



# August 1995

Monday September 18 7:00 p.m.: Envelope stuffing at Bill Duerning's business, Parkut in Mt. Clemens, 40961 Production Drive (Near I-94 and North River Rd & Gibraltar trade center.

## Paris-Brest-Paris

Congratulations to Gerald Bartels and to Doug and Janet Pizak for having qualified for Paris-Brest-Paris, the 90 hour, 1200km (760 mile) event held once every four years. This will be the 104th anniversary of the event. Best of Luck as you head to France this August 21.

## Semcog Committee

Southeast Michigan Council of Governments is the Metropolitan Planning Organization of SE Michigan. They are developing the transportation plans for Metro Detroit. The non-motorized committee needs bicyclists represented. Scheduled for first meeting in Sept. or Oct. Need volunteer who can make a few meetings a year in Detroit at SEMCOG offices during the week to represent bicyclists, call Bill Duerning for more information. (810) 468-2947 (work)

## Next Meeting

Monday, Sept. 11, 1995  
7:00 p.m. at Mt. Clemens  
Recreation Center  
300 Groesbeck (at Lafayette)

<b>President</b>	
Steve Angst	(810) 573-8089
<b>Ride Director</b>	
Rick Jones	879-2490
<b>Secretary</b>	
Julie Windhorst	939-6073
<b>Treasurer</b>	
Pennie Morauski	773-2213
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<b>LMB Representative</b>	
Warren Berthelsen	781-6706
<b>BWR Chair</b>	
Diane Baker	247-5694
<b>Hot Line</b>	
	792-4670

## Blue Water Ramble

The 1995 Blue Water Ramble will be on Sunday, October 1 in St. Clair.

All CRR members should help with the BWR. Even if you can't make it to St. Clair for the day of the event, much work is done before the ride in organizing and preparation. Remember that the BWR is the chief fund-raiser for the club. Dues barely pay for the newsletter.

Contact one of the committee heads to see what you can do to help. Diane Baker is head of the committees. (810) 247-5694  
Debbie Capoferi and Steve Angst are head of *Publicity*. 573-8089. Elizabeth Nieman is head of the *Food*. 752-6482  
work at rest stops during the ride, etc. Dave Courter is head of *Day of ride*. 781-8399. Park cars and help riders get on the ferry. Eric Noyes is head of *Routes*. 228-0665. Painting the road and making maps. Bill Duerning is head of *Registration*. 752-8310. Entering all the names and checking for errors, etc. Warren Berthelsen is head of *SAG*. 781-6706. Bicycle repairs and sagging in riders. Note: Trek Wrench Force won't be able to come this year due to other ride commitment.

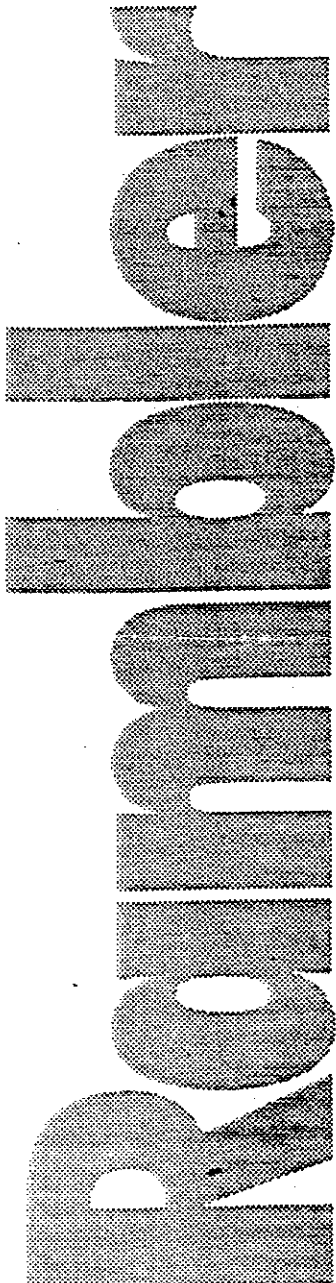
**Staff sweat shirts:** you must sign up as a volunteer on one of the committees by the Sept. 11 meeting to get a staff sweat shirt on the day of the ride.

