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## SEPTEMBER RIDE SCHEDULE

### THURSDAY NIGHT RIDES

September 7, 7:00 PM from Miller Woods, 5 to 10 miles, flat. leisurely ride through Milwood neighborhood. Start promptly at 7 because of early darkness. Jan Hageman.  
September 14, 7:00 PM from Miller Woods, Richard Dinda.

TUESDAY NIGHT TIME TRIALS Starting from just east of Augusta Village Limit on M-96 sometime between 6:30 and 7:00.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 2 KALAMAZOO COUNTY TOUR The County Tour starts from KVCC. Registration is from 7:30 to Noon. There will be tours of 25, 50 and 100 miles. Registration fees are \$3 per rider (\$2.50 to KBC members), \$6 per family for families up to 3 persons (\$5 for KBC families) with additional family members \$1 each. Fees include LAW patch, maps, sagwagon and Dan Henry Arrows.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 3 SAGWAGON COUNTY TOUR The Sagwagon crew will ride the County Tour on Sunday. There will be no sagwagon services and some of the early food stops will be closed. Other riders are welcome. Registration is at 7:30 only! Those who rode on Saturday can ride and earn an additional patch for just \$1.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 4 LABOR DAY PATCH RIDE, 10 AM from KVCC, 25 miles rolling, 2 hours, Sandy Kimbrough.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9 MAPLE LEAF METRIC '78 Scenic rolling hills, steak dinner at end, \$6, 7:30 from Dwight Lydell Park. Contact Roger DeWitt, Rapid Wheelmen, Box 1008, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49501, 616/895-7587.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 1:00 pm, Oshtemo Hardings, 25 miles, some hills, Marlene Hoyer.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16 CALCO The Battle Creek Club's Fall Century. Rides of 25, 50 and 100 miles. Flat, some hills, rustic countryside and small towns. Jack Hagist, 151 E. Emmett, Battle Creek, MI 49017, 616/962-1715.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17 Farm Survey, 1:00 pm, Pavillion Township Hall, 14 to 19 miles, flat. Jini Caruso, 381-0135.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23 10:00 from KVCC to Schoolcraft, 21-36 miles, flat to rolling. Three hours, Jan Hageman.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24 APPLE CIDER CENTURY, Three Oaks, Michigan. 7 am \$4.50/\$4 Sr. citizens/\$13.40 family. After Sept. 1 \$6 per rider. All-you-can-eat breakfast and dinner optional. Three Oaks Spokes. Bryan Volstorf, 303 E. Michigan, Three Oaks, Michigan 49128, 616-756-3111.

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FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 29 MADISON CHAMPIONSHIPS There will supposedly be board track races at Wings Stadium September 29 in the the evening. These should logically be the qualifications for the finals to be held the following evening. More detailed information unknown at this time. Watch the Gazette and ask at Thursday night rides.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30 MADISON CHAMPIONSHIPS The finals are scheduled for Saturday, most likely in the evening.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30 TIME TRIAL Although arrangements are not final, Mike Walden and the USCF will probably hold a 10 mile time trial at 9:00 starting just east of the Augusta Village Limit on M-96. This is intended for tourists as well as racers. Novice classes will exist and medals will be given out.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 1 TURNING LEAVES CENTURY Edwardsburg, Michigan 7:30 AM. 60/40/20 miles. \$2.50/\$7.50 family/\$1.50 under 13. Peak color, woodsy lakes, rolling hills. Michiana B. A. Marv Scher, 50657 Blackhawk Court, Granger, IN 46530 (219-272-8700).




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SEPTEMBER CLUB MEETING Monday September 18 at 7:00 in classroom section under the K-College Library. This will be a 1979 Season Planning meeting. We need you.

Minutes of the August 21 KBC Meeting

TREASURER'S REPORT The Distance Medley Bicycle Tour attracted 45 riders and after the Club paid for the gas, fruit and lemonade and pays for the patches, the Club will have lost about \$18. Four additional people who worked on staging the ride have yet to ride and if they register, the loss will be reduced to \$12. The number of riders was lower this year. The Club treasury at this time shows a balance of \$128 out of which the Club must pay \$46 for the Distance Medley Patches. The Club also owes the racing club \$65 as a payment of the insurance refund on the cancelled race at Spring Valley this May. By delaying the insurance refund we should be able to finance the postage and printing of the September newsletter and the materials to stage the Fall Century. (These funds do not include consideration of the Convention income.)

