

PEDAL PRESS

RIDES & EVENTS

September 1981

Sat. Sept. 5 June Godfrey 349-4787
10:00 Lexington Green
School. 15-25 miles

Sun. Sept. 6 Jan Hageman 382-2656
1:00 KVCC
25-50 miles

Sat. Sept. 12 Sandy Kimbrough 381-1724
2:00 Pavillion Township
Hall. 29th and O Ave.
15-50 miles.

Sun. Sept. 13 GILKEY LAKE TAVERN RIDE
Kevin Kimbrough 343-4835
12:30 Spring Valley Park
under the water tower.
45 miles

Sat. Sept. 19 FALL CENTURY-KBC
7:00 am Kalamazoo Valley
Community College
Gordie Vader 327-9846

Sun. Sept. 20 CEREAL CITY CENTURY
Battle Creek Bicycle Club

Sat. Sept. 26 Gordie Vader 327-9846
10:00 KVCC 15-40 miles

Sun. Sept. 27 APPLE CIDER CENTURY
Three Oaks Spokes
Three Oaks, Mi

ALTERNATIVE RIDE
Jan McLain 327-2256
2:00 Fred's Grocery
Schoolcraft

TUESDAY MORNING RIDES

Richard Dinda 349-3094

Sept. 1 11th St. Commuter Lot
10:00

Sept. 8 KVCC 50 miles
9:30

Sept. 15 KVCC 25 miles
10:00

Sept. 22 KVCC 25, 50, 100 miles
7:00 am

THURSDAY NIGHT RIDES WILL BE STARTING AT
6:30. Note the place of departure for
each ride.

Sept. 3 Phil Caruso 381-0135
Lexington Green School

Sept. 10 Gordie Vader 327-9846
Lexington Green School

Sept. 17 Jan Hageman 382-2656
Fulford and Fulton

Sept. 24 Sandy Kimbrough 381-1724
Winchell School



Kalamazoo Bicycle Club

general meeting

The September general meeting will be held in room 4006 on September 21st at Kalamazoo Valley Community College. Pictures of the Coors Classic will be shown.

League fights for bicycle's status as vehicle

In its early years, the League of American Wheelmen won a place in history by starting and leading the "Good Roads" movement. But the first battle was to win for the bicycle the status of "vehicle." In 1880, six weeks after the League was founded, its Vice President, A.S. Parsons, wrote:

"We cannot long use both road and sidewalk. We must decide which to claim and stick to that. Most of us have decided: and if we have not, the authorities have, that the bicycle is a *vehicle*, and that the *road* is the place for it. As our numbers increase, our influence will cause roads to be kept smoother, and our rights to the road to be respected."

—*The Bicycling World*, July 10, 1880

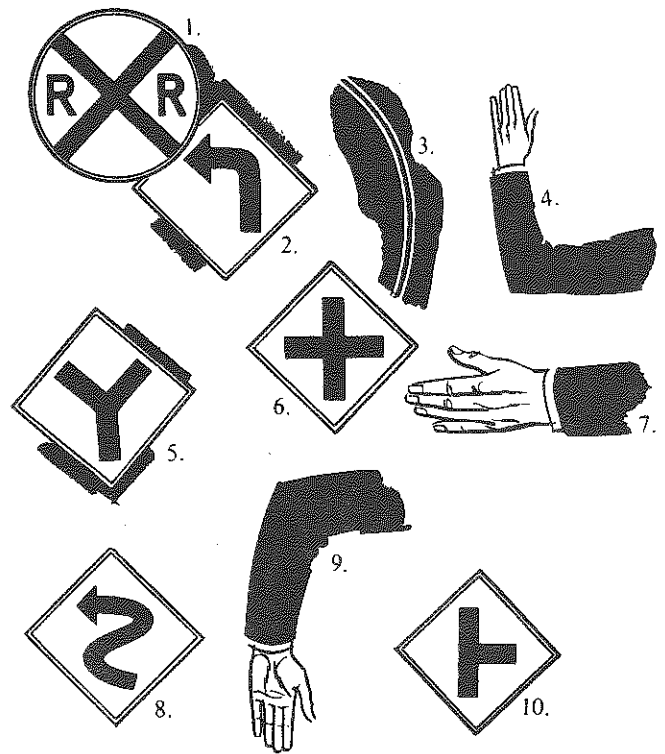
The battle for good roads in the U.S. has long been won. (The story is told in the November issue of *American Wheelmen* magazine.) But the effort to win and keep for the bicycle its status as vehicle with a place on the road is a struggle that continues today, and the L.A.W. remains in the thick of it. Many states decree that where there is a "usable" bicycle path near a road, the cyclist has no choice, but must use the path. (Often the bike paths suffer from hidden, unregulated intersections, poor drainage, pedestrians, and design speeds well below what the cycling enthusiast rides at.) There are also a handful of states that deny cyclists the rights of other vehicle operators. The danger in such a state (born out by some court rulings) is that if a motorist fails to yield where he should and strikes a bicyclist, the motorist might not be held accountable. States affected by this problem according to a list from earlier this year include Arkansas, Indiana, Iowa, Mississippi, Oregon, and Utah. League members in Virginia lead a successful fight early in 1980 to give cyclists the rights as well as the duties of other vehicle operators.

