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Kalamazoo Bicycle Club

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Are You a Member?

All memberships were due for renewal in January, except those paid in or after October. This was the agreed upon policy change for KBC. This will be your **LAST NEWSLETTER**. The May issue will contain a list of all scheduled rides for 1991 so pay now in order to get your next Newsletter. During 1991 we will issue a map book to all paid members. So pay your dues now! Hurry you do not want to miss any information as we begin the biking season.

New Members

- Guy Dennehy
- Liz Holland
- Michael, Kyle, Erin and Morgan Houghton
- Ann Johnson
- Thomas and Jenifer Kopinski
- Miles Kusik
- Bill McMahon
- Ron Miazga
- Amy Sapulski
- Ron, Deb, and John Vanderwell
- Lee and Mary Witt
- Jackie Zito

Welcome!

Riding in Wet Weather

From Bicycling's Traffic Survival Guide

Riding in wet weather can be miserable, but if you equip yourself well, you can stay comfortable.

Many bicyclists carry no wet-weather gear, and they get soaked. Some bicyclists try to use raingear borrowed from the coat rack at home. Long raincoats and ponchos tangle with the spokes or frame. Rubberized rainsuits get wet inside as out, because they don't let perspiration evaporate.

A bicyclist's rain cape is a fine solution, along with fenders on your bike. The raincape is like a poncho but tailored to fit you in your riding position on the bicycle. It's small and light to carry, and relatively inexpensive to buy. It has loops at the front, which you can hook over your thumbs or the brakes levers, extending front like a little tent. A waist strap holds down the back of the cape. The cape should be bright yellow, to make you more visible to drivers.

Your riding technique needs some modification in wet weather. Rim brakes work poorly if the bicycle has steel rims- stopping distances may be increased by 10 times. It helps to wipe the rims dry by applying the brakes in advance, well before you need to stop.

In the rain, pay special attention to metal surfaces, such as manhole covers, painted traffic markings, wet leaves and oil slicks. They're all especially slippery. Avoid riding through puddles if you can't see the bottom- a puddle can hide a pothole.

When you get home, it's a good idea to relubricate your bike chain, to help prevent it from rusting.

April Club Meeting

The April KBC meeting will be held at Scooters Ice Cream Shop in Scotts at 7:00pm on April 1. The speaker will be Houston Pedersen. Houston will discuss training for tourists and time permitting we will work on techniques of pace lining. If the weather cooperates we will try to be outside with our bikes. Please bring your bike and dress accordingly.

Scooters is very easy to locate. Take I-94 east to 35th street, exit (Galesburg). Go right onto 35th for about 3 miles where you will come to a flashing stop, turn left for 1/2 mile where you will intersect 36th street, turn right and travel about 5 miles to Scotts. Scooters is at the intersection in Scotts shortly after crossing the tracks.

Newsletter Info

Thank you for the articles that were submitted for this month's newsletter. I couldn't do this without you, especially Marc and Steve. The deadline for articles is April 15th.

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Note from the President

Trail Blazer

The Kal Haven tour is in May and KBC is a co-sponsor with the Friends of the Kal-Haven Trail. We have day of event and before event responsibilities. First, we need help in acquiring sponsorships NOW. KBC has been challenged to raise \$1,000 in sponsorship for the event. Anyone with experience or ideas here, PLEASE step up to help. We need these secured by the first part of March. Charlie Fuentes needs help plotting a true 100 mile course and help painting the roads. Please call him at 327-2809. We are looking for a sponsor for a Mountain Bike door prize giveaway. If anyone knows of how to approach someone with this idea let me know soon. The day of the event we will need about 20 people to man the Bloomingdale rest stop. You will work in shifts. Contact Charlie at 327-2809.

\$\$\$\$\$ The combination of the Stage Race and the Trailblazer should provide KBC with an income of nearly \$5,000 for 1991. The Trailblazer money has been designated for the Bike Safety and Education Program and the Stage Race money will go to getting a development race team (13-17 years) off the ground. We have at least 3 qualified racers who would

like to help coach such a team, if we can get it started. As these events grow KBC can start to think of numerous community activities in which to get involved, or utilize the funds to improve the quality of KBC itself such as purchasing tandems, bike carriers for planes, tour sponsorship, or any other ideas you may submit.