ESCAPE '78 REPORT The financial report on the Convention is progressing but not complete. Some of the expenditures have not been made and some of the revenues have not yet been received. The order for the patches for the pre-tour and post-tour have not been placed so that expense can only be estimated. Three firms have not paid their advertising or exhibit fee yet and there is one bad check which Phil is trying to collect. (These revenues would total about \$250.) Making the pessimistic assumption that these people never pay and making some arbitrary assumptions about the cost of the patches allows us to generate some idea as to the financial outcome. Making these assumptions yields the following numbers: a loss on the Convention of \$76 and profits on the pre- and post-tours of \$77 and \$572 respectively.

BIKATHONS Jini reported that the Muscular Dystrophy Bikathon has been cancelled. Jini did contact the Michigan Lung Association (MLA) to obtain further details of the Clubs responsibilities if we helped them stage a bikathon. They indicated that they want us to plan the route, provide staffing for the ride including sag services. The MLA intends to handle publicity, prizes, refreshments and insurance. Jini has not been able to contact the person at the MLA who knows what compensation the KBC might receive. Jini asked if the Club would be willing to undertake the planning and staffing for as little as 5% of the pledge dollars. Discussion ensued. There was general agreement that 5% would be sufficient. There was some support for a percentage that would get smaller as the dollars of pledges were bigger.

KALAMAZOO BICYCLE CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM for September 1978 through December 1979

DUES: (check one)  Adult \$6.50  Youth (under 18) \$3.00  Seniors(over 60) \$3.00  
 Family: (all members of household) \$7.50

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- MAILED NEWSLETTER and
- RIDE SCHEDULE
- CLUB PATCH
- MEMBERSHIP CARD
- KBC COUNTY MAP
- REDUCED FEES AT CERTAIN CLUB EVENTS
- ACCESS TO COLLECTION OF TOURING MAPS
- ACCESS TO CLUB LIBRARY

For family membership, please list entire family:  
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MICHIANA WINE TOURS Sandy Kimbrough reported that some of the Club members have been talking about repeating the tour of wineries that comprised the Pre-Tour. There was discussion of a number of alternate times for such a ride. Those who have suggestions to make should relay them to Sandy.

OFFICERS Jini announced that many of the officers have served as officers for three years with some serving double duty with the Convention this year. Many intend to resign as of November. Elections are scheduled for the November meeting. Volunteers should be reported to Jini or Pat Florian.

THURSDAY NIGHT RIDES Jan Hageman suggested that we ought to continue our Thursday night rides through September. She indicated that a short neighborhood ride could start at 7:00 and still not encounter darkness in early September. Everyone agreed and Jan said that we would schedule two such rides in September.

NATIONAL MADISON CHAMPIONSHIPS The board track is now scheduled to be at Wings Stadium September 29th and 30th. Unofficial reports indicate that racing will occur Friday and Saturday evenings. The people who are staging the race need volunteers to help put up the track. They will begin putting it up at Midnight Wednesday the 27th. Those who volunteer will receive free food and beer as well as a free pass to the races. They will also be given the chance to ride their track bikes on the track sometime Friday morning. In conjunction with the race, Mike Walden of the United States Cycling Federation wants to stage a bicycle event Saturday morning. Final plans are not certain but it is expected that Walden will stage a 10 mile time trial for licensed and nonlicensed riders at the same site as our regular time trial. The schedule of track racing for Saturday is not known, but if there is no race in the afternoon, KBC will have a ride from Lexington Greet to Scotts Mill and back for visitors who want to ride as well as Club members. This ride, if scheduled, will begin at 1:00. The Madison people need 2,000 spectators to breakeven. It is an exciting event. We recommend you attend if possible.

FALL CENTURY The map is about ready to go to the printers. The painting of the road is being done. Frank Desposato and Phil Caruso have volunteered their services as sagwagon. Additional volunteers are needed to staff registration or to drive additional sagwagons. Those who care to volunteer should call Sandy Kimbrough(327-7690).

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