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# **QUAD-CITIES BICYCLE CLUB**

Terry Burke, Randy Huebner, Joe Jamison, Jean Kelly, Linda Simander, Earl Strupp, Gabe Verstraete, Jerry Yeast

#### To QCBC Members:

It is once again a new year with so many great things to look forward to - novice rides, patch rides, picnics, Wednesday dentist rides, (When was the last time a dentist actually rode one of those anyway?), century rides, criteriums, Iowa 24-Hour Challenge, fall foliage ride, TOMRV, and the one thing even non-riders look forward to - the annual dinner.

For those of you that missed the last annual dinner, you missed a great time. Dave Lefever did one super job putting it together. We owe him a real "pat on the back." Velie's Back Door was ours for the night - good music, good food, good friends, just an all around good time. Thanks again Dave!!!

While I'm at the thank yous, I want to extend one big THANK YOU to everyone that headed up, worked on, or had to put up with anyone that was heading up or working on any of the Club's committees and/or projects. You folks know who you are - THANKS, THANKS, THANKS, THANKS!!!

The RAGBRAI committee is off and running already with meetings in Des Moines, looking for volunteers, etc. Tom Bolton is our fearless leader this year, so be sure to read his articles. They will contain lots of important information.

I talked to Earl Strupp the other morning. (I caught him planted in the middle of the jacuzzi down at the "Y".) Not only has he consented to do the fall foliage ride again, he already has a new route picked out that should really peak your interest. I can't wait until he has all the details worked out.

The TOMRV committee is also forming with Sam Norwood as chair. This is our biggest project for the year, and Sam is going to need all the volunteers he can get. Watch for the articles from this committee. They will let you know who to contact if you want to help.

Before this letter gets so long that people start to nod off, I want to mention the novice rides. The QCBC Board feels these rides are very important because they should - and do - bring in new riders. We urge all riders to come and ride along and make the new riders feel welcome.

Last but not least, there are still many volunteers needed to fill positions on committees, as well as a few chairships that are still open. So, if you can spare the time, we can sure use the help. Give me or one of the other officers or board members a call.

Griff

# Welcome New Members

From Bettendorf, IA: Joseph & Loretta Barron Joan Hill Don Urbatsch

Richard Queen, Brielle, NJ

From Davenport, IA:
James Hood
Joseph & Melissa Steinke
Burl Borcherding
James L. Kall

Carol Scharff, LeClaire, IA

Kent Neveu, Newton, IA

Virgil Kemp, Country Club Hills, IL

Bob Ryden, Milan, IL

Linda Heston, Moline, IL

From Rock Island, IL: Gene W. Larsen Jean & Ted Miller, Jr. Mark Puck Frank & Eleanor Wallace

Jim Vicevich, Silvis, IL

Dan & Mary Jane Vande Voorde, East Moline, IL

Clifford Logan, Lansing, MI

Richard Hooven, Western Springs, IL

John Kregel, San Jose, CA

# 1989 Mileage

At the annual dinner, QCBC members were asked to sign in with their 1989 mileage. Below is a tally of miles ridden this year.

Bob Dylan, .6 Joann Nelson, 150 Richard Nelson, 150 Darlene Neff, 500 Don Barchman, 500 Bob Brensh, 500 Marty Yeast, 500 Dick Paulos, 500 Emily Paulos, 500 Jerry Neff, 600 Michelle Kelly, 750 Epifanio Gutierrez, 800 Nancy Boyer, 965 Kyle Elliott, 925 Daryl Mohr, 1,000 Cindy Mohr, 1,000 Terri Coll, 1,000 Andy Minn, 1,000 Mary Ann Clark, 1,000 Jack Clark, 1,000 Harry Harris, 1,000 Richard Duewel, 1,000 Margaret Paulos, 1,000 Rick Paulos, 1,000 Judy Karr, 1,000 Tammy Bolton, 1,000 Cherry Danielsen, 1,000 Bill Chamberlin, 1,000 Mike Middlemiss, 1,200 Marc Peterson, 1,360 Paul Scheibelhut, Jr., 1,400 Cindy Scheibelhut, 1,400 Susie Laforce, 1,400 Wavne Boyer, 1,400 Ken Kraklio, 1,450 Lynn Fyfe, 1,500 Joseph F. Lopez, Jr., 1,500 David J. Lunsford, 1,500 Laurie Wakeland, 1,500 Mike Power, 1,500 Jerry Yeast, 1,500