Note From the President

As we get closer to the riding season, it is time to remind our members of a couple of guidelines for the benefit of the group. First, DRUG AND ALCOHOL usage. KBC does not care what you do in your own time, but to arrive at a KBC (tour or race team ride) while under the influence of alcohol or drugs will not be tolerated. Last year I received two complaints about this issue. In one situation the riders involved had potential for hurting other riders. In keeping with our policy of safety and fun, the policy for 1991 is as follows:

The first complaint will be discussed by the KBC executive committee and if the evidence warrants the President will talk with the party involved to remind the individual of our zero tolerance of drugs and alcohol. A second complaint will mean suspension from KBC and all KBC sponsored events including races, tours, rides, etc. for 1991.

The second issue is HARASSMENT. I received several complaints regarding two individuals harassing women at KBC rides. The complaints ranged from insults about riding capability to vulgar attitudes. KBC and our rides are to be a safe place for fun and gathering. Each member should treat the other with respect. If you are such a hot shot that you need to get your thrills by coming to rides to "out-ride" the tourists then train with the racers but do not embarrass yourself and KBC at club rides. More importantly, insults and harassment of our women members is not tolerable. Therefore, the policy for 1991 will be as follows:

The first complaint will be handled by the executive committee warning the member involved.



Note from the President

The second offense will mean suspension from KBC for 1991. I regret that these issues need to be discussed but in all large organizations there will be a hot dog or two who need reminding that their behavior is unacceptable. I really hope I will not have to enforce these policies.

Presidential Thanks

Bike Safety Donations and Committee:

I want to thank all those individuals who contributed over the past year to the Bicycle Safety program for KBC. A special thanks to the cycling clubs of other communities that have donated to this cause. The hard efforts of the Bicycle Safety Committee have made our plans a reality. Funds for this effort will continue to be available through the money raised from the Kal-Haven trail ride. I have been most impressed with the help coming from our small membership. Everyone is doing a great job.

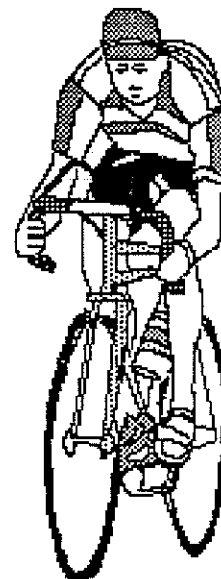
Ride Classifications:

The ride classification committee has presented the ride schedule and classifications for 1991. They have worked hard to define the ride leaders responsibility. I support their efforts and remind

