

At the last KBC meeting, held May 8 at the YWCA, Tim Tesar announced that he was no longer available to act as President, although he presided over the May meeting. If there is anyone who is interested in the position, please make your interest known.

Tim reported that the club will receive approximately \$109 from the Portage Recreation Department for the Four Lakes Century. Tim submitted a bill for the flyers, gas and trophies for a total of \$14.56. It was voted to reimburse him for these expenses. Suggested for next year's Four Lakes Century was the possibility of finding a better means for checking the number of laps a rider actually completes. The past two years there has been some question when young riders returned in "record" time and claimed to have finished a lap. When trophies and patches are being awarded on the basis of laps completed, it is important that we have as accurate an account as possible. We will also look into the possibility of having police patrols.

It was pointed out that 52 people would have received patches had we given a half-century patch. Suki Miller ordered the LAW half-century patch for all club members who completed a minimum of four laps. She has also ordered the special holiday patches for Easter and will order patches for those who participated in the ride over the Memorial Day weekend.

My apologies to all who came to the YWCA on May 13 expecting to have a meeting. In the last newsletter, I stated that future meetings would be the second Wednesday of each month, then wrote down the wrong date for May. The June meeting will be Wednesday June 12, 7:00 at the YWCA. If you are still on the membership rolls and have any interest at all in the club, please attend.

COMING EVENTS

- June 1 Sarnia Pedal to the Pines Sarnia, Ontario
- June 2 Club meet east end of Maple Hill Mall, ride to Kendal, 1:00, Tim Tesar
- June 2 Meet the Michiana Bike Club in Three Rivers at Skidmore Park, 10:00, ride to the Centerville Covered Bridge. (This ride is more for members who want the challenge of a longer ride.)
- June 8 Grand Rapids Century, 7:00, meet at parking lot across river from the Civic Auditorium.
- June 8 Sink's Campout, 50 mile ride from Marion to Quabache State Park. Contact: Sink's Bicycle World, 8165 Washington St. Marion, Ind. 46952
- June 15 Hardings at Gull Rd, 8:00 ride somewhere on north east side, Ray Davis
- June 16 Three Oaks Mich Heart Fund bikeathon (near Berrian Springs) Three Oaks Spokes Bicycle Club, 303 E. Michigan St. Three Oaks, Mich. 49128 Registration \$1.00, patch mailed later, ride 8-8, break 2-4.
- June 23 Hardings at Gull Rd, 1:00 somewhere north. Frank Desposato
- June 29 no information
- July 4 Hardings at Oshtemo, 9:00 Suki Miller Destination to be set.
- July 20, 21 Sarnia to Stratford, Ontario, 200 mile-eater. Entry \$8.00 in advance, includes overnight, patch, certificate, breakfast and chicken supper, picture. Make reservations for Shakespeare theater individually.
- July 27 Kalamazoo Recreation Dept. environmental ride. Slow!
- Aug 14-15 World Cycling Championships 1974 at Montreal, Quebec. Various room rates available. 155 Notre Dame St. E. Montreal 127, Quebec, Canada.

- Sept 7 KBC-Law fall century Maple Hill Mall to South Haven. (Sorry I had the incorrect date on this last month too)
- Nov 13 Election of officers and awards dinner (Assuming we still have a club and anyone interested in it at that time)

Good News Dept; The Battle Creek club earned approximately \$15,000 in the bikeathon they sponsored May 11. The turn-out was good in spite of the weather with over 300 riders.

