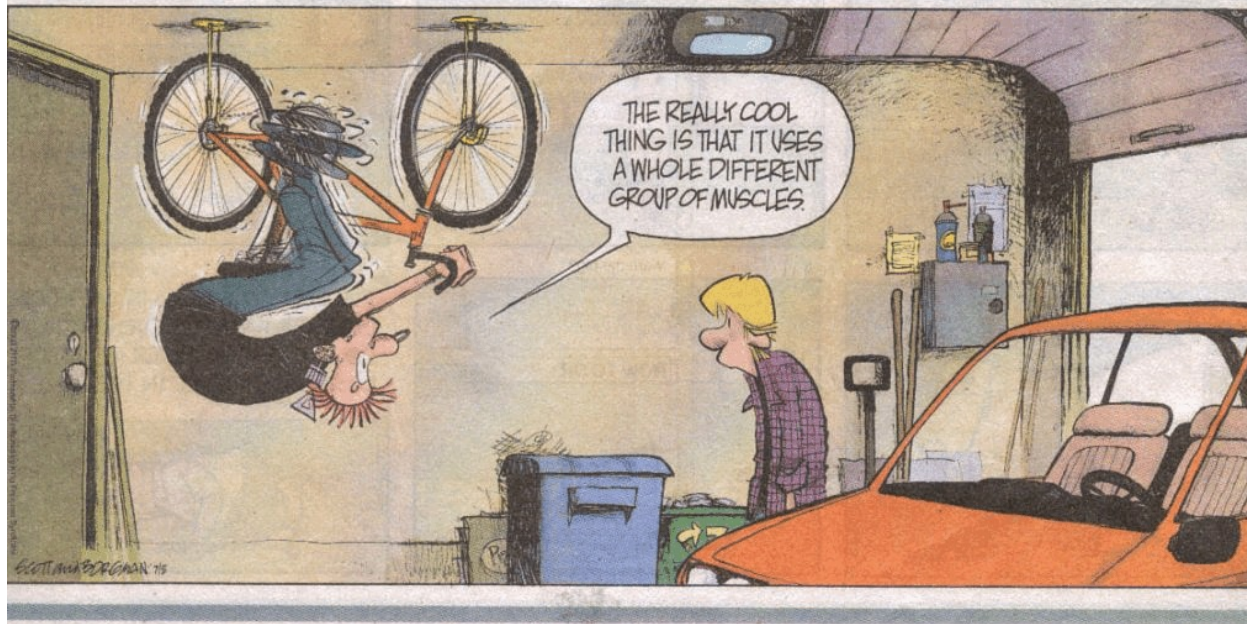
### **Bicycle Trivia Question:**

A bicycle operating on a road ½ hour after sunset and ½ hour before sunrise must have what lamps and be visible from what distance?

E-mail Tom with your answer: [tlrfrazier@aol.com](mailto:tlrfrazier@aol.com)

ZITS

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



## **Riders Beware!!!**

By Paul Muething

Watch out! Nancy has a new bike! Yes, that's right. After many years of countless club members suggesting to Nancy that she get a lighter bike, she has finally succumbed to the pressure...and with disastrous results! Nancy now rides at the front of the pack and seems to enjoy making other people suffer. An example....we were riding near Frankton and ascending the long hill to the north. Dave Jones and I were sprinting to the top of the hill. When we got to the top (Dave won) I looked back and there was Nancy, right behind me. To add insult to injury, Nancy remarked "How do I get out of my big chain ring?" I fear we've created another " Barry Muzzin" (for you American Flyer fans). I'm also getting tired of constantly hearing hearing "on your left".