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CLINTON RIVER RIDERS

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Next Meeting - Monday, February 5, at the Mt. Clemens Community Center which is located at 300 Groesbeck Highway and Lafayette.

New Members - due to a computer malfunction (well, that's my story and I'm sticking with it) this month's new members will appear in next month's newsletter. Anyway, you know who you are - welcome to the club

From the President -

The new season is upon us - The Last Dozen (or the last quarter mile) and the First Dozen (118 entrants, 3 from the Clinton River Riders) heralds both the close of 1989 and the beginning of 1990! Now is the time to set goals and plan your season. Whether your goal is 25 miles or RAAM, the people in the club will help you achieve it. The best advice I can give is to start riding early in the season and ride regularly.

Thank you to the Christmas party committee: Anita Klein, Rose Goebel, and Karen Mousseau. The party was fantastic. Plans and reservations have already been made for next year.

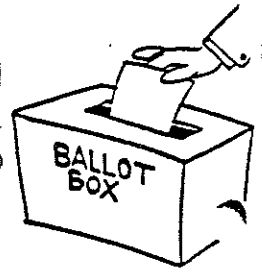
Elections will be held at the February meeting. Please, try to attend. If you have ordered a club jersey - they are in and may be picked up at the meeting. There is a listing of official club mileage travelled by members this year in the Newsletter. If you have qualified for an award, please call me and leave your shirt size on my recorder by February 1st so we can order the proper sizes and get them out in a timely fashion.

Happy Cycling,
Mike

International Event - The Windsor Bicycle Club will be holding its annual banquet on Saturday, February 17th. Anyone interested in attending should call Jeff Robinson at 939-9342. The cost is twenty dollars Canadian per person. I think it would be wonderful if we could get a large group together to show as a club.



Club Elections - As Mike mentioned in his notes, the club elections will take place at the February meeting. The official races are deadlocked. Come and see (perhaps be the deciding vote on) the direction that the club will take in the new decade.



Club Dues - Your dues are due. This is a friendly reminder that this will be your last newsletter if you do not pay them. You must have paid your dues to vote in the club elections. A renewal form is enclosed with this newsletter. Don't be left out in the cold. Think of how you will rue the day that your friends disown you for not being a current dues paying member. Besides, if you don't pay up, we'll just rip your liver out with a spoon. Thanks for you attention.

From the Ride Director -

I would like to apologize for not explaining the format for the time trial medals at the club Christmas party. The medals were awarded to the top three men and women based on the three individual time trials held at Stony Creek during 1989. Each time trial winner received 5 points, 2nd received 4 points, 3rd received 3 points, 4th received 2 points, and 5th received 1 point. The points were then totaled for the series medals. The medal winners were:

Men

Gold - Ted Gondert (new course record 29:24)

Mark Destefano

Silver - Jerry Pavlat

Women

Gold - Sue Pavlat (new course record 32:23)

Silver - Marissa Coor

Bronze - Kathryn Pfent

Carol Wilke



I am planning to run the time trial series again in 1990 using the same format as in the previous years. Exact dates have yet to be determined, but here are approximate periods Individual Time Trial - end of April, end of June, end of August. Tandem Time Trial - end of July

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help over the last two years that I have been ride director. It is great to see the club grow so much. I never got to go on many club rides because of my training schedule and other commitments and meet the new members. This year looks even worse, but maybe I will see you on the road. Thanks and good luck in the new riding season; I hope you achieve what you set out to do.

David Heck



Club Awards - Here is the list of all members who received awards at the Christmas party. Both Sue Pavlat and Doris Mulligan did an excellent job on organizing the awards. Thank you both! A special thanks goes to Doris for the artwork and the talent in creating them. The award winning cyclists are:

Steve Angst	Rookie of the Year
Warren & Barb Berthelsen	Sleep Cheap at the RAT Motel
Eric Berthelsen	Parents Know Best
Kristen Berthelsen	Displaced Person Award
Bill Cleland	SAG Extraordinaire
Jim Cramer	Fastest Kickstand
Denyse Cryderman & Bob Kosen	Fleet Feet
Joe De Oro	Third Pocket
Mark Destefano	Shooting Star
Claudia Dominick	Turbo Assist
John Edry	Cartographer
Ed Gostin	Air Cycle
Ted Gondert	Magic Saddlebags
Mike Kiefer	Minnie Pearl
Ken Koch	Club Jersey
Larry Leksutin	Casanova
Rick Moorman	DILLIGAS
Sue Moorman	Back Seat
Karen Mousseau	Again
Andy Neumann	Voice of the C.R.R.
Mike Holden	Two Second Man
Bob Goebel	Dust Buster

Club Event Schedule

Please call the Hotline (792-4670) for any last minute changes, deletions or additions

Saturdays, Jan. 20 & Feb. 3 - Clinton River Walleyball - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. at the Gateway Raquet Club located on Van Dyke between 14 & 15 Mile Rd. For more information, call Warren Berthelsen.