TOSRV was considerably less congested this year without the mass start. It was left up to the individual rider to decide his starting time as long as he was capable of finishing before dark. There were over 3000 riders, and the usual assortment of free loaders. Some of the more interesting sights were the two men on old-fashioned high wheelers, the father who added a third seat to a tandem so his youngest child could ride, and a genuine bicycle built for three. We saw it early Sunday morning in the still dark hours with rain the only occupant of the two rear seats. Don't know if the lead man ever found any passengers for the return trip. The weather going to Portsmouth was fairly nice with a gentle breeze and temperatures in the low 60's. Some of the sturdier nature lovers removed their shirts at the third food stop and were rewarded with lovely burns. In Portsmouth, the Chamber of Commerce had set up two refreshment stands, one at the entrance to town, the other at the final food stop. Here they doled out all the soft drinks thirsty riders could down. The dinner Saturday night was again magnificent and the CAY even gave all diners a separate patch for the occasion. This was in addition to the official "El Treceavo" TOSRV patch. After dinner hours, the CAY was cleared for a "beer garden" for riders over 18. We took along our camp bunks which we prefer to sleeping on the gym floor, and were offered generous sums to rent them out. Very few had even thought ahead to bring a towel and soap for the showers. About midnight a thunder storm arrived to settle the dust, which would have been fine if it had gone away instead of hanging around until 11:00 the next day and turning the dust into splashy puddles. The riders who started the return to Columbus early looked anything but happy as they tried to see through the rain and debris blown by the wind. At one point the wind was so strong that it was blowing the smaller riders off the road. We were besieged with requests for sag wagon service, something we were able to provide for our own family only. We passed at least two laundromats that had been taken over by riders who stripped off everything but their raincoats. None of them were observed streaking, the only rush was to get inside and get dry. By the time we arrived in Chillicothe, the mid-way point, the rain had stopped and the gang were back on the bikes. It's the first TOSRV that they didn't ride the entire distance. While there, we saw riders from the Grand Rapids club and recognized faces but not names of other Michigan riders. We were pleasantly surprized to meet a friend from the LAW Natchez Trace Tour last summer who now lives in Columbus and is part of their AYH club. We were surprised to be greeted by name by two strange men in the Columbus Holiday Inn elevator. One said, "You're the Davis family, aren't you?" When I asked how he knew, he said he read the article in last winter's LAW magazine and recognized us from the pictures. A similar incident happened about an hour later in a bike shop. Some people have good memories...I couldn't remember who was on the front page of yesterday's paper if my life depended on it. For those of you who have never had the opportunity to ride TOSRV, consider it for next year, but send in your entry in February to be sure of getting accepted. It cost us about \$30 for gas and it would be wise to fill the tank before leaving Columbus. We almost had an extra day to "enjoy" Ohio, trying to find a station open late Sunday afternoon.

KBC NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

The following new officers were elected at the November meeting. These officers will serve for the coming year.

PRESIDENT: JOHN BUSACK 1126 1/2 E Main, Kalamazoo, Mich 49001 (Apt 1)
VICE PRES: JEFF SMITH 114 Bulkley St. , Kalamazoo, Mich 49007
SECRETARY: LEILA DAVIS 5824 E HJ Ave. Kalamazoo, Mich 49004
TREASURER: RAY DAVIS " " " "

There are several committee positions open and any help offered by the members or their families would be greatly appreciated.

There is good news from Spring Valley Park. Paving work was completed in late October on the road around the lake, and a quarter-mile stretch of bikeway has been added on the northwest side to close the loop within the park. The result is a winding, 2 1/2 mile circuit which can be closed to traffic to provide a nearly ideal road racing course.

A planning group from the Club has already met to start drafting plans for a series of races in the spring. Many details remain to be settled, but optimism is high that at least four racing dates will be promoted during late April and early May. There will be events for both licensed and unlicensed riders in several different classes with an attractive prize list at the conclusion of the series.

There is much work yet to be done, of course. If you are interested in helping to bring regularly scheduled racing to Kalamazoo, contact KBC President John Busack. Remember also that we have a real friend in City Hall without whose sympathy and efforts there would be no race course. He is Ray Purdin, Director of Parks and Recreation, 241 W South St. Drop him a note to let him know that his labors on our behalf have not gone unappreciated. (A second vote of thanks goes to Jeff Smith, our Vice President, who worked with Mr. Purdin all summer and has laid the ground work for the races.)

COUNTY BIKE MAPS The Michigan Department of Highways has prepared a series of county maps especially for the use of cyclists. They have detailed information on road surface and are small enough to stuff easily into a pocket. And the price is right...they're free! Just send your name address, and request for no more than 12 counties to:

Department of State highways
Bike Maps, Drawer K
Lansing, Mich 48904

DECEMBER MEETING We will meet in the Kalamazoo College Library, northwest corner of Academy and Thompson Streets. Enter on the Academy Street side. An especially exciting meeting has been planned, Wed. Dec 11, 7:00 pm.

"Have you ever ridden a bicycle on ROLLERS? Would you like to see how it's done or even try it yourself? Then come to the Dec club meeting."

