

QUAD-CITIES BICYCLE CLUB NEWS - AUGUST 1974

WELCOME SAGBRAI RIDERS, AUG. 11 - Those 50 who are making the 2nd Annual Bike Ride Across Iowa Aug. 4 - 10 with at least 1400 other bicyclists will be riding from Dubuque on Sunday, Aug. 11. The final destination will be Mier Park, 6th and Grant, Bettendorf. There will be a police escort from Bettendorf City limits to Mier Park. A final grouping will be held at Riverdale School estimated 2 p.m. for those members who would like to ride through Bettendorf. Those wishing to ride in from Le Claire or Princeton should remember that Route 67 is dangerous in small groups, but will be OK with the large group coming in. LeClaire or Princeton can be reached from the East by safe Scott County roads.

AUGUST MEETING AT PEG BEHREND'S -- August meeting will be Tuesday, Aug. 13 at 8 p.m. at 3219 Westmar Dr., Bettendorf but not at Bike World as stated in July newsletter. Topics of discussion will be Cyclocross, Sept. 15 and personal experiences from last month's events, namely, Tour of Iowa, Nationals and QCBC Century. Refreshments will be served.

BIKE CENTENNIAL '76 RESEARCH COUPLE TO TRAVEL THROUGH DAVENPORT
AUG. 17 - Jim and Esther Kehew, LAW members from Camp Hill, Pa. will pass through Walcott, Dixon, Davenport as part of an 84 day crossing of the proposed Trans-America Trail. Plans are of this date for the Kehews to go from Walcott to Dixon for their Corn Festival and then on to Fred Blessin's for over night. Exact times of arrival will not be known until late next week.

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY CENTURY/HALF CENTURY DRAWS 268 RIDERS - Addition of a half century this year undoubtedly helped draw over 100 riders more than last years 175 riders. There were approximately 50 per cent local riders this year versus approximately 25 per cent last year. What this adds up to is that we are now exposing Quad City riders to the pleasures of touring, one of our prime club objectives.

This success could not have been achieved without the charitable work provided by:

Carter LeBeau - Awards & hospitality
Dorothy LeBeau - Food service
Richard & Margaret Paulos - Lemonade, Orangeade, water & ice
(vital on a warm day)
Andrea & Sara Paulos - Orangeade service
Terry Burke - Sag wagon
Karen Burke - Food service
Irv Gerks - Sag wagon
Santo Pullella - Chief of sag wagons
Jerry Neff & Frank King (Jerry's Bike Shop) -- Sag wagon
Peg Behrend - Publicity, signs, awards registration
Mary Jo Sheridan, Mrs. Glen Olmsted & Mrs. Roy Rousseau -
Registration and sign-in

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Betty Ann Blessin - Food service
Patrick Story & members of Quad City Radio Amateurs Club WØBXR
Keith Schmidt & members of Davenport Radio Amateurs Club W9YCR
Jerry Kruse (Bicycle Sport, Inc.), Route marking
Walter Barchman - Route planning
Mr. & Mrs. George Pentland, L.A.W. members, Bettendorf -
Lemnade stop at Lock 14
Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Frink - Lemonade stop at Maysville
Scott County Park & Park Patrol
Scott County Sheriff - Capt. Richard Moritz, Eldridge Police Dept.
LeClaire Police Dept.
Joanna Western Mills, John Trucksis - Orange tag material

All this help contributed to a smoothly run event. Most thanks of all should go to Fred & Betty Ann Blessin, who bore the responsibility of putting together an event which QCBC can be justly proud.

JACKIE BRADLEY SECOND AT TRACK NATIONALS - Jackie Bradley captured a solid second behind 12-year-old Amy Johnson of Michigan at the tele-vized Track Nationals, Northbrook, Ill. August 3. Jeff Bradley, in his first year as intermediate, took sixth in the finals.

One of the numerous crashes in the National Senior Men's Road Race in Pontiac, Michigan the week before stopped Mel Bradley with a broken wheel, bent fork, bent frame and black eye after he rode with the pack for several laps.

DUES & PAST DUES - If you don't know whether or not you've paid Bike Club dues this year, check with John Schwartz soon!