

Rambler

July 1999

La Crosse WI to St. Ignace MI

by Gary Haelewyn with inspiration from Louis L'Amour

They stood there on the platform holding their baggage as the train slowly pulled away, four tough looking hombres staring into the dark empty depot for a sign of life. The late evening wind whipped dust around like a sand blaster. Timidly, the station master approached asking, "Would you be the four who had their steeds shipped here a couple days ago?". Ron "Ironman" Truax, the obvious leader answered, "We shipped from Dearborn Michigan last Thursday, where are they?". A shudder went through the station master as he led the four to a dirty storage room. "Here they are. You can pull them out back where there's light, might be easier to get saddled up out there".

Pulling out Swiss army knives they cut open the ends of the boxes to let their steeds loose. Then, putting on their saddles, panniers, tents and sleeping bags they mounted up. "We'll

be looking for a place to bed down tonight, is there a saloon in town?" asked Ironman. The station master promptly provided maps and directions. "What might you boys be doin" here in LaCrosse, Wisconsin?" the curious stationmaster inquired. "That's none of your business" replied Ironman. The station master was glad to see the four leave. They had put a fright in him he could not explain.

I'd never done much more than 1 day rides with these guys from Dearborn and Monroe so a week-long ride would be a new experience for me as well as them. I was replacing a guy named Rich. The four of them had toured together the previous 6 years. From what I understand this Rich got into some sort of trouble out West and could not make the planned Wisconsin trip with his 3 Amigos.

You have to be a little

flexible when taking someone's place on trip like this. It might even mean taking a little kidding, riding in a different manner, or, not eating any bread pudding for a week. But I was prepared. When Ron called saying they were doing a loaded self supported tour across Wisconsin, I readily accepted his gracious invitation. I like this kind of riding, 10-12 mph sight seeing rides where you stop to talk to the locals, sample their unique cuisine, admire their women, camp out in tents, plenty of fresh air. This kind of riding is like getting to know far away neighbors.

The 12 hour train ride with 5000 Boy Scouts, that got us from Dearborn to LaCrosse gave me some insight into these 3 Amigos. Ron "Ironman" Truax, the big burly leader of the group, kept coming up with quotable remarks, like "Look at that pile of concrete". By the end of the ride

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I'd know everything there was to know about steel bridges, towers, blast furnaces, and concrete. Mark "Shorty" Koenig, one time NASCAR driver, barge captain, and Green Beret, always prodding big Ron to give me another demerit. "Atomic" Dave Smith, has a craving for juke boxes, showers frequently, and was the group's photographer. I also needed to memorize some of their unique lingo. "Farmer Alert" somehow translates to a scantily clothed woman although I still don't see the connection. "Kodak Moment", means stop I want to take a picture of that concrete pile. I earned a whopping 6 demerits just on the train. Got the first one for keeping a journal of the adventure. It would take longer than a week to wipe the slate clean and I'm sure once they get their hands on this a few more will be added to my name. Oh yes, one last character was with me the whole trip. Louis L'Amour and his book Monument Rock. He's a cowboy writer and his stories kept me in perspective of what we were doing out there. So here goes a brief description of what it's like riding in Wisconsin.

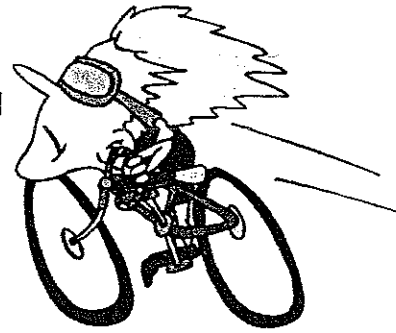
Sunday June 27: Left motel at 9:30ish on busy Hwy 16. Left the planned route using County road "B". Wisconsin uses letters to designate county roads. These are the best roads to follow, smooth pavement, low traffic volume, lots of cranberries and corn. We ate lunch in Sparta, "Bike Capital of the World". This is where the famous Sparta-Elroy rail runs.

