

Rambler

April 1998

Hi, I'm Jan. I'll be your newsletter editor for at least the next year.

I have just retired from the editorial committee of my ski club, and now I am delighted to have a new publication to work with. Over the coming months, I will be experimenting with the pages and adding pictures and cartoons as my equipment evolves (please send them in!).

For the moment, I have set the schedule to cover the first to the end of the month. We'll see how it goes.

I will start to work on the May issue around the 15th of April. Please bring pictures, artwork, articles, and info to me at the meeting or send it to me before the 15th. It would be great to have articles and pictures about marathon runners, updates on what members are doing in cycling classes, events, rides, long trips, etc.

This month, I have placed the ride info right here on the front page in anticipation of some pleasant riding weather.

I will begin with the weekly rides:

Grosse Pointe Ride

Meet Doug MacDermaid or Rick Jones on Saturdays at the Schultz Funeral Home (8 1/2 Mile & Gratiot) at 9 a.m. Ride for 30-35 miles at a pace of 14-16 mph, work up an appetite, and stop for breakfast or lunch afterwards.

Armada Breakfast Ride

If the temperature is above 40 degrees, meet Mike Freeman on Saturdays at the Stony Creek Boat Launch at 8:30 a.m. Ride a total of 47 miles at a 15-17 mph pace, with a stop in Armada for breakfast.

Stony Laps

Meet Sandy Freeman at the Boat Launch starting at 3:15 on Mondays and Wednesdays. Ride laps until 6:30 p.m. at a 14-16 mph pace or less; you will not be dropped.

We have one scheduled club ride:

Dryden Breakfast Ride

Meet Ted Gondert at Romeo High School on Sunday, April 26 at 8:30 a.m. Ride 45 miles at a 16-18 mph pace.

Having given priority to club rides, I have compiled a list of other upcoming rides you may be interested in doing.

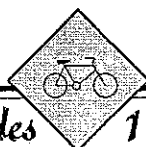
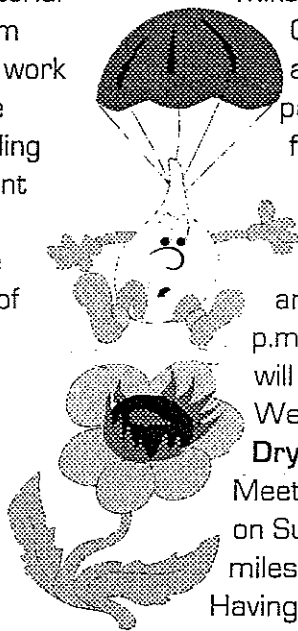
The MS Wolverine 200, May 15-17 on Belle Isle. (See you there!) Deadline: May 8

100,000 Metre T-Shirt Ride, June 6 in Grand Ledge. Deadline: May 9

Metro Grand Spring Tour, May 3 in New Boston. Deadline: April 20. (313) 383-0286.

"Back 40" Challenge, May 10 in Clarkston. Deadline: May 1. Flying Rhino Cycling Club.

Farm Lake Tour, June 7 in Monroe. Deadline: May 10. Cycling Saddlemen Bicycle Club.