Two sets of rollers will be on hand and experienced riders will give demonstrations on the rollers. Other topics for discussion include:

1975 plans and goals
Spring Valley racing plans
Monthly meeting formats
Club affiliations
Legal aspects of KBC
KBC Newsletter

KALAMAZOO CITY BICYCLE FACILITIES Mr. Al White of the Kalamazoo City Planning Department, along with Mr. Jim Wichman of the Department of Public Works, recently hosted a meeting of some concerned area cyclists. The subject of the meeting was current and proposed plans for bicycle facilities in the City of Kalamazoo. This meeting was productive in that it opened an avenue of communication to the City Planning Department with respect to City bicycle facilities.

If you have any positive and constructive ideas, suggestions or comments, write to:

stamp
<p>Mr. Al White Planning Department City Hall Kalamazoo, Mich 49006</p>
<p>Re: Bicycle Facilities</p>

1974 CLUB PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN The Kalamazoo Bicycle Club extends its appreciation to the following businesses for their assistance by displaying the KBC posters and or distributing KBC Newsletters. "Thanks" to:

Milwood Schwinn
 Lee's Sporting Goods
 Alfred E. Bike
 Portage Pedal Shop
 New World Bicycles
 Hal's Sport Sales
 Gear and Go Bicycle Shop
 Galesburg Bike Shop
 Citation Cycles
 Kalamazoo Cycle and Electric
 Cycle City
 Paul Todd of the Gazette

The KBC is looking forward to the continuation of this fine cooperation in 1975.

SCHEDULED RIDES There are only two rides scheduled at this time.
 Thanksgiving Day Meet Oshtemo Hardings, 9:00 am, about 10 mi. Suki Miller
 Christmas Day Meet Oshtemo Hardings, 10:00 am, about 10 mi. Wally Kremers
 These rides will qualify members for the LAW holiday patches.

MEMBERSHIP Is your membership current? At present we have less than 30 members on our records in "good standing". To renew your membership, or join KBC, send check payable to Kalamazoo Bicycle Club to Box 527, Kalamazoo, 49005. Dues are \$2.00 for 14 and under, \$3.00 for 15 and over, \$5.00 for a family.

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Riders interested in a daily workout are invited to meet at the corner of Academy and Thompson on the Kalamazoo College Campus at 4:30 on Mon and Fri., 5:00 on Tues, Wed., Thurs. for approximately an hour of riding. All riders must be independent, in condition and able to do 15 miles or so. There are no leaders and no standard routes. Contact Tim Tesar, 345-3207 for more information.

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 - June 23 Amish Country, Michiana Bike Club, meet 11:00 EDT Shipsewana Shop Center, 1/4 mile south of the hub of Shipsewana on S.R. 5. Call 342-5897.
 - June 29 Meet Southwest Corner of Centreville village Central Park at 11:00 EDT. Rides will be loops varying from 25 to 80 miles. Info. 342-5897.
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Have you taken a bike trip recently or do you know someone who has? We'd like to include your stories in our newsletter and see your slides or movies if you have some. (I think the members are getting awfully tired of hearing about the Davis family) If you have an item you would like to contribute, please send it to me and I'll do my best to include it. We might even learn some new way to make our trips more enjoyable or save on weight.

The following are some of the comments made after the century last year. "It was well run but we need more sun and less cars". From a first time rider "I won't be able to go to the bathroom for a month, otherwise it was an interesting experience." It was my first ride and I hope for more. I'm a little saddle sore". It was excellently prepared and supervised. Inspires me to join KBC and LAW". "I enjoyed the ride until I got to that big one (Alamo) at the end". "Hardest ride I ever made and the most fun. Will ride on more of your rides as I really enjoy it." "Fantastic signs. One bumpy road and two steep hills but great organization. Worth every mile". "Who locked the johns on that beach in South Haven? We had to ride all over looking for a bathroom". "Quite exhausting but a lot of fun. Maybe I'll try it again when I'm in better shape for riding". From the photographer at the Gazette: We want a picture of riders looking really beat, no big rush to the finish." We stationed him at the top of Alamo hill and the shot of weary riders pushing their bikes appeared the the paper the following week.