The town isn't much to look at, I didn't even see a bike store. "Oh look, a catamaran canoe with electric motor" shouted Shorty as we ate our A&W burger delights. Our pace line screamed through small towns and I heard another famous quote from Ironman Ron, "Towns, I just like to go in and get out". The 90 degree humid heat made Warrens WI, our first night, a welcome sight. The clerk at the party store mentioned Jellystone Park as a good place to camp. We camped in a 3 bedroom, kitchen, living room and bath mobile home.

Monday June 28: Left the now sleeping 10,000 kids at Jellystone and headed out into a cloudy 70 degree morning. My hash-browns, cheese, tomatoes, onions and green pepper breakfast was delicious. We rode steady for a few hours when we hit Sprague, WI. The Wilderness Inn stood at the crossroads of this bar only town. Tied our steeds to the hitching post and pushed opened the doors. Carol, the barmaid looked up and smiled. "You boys look like you could use a beer" she said. "Miller Light", murmured Ironman. "Bud" said Shorty. "Pabst" whispered the Atomic Dave. "I'll have a Pepsi please", I remarked. "Give 'em another demerit" shouted Shorty. Ironman just looked at me and shook his head. "Hey, I just had breakfast two hours ago, it's only 10:30 in the morning, you want me to puke all over the road?" I exclaimed. I heard coins dropping and all of a sudden the

Top Club Miles

As of July 1



Top 25

Jane	Benard	1405
Will	Lajack	1351
Sandy	Freeman	1238
Rick	Jones	1198
Jim	McKinnie	966
Mike	Freeman	891
Jerry	Bartels	859
Bill	Baker	807
Art	Meerhaeghe	761
Gary	Haelewyn	760
Gary	Green	754
Bill	Duemling	749
Ann	Schmidt	696
Doris	Mulligan	681
Patrick	Moorman	563
Donna	Menendez	561
Julia	Schultz	558
David	Komendera	526
Tom	Graham	524
Greg	Schultz	489
Pete	Sprecher	488
John	Tarantino	473
Rick	Okerhjelm	468
Don	Dahlke	467
Diane	Sontag	467



CLUB RIDES



Call the Hotline for Updates
(810) 819-0222

Recurring Rides
(More details on each ride can be obtained by calling the ride leaders below)

Mondays

Monday Eve Ride
6:30 PM. Except for 1st Mon. of each month, ride with Bill and Diane Baker (810) 739-0261 from Rockwell Elementary School at Masonic between Hoover and Schoenherr. Pace: 13-15 mph or the pace of the slowest rider.

Hilly Hammer

This ride is cancelled on July 19 and 26. It will resume on Tues. Aug. 3

6 PM. (This ride has been switched to Monday nights. When ride date falls on a meeting night, the ride will be held the next night on Tues.) Ride with Rick Jones (248) 879-2490 from the MSU Management Training Center at Square Lake, east of Crooks. This is a 30 mile hilly, fast ride at 20+ mph (18 mph average).

Tuesdays

Prestige AM Ride

(Resuming on June 8)
9 AM. Tuesdays and Thursdays Ride to Metro Beach from Prestige Cycles on Moravian near Garfield with Rick Okerhjelm 25 miles, 14-16 mph. (810) 286-3023.

Prestige Ride

6 PM. Ride 25-30 miles from Prestige Cycles on Moravian near Garfield. Your leaders are Gary Haelwyn (810) 286-5094 and Don and Linda Dahlke (810) 771-9664. Pace: 14-16 mph, will increase throughout the season.

Wednesdays

Kmart, Blue Light Special

5:30 PM. Ride for 25-30 miles from Kmart headquarters at Coolidge and Big Beaver with Dave Komendera (248) 879-6474. Meet in the southwest corner of the parking lot. Pace: 16-18 mph.

Thursdays

Prestige AM Ride

(Resuming on June 8)
9 AM. Tuesdays and Thursdays Ride to Metro Beach from Prestige Cycles with Rick Okerhjelm (810) 286-3023.

Mountain Bike Ride

2 PM. This is a mountain bike ride with Art Anderson (810) 786-9027. Meet at the Stony Creek boat launch. The route will take you on the road and trail for 40 miles in 4 hours.