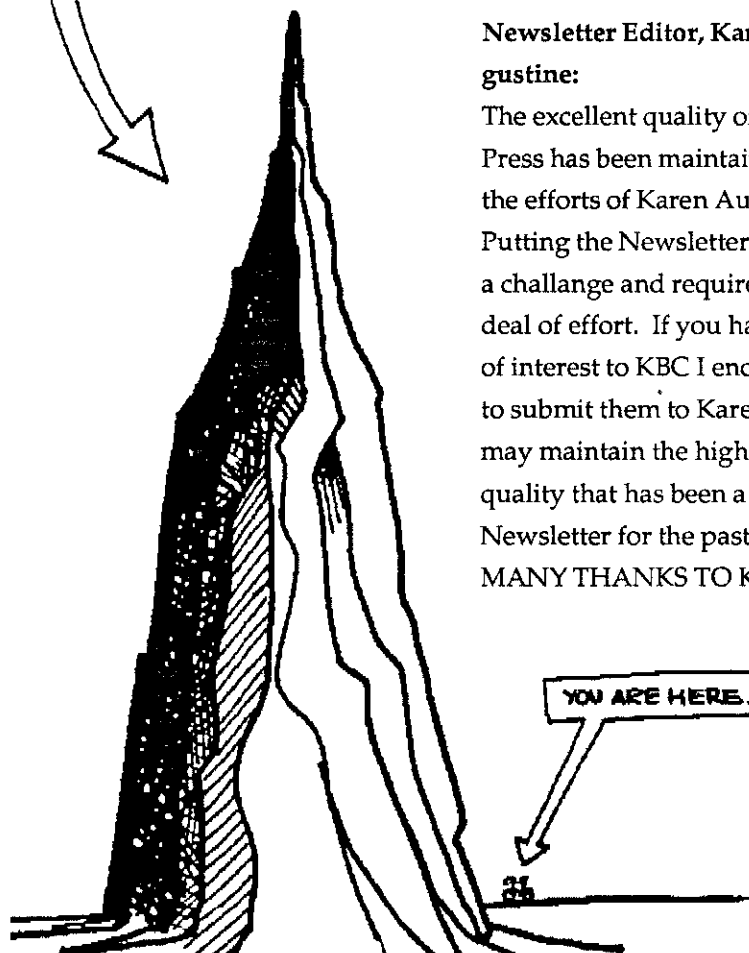
each member that as the season progresses please do not forget your responsibilities as a ride leader. The classifications and rides are cited elsewhere in the Newsletter.

Volunteers:

Sheryl Drenth is doing an outstanding job in getting volunteers arranged. She could use your help by calling her at 623-2090 and volunteering for the many projects of KBC.



THE FIRST HILL OF THE NEW SEASON...



Newsletter Editor, Karen Augustine:

The excellent quality of Pedal Press has been maintained through the efforts of Karen Augustine. Putting the Newsletter together is a challenge and requires a great deal of effort. If you have articles of interest to KBC I encourage you to submit them to Karen so we may maintain the high level of quality that has been a part to the Newsletter for the past three years. MANY THANKS TO KAREN.

1991 Physicians Health Plan Stage Race to Bring KBC \$2000 \$3000

The "tentative" race first reported in last month's Pedal Press has become a sure thing. The Club is committed to sponsorship of this first for Kalamazoo race. The Stage Race will be one of only 40 stage races US wide. Once again, the planned events are:

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Friday	April 26	1K uphill time trial prologue in Portage.
Saturday	April 27 (a.m.)	11 mile time trial in Climax.
Saturday	April 27 (p.m.)	Road Race at Cornwell's Turkey Farm, east of Battle Creek.
Sunday	April 28 (a.m.)	Circuit race at Spring Valley Park in Kalamazoo.

As stated in the headline above, the Club stands to receive \$3000 or more from this single event. This amount is more than the club's entire budget for last year. These funds will allow us many more community programs and will allow us a much further reaching community outreach. This will result in increased ridership, allowing better and more rides and programs for the existing members.

In the words of KBC President Steve Clarke, "the Stage Race will be the major effort of the Club this year." That's right, we need volunteers: about 75 of them. This is in addition to the KBC race team. Every team member will be devoting lots of time to working at the races all weekend, as well as participating. We need people to be course marshals, do course set up, work parking, work registration, and other miscellaneous tasks. Working at a race is a great way to see the race up close in a way that no other spectator can.

It's also a great way to learn about the sport from the inside. Please make these dates on your calendar. Call the ride line and please leave your name and number to let us know how you can help on race weekend.

Marc Luoma

Volunteers Needed

The stage race sponsored by KBC is Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, April 26-28. This race will attract 450-500 riders and will be one of the major races of the midwest. We already have had questions from riders as far away as Texas. The success of the race depends in a large part on the KBC members. I am asking each of you to set aside your time for these days now. A list of activities is listed below. Please contact Sheryl Drenth at 623-2090 (it's not long distance from Kalamazoo) with your best two choices.

Prologue: Friday, April 26 at Kalamazoo Air Museum Drive.