MEMBERS Has your membership expired? Check the date on your card, yellow for last year. The 1974 cards are blue. This will be the last newsletter to be sent out to "expirers". Dues are: Young adult (under 14) \$2.00, Adult (15 and up) #3.00, Family (all members of household) \$5.00 per year.

Sign me up in the Kalamazoo Bicycle Club. Enclosed is \$ ___ to cover my dues as a _____ member. (please print form)

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ AGE _____ BIRTHDATE _____ SEX _____

SIGNATURE _____ PARENT _____
(If under 18)

Checks payable to Kalamazoo Bicycle Club Mail to: KBC, Box 527, Kalamazoo, 49005
If family membership, include information for all on separate sheet.

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COMING EVENTS

Mon. through Fri rides three times a day, 7:00 am, 4:30 pm, 7:30 pm, meet at Campus Theater, ride 17, 21 or 27 mile loops, depending on inclination. There are always two riders, sometimes more. Riders should be in shape and capable of going at a steady pace.

Sun mornings 8:00 am meet at Kalamazoo Central parking lot for criterion type training work-outs. Jeff Smith is in charge.

Sun mornings 8:00 am Starting at Gear and Go shop on Shaver road, rides will vary in length to suit ability of riders. First ride will be about 20 miles, may work up to 50 with a shorter loop included for novice riders. Starting point will change when the new Gear and Go shop opens on W. Michigan near WMU campus in about a month. Bruce Clevenger, leader.

Time trials Tues. 6:30 pm half mile east of Augusta on M-96, course of about ten miles. Third week will meet on Thurs. instead. These are training rides with times of 23 to 33 minutes being turned in. Brian Chappell in charge.

Aug 10 meet at Portage City Hall on Westnedge, ride to Schoolcraft, start 9:00 This is a fairly easy ride, about 25 miles, mostly flat terrain. Ray Davis, leader.

Aug 14 KBC meeting at YWCA, 7:00. Will discuss LAW changes in by-laws as pertaining to clubs, also the LAW stand on bikeways and legislation pending throughout the country. Make final plans for LAW century.

Aug 18 meet at Maple Hill Mall Sun 2:00 pm, ride about 25-30 miles. John Busack, leader.

Sept 7, LAW century and fractions. Start Maple Hill Mall, ride to South Haven and return for century. Destinations of 50 and 25 mile rides to be decided, but they will be loops so that riders can return to the starting point. Registration at 6:00 am, century riders 6:30-6:30, there is a 12 hour time limit. 50 mile riders may register until 10:00, 25 mile riders until noon. There is a six hour limit on the half century, three hours on the quarter century. All participants who finish at least 25 mi will receive the official LAW patch. Registration fee \$1.00 in advance, \$1.50 that day. Send registration to Leila Davis, 5824 E HJ, Kalamazoo, Mich 49004. All riders under 18 must have written parental consent. Riders under 14 must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Maps and cue sheets will be provided. At the end of the day, a sag wagon will sweep the last 25 miles of the century course. As of this time, there has been no volunteer for sag wagon all day long.

NAME _____ AGE _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

DATE:*** _____ SIGNATURE _____

(If under 18, signature of parent or guardian)

I agree that I will not hold responsible the Kalamazoo Bicycle Club, LAW, or any representatives thereof for any damages or injuries to myself or my equipment.

AUGUST TIME TRIALS Every Tues evening at 6:30 pm for the past couple months Brian Chappell of the Battle Creek Bike Club has been conducting a 10 mile time trial $\frac{1}{2}$ mile east of Augusta, Mich.

The course is about 10 miles in length from the entrance to Fr. Custer recreation area just past the railroad crossing east of August along four-lane M-96 to BL I-94 just west of Battle Creek. There are no hills on the course, only a few long gradual inclines. The only turn in the course is the half-way turn around at BL I-94. Even this turn is four traffic lanes wide and very low traffic volume allows for a fast, safe turn around.

Riders are started in front of the timer's table at one minute intervals to avoid congestion on the course. Each rider is held in an upright position, ready to make a good start, while the time keeper calls out "30 seconds, 10 seconds, 5-4-3-2-1 GO!"

There are at least 15 or more riders and a substantial spectator crowd each week. The largest turnout was Aug 13 when over 25 riders competed against the clock. Times recorded range from the upper 23 minute bracket to about 33 minutes. Over a 10 mile course these times range from 17 to over 25 miles per hour. The current course record is 23 minutes 32 seconds, or 25.5 mph. Fast times for individual weeks have been done by Brian Chappell, Battle Creek; Rad Acton, Augusta; Herman Block, Battle Creek; and John Busack, Kalamazoo.