Parkut

6:30 PM. Ride with Bill Duemling at an easy pace (12-15 mph) from Parkut for 20 miles. Parkut is on Production Drive north of North River Rd. Call (810) 468-2947 for more details. Due to construction, you may not be able to exit I 94 at North River Rd.

Stony Creek Laps

3:15 PM leaving from the Stony Creek boat launch. Ride laps around Stony Creek Metro Park with Sandy Freeman (810) 781-8315. Or join her on successive laps at 14-16 mph or the pace of the slowest rider.

Wolcott Mill

6 PM. Start from the Stony Creek boat launch and ride a 30 mile ride to Wolcott Mill Metro Park with Mike and Sandy Freeman (810) 781-8315 at 14-16 mph.

Cranbrook Ride

6:30 PM. (beginning in

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June) Ride 25 miles at 14-16 mph to Cranbrook from Cycle and Fitness on Washington in Royal Oak with Will Lajack (810) 758-1144.

Fridays

Grosse Pointe Ride

6:30 PM. Ride with Jane Bernard (810) 751-8881 from Marter and Jefferson for 25-30 miles. Pace: 16-18 mph.

Saturdays

Armada Ride

8 AM. Ride with Mike and Sandy Freeman (810) 781-8315 to Armada for breakfast. Meet at the Stony Creek boat launch. Total mileage is 45 miles. Pace: Slower group 14-16 mph and faster group 16-18 mph.

Sundays

Breakfast Ride

Call Diane Baker at (810) 739-0261 or Bill Duemling at (810) 752-6310 for the starting location of a Sunday morning ride to breakfast.

Ride Events

(Also Check Hotline)

Aug. 7

7 AM Saturday, ride from Prestige Cycle with Frank LoPiccolo to Eastern Market. 50 miles at 14-16 mph. (810) 469-8355

Monthly Meetings

1st Monday of the month

Meeting time is 7 PM

Dates

August 2

September 13

October 4

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

Call John Tarantino (810) 677-0482 or Will Lajack
(810) 758-1144 for more info or club applications.

Volunteers needed to bring treats. (Club
subsidizes cost)

1999 CRR OFFICERS

President: John Tarantino (810) 677-0482

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Secretary: Darlene Duskey (810) 263-5241

Treasurer: Sandy Freeman (810) 781-8315

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**June 7, 1999
Clinton River Riders
Meeting Minutes**

The SECRETARY'S REPORT -
The minutes were read by Darlene Duskey.

The TREASURER'S REPORT -
was read by Sandy Freeman

BWR - Gary Haelwyn informed us that the club has a food chairman - Rick Okerhjelm. Also Duane Newman has volunteered to handle the truck with equipment, tables, & supplies.

Diane Baker mentioned we have 3 people who signed up for our ride from Canada who found our ride on the website. Doris showed the giveaway wallet for the BWR and informed us that staff will have long sleeve shirts, but sweatshirts and t-shirts will be for sale. Doris also mentioned to put all funny stories which occur during the year in her box at the meeting in preparation for our humorous awards for the Xmas party. Doris said if anyone would like to donate a gift for the Xmas party it would be appreciated. John Tarantino stated he needs more SAG drivers

OLD BUSINESS:

Mike Freeman said the orders went in to Louie Garneau for the jerseys. Extras were ordered and would be for sale later.

Julie Windhorst said she is leading the MS150 this year. The ride is held July 10 at Davisburg. 10 members will be sponsored and we will send our usual 20 people - the cost will be split totalling \$20 each. Julie will need 4 volunteers for the 100 mile course and a minimum of 10 riders to participate in the trip.

A few humorous awards were presented to people who were absent from our Awards Banquet and also a leader's award to Sue and Jerry Pavlat.

Sandy Freeman thanked all who participated in the bike fair expressing it was a huge success with parents being very appreciative.

John Tarantino brought up an old discussion on getting a new banner. Diane Baker will take the banner and try to get a price on it.

Rick Jones brought up the situation last month on passing a motion giving money away. Discussion was presented on having the person out of the room when voting. Jerry Pavlat mentioned that with a secret ballot people might have changed their vote. Discussion ensued. Club members will get together and do a revision of our by-laws. Pete Sprecher seconded. The motion carried.