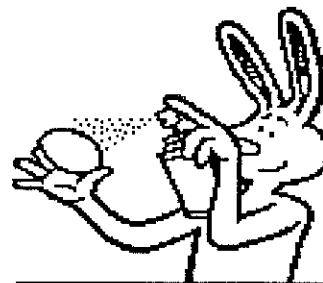
1. Registration
At Prologue Site (4:30-6:30 pm)
•4 Volunteers
At Signature Hotel (7-11pm)
•2 Volunteers
2. On-site set up (4:30-6:30)
•4 Volunteers
3. Rider line-up (5:00-8:00)
•3 Volunteers
4. Site take down (7:00-8:00)
•3 Volunteers

Time Trail in Climax: Saturday, April 27.

1. Registration (6:30-9:00 am)
•4 Volunteers
2. Set-up site (6:30-7:30 am)
•6 Volunteers
(Sweeping road, scaffolding, strart ramp, etc.)
3. Corner Marshalls (7:00 am-noon)
•6 Volunteers
4. Ride caller
•1 Volunteer
5. Turn around spot (7:00am-noon)
•1 Volunteer
6. Bike holder (7:00am - noon)
•1 Volunteer
7. Take down site
•5 Volunteers

Road Race: Saturday, April 27 at Cornwell's Turkey Farm

1. Registration for citizens' class
•2 Volunteers
2. Set-up site (noon-2:00pm)
•6 Volunteers
(Sweeping road, scaffolding, strart ramp, etc.)
3. Pace Car drivers
•10 Volunteers
4. Follow car drivers
•10 Volunteers
5. General assistance (noon-5pm)
•3 Volunteers
6. Take-down site (5:00-6:30pm)
•6 Volunteers



Spring Valley Circuit Race: Sunday, April 28 at Spring Valley Park in Kalamazoo

1. Registration (7:00-9:00am)
 - 2 Volunteers
2. Set-up Site (Race team members and friends)
3. Corner marshalls (KBC members and friends)
 - Shift 1 (7:30-10:30am)
 - 12 Volunteers
 - Shift 2 (10:30am - 1:30pm)
 - 12 Volunteers
 - Shift 3 (1:30-4:30pm)
 - 12 Volunteers
4. Pace car drivers (8:00am-4:00pm)
 - 9 Volunteers
5. Follow car drivers (8:00am-4:00pm)
 - 9 Volunteers
6. Take down site
 - 6 Volunteers

KBC February Meeting Minutes

The February KBC meeting was held on Monday, February 4, at Scooter's Malt Shop in Scotts. Club president Steve Clarke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Below is a summary of the topics covered during the meeting:

Kal Haven Trail Blazer

The 1991 Trail Blazer will be one of two major fundraisers for the Club this year. (See accompanying article.)

1991 Southwest Michigan Road Race

This first year event will be the other fundraiser for the Club in 1991. (See accompanying article.)

Developmental Racer Coaching

New Club member and Wolverine Race Team member Angelo Cingini (our apologies for the spelling, Angelo) has offered his considerable coaching abilities to start a KBC developmental racing team for young folks 13 18 years old. (See Steve Clarke's comments in this issue.)

Roller Races

Club member Mike Ayers spoke about the Kalamazoo roller races. This year's KBC sponsored event will be held at the Maple Hill Mall on Sunday, March 3 from 10:00 until 3:00.

Mike needs volunteers to run stop watches, do bike inspection, and to be announcers. Call and volunteer or else.

The Roller Race is a non USCF event. All riders are welcome. The entry fee is \$5.00. All participants will receive a gift certificate to Breakaway Bikes. While Mike was forced to admit that there would be no special prizes for the winners. The winners will, however, receive "lots of glory" in Mike's words. For more information, glory seekers can contact Mike during the day at 349 5555.

Safety Committee Report

In it's quest for bike safety information, the Safety Committee has secured 50 copies of the booklet Street Smarts: Bicycling's Traffic Survival Guide. Those who were astute enough to show at the meeting got one. If you want one, just come to the next meeting.