These time trials are meant to be training rides or weekly measures of individual performance. However, there still is some atmosphere of competition. Even though most riders are just there to improve their best previous time, there is very much a sense of accomplishment when your time is faster than the rider that just beat you the week before!

If you have a Tuesday evening free, come over to Augusta to ride or just watch. Those of you who have already been there--we'll see you next Tuesday.
Reporter, John Busack

At our Aug meeting, Jeff Smith presented an outline for racing in Spring Valley Park when the current renovations are finished. Jeff had a map showing where an eight foot wide bike path is going to be put at one end of the park making the whole thing self-contained. Suggestions were made for barriers that would keep cars off the bike paths yet not impede cyclists. Jeff has hopes of running a few races this fall if the course is finished in time. It would be over two miles in length and has a variety of terrain including several good viewpoints for spectators.

We also discussed the KBC-LAW Century and fractions Sept 7. We'll again meet at Maple Hill Mall behind Ward's and follow last year's route to South Haven. The turn-around points for the 50 and 25 mile rides will be marked on the maps and pavement. Limited sag wagon service will be provided since all riders are expected to be self-sufficient. Patches, certificates, and a few trophies will be given. Forms are available at the bike shops or through Leila Davis, 5824 E HJ, Kalamazoo, Mich 49004. We already have entries from Indiana and Illinois.

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 Sept 7 KBC LAW Century and fractions 6:30-6:30 Kalamazoo-South Haven and back
 Sept 11 KBC Club meeting 7:00 pm YWCA
 Sept 14 Calco Century/50 Write R. Spencer, 450 North Ave, Battle Creek, Mich 49016
 Sept 15 Meet Ostemo Hardings 8:00 am ride to Paw Paw wine festival John Busack
 Sept 29 Apple Cider Century/50/25 Bryan Volstorff, 303 E Michigan, Three Oaks, Mich 49128 Fresh apple cider served on ride, evening spaghetti supper.
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EDITORIAL COMMENT Public relations chairman John Busack reported that some of the bike shops were unhappy about the mention of a rival shop's name in the last newsletter. The people of this shop attended our June meeting and requested our advice and support in starting a ride schedule of their own. We offered to mention their schedule in the hopes of generating more interest in biking. At no time did we infer that we were commercially endorsing them. When we formerly held meetings at a downtown bike shop, it was specifically mentioned in our newsletters and press releases also which might be taken as "free publicity" for the shop. Another shop has donated bicycles for us to raffle off and we have mentioned his name publicly, in a spirit of giving credit where credit is due. We earnestly wish to maintain good relations with all the bike shops and their personnel, and will continue to mention the names of those who support us or join us in promoting the growth of bicycling.....Leila Davis

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The following are some of the comments made after the century last year. "It was well run but we need more sun and less cars". From a first time rider "I won't be able to go to the bathroom for a month, otherwise it was an interesting experience." It was my first ride and I hope for more. I'm a little saddle sore". It was excellently prepared and supervised. Inspires me to join KBC and IAW". "I enjoyed the ride until I got to that big one (Alamo) at the end". "Hardest ride I ever made and the most fun. Will ride on more of your rides as I really enjoy it." "Fantastic signs. One bumpy road and two steep hills but great organization. Worth every mile". "Who locked the johns on that beach in South Haven? We had to ride all over looking for a bathroom". "Quite exhausting but a lot of fun. Maybe I'll try it again when I'm in better shape for riding". From the photographer at the Gazette: We want a picture of riders looking really beat, no big rush to the finish." We stationed him at the top of Alamo hill and the shot of weary riders pushing their bikes appeared the the paper the following week.

MEMBERS Has your membership expired? Check the date on your card, yellow for last year. The 1974 cards are blue. This will be the last newsletter to be sent out to "expirees". Dues are: Young adult (under 14) \$2.00, Adult (15 and up) #3.00, Family (all members of household) \$5.00 per year.

Sign me up in the Kalamazoo Bicycle Club. Enclosed is \$ ___ to cover my dues as a _____ member. (please print form)

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