**SAG trailers:** If you want to pull a sag trailer or have a "bugger" you can loan for the day of ride, call Warren Berthelsen.

**Aug. 14, 7:00 p.m.:** meeting at Diane Bakers home for BWR. Committee heads and others are invited.

**Saturday September 9 or rainday 16:** Route painting. Call Eric Noyes (810) 228-0665 or George Zlotro (313) 368-3877 to volunteer to help.

**Sunday September 17:** BWR Preride in St. Clair. Eric Noyes will lead the 100 mile route. Volunteer needed to lead 60 mile route, also sag van for food on 100 mile.



**Tandem T-shirts** Tandem Rally T-shirts or Clinton River Rider tandem T-shirts, short and long sleeve available. Call Debbie Capoferri-Angst for more info. (810) 573-8089

**Stoney Creek Endurance Ride:** aka "Tour De Stoney Creek" Wednesday August 16 at 7:30 p.m. : the third one lap (6.1 mile) "Endurance Ride" around Stoney Creek metro park will be in evening starting at Eastwood Beach parking lot. Volunteers are needed for timing and starting, etc. Contact Steve Angst for more information and to volunteer. (810) 573-8089. There will be prizes at the Christmas party for most improved and best overall time. Categories include: Men, Tandem and Women. No women on single bikes have ridden yet, so if any of you want to try you can place. This is a fun event to check your time around Stoney Creek park. Note: there were some USCF 4 man time trials at Stoney Creek recently. Lap times of 12:18 were ridden. That is about 29.9 mph.

**MS-150:** Steve & Pennie Morauski received a thank you letter from the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Michigan for the Clinton River Riders participation as tour leaders in the MS-150 ride out of Northville, July 8-9. Over 1800 riders participated in the Michigan MS rides including the west side of the state.

## Happy Birthday to

Loren Bach 9/19, Jordan Bach 9/16, William Baker 9/30, Stephanie Baker 9/1, Graciela Balmaceda 9/11, Bob Bartley 9/2, Kathleen Best 9/11, Robert Crowley 9/7, Jason Dobry 9/8, John Edry 9/25, Brian Feucht 9/5, Jeanette Gentilia 9/30, Sara Hack 9/16, David Henry 9/2, John Kamm 9/8, Mike Kiefer 9/9, David Meriwether 9/5, Buff Muyaert 9/10, Eric Noyes 9/23, Alan Ostrowski 9/11, Paul Patterson 9/6, Sue Pavlat 9/19, Curtis Pytell 9/1, Dan Romej 9/12, Steven Schmelzer 9/27, Greg Schultz 9/25, Ron Skiba 9/30, Doug Thoenes 9/23, Carol VanSlembrouck 9/26, Carol Wilke 9/22, Lorraine Wright 9/10, Emily Wright 9/17.

## Welcome New Members

Loren Bach, Hank & Tina Baum

## Youngest members

Steve & Pennie Morauski are grandparents now of Nicholas David Cucinella. Born Thursday Aug 10, 11:03 a.m. 6 lb 14oz 20" long.

John & Lorie Kamm have a daughter Kristina born July 18, 5lb 9oz 19" long.