Ride Committee Report

1991 Ride Schedule: The ride committee is developing rides for the entire season. The "official" KBC season runs from April 15 until September 30. The tentative rides are:

- **Mondays:** From Milham Park near Texas Corners.
- **Tuesdays:** Race team sprints from KVCC (contemplating also having a tour from KVCC at the same time).
- **Wednesdays:** From Kalamazoo Central High School.
- **Thursdays:** From Scooter's Malt Shop in Scotts.
- **Fridays:** From Galesburg (around Gull Lake)
- **Weekends:** As scheduled on a month by month basis.

Ride Incentive Program: If we still owe you a prize from last year, please be patient. They're ordered. We promise. Really. The 1991 ride incentive program will be similar to last year's. Miles will be tallied from ride sign up sheets. Those meeting a minimum number of miles will receive a prize. The value of the prizes will escalate as does your mileage.

Ride Classifications: In a futile attempt to keep everybody happy, ride committee chair Don Povendo is revamping the ride classifications. The current thinking is that the most important thing is for the ride leader to ride at the advertised speed. In any case,

IF YOU WANT INPUT INTO THE RIDE CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM WE'LL USE THIS YEAR, CALL THE RIDE LINE OR WRITE TO THE CLUB P.O. BOX NOW. SPEAK NOW OR FOREVER HOLD YOUR COMPLAINTS!

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00.

Respectfully submitted, M. Luoma.

The 3% Solution

Submitted by Sheryl Drenth

Would you like to have an impact on the future of bicycling in our country? Read this excerpt from *Bicycling* magazine and find out what you can do today.

"We know that 50% of all car trips in America are 5 miles or less. So why don't more people use the bicycle for utility? Our research indicates that fear of traffic is a primary reason. And let's face it. We are a car society. Cars are heavily subsidized. That is one reason gasoline prices in America are half that in Europe.

I've long believed that with the right incentives people would commute more on bikes. To find out for sure, BICYCLING commissioned Louis Harris & Associates to ask the population. Almost 3 million Americans cycle to work 3 times a week. However, when asked what effect safe bike lanes on roads and highways would have, a whopping 33 million said they would occasionally commute. Thirty million would do so if employers offered financial incentives. And 29 million would cycle if employers provided showers and secure bike storage.

These Harris poll results are mind-boggling, a ringing testimony to how extensive bike commuting would be with very little invest-

ment. And we would save billions of dollars in imported oil.

As this poll clearly demonstrates, the biggest obstacle to increased bike commuting is structural: Many people consider existing roads unsafe for riding. This information could not be more timely. In October, Congress will pass the Surface Transportation Assistance Act, which will set the course of transportation investment for the next 30 years. The money is not spent by the federal government, but is given to states based on population, size, and highway mileage. Unless we raise our voices loud enough to impact this bill, cyclists will be left out for another generation. Now is the time to act.

In conjunction with the Bicycle Federation of America and the U.S. bicycle industry, we ask that architects of the bill state clearly that cycling is a legitimate means of transportation. We insist that any transportation project done with federal dollars be accessible to cyclists. We call for a provision that a least 3% of federal-aid highway dollars be spent on bicycle and pedestrian projects.

Write you congressional representative and ask him or her to support these recommendations. Equally important, you should write to Norman Mineta (D-CA),

chairman of the Surface Transportation Subcommittee (B-376 RHOB, Washington, DC 20515), and Robert Roe (D-NJ), chairman of the House Public Works Committee (2165 RHOB, Washington, DC 20515). I'd love copies of your letters.

On May 2, I will join other industry representatives in presenting these Harris findings to key congressional figures. If you send a mountain of mail to Washington, we will be heard.

This is one battle that's close to home and worth waging. To make a commitment to a clean environment is another kind of patriotism."

James C. McCullagh
Editor and Publisher
Bicycling Magazine

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Bicycle Related Law in Michigan

Bob Luoma, a Lansing attorney with experience litigating bicycle related cases spoke at the March KBC meeting. Bob is a past officer of the 2000 member Tri County Bicycle Association based in Lansing, and is currently that club's legislative liaison. Below is an outline of Bob's talk.