The July and September issues of *American Wheelmen* described successful efforts led by League volunteers to repeal the mandatory sidepath laws in Texas and Wisconsin. Cyclists in a handful of other states have also succeeded in similar efforts. The League's volunteer State Legislative Representatives always welcome your help in improving the legal status of cyclists at the state and local level, and the League's paid National Legislative Director, Ralph Hirsch, stands ready to help in any way he can. His address is L.A.W., 112 S. 16th St., 9th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19102.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Deposited \$105.80, paid out \$130.38.
The current balance is \$111.69.

Do You Know These?




1. () a. School crossing
() b. Railroad crossing
() c. Slippery when wet
2. () a. Passing permitted
() b. Keep to left
() c. Road curves to left
3. () a. Do not cross to pass
() b. Pass when northbound only
() c. Pass in either direction
4. () a. This car is stopping
() b. You may pass
() c. This car is turning right
5. () a. Dual road ahead
() b. Road forks ahead
() c. Traffic signal ahead
6. () a. Crossroad ahead
() b. Church crossing
() c. Do not pass
7. () a. Pass on the left
() b. Slow down
() c. This car is turning left
8. () a. School crossing
() b. Winding road
() c. Slippery when wet
9. () a. This car is stopping
() b. You may pass
() c. This car is turning left
10. () a. Keep to right
() b. Intersecting road on right
() c. Pass on right

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membership form

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

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For family membership, please list entire family:

Name _____ Birthdate _____ Sex _____

Signature _____ Date _____

(if under 18)

Parent Signature _____

Kalamazoo Bicycle Club

DUES (check one)

- _____ Adult membership \$5.00
- _____ Family membership \$6.00
- _____ Youth (17 or younger) \$2.50
- _____ Senior (60 or older) \$2.50

Mail to: KBC

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Donna Ryskamp and her friend Jackie
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You will notice that the format of the New Member List has changed. A Master Membership List has been drawn up and a copy is available to all members. To keep your list up to date, cut out the portion below and attach it to your Master List.



Harold, Tamara, Andrea & Todd Ballen
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BIKE-A-THON AUGUST 29, 9:00am

The Kalamazoo Bicycle Club and WQLR Radio Station are sponsoring the First Annual Bike-A-Thon. The ride will leave from Green Meadow School. There will be 5, 10, 25, or 50 mile loops.

There is an entry fee of \$5.00. Each entrant will receive a T-shirt and refreshments. The Bike-A-Thon was arranged to raise money for the Bronson Hospital Burn Center. All riders must have at least one sponsor to ride. (You may be your own sponsor) Entry forms and sponsor sheets are available at local bicycle shops.

Any club members who wish to help work during the Bike-A-Thon should arrive before 9:00.

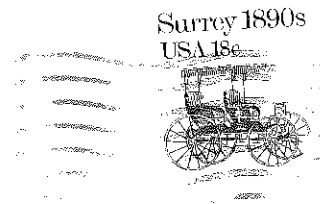
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