John Tarantino explained that Loren Bach has volunteered to get our newsletter out in a timely manner and will take over the next newsletter. Kathy Osip offered to help with the mailing.

NEW BUSINESS:

Julie Windhorst asked the club for \$30 to send flowers to Doug's sister Bev Clark who is having a medical problem. She has volunteered frequently for our ride in Canada.

Respectfully, Secretary Darlene Duskey

Velodrome News

The velodrome at Bloomer Park in Rochester Hills is proceeding. There will be construction of the steel support structure beginning this summer, however the wood construction will wait until spring. There will be a meeting of the Rochester Hills City Council soon and supporters of the Velodrome should try to attend.



**Contributions are still needed.
For more info call Bill
Windhorst at (810)
939-6073**



**BWR
Leaders**

Remember that the BWR leaders are gearing up for our tour on October 3, 1999. Applications are at the bike shops. Please call the leaders listed below to volunteer. This is our main fundraiser for all our activities for the year. Thanks for your help!

Gary Haelwyn (810) 286-5094 BWR Chair

Diane Baker (810) 739-0261- Publicity

Eric Noyes (810) 465-6036 Routes

Doris Mulligan (810) 465-9342 Prizes

John Tarantino (810) 677-0482 S.A.G. Support

Bruce Carlson (810) 254-9322 Border Crossings

Rich Dyer (810) 773-2213 Parking

Rick Okerhjelm (810) 286-3023 Rest Stops, Food

Another Saga of Biking in Wisconsin

By Loren Bach and Dave Martus



Wisconsin is a premier destination for biking. Yes, I know it's not as glamorous as telling people that you biked the Pacific Coast road, but the joy is in the experience. NW Wisconsin has smooth, lightly traveled roads, courteous drivers and more cows (and hills) than you can shake a stick at. We rode through beautiful open valleys with enough hills to make it interesting. Our lunches were usually in small town bars, and tended to be re-experienced throughout the day. Here is our weeklong experience...

First of all, we must confess, that we have much experience touring as part of a group, but until this year, we had not taken the plunge and invested in panniers for self supported touring. This year we debated over panniers vs. a trailer. There are some pros and cons for each. (See the June '99 Adventure Cycling magazine for a good article about each). We decided to invest in front and rear panniers rather than a trailer. Since we have a tandem, our rear panniers were mega sized. Still, as a travel packer who throws everything in a suitcase, it took some thought to stay lightly packed. We also decided to camp at least part of the time, even though the tent, sleeping bags, mats and cookstove add a lot of bulk to the load. We wanted to have the flexibility to put up a tent and not have to end in larger towns each night to find a motel. However, the weatherman nixed that idea. Each night produced a rainstorm, so credit card camping became the ideal. This was especially welcome after our first (and only) night camping. We camped out in Somerset Wisconsin, which is a small riverside town famous for its tubing on the Apple River. We arrived on a quiet Sunday night, but some drunks began to fight in the middle of the night until they were kicked out by security. Obnoxious!

The next day produced a drenching downpour. After riding for 30 miles we saw Amery and a motel, and made a beeline for a hot shower. After we napped, the sun reappeared, although it was still cool and looked threatening. So

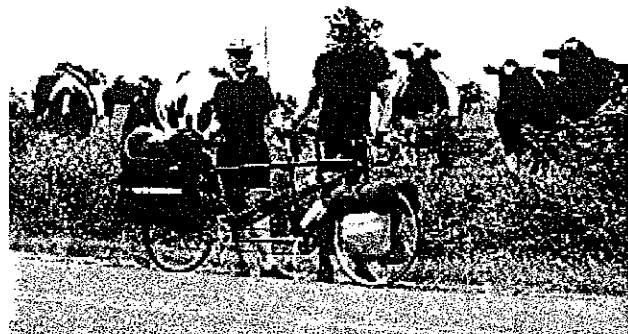
that night we saw a \$2.00 movie and camped in a bed, which was almost like tenting because the floor slanted so much.