Motor Vehicle Code

- All parts of the Michigan Vehicle Code apply to bicycles. A bike, however, is not a legal vehicle under Michigan law.
- A bike is defined as a device propelled by human power upon which a person may ride, having either 2 or 3 wheels...which are over 14 inches in diameter.
- Bikes must ride as far to the right as practicable, whatever that is. It's not clear whether this portion of the law allows for avoiding pot holed road sections or not. Apparently that's up to the judge.
- If there's a designated bicycle side-path, regardless of its condition, you have to ride there, rather than on the roadway.
- If you violate any part of the vehicle code while on your bike, it will be a civil infraction and will not appear on your driving record.



Dogs vs. Bikes

• Loose dogs are against the law. It's a violation to let a dog run at large, attack or bite, or show vicious habits. Dog owners are liable under civil and criminal law. The problem in proving these cases is usually proving that the dog owner really is the dog owner. Under the law, a dog owner is someone who:

- 1) has a property interest in the dog
- 2) an agent of someone who has a property interest in the dog
- 3) keeps or harbors the dog
- 4) permits the dog to remain on his or her property.

• If you get chased enough times, or get bitten, or get knocked down, or otherwise get really peeved, there are two things you can do: prosecute under the criminal statute, or sue the owner for damages under civil law.

• To have the owner prosecuted, you should:

- 1) Report the dog to the dog warden (in Kalamazoo County, that's the Animal Control department) and perhaps file a written report.
- 2) Ask the dog warden to file a report with the prosecutor, or file one yourself. The prosecutor will then hopefully file a complaint against the owner.
- 3) Sign the complaint.
- 4) Appear in court and testify against the owner.

For a first offense, a conviction usually brings a fine, although the judge may, if he or she chooses, mandate a jail sentence.

• To sue under civil law, first write a letter to the dog owner, asking that they reimburse you for damages caused by their dog. Then, after you get no response, the easiest course of action is to take them to small claims court. If your claim is over \$3000, however, you'll need to get a lawyer and go to "regular" court.



Claims Against Vehicles

The law for bicycles is no different than for suing another car driver who is at fault in an accident.

Claims Against Municipalities

You can sue municipalities for injuries you received because of poor road conditions. For example, municipalities that allow steel grates that swallow bicycle wheels to remain on the streets are liable for damages you receive from crashing into one of those grates. Under the law, you can sue these municipalities just as you would sue another individual.

Bob made available to the Club a pamphlet published by the Tri County Bicycle Association entitled Bicycle Related Sections of the Michigan Vehicle Code and Other Related Laws. To get a copy, just call me (Marc) at 778-3565 and I'll mail you one the same day.

Marc Luoma

KBC March Meeting Minutes

The March Kalamazoo Bicycle Club meeting was held on Monday, March 4, at 7:00 p.m., at Scooter's Malt Shop, in Scotts. Club President Steve Clarke presided. A short summary of topics and speakers appears below.

Stage Race

The KBC sponsored Physician's Health Plan 1991 Stage Race will take place on April 26-28. Although promotion of the race is yet to start, we are already receiving requests for information from racing teams in Wisconsin, Ohio, Indiana, and Texas. This suggests that we will have a huge turnout for the race. This race will be the big money-maker for the Club in 1991 and we need your support. Get ready for the call for help.

Kal Haven Trail Blazer

We will need some volunteers for the Trail Blazer. The primary immediate need, however, is for \$300-\$500 co-sponsors. If you know of any contacts for corporate sponsors, please contact Charlie Fuentes.

Ride and Safety Committees

The Ride and Safety committees have already been very active. (See the article included in this issue concerning 1991 rides, new ride categories, and new ride leader responsibilities.) Steve extended his thanks to the committees for their hard work.

KBC Promotional Brochure

In our never ending quest for funding (for races, rides, and safety committee activities), we need a promotional Club brochure. The brochure should explain who we are, our purpose, and how we would spend any donations we receive. Any Club member with marketing, sales, or promotional experience, please call and lend your advice. You don't need to invest a lot of time, perhaps just an hour or so to get us started.