**Nova Scotia ride:** The adventurous souls are back from 14 days and over 600 miles of riding in Nova Scotia. Dan & Beverly Feucht, Gary Haelewyn, Laurie Brickner, Doris Mulligan, Ron & Dorothy Smith, Bob Latsko, Denise & Don Bartley, Oscar Balmaceda, Dave & Sue were some of the riders. The weather was fair and ranged from mist, fog to sunny, hot and humid 90° (but no hail or snow) with only one day of riding in the rain. They met other bicyclists including some tourists riding fully loaded, tents, bags, etc. There is also a bike club there. Bev traded a T-shirt from a ride for a Nova Scotia velo club T-shirt. Daily mileage ranged from 50 mile to

77 miles. Camped some days and hotel others. Crossed three mountains French Mt., Smoky Mt., North Mt. Not as developed up there as it is here. Some of the "towns" were just a gas station. Party/convenience stores were few and far between. When Bev & Dan were researching the trip the locals said the terrain was flat to rolling hills Canadian definitions of flat differ from ours, 10% grades aren't that flat. They had a sag van to carry stuff and to get back home. It was a memorable experience for all. Next year something else will be planned.

**1995 RAAM:** No tandem broke the mixed tandem record set by Sue Pavlat and Ron Dossenbach in 1990.

## Senior Olympics

Gerry Bartels was at the Senior Olympics in Michigan, held at Macomb Community College south campus. The operator of the newfangled timing device couldn't figure out how it works. He finally got the official results with a gold medal in the 5k and bronze in the 10k. Then Gerry went to Northern Senior Olympics in Duluth, Minnesota and won 3 gold medals. Now it's off to Paris on Aug. 21 for the Paris-Brest-Paris ride, 1200 kilometers (760 miles) with 90 hour limit. Good Luck!

## Steamboat weekend

October 13-15. Call Bill Windhorst for reservations in Sharonville, Ohio outside of Cincinnati for the "Tall Stacks" steamboat festival. These are the old time Mississippi riverboats, or reproductions. Rooms are available at Red Roof in for \$50-\$60 a night. This event is only held every three years with bands playing music from the '50s, 1850s that is. Riverboat cruises might be available on Wednesday Oct. 11, the weekend cruises are all booked unless there is cancellation. Steamboats will be open for tours. Bike ride scheduled for Saturday. Rail to trail routes available too. John Tarantino and Marilyn Opp have been to Ohio and know routes in the Cincinnati area.

## Wedding Bells

John Tarantino and Marilyn Opp were married on August 5th after a few months on the tandem to try it out. Honeymooning in Greece.

## Midwest Tandem Rally

The Tandem Rally is in Indianapolis this year over Labor day weekend.

Nancy Thoenes is looking for a ride to Indianapolis on Friday after 4:00 p.m. so she can visit her family. If anybody going to Indianapolis has space for her, please call Hank or Nancy at (810) 879-8508

**Editors Note:** Please submit articles and information for the newsletter by Wednesday after the meeting. Mail it to: Ted Gondert, 356 Third St, Romeo, MI 48065-4804 or modern/fax it if you call first so I can turn on the computer or fax (810) 752-7043 or E-mail me at: ac557@detroit.freenet.org IBM/DOS 3.5 inch disk with ASCII, WP5.1, MS Word for Windows 2.0, or other standard text editors are acceptable too.

# Bylaws of the Fraternal Order of Clinton River Riders

## Article 1

### Name and Address

The name of this organization shall be the Fraternal Order of Clinton River Riders. The address shall be 36558 Moravian Drive. Clinton Twp., Michigan 48035. The mailing address shall be P.O. Box 1435 Sterling Heights, Michigan 48311-1435

## Article 11

### Colors

The official colors shall be gray and red.

## Article 111

### Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of this organization shall be from September 1st to August 31st of the following year.

## Article IV

### Members

#### Section 1: Qualifications of Membership

Anyone to or over the age of 18 years shall be entitled to an individual membership in this organization upon receipt of the annual dues.

Section 2: Any family of two or more members shall be entitled to a family membership in this organization. Those who are under the age of 18 years within the family must be accompanied by an adult member of that family at all activities, unless a signed, written release is received.

#### Section 3: Rights of Membership

All current dues paying members at or over the age of 18 years are entitled to full voting rights. Members must be present to vote.