Our next day brought a quick visit to Loren's aunt. After more miles we stopped for a late lunch in tiny Haugen. At Lona's Diner we met Maggie and her mother, Dorothy. Fifteen minutes after we told Maggie about our touring experience she offered to let us have the keys to her cottage and offered to let us stay overnight with them. Her cottage was wonderful, as was the pontoon ride to see an eagle in the nest.

We were slow to leave the next morning as it was raining, but at about noon it cleared and we were on our way. The road we took was a wonderful little hilly road, but we ran out of pavement when it entered the county forest. We decided to pretend we had a mountain bike and our 32 inch touring tires handled the gravel pretty well. What we didn't know was that we may have gouged the sidewall with a rock, and it started a slow leak that we didn't find in Spooner but discovered the following day after we got to the motel in Luck (bad luck!).

The next morning, Dave found a local woodworker who was travelling to Webster for a delivery. He got a ride to the bike shop and we finished the ride on a \$6.50 tire. We assumed that since we had new tires that we would not need to bring a spare. NOT! We also found out on our last day, that you can't take shortcuts with the rear rack mounting bracket either. But, each of these items were easily fixed, and added to our store of knowledge for our cross country trip some day.

We finished out the trip, cruising with the cows. Bossy appears below.



Club Discounts

Identification cards are available for any club member at club meetings. A 10% discount has been given at the following stores. To avoid disappointment, please check with the store to verify participation.

Prestige Cycles
36558 Moravian Clinton
Twp. (810) 792-4040
Pointe Cycle and Fitness
20343 Mack
Grosse Pte. Woods (810)
886-1968
Mountains of Bikes
42201 Garfield
Clinton Township (810) 412-
0500
Antoon's
42918 Shoenherr
Sterling Hts. (810) 247-
9240
Big Ralph's Schwinn
23521 Nine Mile
St. Clair Shores (810) 772-
3258
Macomb Schwinn
28441 Schoenherr
Warren (810) 756-5400
Stony Creek Schwinn
58236 Van Dyke
Washington (810) 781-4451
Main Street Bicycles
112 B South Main St.
Romeo (810) 336-1177
Anchor Bay Bicycles
35241 23 Mile Rd.
New Baltimore (810) 725-
2878
Continental Bike Shop
23262 John R
Hazel Park (248) 545-1225



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M.U.T.S and Midwest Tan- dem Rally

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Midwest Tandem Rally



The Michigan United Tandem Society (MUTS) is hosting the 1999 Tandem Rally (the last rally of the century!). The rally is being held during Labor Day Weekend from September 3-6, 1999 near the Valley Plaza Resort in Midland, MI at 800-825-2700. The middle of the mitten has some really fine, flat country roads for your pedaling enjoyment. Midland is a small upscale clean city with easy access to hotels, food and low traffic riding. Our hope is the 24th annual Midwest Tandem rally will be a turn of the century event you will cherish for years to come. For further registration information contact send an SASE to: Jim & Barbara Mertens 5409 Drake St., Midland, MI 48640 or email at jamert@aol.com

Volunteers are greatly needed. Ok guys & gals, time to step up to the plate!!!! We are signing contracts for MTR that require lots of riders. Give every tandem rider you meet a personal invite to join us at MTR and lets VOLUNTEER to show them the "Last Great Rally Of the Century". Many (most) of the volunteer positions allow the volunteer to enjoy full or partial day biking. Volunteers can be friends, relatives, or organizations who just want to help out. There are definite perks to being a "Helping Paw" so give us a call. **Lew & Renae Pavlovich - Phone (517) 643-5864 or email - lrpavlo@aol.com**

New Members

From 6/1/99-7/10/99

New Club Members

- Wayne Cook
- Todd & Nicole Richman
- Stephen Roberts
- Karen Brant
- Michael McGartland
- Rod Klann

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room was full of White Snake. "Here we go again on my own" would be the theme song for this trip, and the Atomic Kid made sure every juke box in Wisconsin was playing it or he'd nuke the place.