Saturday, Feb. 3 - The Clinton River Riders are sponsoring the 36th floor of the **Race to the Top** stair climbing race at the Renaissance Center. Come on out and support the runners. For more information, call Sue Pavlat.

Clinton River Rider Birthday List - The Clinton River Riders would like to wish a happy birthday to:

January Birthdays

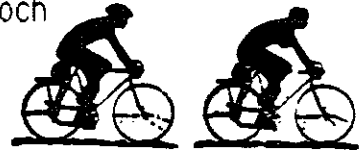
- 1 James Gallagher
- 1 Alice Robinson
- 2 Denise Cryderman
- 6 Susan Hrit
- 6 Jane Koch
- 8 Jim Van Scott
- 15 Curt Best
- 29 William Salut M.D.
- 29 Robert Schwartz

February Birthdays

- 2 Andy Neumann
- 3 Lisa Patterson
- 4 Dot Martin
- 5 Carol Trombley
- 6 Barb Berthelsen
- 15 Linda Jacobs Martin
- 16 Jeff Robinson
- 18 Henry C. Thoenes
- 20 Margaret Sanchez
- 21 Rick Stebbins
- 22 Larry Robb
- 26 Richard Van Buren
- 27 Douglas Macdermaid
- 27 Ken Koch

On the Road with Duane and E.A.

Dear Club Members,



We're back. It's both a shock and a delight to be back in the U.S.A. First, we will tell you about the last of N.Z. The East coast of the South Island was great fun. We watched how beer is made in Dunedin, and Duane took very careful notes. He has become very fond of the beer there. It tastes great, and he likes the way it is served on tap. Bottle sales are only a small part of the market.

As we rode by Mt. Cook (the tallest peak) it was kind enough to expose itself for pictures. That saved us staying on an extra day up high in the cold. It also saved us from getting snowed on; we missed it by one day. Once we got back to the coast, the weather got warm, and the riding was pretty nice as we had mostly tail winds. If the weather gets hot, it means there is a nor'wester blowing, and they are terrible winds to fight. They have even been known to push caravans off the road. We only had to battle them a few days.

By the time we reached Christchurch, our days in New Zealand were coming to an end. We still had not seen the native parrot called the Kea. We had some extra days planned for emergencies and decided to take a train ride back up into the mountains to meet this bird. We met one in captivity and just had to meet them in their own element. The train ride was great once we got the bikes loaded. Finally, up at Aurthur's pass we met our Kea. Duane played games with him for about 1/2 an hour. When it got dark, we had to sneak away so it wouldn't follow us to our tent. The ride down the hill was a breeze; at 20 mph we could still feel the wind at our backs.

Back on the coast again, we followed the coastal highway up into Pictou - the end of our ride. It was one of those days you wait for and hate to see come at the same time. We had chicken and cauliflower with cheese as our celebration dinner. Chicken is quite expensive there. We got on the ferry the next day and reached Wellington Island just after rush hour. We stayed with some friends as we boxed up the bikes.

We are allowed 2 pieces of luggage each, and they must be under 60 pounds each. Each extra piece costs \$129. We had no problems getting the bikes into boxes, but the panniers were a little more difficult.

Travelling on a bicycle, even fully laden, is not nearly as difficult as travelling with a bicycle. It took two trips to the train station to get it all there. Then it took three hours to get a bus to pick us up from the train station. The bus missed us the first time because we were not on the sidewalk with all our boxes. Once we dragged them out there, we got a ride to the hostel. Getting to the airport was no problem; it was just a little crowded. There were 7 passengers, 4 bike boxes, and other assorted luggage. We made it to the airport and checked in our boxes right away. It was a night flight, so I kept out one sleeping bag to stay warm, and we lost it at the airport. At least it was one less thing to carry around.

L.A. airport was a shock. There were hundreds of people lined up to meet others. We got a trolley to carry the bikes, but they didn't fit through the doorways so we had to unload and reload them on each side. Unfortunately, no one had a car to rent big enough to hold a bike box. We decided to take the bus to San Diego where Elizabeth's relatives live. The shuttle bus didn't want to take us to the Greyhound Depot because we had so much luggage. They finally consented and charged us an extra fare for the bikes. At the bus station, everyone wanted to help us, and as fast as Duane could unload, to our surprise, our boxes were carried off (A not so subtle reminder about tipping). Just as we were boarding the bus to San Diego, we were told our bikes could not go. It was the meanest thing he could have said. Anyway, he found room for them, and we arrived in San Diego all together and unscathed. We spent Christmas with family in sunny San Diego.

We are back on the bikes and having a ball. We have feasted on hamburgers, hot dogs, twinkies, Mountain Dew, burritos, enchiladas, and chili, etc. The days are too short to cook any fancy meals, but that will come as soon as we adjust. In the meantime, think B _ _ _ _ _ and don't freeze on the ski slopes.