#### Section 4: Membership Dues

The amount of the annual membership dues shall be determined by the elected officers and shall be due before the expiration of the calendar year. Should any dues remain unpaid for a period of 60 days or more beyond the start of the new calendar year, membership expires.

#### Section 5: Duties of Members

Duties of members can be determined by the Executive Board or their representatives, pending, general acceptance by the membership.

## Article V

### Meetings

#### Section 1: Regular Meetings

Regular meetings shall be held once a month at a place designated by the executive board.

#### Section 2: Special Meetings

Special meetings, when needed, may be called by the president, or by a petition representing no less than 1/3rd of the membership

#### Section 3: Conduct of Meetings

Meetings shall be conducted according to Roberts Rules Of Order.

# Bylaws of the Fraternal Order of Clinton River Riders

## Section 4: Voting at Meetings

A vote of the membership at meetings shall be required for:  
All expenditures outside of routine operating expenses;  
All amendments and additions to the Bylaws; Election of the Executive Board.

## Article VI

### Election and Duties of the Executive Board

#### Section 1: Executive Board

The executive board of this organization shall be elected by the general membership and will be responsible for the proper governing of the organization. These elected officials are to be the President, Ride Director, Secretary, Treasurer and Newsletter Editor. No one may be elected to more than one official position.

#### Section 2: Nomination of Executive Board (Jan)

At the first meeting of the new calendar year, an election committee of two members shall be approved by the membership to oversee the election proceedings. These members will be ineligible for any seat on the Executive Board.

#### Section 3: Eligibility for Election

To be eligible for election, the following criteria must be met:  
Current dues paying member; Minimum one years membership; 18 years of age or older.

#### Section 4: Election of Executive Board (Feb)

At the meeting following the nominations, the election of the executive board will take place. The term of office will begin at the next meeting after elections are run until the next election. Should any member of the Executive Board be unable to fulfill his or her duties, a special meeting of the Executive Board will be called to address the issue.

#### Section 5: Duties of the Executive Board (MARCH)

The President has the responsibility to preside over all meetings and to regulate all club activities unless such responsibility is delegated to another member. He is to appoint all committee chairmen necessary to fulfill the goals of the organization.

The Ride Director has the responsibility of assisting the president in the execution of his duties and assume those duties, if the president is unable to perform them. He also has the responsibility of administering the activities schedule.

The Secretary is responsible for maintaining the minutes of every meeting and an up to date schedule of all activities, dates, times and such information pertinent to the matters of this organization

The Treasurer has the responsibility for maintaining an accurate roll of the members and to collect dues that result from such membership. He is also responsible for paying the monthly costs that this organization shall incur as a part of it's normal operation and to maintain a ledger of such, as well as all necessary tax reporting.

**The Clinton River Riders**  
**Ride Decorum**  
**Rules of the Road**

**1. General**

- A. Riders must obey all traffic laws just as a motor vehicle
- B. The use of a "hard shell" helmet is recommended strongly
- C. No headphones are allowed

**11. Riding in an organized group:**

**A. Ride leader responsibilities:**

- 1. Explain the rules of the ride, pace, and distance
- 2. Collect signatures from all riders on the release form
- 3. Maintain the advertised pace
- 4. Appoint a co-leader or get volunteers to help
- 5. Stop the ride for any breakdown
- 6. Ask disruptive riders to leave the ride

**B. Rider's Responsibilities:**

- 1. Obey and cooperate with the ride leader
- 2. Notify the ride leader if leaving the ride
- 3. Notify the ride leader if having difficulty (this can be done by relaying a message)
- 4. Obey the rules and courtesies of group riding
- 5. Ride in a safe and responsible manner
- 6. Leave rest stops with the group
- 7. Know his/her riding capabilities

**C. Group Responsibilities:**

- 1. Ride as far to the right as possible
- 2. Use no more than one half the lane
- 3. A maximum of two abreast is allowed on clear roads
- 4. Make changes in speed and direction in a predictable manner

