

QUAD-CITIES BICYCLE CLUB NEWSLETTER - November 1976

An important and interesting meeting is coming up November 9 at Bishop's Cafeteria, Jack Creek Plaza, Bettendorf. Time is 6:30 p.m. and you'll go through the line, choosing your own meal and paying for same and a special room will be provided for the meeting.

Importance of the meeting is election of officers. Ballot is enclosed, which you may mark and bring to the meeting OR if you can't attend, mark your ballot and mail in time for the meeting. If you should forget your ballot, there will be additional ones at the meeting.

Of interest will be the presentation of slides and experiences along the Bike Centennial trail given by Steve Lind.

LORRAINE ROTH will take over publishing the Newsletter next year and BRIAN MAJOR has agreed to be Publicity Chairman.

'Twas a thrilling and hopeful sign of a vigorous club to go over the minutes of the last couple of meetings and to see how members have taken upon themselves to poll fellow members of their dreams for the club, of their ideas of how to help and offers of their talents. I was sorry to have had to miss the last few meetings but there was illness in our family and I was out of town some during both September and October. The new Directors will have a better idea of how to plan for next year as the result of this poll. Many thanks to all who helped, especially to Judy Anderson, secretary, who got the ball rolling.

Also noticed, according to the minutes from the October meeting, that Ken Davis, treasurer, reported that amounts under \$5,000 may be deposited in interest-earning savings accounts without the necessity of filing with the IRS. Thus the Wilcox Bikeway Fund (\$419.49) and the Criterion profits (\$611.04) will be placed in a savings account and will earn interest for the Club.

RIDE ATTENDANCE CONGRATULATIONS go to Roy Rousseau and Jerry Friedman, who rode one of the most club rides this year, based on attendance reported to secretary Judy Anderson.

AN ENTHUSIASTIC NOTE from Lorraine Roth reports on the Oct. 2-3 Wisconsin ride: "A terrific fall weekend was enjoyed by 20 members who journeyed to Lancaster, Wisconsin . . . Mr. Rod Roggensack arranged the ride from Lancaster to Wyalusing State Park and return, with an overnight stay at Wyalusing.

"The weather was gorgeous, the colors equally gorgeous and the hills challenging enough for even the most energetic in the crowd. Saturday night was great, trading bicycling stories with members of other clubs. The weather was cooperative enough that several hardy souls slept out under the stars.

"For \$6.50, a greater trip could not be found anywhere! If you weren't among the riders, you missed a fantastic time!"

IN A REVIEW OF RECENT RIDES, Fred Blessin reports that 20 went out to LaClaire Dam on a lovely afternoon, Oct. 3, with Leader Margaret Paulos. Ten participated in the Savanna Ridge Ride on the 10th. Gwen Patton's brother and wife, the Merlin Sagars

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of Mt. Carroll, joined the group and Jay Richter's parents, also from Mt. Carroll, met the group for supper at Handels.

Wow was it cold! -- Coldest picnic of the year at Scott County Park Oct. 17. Nevertheless, Leader Ed Anderson, Roy Rousseau, Bob Dorr, Liz Schwegler, Kent Kraft and Fred Blessin dressed warmly and enjoyed the ride.

On the 23rd, Leader Roy Rousseau, Bob Dorr, Carter LeBeau, Frank Wallace and Ben Gero rode out to breakfast at LeClaire and came back in the rain.

And from Terry Burke comes racing news:

ROLLERS AVAILABLE EVERY SATURDAY. World of Bikes is offering their Wayless rollers for use on Saturday mornings. Competitive riders can have themselves timed by a stop watch and the roller's odometer. Bring your own bike and deodorant! A good starting time is 10 o'clock for most people.

RECENT NATIONAL TRACK AND ROAD TITLES won by Jacques and Jeff Bradley were well covered by articles in Bicycle World, Bicyclist and Velo-News. Phrases like "She is the classiest woman rider there is," and "a more immaculate rider would be hard to find anywhere," and "bike and body are one and both programmed go!"

ANOTHER POINT brought out by one of the articles was the few number of competitive racing cyclists in this area of over 200,000 people. While racing is not everyone's bag surely we can come up with more than 5 to 10 active racers. For QCBC members who have kids or know of anyone proficient in endurance sports such as running, swimming, speed ice skating, suggest bicycle racing as an additional sport.

IT IS EXCITING, serious injuries are rare, it is relatively cheap, and it can be continued throughout a lifetime. QCBC offers an ideal place for prospective racers to try their skills on Wednesday nights at Eldridge, so let us start thinking about next spring this winter!

SOMETHING FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION and for discussion at our November meeting -- We have a letter from the New York Cycle Club asking if we would be interested in featuring one Ian Hibell, internationally known long distance cyclist, at a meeting next year. A few quotes from the letter:

"We have prevailed upon Ian to interrupt his trip for several weeks in the Spring of 1977, fly to the States, and share his experiences with cycling clubs . . . He will bring with him an hour and a quarter slide lecture on his adventures. Ian is known for his superb photography as well as for his wealth of cycle-tour expertise.

"If your club is interested in hosting Ian Hibell, please fill out the enclosed card and mail as quickly as possible . . . Once we receive a sampling from around the country, we will then be able to draw up an itinerary for him and get back to you with specific dates in which Ian will be in your section of the country."

FOR YOUR WINTER READING, Fred Blessin suggests EFFECTIVE CYCLING and he recommends it to anyone who wants to increase his biking skill and enjoyment. The author, John Forester of California, started riding in England in 1947 and is an expert racer and tourist as well as riding to work. He writes well plus he knows what he is talking about.

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SLATE OF OFFICERS

(Vote for one in each category)

President:

Don Bates

Carter LeBeau

Vice President:

Ben Cero

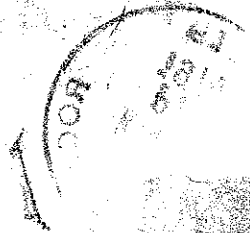
Judy Anderson

Treasurer:

Dennis Murphy

Secretary:

Jo Anne Lambrecht



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Notice: There are "write-in" spots for candidates. Mark your ballot and either bring to the Nov. 9 dinner meeting or mail it to P. O. Box 3575, Davenport, Iowa 52808 BEFORE Nov. 8, if you cannot attend the meeting.