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KBC MEETING: April 15, 7:00 pm at Kalamazoo College Library, Academy St.

The Program for this month is BIKE PARTS SWAP. Bring your frames, wheels, cranks or any other parts you want to swap or sell.

APRIL RIDE SCHEDULE:



- Sun. April 1 1:30 pm. APRIL FOOLISHNESS ride from Romona Park, 15-25 miles, flat. Sandy Kimbrough (327-7690).
- Sat. April 7 10:00 am. KVCC, NE corner of parking lot. 20-25 miles. Rolling and winding terrain. Phil Caruso (381-0135).
- Sun. April 8 1:30 pm. Green Meadow School, (MN & 26th), 15 to 30 miles, flat. Jini Caruso (381-0135).
- Sat. April 14 1:30 pm. Lexington Green School, corner of Sprinkle Rd. and Milham. 15-25 miles, flat. Phil Caruso (381-0135).
- Sun. April 15 4:00 pm. EASTER PATCH RIDE from KVCC, NE corner of parking lot. 15 miles of flat to rolling terrain. LAW patches \$1.00. Kevin Kimbrough (327-7690).
- Thurs. April 19 6:45 pm. Lexington Green School, 10-12 miles, flat. Jan Hageman (382-2656).
- Sat. April 21 RACES at Spring Valley Park. No ride scheduled.
- Sun. April 22 2:00 pm. Lexington Green School. 14½-20 miles. Flat to rolling. Dave Hageman (382-2656).
- Thur. April 26 6:45 pm. Lexington Green School. 10-12 miles, flat. Sandy Kimbrough (327-7690).
- Sat. April 28 9:30 am. Pavilion Township Hall, corner of 29th and Q Ave. 20 or 50 miles mostly flat. Debbie Dinda (349-3094).
- Sun. April 29 2:00 pm. Green Meadow School. 25-40 miles, flat to rolling. Sandy Kimbrough (327-7690).



We have scheduled two Thursday night rides this month but next month our Thursday FAMILY RIDES will resume for the season. These are rides for the whole family, SLOW, SHORT & FLAT. Tell your friends and get ready for these friendly get-togethers.

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SUMMARY OF KBC MEETING MARCH 19, 1979:

TREASURER'S REPORT: With renewals coming in and three of the local shops having paid for a full years advertising in advance, the Club treasury has a balance of \$258.00. The patches for 4-Lakes have already been purchased, so a major expence of our revenue-generating event has already been financed.

RACE REPORT: Phil Caruso announced that on April 21st, the Kalamazoo Racing Club will be holding a Spring Valley Road Race. There will be only one Spring Valley race this year and Debbie Dinda relayed the information that the races will be slightly longer this year. The racers need some volunteers to help stage the race. Those interested in volunteering should contact Pat Florian (344-8037).

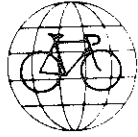
FOUR LAKES: Sandy Kimbrough reminded the members that 4-Lakes will be held on May 5th. Sandy will need help staffing registration and sagwagon. Those who work will be allowed time to ride an occassional lap and a sag wagon ride will be staged the following day. (President's Note: Sandy has volunteered to do the hard work of organizing the ride and many of us could volunteer a few hours on May 5th to help her and the Club.) Call Sandy at 327-7690.

LUNG-A-THON: The Lung-a-Thon will be held June 2nd. Jini Caruso has done much of the initial organization work. The ride will begin from Green Meadows Elementary School at 26th and MN and proceed to Scotts Mill and return, a distance of 20 miles. Riders will be allowed to ride the distance twice for a total of 40 miles for pledges or on a self-sponsored bases. The fee for self-sponsored riders will be \$4.00. Riders will receive patches. Because of the uncertainty of how successful the Lung-a-Thon will be for either party (the Michigan Lung Association and the Club) the Lung Association has agreed to pay the Club a flat fee of \$100.00 this year regardless of how few riders turn out and then to renegotiate the payment next year. There is still much work to do! Jini would like some help in planning the ride, helping to organize distribution of flyers, arranging for staffing, etc. On the day of the ride, we will need people to sag the ride and to work registration. This event could be a continuing revenue producer for the Club so it is important to make this a success. Volunteers should call Jini at 381-0135.

HELL TO PARADISE: Sandy Kimbrough has shown some interest in staging another Hell to Paradise ride in late summer if there is sufficient interest. The ride is 430 miles in six days and the riders would use camping facilities. Anyone who is interested should contact Sandy at 327-7690. The deadline for contacting Sandy on this matter is May 1st.

MILEAGE PROGRAM: The Club has a mileage program which gives patches and mileage bars to those who ride 500, 1,000, 1,500, etc. miles on our Club rides and on rides held by other clubs from January 1 through December 31 of each year. Riders are responsible for keeping track of their miles. With this newsletter you are being sent a form on which you can record miles. No specific form is required. Additional copies will be available at most of the rides from the Hagemans or call 382-2656.

A SPECIAL THANKS to all KBC members who staffed the booth at the Maple Hill Mall, Wheels for Family Fun, the week of March 19th.



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The following is a letter from Joel Dinda, Administrative Coordinator for the Racing Team:

PROMOTIONS PLANNED:

Spring Valley Road Race	April 21 - Shops should have entry forms by April 1st.
Kalamazoo Criterium	June 4
Great Alamo Hill Climb	August 11
Cyclocross	November 17

SPRING VALLEY: Our main object at Spring Valley has always been introducing new riders to the sport. It has been successful, I think; I direct your attention to the Kalamazoo Center competitors. Most of them first raced at Spring Valley in unlicensed classes. Except for race day, all the major arrangements are settled; what remain are various details. I will need help on April 21, as always; particularly with course sweeping, turn marshalling, and finish line officiating. I'd be pleased to learn of a couple people willing to donate cash primes.

KALAMAZOO CRITERIUM: Still very unsettled; we need a course; we need money.

COURSE: Still looking at the block containing AAA; hope to ask permission of the city in two weeks.

MONEY: The smallest budget I'm willing to discuss is \$872.50; reducing that number is not difficult, but has significant effects on the quality of the production. The shops will probably donate five or six hundred dollars; I expect I'll locate a few more dollars myself; I anticipate some income from entry fees. I still come up two to three hundred dollars short.

I NEED HELP: Want to donate the money? Fine. Care to ask someone else? I've got a nice prospectus to show them, if you'll do the leg work. There are other matters too; people to call, things to pick up, etc. This project requires two more people. If I haven't heard from them by Spring Valley, we'll start talking about a 1980 target date.

ALAMO HILL CLIMB: More later. Organizationally simple; I've not got around to it.

CYCLOCROSS: Hugh Acton has agreed to help design a course at Turskiree. Again, more later.

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