Around 2:00 the clouds figured we were far enough out in the open and gave us the first of many showers we'd get on this ride much to the strange amusement of Atomic Dave. We found a concrete (naturally) garage with an overhang and hung out for an hour. Finally it topped and we continued on. 10 minutes later it poured again. Then Shorty got his flat. Nothing like changing a flat in the middle of a rain storm. We made it to the Nekoosa maintenance garage and waited another hour for the rains to stop. Off again and the clouds again spotted us and opened up. The golden arches at the Wisconsin River were a welcome sight as I suppose was the Camelot Motel our campsite for the night. Shelly our one legged waitress served up a good liver and onions.

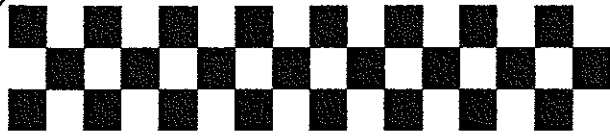
Tuesday June 29: Sunshine!!! Up hwy 13 to Brings Cycle and Fitness where Scott Cole worker and racer sold some tubes to Ironman and Shorty. Then our pace line escheloned up "W" at a 17-19 mph clip. Nothing beats a pace line of loaded bicycles. What a way to see the country, watching the wheel of the guy in front. I looked forward to my chance to pull. No wonder those guys stay up there so long. It wouldn't be until Friday that I'd pick up a few more demerits by letting the pace line go and doing my own kind of riding. At Dave's Den my Miller and cheeseburger were great. Plus I lost another demerit. I guess I lose one for every Miller I have before noon. Also got to try those famous Wisconsin deep fried cheese curds. What an interesting taste. Alison at Simson's Indian Room served up a good hot soup with a Miller in Waupaca and gave us directions to Clintonville, our final stop for the day. We camped at the Landmark Motel with dinner at CJ's bar and grill. I'm learning how to speak Wisconsin too. A "bubbler" is a drinking fountain. "Stop-N-Go" is a traffic light. "Betcha" means the same in Michigan but used a whole lot more over here. And these people eat, sleep, drink and dream 8 Green Bay Packers.

Wednesday June 30th: Good oatmeal, toast and coffee at Rivers Edge café in Clintonville. At 10:00 the boys are drinking pepsies at Netties Bridgewater Bar in Navarino. I ask why there not drinking beers and Ironman says "it's only 10:00". That's ok, in Suamico Cathy cooks up some good burgers to go with the blue ribbons at Al's Bar and Grill. She tells us about the old days when fishing was big around here and a row of houses of ill repute were out back. Now all they get are motorcycle gangs. We continue on to Oconto where the Ramada Inn faces a river with a campground on the other side. Guess where we camped. "If we had a run down motel

BIRTHDAYS



7/19	Barb	Randle
7/20	Jan	Henry
7/24	Linda	Morrison
7/25	Gloria	Quinn
7/26	Robert	Schreiner
7/29	Carol	Burczykcki
8/1	Susan	Adams
8/4	Warren	Berthelsen
8/4	Jerry	Pavlat
8/7	Michelle	Robinson
8/7	Julia	Schultz



The Pres 'sez...

I thought it would be a good reminder to list the rules of the road. I found this list in the president's binder and thought it would be a good idea to print it. Some of the roads that we ride on can get very busy. Therefore, it is very important for us to stay together, follow the rules, and look like we belong!! We don't want to see anybody get hurt. Our rides aren't races; stay together and enjoy yourselves. Ride leaders should pick a person to assist or sweep for every ride. They also should make sure the ride stays at the advertised speed. If a group becomes too big, more than twenty riders, I strongly suggest making two groups. Have a safe summer. **John Tarantino**

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across from a KOA with a swimming pool, I'd take the motel", quoted Ironman Ron. After dinner we walk to the grocery store so Ron and Dave can get their pints of ice cream and Shorty can get his wine coolers. "We logged our best time today", remarks Atomic Dave.

Thursday June 31st:
Yep, it's raining again. Donned the parka and booties and left the Ramada heading out towards Peshtigo for breakfast. Then up Old Peshtigo Road which parallels the very busy

US-41. In Marinette we stopped at the tourist building and the sun came out. Then we left Wisconsin and rode into Menominee Michigan. Short day 26 rainy miles. Cleaned up the bikes at the AmericInn just opened 2 weeks ago. Schoegles was a good restaurant on the water.