Club Speaker Bicycle Law

Bob Luoma, a Lansing attorney with experience litigating bicycle related cases spoke concerning our rights and responsibilities as bicyclists. (See the article in this issue.)

KPSD Bicycle Skills Course

There will be a children's bicycle skills building course during the Kalamazoo Public Safety Department's 1991 Take A Bite Out of Crime Day on May 18th. As a guest of the KBC Safety Committee, A KPSD officer appeared at the meeting, explained the skills course (formerly called a bicycle "rodeo"), and asked all interested parties to come to a planning meeting on March 27 at 4:00 p.m., at 116 W. Cedar Street, just west of Bronson Hospital.

Respectfully submitted, M. Luoma.

Ride Committee Recommendations

The ride committee offers the following recommendations for Club approval. If you have an opinion on these matters, we will discuss them at the next meeting.

Ride Classifications (mph):

- 20+
- 17-20
- 14-17
- 12-14
- 12 and under
- Family

Ride Leader Responsibilities

We recommend that ride leaders lead rides at one category below that which they usually ride. (For example, if you're usually an 18 mph rider, lead a 14-17 ride.) You may, however, lead a ride in any category you want. The ride leader is responsible for the people in his or her group: The ride leader is essentially a sweep rider, always riding last in the group. If any riders in the group require assistance, the leader should help in any way possible. If a rider requires sag assistance, the leader should also be ready to help in this way.

Rider Responsibilities

Riders also have responsibilities: Aside from riding in a safe and courteous manner, they are responsible for the condition of their bicycles. The bikes should be in sound working order. Riders should carry a spare tube, tire levers, and a pump. Ride leaders are not expected to supply this equipment, though they may help with the repair.



Routine Rides

The following is a list of already well established routine rides to be held throughout the season (April 15 September 30). Also please send in rides other than these (Saturday breakfast rides, etc). To do so, call the ride line or write to the newsletter editor via the Club P.O. box. Include the time and place, speed category, as well as a brief description. Please remember that you may attend any ride you want, regardless of how fast you want to ride. The classifications given are only to indicate what the ride leader will be doing.

Monday:

Starting Point: Milham Park, near Texas Corners on Milham Road

Starting Time: 6:30

Speed Categories: 14-17, 17-20, 20+
Distance: 20-40

Comment: This ride usually heads toward Mattawan, through rolling to hilly terrain at the halfway point, and back to the flat roads of Texas Township. Typically a pretty "mellow" ride as Club members recover from Sunday's race or long ride.

Tuesday:

Starting Point: KVCC (Race Team Sprints)

Starting Time: 6:00

Speed Categories: 20+
Distance: 40 miles +

Starting Point: KVCC (Club Ride)

Starting Time: 6:00-6:30

Speed Categories: 14-17, 17-20, 20+
Distance: 20-40

Comment: This is a new ride for 1991. It's our hope that some of the Club riders will mingle with the racers and perhaps even try the race team training ride. It's a good chance for the two groups to get to know each other.

Wednesday:

Starting Point: Kalamazoo Central High School

Starting Time: 6:30

Speed Categories: 14-17, 17-20, 20+

Distance: 20-40

Comment: This ride typically heads west and north into the hills of that part of the county. Usually a good hill workout. The pace is moderate to a hammerfest, depending on who shows up.

Starting Point: Climax High School (Time Trials)

Starting Time: 6:00

Speed Categories: all

Distance: 10 miles

Comment: Club members will take turns running the clock. Time Trials are a good way to gauge your fitness over the course of a season. All are welcome, from the most casual riders to the fanatics.

Thursday:

Starting Point: Scotts Elementary School

Starting Time: 6:30

Speed Categories: <12, 12-14, 14-17, 17-20, 20+

Distance: 15-40

Comment: Last year, this Ice Cream Cruise was easily the most popular Club ride of the week. After the ride, meet back at Scooter's Malt Shop for cold, creamy comestibles and to socialize with other riders.