1998 Midwest Tandem Rally...

Omaha, Nebraska

By Gary & Arlene Hull
MTR '98 Committee Members

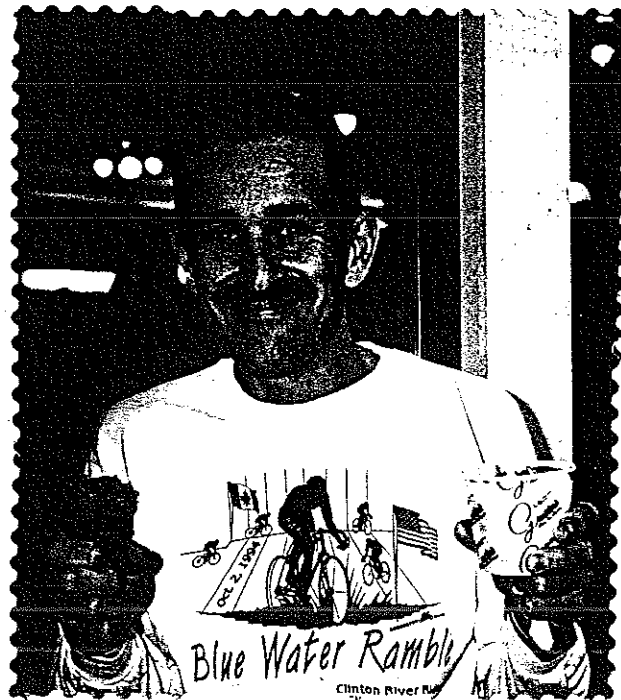
The 23rd Annual Midwest Tandem Rally will be held in Omaha, Nebraska during Labor Day weekend (September 4-7). The Doubletree Hotel in downtown Omaha is the host hotel.

This event will bring in a variety of over 500 tandems and their riders from all parts of the country, to enjoy the Heartland and get a dose of the "Good Life" of Nebraska. Although a tandem is known as the "bicycle built for two", you will also see bikes built for three as well as four.

A variety of bike routes with food stops are being planned for Saturday and Sunday, offering opportunities to enjoy the togetherness of other tandem riders and take in the vast landscape of the area. Friday night will consist of an "ice cream walk". Stroll through the parks and savor homemade ice cream found in the nearby Old Market area. A banquet with special entertainment is scheduled for Sunday night at the hotel. Participation in the Labor Day Parade, which will outline the downtown area, is planned for Monday morning.

Workshops and seminars are also being planned, covering various topics ranging from bike safety to nutrition. Vendors will be available to show their wares as well as the latest models of tandems and equipment. The kids will not be left out - activities for them will be held during the day.

For registration forms, send a SASE to Midwest Tandem Rally '98, P.O. Box 1758, Bellevue, NE 68005-1758 or contact the Rally's website at <http://members.aol.com/Shrbike/PP22.html>



Flashback - John Tarantino enjoys his ice cream after the Friday ride at MTR '97, Dublin Ohio.

Planes, Trains, Boats and Bikes

By Gary Haelewyn

I'm planning a self-contained bicycle trip from La Crosse, Wisconsin to Detroit during the last week of July.

Tentative plans include taking Amtrak to La Crosse, riding to Wisconsin Dells for a duck ride, to Oshkosh for opening day at the International Experimental Aircraft Association Fly-in Convention, to Manitowoc to catch the ferry across Lake Michigan to Ludington, and then ride or drive home.

Options include meeting at points between La Crosse and Oshkosh, and/or riding back through St. Ignace. Call Gary Haelewyn at (810) 286-5094 if you're interested.

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Rides

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Club ID Cards

Identification cards are available for any club member at club meetings. A 10% discount will be given at the following participating stores.

Prestige Cycles

36558 Moravian

Clinton Twp. (810) 792-4040

Cycle & Fitness

1109 S. Washington

Royal Oak (810) 542-7182

Pointe Cycle & Fitness

20343 Mack

Grosse Pte. Woods (313) 886-1968

Mountains of Bikes

42201 Garfield

Clinton Twp. (810) 412-0500

Antoons

42918 Schoenherr

Sterling Heights (810) 247-9240

Sterling Schwinn

2169 Metro Pkwy.

Sterling Heights (810) 979-7570

878 S. Rochester Rd.

Rochester (810) 652-1555

Big Ralphs Schwinn

23521 Nine Mile

St. Clair Shores (810) 772-3258

Macomb Schwinn

28441 Schoenherr

Warren (810) 756-5400

Stoney Creek Schwinn

58236 Van Dyke

Washington (810) 781-4451

Main Street Bicycles

112B South Main St.

Romeo (810) 336-1177

Anchor Bay Bicycles & Fitness

35241 23 Mile Rd.

New Baltimore (810) 725-2878

Continental Bike Shop

23262 John R.

Hazel Park (810) 545-1225

Happy Birthday!