See you soon.
Duane & Elizabeth

CLINTON RIVER RIDER 1989 MILEAGE RESULTS

The following people will receive a CRR water bottle for having been on at least 5 rides but have under 500 miles:

Angst, Stephen
Balmaceda, Oscar
Barton, Al
Berthelsen, Barb
Berthelsen, Kristin
Berthelsen, Warren
Best, Curt
Boden, Lynn
Capoferi, Deborah
Carolan, Katie
Carolan, Kirk
Cleland, Toni
Cleland, William J.
Connor, Michael G.
Coor, Marissa
Coor, Sam
Crowley, William
Destefano, Mark
Dyer, Matt
Dyer, Richard
Gallagher, James
Graham, Tom
Hrit, David
Hrit, Susan
Kiefer, Mike
Kosen, Bob
Kowalski, Pat
Leksutin, Larry
LoPiccolo, Frank
McWatters, Beth
Mousseau, Karen R.
Ostrowski, Sandy
Pavlat, Jerry
Pavlat, Sue
Perkins, Rodney
Pionk, Barbara
Rabaut, John J.
Rhoads, Kenneth R.
Robb, Larry
Shaw, David P.
Sheehy, Patrick
Tedrow, Christopher
Van Scott, Jim
Wilke, Carol
Wright, Jim
Wright, Stephanie

The following people will receive a CRR cycling cap for accumulating between 500 and 1000 miles:

Anderson, Art
Berthelsen, Eric
Dominick, Ray
Dominick, Tom
Doran, Joann C.
Fitzpatrick, Nate
Goebel, Rose
Gostin, Edgar
Heck, Heidi
Kowalski, Rod
Latsko, Bob
Moorman, Susan
Mulligan, Doris
Van Scott, Judy

The following people will receive a CRR T-shirt for accumulating between 1000 and 1500 miles:

Boden, Mike
Cramer, Jim
Crowley, Bob
Dominick, Tina
Goebel, Bob
Haelewyn, Gary
Holden, Michael
Moorman, Patrick
Neumann, Andy
Pfent, Kathryn
Skiba, Ronald

The following people will receive a special award for being the top three people in overall mileage.

1st	2257	Gondert, Ted
2nd	1940	Edry, John
3rd	1535	Dominick, Claudia

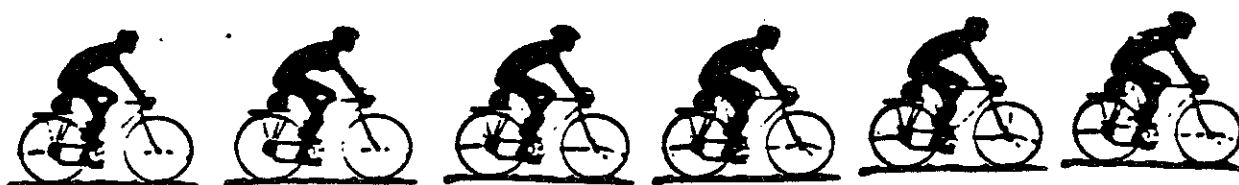
Club Ramblings

Jerry and Sue Pavlat are going to be grandparents in July of 1990. They already have permission from Jennifer and Steve to take the child out in the buggy.

Sue Pavlat is doing RAAM on a tandem with Ron Drossenbach a new member from Windsor, Ontario. He currently holds the world record for the trans-Canada bicycle crossing. Look in the Guinness Book of World Records if you don't believe me. Sue's sister-in-law has now officially dubbed her "grandma-raama-dingdong"

Snow Blind - Patti Brehler will be doing Iditabike on February 17. For those who don't know, Iditabike is a 200 mile race in Anchorage, Alaska using the Iditarod dog sled trail. Yes, there is plenty of snow. She is being sponsored by Pavlat's, Northwest airlines, Benchmark of Farmington Hills, and Meals on the Go. We certainly wish her good luck.

Race to the Top - The Renaissance center race will also have a few of our members competing. They are: Sue Pavlat, Patti Brehler, Tim Phillips, William Guilbert, and Lou Hotton. Good luck - anything over 4 flights, and I take the elevator.



CLUB RENEWAL NOTICE

1990 club dues are due January 1, 1990! In order to validate our records, please fill out and return the following form with your membership dues.

Make checks payable to: **Clinton River Riders**
Return to: **Clinton River Riders**
36558 Moravian
Mt. Clemens, MI 48043

Note: We are asking for member's birthdays. This information will only be used for social purposes to acknowledge people's birthdays in the newsletter (don't worry, birth year will not be given).

CLINTON RIVER RIDER
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Mailing Name (first and last): _____

Address:

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone Number: () _____

If you do not want your phone number published in the club roster, please check here _____.

Type of Membership: ___ Individual (\$7.50) ___ Family (\$10.00)

MEMBER NAMES
(first and last)

BIRTHDAY
(month & day; year is optional)

_____	_____
_____	_____
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