**D. Warnings:**

- 1. Use warnings only when following riders need to take evasive action
- 2. Never use "Clear" at an intersection and never assume that an intersection is clear.
- 3. Over used warnings are generally ignored and, therefore, of little use

**E. Dealing with Motor Vehicle Traffic:**

- 1. When "Car Back" is heard, merge to the right
- 2. Do not signal a motor vehicle to pass
- 3. Watch for opening doors when passing parked vehicles
- 4. Do not make obscene or unfriendly gestures towards motorists

# The Clinton River Riders

## Riding Recommendations

### 1. Group Riding Techniques:

- A. The single pace line consists of cyclists riding directly behind one another in order to take advantage of a draft
- B. Each rider should take a turn at the lead (pull). Slower riders take shorter pulls, stronger riders longer pulls
- C. When finished with the pull, check for overtaking traffic, signal to the rider directly behind you, move out to the left and drop back to the rear of the group. Stronger riders may choose to drop into a hole in the middle then at the back.
- D. The double pace line consists of 2 single pacelines side by side
  1. At the end of a pull, the rider on the left moves to the left to fall back. The rider on the right drops back to the right. The pace line will pass between the two leaders as they drop back at the same time. This should be done quickly so as to avoid motor traffic
  2. When merging to a single file line, the rider to the left will merge in front of the rider immediately to his/her right.
  3. The double pace line should not be used on rough or heavily travelled roads. A single pace line is recommended in these situations.
- E. Hazard Warnings--What to call and when:
  1. "Bump," "hole," "gravel," "glass," etc. should be used only when there is a clear danger to the rider following you. When numerous holes, bumps, etc. exist on the road, then "rough road" is sufficient.
  2. Any rider calling a hazard must identify the hazard and where it is located
- F. Motion Warnings:
  1. "Slowing," "Braking," "right or left turn," " " etc. should be used when the change in motion is substantial.
  2. Snapping the brake levers may be used in place of "slowing" or "braking" in non emergency situations.
- G. Other Warnings:
  1. "Car back," "dog right or left," etc. should be used only when the object represents a clear hazard to other riders.
  2. "Car back" should only be used when a motor vehicle approaching from the rear will have difficulty passing. The purpose is to warn the riders in the front to merge. On heavily traveled roads a single line should be used, and each rider should assume the cars will be passing.

# Ride Schedule

## Reoccurring Rides

Call the Hotline (810) 792-4670 for updates  
On evening rides bring lights in case of delays.

**Monday 6:30 p.m.:** meet Pam & Rich Dyer at the Michigan National Bank in Algonac on M-29 1/2 mile east of the Harsons Island ferry. Ferry (free for bikes) to Harsons Island for 25 mile ride at 17-18 mph.

**Tuesday 9:00 a.m.:** meet George Zoitro at Schuitz' Funeral Home 8½ and Gratiot for 30-35 miles through Grosse Pointe @14-16 mph call Hotline to check on ride.

**Tuesday 6:30 p.m.:** meet Steve Morauski at Prestige Cycles 36558 Moravian (by Garfield) in Clinton Twp for 20-25 mile ride 14-16 mph to Metro Beach. Co-leaders are needed for this ride to lead different groups. Call Steve to volunteer.

**Tuesday 6:45 p.m.:** meet Sue & Jerry Pavlat at the MSU management training center on SE corner of Square Lake Rd and Crooks. BAM, RAAM-NOTHING BUT HILLS ride. 30 miles 1½ hrs, 20 mph average, no stops. Bring lights in case of delays.

**Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.:** meet Glen & Marilyn Drellishak at Long Lake (18 mi.) & Livernois for 25 mile ride. Two groups, 10-12 mph and 12-14 mph. Dinner after ride at restaurant.

**Wednesday 5:00 p.m.:** meet Dave & Gail at K-mart headquarters 16 mile and Coolidge for 25-30 mile ride @ 16-18 mph through the hills of Oakland County.