Friday:

Starting Point: Galesburg (Behind Billy's Bike Shop)

Starting Time: 6:30

Speed Categories: 14-17, 17-20, 20+

Distance: 25-40

Comment: Usually a moderately hilly ride to, and around, Gull Lake. The pace of last year's rides was quite brisk.

Sunday (April 7 - June 9):

Starting Point: Schoolcraft, behind the antique store

Starting Time: Check ride line

Speed Categories: 17-20

Distance: 100+ miles

Comment: These are training rides (also known as Steve Clarke Death

Marches) for the Michigan 24 hour Challenge. If maintaining a 17 20 mph pace for 100 miles with minimal breaks is your idea of recreation, come out and suffer with the rest of us.

Don Povendo, Ride Committee Chair, Commentary by Marc

Classified Ads

For Sale: Bridgestone MB-o mountain bike, 21". Number 31 of a limited series. This bike has had very little use and is in perfect condition. It is one of the lightest mountain bikes made. List price new is \$1,695 asking \$1,295 or best offer. Call 668-2409 for details.

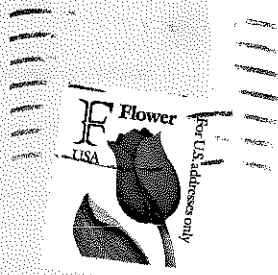
For Sale: Saddles (2). Selle Italia Turbo, black perforated leather, unused, \$20. Ladies vetta anatomic, used little, \$15. Call 668-2409.

For Sale: Cincelli rollers. Old, loud but functional, best offer. Contact Steve Cox, 372-2169.

Bicycle Things: One of our members, Gus Baldauf is now making custom wood objects. One of them is a wood cutout of the KBC logo that you see on the front page of the *Pedal Press*. The cutout is 2.5 inches wide and about 1.5 high. The other cutout he has passed on to the Club is a cutout of the letters: "Kal-Haven Trail". It is of similar size. Gus is selling them for \$4.50 each. Gus suggests that they would be nice pins for your bike bags. If you would like one of them you can send a check for \$4.50 to: Ludwig "Gus" Baldauf
216 Jones Avenue
South Haven, MI 49090
or call Gus at (616) 637-3076. (Phil Caruso will bring the one sent to the Club to the next meeting.



Kalamazoo Bicycle Club
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 Phil & Jini Caruso
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Address Correction Requested

Ride Classifications

- A+17+ mph
- A15-17 mph
- B13-14 mph
- C11-12 mph
- Dunder 10 mph, frequent stops
- Eover 50 miles, at your own pace

- FFamily ride
- MTBOff-road

Note: All mph given indicate pace while on the bike that the ride leader would like to maintain. Please feel free to come to any ride and ride at your won pace. Rest stops, their number and duration are a separate issue.

Club Phone Numbers

President	Steve Clarke	327-9956	MTB	Valerie Marsh	343-9637
Vice President	Mark Erhardt	778-3565	Race Captain	Mike Teel	
Secretary/Treasurer	Karen Torre	381-4329	Race Captain	Joe Torre	381-4329
Ride Captains:			Membership List	Phil Caruso	381-0135
A	Roberta Hillman	381-4450	Mileage Statistician	Jim Tiller	375-8112
B	Open		Ride Line		327-7767
C	Brad Cosgrove		Newsletter	Karen Augustine	381-3251

Kalamazoo Bicycle Club - Membership Form

Your name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Birthdate _____
 For family membership, please list other family members:

Mail to:
 KBC
 Box 527
 Kalamazoo, MI 49005

MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES:

- Mailed newsletter and ride schedule
- KBC Kalamazoo County map
- Access to collection of touring maps
- Access to Club library
- Availability of membership services

Other memberships you hold: LAW USCF
 Other _____
 Parent's Signature (if under 18) _____
 I can help with: Ride leading _____ Newsletter _____
 Meeting programs _____ Other _____
 Dues: Adult - \$15 Family - \$17 Youth (<18) - \$13 Senior (>60) - \$13
 New Membership _____ Renewal _____ (mark one)