



DECEMBER 1982 NEWSLETTER



Things that are happening:

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Because it is too late to have a party at a hall, the Pavlat's and the Beamans have decided to have a party at the store like we did last year. Everyone had such a good time, and Santa is all lined up to come again, we just couldn't disappoint him! The date is Sat. Dec. 18th, at 6:30pm. Everyone will bring a dish to pass. Please call 792-4040 to let me know what you are bringing or Sandy at 791-0672. Also please bring your own folding chairs. Members with children, please call me with their ages and names, as Santa will be giving out small gifts. We will have a piñata for the kids, slides of the Blue Water Ramble & the Slow Spokes Century, and a cross country ski movie called "The Cross Country Experience" with ski racer Bill Koch. I know this is short notice, but we hope you can all come - it should be a fun filled evening. We will supply punch, coffee, tea & hot chocolate. B.Y.O.B. Please be sure to call if you are coming!

FEBRUARY GET-TOGETHER: It was voted on to have a get together at Dee Whitmore's club house on the evening of Feb. 12, 1983 in celebration of Abraham Lincoln's Birthday/The Chinese New Year/Valentine's Day. Also, it was voted on to spend \$50.00 from the club treasury for gifts for the members children. For entertainment, Fred Sewald will bring the movie "Breaking Away".

BLUE WATER RAMBLE: It was voted upon to use the profits from the BWR for club jackets for current members. The jackets will cost approx. \$13.00 plus silk screen, with the club paying \$7.00 toward each jacket. There will be 2 jackets allowed per family membership with the club paying the 1st \$7.00 per jacket. Additional jackets may be ordered for other family members at the full price. Remember, your dues MUST be paid in full to receive the \$7.00 towards the jacket! If you are in doubt about your dues, contact Fred Sewald at 521-8576. I will have samples in shortly for you to come in to try on for ordering your proper size.

We are STILL looking for a co-ordinator for the 1983 Ramble. Remember, all the leg work is done for the committees, and there are people to contact if you need help or have any questions. Do we have a volunteer?

U.S.C.F.: Our clubs dues to renew our membership in U.S.C.F. expire in December. There are only three U.S.C.F. members in our club that race, and due to the expense and time involved in our putting on an event, it was voted upon by club members to just let our membership expire and not to renew it.

RACQUETBALL/WALLY BALL: Due to popular demand, we have set another date for the Clinton River Riders v.s. the Clinton River Riders at the Clinton Racquet Club on Gratiot, bash. The date is Jan. 15th, probably around 6:30pm. Your \$2.00 non-refundable, reserve your place deposit, is due by Jan. 8th. Please drop it off at the shop. We will also have dinner afterwards at a "fast food" place (anythings faster than El Charro's), and Ray Dominick promises to entertain us again with more of his stories about his travels to the inner city (unless Cathy threatens to stick his head in a window and roll it up). Ray you should have been a comedian - watch out Johnny Carson! (How about a Clinton River Rider v.s. Slow Spokes Racquetball/Wally Ball match in February)?

L.A.W.: Howie Stone has volunteered to be our club's T.I.C. (Touring Information Contact), and Dick Wolfe has volunteered to be our Club Representative. Thanks guys! (I guess some people do read their newsletter).

USED BIKES/PARTS SWAP/SELL MEET: WHERE: In Pavlat's back room. WHEN: Jan. 15, 1983, 10:00am - 5:00pm (or until all the goodies are sold). WITH WHOM: Clinton River Riders & Slow Spokes & the public. WHY: Because there are alot of undecided or finicky or I want to try something new, cyclists who seem to have aquired basements and closets full of unwanted/still in good condition/used equipment or bicycles. WHAT TO DO: Each club will supply their own folding tables to display the equipment. Bring them and the equipment on Friday evening. All people selling equipment will price & tag their own stuff, including their name with their lowest price they will accept. Each club will supply people to run the sale and will be completely responsible for the merchandise. Pavlat's will let them use the back room (we'll even turn the heat and lights on), we will put the information about the sale in our "JUNK MAIL" (which reaches approx. 600 other cycling nuts), and provide a coffee pot and 1/3 expense if the clubs want to share in the expense of coffee & donuts. It is strictly run by the clubs, we will have nothing else to do with it, no tax, etc. You will be responsible for your own stuff. People coming to the sale will use the rear entrance. Duane, Howie, Sandy B., Ken , Dee, & Fred have volunteered to work the sale, that's 1½ hour shifts each. Call me with the time slot you want starting at 10:00am so there can be some sort of organization. If there's anything you are looking for, call soon so I can put in in the "JUNK MAIL". It should be alot of fun and hopefully profitable for the members.

BELLE ISLE MARATHON: YES FOLKS, it's time to start thinking about riding our bikes on a warm, sunny, dry, windless weekend on May 21 & 22, 1983. We need a ride co-ordinator to help set up teams, etc. Ken has information on training, diet, etc. Howie has volunteered to coach the women's team (clever fellow). He won't accept any co-coaches (unless of course it's a woman). We still need a coach for the men (any women out there willing to help them get their act together?) And how about a junior team? Anyone interested in joining a team, or organizing one, please step forward by our next meeting.

JANUARY MEETING: Monday, Jan. 3rd, 7:30pm at Huron Elementary on Terra Bella, N. of 17 Mile, West of Garfield.

HALLOWEEN PATCHES: Tim Woodby still has 2 patches left for \$1.25 each that were "special ordered" by club members at our October meeting. The two people who ordered them, but still haven't picked them up, please do so by calling Tim at 294-9547, or bring the \$1.25 to the store and we'll get it to Tim. He will appreciate it.

RIDE LEADERS: It has been brought up that ride leaders MUST show up at their starting points even in inclement weather to tell any other riders who do show up if the ride is cancelled, or just delayed. Ride leader Dick Wolfe showed up on a cloudy Nov. 14th and decided to continue the ride regardless of a few snow flurries. He had a great time on the ride but the sad thing is that no one else showed up to go along with him. Dick wrote down his itinerary for the day and it looked super! We hope Dick will reschedule his ride when things warm up a bit outside.

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SUNDAYS: Meet with the Slow Spokes at the boat ramp at Stoney Creek at 12:30pm weather permitting. (As long as there is low wind, no ice and approx. 20°). There are restroom facilities available and hot chocolate & coffee machines.

DECEMBER 31: The LAST DOZEN will be lead by Slow Spokes member Ted Mertens. Meet at his house, 1369 Balmoral, Mt. Clemens at 12:00pm. Any questions call him at 465-5981. Get your anti-freeze out for your water bottles and your studded tires.

JANUARY 1, 1983: Two separate FIRST DOZEN RIDES - 1) Lead by Bill Wisnaw of the Slow Spokes. Meet at his house on 1429 Balmoral, Mt. Clemens at 2:00pm. That should give you sufficient time to recover from the night before. 2) Lead by the Dearborn Cycling Saddlemen. There is a \$3.00 entry fee which included map, patch, cue sheet & refreshments. For more info. call Edie Bozanich at 581-1341. Get your wollies out!

Have a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year. *Jue*

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