**Thursday 5:30 p.m.:** for women only, meet Marilyn Opp-Tarrantino at Stoney Creek boat launch for laps around Stoney Creek. You can come latter and join them as they come around or drop off for a lap. Perfect for Thursday "Power at the Tower, widows"

**Thursday 6:00 p.m.:** meet Rich Dyer or Steve Angst at the water tower in New Baltimore for fast "Power at the Tower" 35 mile ride at 20+ mph.

**Thursday 6:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.:** meet George Zoitro and Dano Merchant at Pavlat's 2 Wheel Authority on S Washington in Royal Oak for 25 mile ride to Bloomfield Hills Twp paces; 14-16 mph at 6:00 p.m., 16-18 mph 6:30 p.m..

**Friday 6:30 p.m.:** meet Steve Angst at Jefferson & Marter (8½ mi.) for 25 mile ride at 16-18 mph. Ice cream stop is optional on hot days.

**Saturday 8:00 a.m.:** meet Doug, George or Dave at Stoney Creek boat launch for breakfast ride to Armada. 45 miles at 16-18 mph.

**Sunday 9:00 a.m.:** meet John Payne in Birmingham at 14 mile & Pierce (west of Woodward) NW corner for 36 mile ride to Rochester for breakfast. 14-16 mph.

## Scheduled Rides for August

Not much scheduled this month for the club on Sunday. Call the Hotline (810) 792-4670 for updates or call Rick Jones (810) 879-2490 to schedule a ride.

**Wednesday, Aug 16 7:30 p.m.:** "Endurance ride" one lap around Stoney Creek. Start at Eastwood Beach parking lot. Volunteers needed to time laps and help out for event. Call Steve Angst to help.

**Saturday Aug. 26 9:00 p.m.:** meet Dave Courter at Armada Middle School for 25 mile night ride. This will be on back roads with no streetlights. **Headlights and taillights are mandatory.** Make sure you have enough battery life for 3 hours or so.

**Sunday Aug 27 8:00 a.m.:** meet Rick Moorman at Dryden High School (Rochester Rd just north of Dryden Rd) for 70-80 mile ride to Otisville for breakfast. Some rolling hills. 16-18 mph

**Wednesday Aug 30 8:00 a.m.:** meet Rick Moorman at Jim Muir Oldsmobile on 19 mile and VanDyke for the "Docksider Classic" Ride to Lansing for start of DALMAC. 100 miles 14-16 mph. Lunch in Howell at 50 miles. Call Rick Moorman for details (810) 792-0119

## Other Rides and Events

**DALMAC** August 30 through September 3

**Peach of a Ride: September 10:** at Armada High School. Routes from 25 to 100 mile. contact Slow Spokes bike club.

**BWR Preride: Sept 17 8:00 a.m.:** meet Eric Noyes for the 100 mile tour starting at St. Clair High School on Rattle Run 1/2 mile west of downtown. Need volunteer to lead 60 mile route, starting later. Sag van volunteer is requested for the 100 mile loop to carry lunch, etc. Lunch stop will be in Brander Park, Canada. This is a good ride for club members first century. Call the Hotline for more information.

## Steamboats weekend

Call Bill Windhorst. (810) 939-6073 for reservations in Sharonville, Ohio outside of Cincinnati the weekend of October 13-15 to see the "Tall Stacks" steamboat paddle wheelers. see Steamboats Weekend for more details, in this newsletter.

## Mio Adventures

**Sept 16&17:** MTM ride, the TOSRV of the North. A 210-230 mile ride from Mio to Mackinaw and back in two days with overnight in Mackinaw.

**Oct. 7&8:** Mio Fall ColorTour, two days of riding, maybe a canoe trip.

If interested call Doug MacDermaid (810) 939-4670 or Glenn Pelton (517)-TANDEMS (526-3367) Helmet required. Rustic camping available in Mio. Hotels fill up fast so call early.