4/04 Mandy Brehler
 4/13 Frank Hammer
 4/27 Rebecca Holden
 4/02 Rick Jones
 4/07 Will Lajack
 4/27 Phil Liethen
 4/12 Tommy LaPiccolo
 4/12 Nicole Malloch
 4/24 Larry Maykowski
 4/07 Richard Moed
 4/24 Matthew Moorman
 4/08 Jessica Morrison
 4/11 Amy Ostrowski
 4/12 Glenn Pleiness
 4/19 Phillip Rosiek
 4/13 John G. Skosnik, Jr.
 4/05 Lois Sloan
 4/11 Dorothy Smith
 4/14 Amber Smith
 4/10 Trent Smith
 4/27 Nancy Thoenes
 4/08 John S. Williams
 4/13 Bill Yoblonski

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Next Meetings:

April 6

May 4

@ 7 p.m.

Mt. Clemens Recreation
 Center, 300 Groesbeck
 (next to the ice arena)

Employment



Wanted: Chief cook and bottle washer. Must be able to feed 1500 hungry, angry, Lycra-clad cyclists of varying sizes, shapes, and ages in a foreign country at one sitting. No experience necessary. Wages commensurate with experience. Call (810) 286-5094 to apply.



HARLEWYN, GARY, JAN & FAMILY
 41706 MERRIMAC
 CLINTON TWP., MI 48038



36558 Moravian Clinton Twp. MI 48035

Renewal Application Form

Clinton River Riders Bicycle Club

- \$12.50 Individual (Over 18)
 \$15.00 Family

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone () _____

Family Members

Name	Birthdate
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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- New Member Renewal

Please make checks payable to:
 Clinton River Riders, 36558 Moravian,
 Clinton Township, MI 48035

League of American Wheelmen ("LAW")
 Release & Waiver of liability assumption of
 risk, & indemnity agreement. ("AGREEMENT")

In consideration of my being permitted to participate
 in any way in The Clinton River Riders Bicycle Club
 ("Club") sponsored bicycling activities ("Activity") for
 myself, my personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and
 next of kin:

1. Acknowledge, agree, & represent that I understand
 the nature of Bicycling Activities & that I am qualified
 to participate in such Activity. I further acknowledge
 that the Activity will be conducted over public roads &
 upon which the hazards of traveling are expected. I
 further agree & warrant that if at any time I believe
 conditions to be unsafe I will immediately discontinue
 further participation in the Activity.

2. Fully understand that (a) Bicycling Activities involve
 risks and dangers of serious bodily injury, including
 permanent disability, paralysis & death ("Risks"); (b)
 these risks & dangers may be caused by my own ac-
 tions, or inactions, the actions or inactions of others
 participating in the Activity, the condition in which the
 Activity takes place, or the negligence of the "Releasees"
 named below; (c) there may be other risks & social &
 economical losses either not known to me or not readily
 foreseeable at this time and I fully accept & assume all
 such risks & all responsibility for losses, cost & dam-
 ages incurred as a result of my participation in the
 Activity.

3. Hereby release, discharge, covenant not to sue, &

agree to indemnify & save & hold harmless the Club,
 the Law, their respective administrators, directors,
 agents, & employees, other participants, any spon-
 sors, advertisers, & if applicable, owners & lessors of
 premises on which the Activity takes place, (each con-
 sidered one of the "Releasees" herein) from all liabil-
 ity, claims, demands, losses, or damages on my ac-
 count caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in
 part by the negligence of the "Releasees" or other-
 wise, including negligent rescue operations.

I have read this agreement, fully understand its terms,
 understand that I have given up substantial rights by
 signing it and have signed it freely & without any in-
 ducement or assurance of any nature & intend it to
 be a complete & unconditional release of all liability to
 the greatest extent allowed by law & agree that if any
 portion of this agreement is held to be invalid the bal-
 ance, not withstanding, shall continue in full force &
 effect.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

(All riding members must sign)