Joanne Sullivan, 1,500 Fred Carman, 1,500 David L. O'Melia, 1,500 Marge Dixon, 1,500 Jim Merritt, 1,600 Bruce Peterson, 1.640 Bob Coll, 1,750 Gene Green, 2,000 John Greve, 2,000 Tom Bolton, 2,000 Thiara Smith, 2,000 Jan Treftz-Allen, 2,000 David Olson, 2,000 Sandy Hanson, 2,000 Kermit Hanson, 2,000 Craig Bruegger, 2,000 + Joan Burke, 2,000 Dan Klutho, 2,211 Bill Noble, 2,300 Mike Waskowiak, 2,500 Earl Strupp, 2,500 Mary Ellen Strupp, 2,500 Russell Bloomer, 2,500 Bill Harrington, 2,500 Gerald DeGrande, 2,500 Steve Conrad, 2,500 Kenneth Hall, 2,500 Joe VanHoutte, 2,600 Jeff McCov, 2,675 Warren Power, 2,800 Dorance R. Johnson, 3,000 Betty Sears, 3,000 Sharon Harrington, 3,000 Deb Mathias, 3,200 Chuck Oestreich, 3,500 Pat Bolton, 3,500 Ron Schmidt, 3,500 Dick Castner, 3,500 Sam L. Norwood, 3,500 Dave Lefever, 3,500 Michael White, 3,500 Pat Jasper, 3,500 Dean Arney, 3,500 Carrie Dann, 4,000 Errol McCollum, 4,000 Terry Burke, 4,500 Jeanne O'Melia, 4,500 Andy Zeglin, 4,500 Dave Parker, 4,500 Bonnie Beyhl, 4,500

Mark Keele, 4,800 Barney Young, 4,985 Jane Garrett, 5,500 Gabe Verstraete, 6,000 Eileen Wosoba, 7,500 Leon Van Camp, 8,000 Jan Burt, 10,200 Jerry Sears, 10,200 Jim Hendrix, 12,000

Linda Simander - no computer - all fun (???) miles

If I misspelled your name or typed your mileage in error, let me know. **Cindy**  and On-Two-Wheels each gave \$100 gift certificates.

One of the things that makes the QCBC so successful is the people who give of their time and effort to support the various functions that we sponsor. More than a hundred people picked up a beer stein as a small token of the Club's appreciation. Those who did not get their stein can pick it up at a regular club meeting.

If you have any suggestions for the 1990 program, just let the board of directors know.

Dave Lefever

# Maps

You will find Iowa maps 7 & 8 in this issue of the newsletter.

Correction on Iowa map 9: County road Y61 was left out - between Andrew and Lamotte. This is an excellent low traffic blacktop road.

Fred

IMPORTANT NOTICE!
There will not be a regular QCBC meeting in January.

# Annual Meeting Shows New Format

Two hundred and fifty people attended the QCBC meeting on November 19, at Velie's Back Door

The change in format seemed to be very well accepted. If the same format is followed in 1990, we will be able to improve upon it by what we learned this year.

The QCBC gave its members \$1,000 in door prizes. Bike & Hike, Jerry & Sparky's,



# **NOVICE RIDES**

The QCBC will be planning novice rides on about twelve weekends in the spring. We would like to have at least two experienced riders to accompany each of these novice rides.

# We need your HELP.

Please call Dave Lefever to volunteer one of those weekends. With enough volunteers no one person will have to do everything.

Please call 355-6476



# From the President 1989

Dear QCBC Volunteer,

I would like to extend my sincere thanks for the time and effort you have given to make 1989 a successful year for our club.

QCBC has the reputation of being one of the best clubs in the country, and it is all because of you. This reputation was not earned in just one or two years but by many successful years with a lot of hard work. With your continued support, we will not only maintain this respect but will continue toward new challenges and horizons in making cycling fun and safe.

Please take the time to note all the volunteers from the various communities. It is interesting to see the many functions in which QCBC is involved and how very many volunteers it requires to get the job done.

Again- Thank You! Bill Langan

Officers, Directors Key Positions in 1989

Officers:

President, Bill Langan Vice-President, Griff Tucker Secretary, Sue Dau Treasurer, Eileen Wosoba

Directors:

Terry Burke, Joe Jamison, Jan Burt, Dave Lefever, Charlie Sattler, Jean Kelly, Linda Simander, Earl Strupp, Dick Wagner, Jerry Yeast

#### Other Club Positions

Bulletin Board Posting:
Margaret Paulos
Historian, Fred Blessin
Legislative Contact, Don Davis
Newsletter Editor, Cindy Mohr
Advertising, Jean Kelly
Programs, Griff Tucker
USCF Coordinator, Terry Burke

#### Activities and Events Volunteers

Across Iowa Ride: Joe Jamison, Chair Gayle Campbell Annual Meeting, Dave Lefever

Century Ride: Ken Hall, Chair Russ & Sheila Bloomer, Michelle Kelly, Richard Duewel, Jon Overfield

Double Metric Century: Gabe Verstraete, Chair

Effective Cycling: Fred Blessin, Chair Don Davis, Charlie Sattler, Bill Langan

Election Nominations: Bill Langan, Paul Scheibelhut, Dave Lefever, Warren Power

Fall Foliage Ride: Earl Strupp, Chair Mary Ellen STrupp, Mary Yeast, Jerry Yeast

Fall Picnic: Jeanne O'Melia, Chair Steve DePron, Diane Stensrude, Dave O'Melia, Molly Teigland

Helmet Promotion: Bill Langan, Chair Pegi Langan

Iowa 24-Hour Challenge:
Joe Jamison, Chair
Gayle Campbell, Epifanio Gutierrez,
Rosemary Jamison, Jim Lenig,
Ann Lundstrom, Betty Sears,
Gary Fears, David Hall,
Kristen Jordan, Joe Lopez,
Warren Power, Griff Tucker