Friday July 2nd: Breakfast and we're back on the road. I finally see the light and leave the pace line mentality for a touring speed. Sure it's a little windier but I'm not staring down at Shorty's rear panniers anymore and am enjoying the scenery.

Damn the demerits. We camp at the Best Western in Escanaba.

Saturday July 3rd: It's raining and Atomic Dave is thumbing through the phone book looking for car rentals. We decide on a 14 foot U-Haul and the four of us cram into the front seat and make the 9 hour drive back to Dearborn.

I always say adventures are different than vacations. You learn things from adventures and boy did I learn a few things on this one!



Want Ads

Santana Tandem for sale: 1994 Santana Visa, Med. Frame, seafoam green w/ white trim. Shimano XT components, Syntec mustache front bar w/ bar end shifting, Sun Chinook rims w/ Wheelsmith spokes & Continental tires, Rear V brake, Dual Avocet computers, four bottle cages, Blackburn rear rack, Leather gel front seat, Tailbones gel rear seat, Zefal HPX pump, Stoker handlebar mirror. Asking \$1800. Call Doug McDermid (248) 593-9113

Santana Tandem for sale-1994, asking \$1800. Call Jeff Maddux (248) 643-1412

1996 Dual Suspension 856 ProFlex mountain bike for sale, 18" frame. Shimano XT shifters and derailleurs. Good condition. Asking \$350. Call Dave Martus (248) 656-1750

1990 Trek 750 Hybrid for sale, asking \$150 or best offer. Indexed shifting. Shimano Components, 700cc wheels, 17 inch frame?, Call Dave Martus or Loren Bach (248) 656-1750

1993 Schwinn Crosscut hybrid for sale, asking \$200 or best offer. Shimano components, indexed shifting, 16 inch frame, 26" wheels, fits child, good condition. Call Dave Martus or Loren Bach (248) 656-1750

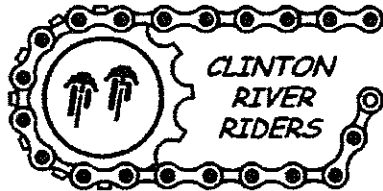
Editor's Notes

This newsletter was delayed due to the late meeting, which in turn was due to the holiday. Our August newsletter will come at about mid-month, since I will be (where else), biking during the first week of August.

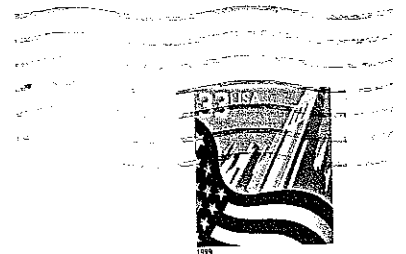
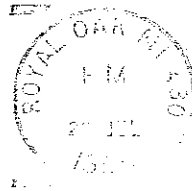
I will not be able to attend most of the CRR monthly meetings during the school year since I have another commitment. Therefore it is important that if you have articles that you would like to include, send them to me at least a week ahead of each meeting date. For simplicity, I would appreciate it if you could email them to me at bachmartus@mindspring.com

Remember, the newsletter is available (in color) on the CRR website. Bill Duemling can notify those who are interested by email when each month's issue is on the website. **I will also publish CRR members' email addresses in addendums to the roster in the August and September newsletters.** Please email me if you would like either of these services. I would welcome your suggestions. Feel free to call me at (248) 656-1750. Sincerely, Loren Bach

Our clothing order is in! If you ordered a jersey, jacket or shorts, please pick them up at the August meeting. If you would like them sooner, meet us beforeat 3 P.M. or after the Thursday Wolcott ride (approx. 8:00pm), or after the Saturday Armada ride (approx. 12:15pm). Be sure to call us first so that we will have your order available. Bring a check or money order with you for the balance due. Your final pricing is as follows: Jerseys...\$37.50 WindJacket...\$67 Shorts...\$32.50 (Some of you will be receiving money back from your deposit.) For your balance amount, call Mike or Sandy Freeman at 810-781-8315.



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