Mid-Week Time Trials: Don Davis, Chair Jim Merritt, Molly Teigland, Chuck Sellevold

Moline Criterium:
Terry Burke, Director
Arlene Abbot, Byron Baxter,
Sheila Bloomer, Pete Boelens,
Nancy Boyer, Vickie Burke, Jan Burt,
John Chebuhar, Mary Clark,
Terry Coll, Don Davis,
Roger DeLanghe, Steve DePron,
Shell Dhuyvetter, Barb Ehlers,
Jeanne Fears, John Hanson,
Sharon Harrington, Ted Harris,
Randy Huebner, Louise Jesson,
Eric Jenkins, Jim Johnson,
Jim Keyoth, Steve Koellner,
Jim Lange, Dean Arney,

Russ Bloomer, Pat Boelens, Cindy Bottrell, Joan Burke, Dan Burns, Gayle Campbell, Jack Clark, Bob Coll, Steve Conrad, Iriene DeLange, Carol DePron, Bill DeSchinckle, Dan Dunn, Gary Fears, Jim Hanson, Bill Harrington, Andrew Harris, Mike Hogan, Don Jesse, John Jesson, Jeff Johannsen, John Keane, Mark Kleele, Bill Langan, Mary Larson, John Lange, Dave Lefever, Joe Lopez, Ron Lowe, Bill Lundee, Robin Markowitz, Mike Miller, Drew Morrison, Doug Nelson, Dave Parker, Lisa Paulos, Rick Paulos, Bob Petrach, Joanie Richards, Dianne Schearer, Ron Schmidt, Doug Sell, Linda Simander, Jim Spiegel, Earl Strupp, Molly Teigland, Gabe Verstraete, Dick Wagner, Shawn Ward, Leon Werthmann, Eileen Wosoba, Barney Young, Doug Zickuhr, Erling Larson, Kentley Loewenstein, Sally Lorenzen, Linda Lueders, A.J. Mackusick, Jr., Jeff McCoy, Terry Miller, Andy Mudd, Mike Orfitellie, Dick Paulos, Maggie Paulos, Bruce Petersen, Dennis Renolds, Rick Ross, Paul Scheibelhut, Jerry Sears, Jodie Seminek, Mike Smith, Mary Spiegel, Mary Ellen Strupp, Bruce Vargas, Kay Verstraete, Jaff Ward, Dennis Warner, Jerry Westerland, Jerry Yeast

Newsletter Circulation: Charlie Sattler, Chair Jack Clark, Sharon Sattler, Dave Hill

Novice Ride:
Fred Blessin, Chair
Gayle Campbell, Charlie Sattler,
Earl Strupp, Leon VanCamp,
Dave Lefever, Terry Spencer,
Molly Teigland, Barney Young

Patch Rides: Sharon Sattler, Chair Jack Clark, Charlie Sattler, Mary Ann Clark

Publicity: Bill Langan, Chair

RAGBRAI:

Linda Simander, Chair Pat Bolton, Tom Bisinger, Cherry Danielson, Kentley Lowenstein, Tom Bolton, Bob Coll, Dave Lefever, Barney Young

Ride Schedule & Directory: Don Davis, Chair Susan Felgar, Molly Teigland

#### Alan Garfield

TOMRV: Dick Castner, Chair Susie LaForce, Secretary Sheila Bloomer, Heather Castner, Mary Ann Clark, Teri Coll, Don Davis, Marge Dixon, Nate Jones, Dave Lefever, Bill Langan, Thelma Lunsford, Bob Miller, Claudia Milse, Darlene Neff. Kerry Nordstrom, Barb Orfitelli, Bill Powers, Jonie Richards. Jerry Sears, Linda Simander, Karen Truesdale, Dick Wagner, Melissa Wagner, Betty Wellendorf, Jan Burt, Jack Clark, Brenda Coezette, Carrie Dann, Marion DePover, Marilyn Hampton, Jean Kelly, Susie LaForce, Amy Logan, Mike Middlemiss, Carol Miller, Marilyn Moreford, Jerry Neff, Sam Norwood, Mike Orfitelli, Linda Powers, Charlie Sattler, Kathy Sellevold, Tom Sizemore,

Griff Tucker, Linda Wagner, Laurie Wakeland, Jerry Yeast

## **Iowa Trails**

As newsletter editor, I receive the Trails Advocate, published by Iowa Trails Council, Inc., Center Point, Iowa, 52213.

The publication is full of interesting activity by volunteers, legislative action concerning rails to trails and more. To join the Iowa Trails Council fill out the form below.

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### LEAGUE OF AMERICAN WHEELMEN

# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Nov/Dec 1989

Contact Andy Clarke

#### STATE OF THE STATES REPORT

Oregon, Arizona and Ohio have the best conditions for bicycling among the 50 United States and District of Columbia, according to a report produced by the League of American Wheelmen. The states of California, Delaware, Florida, Washington, and New York also scored high.

South Carolina has theworst conditions, followed closely by West Virginia, Wyoming, New Mexico, Alabama, Louisiana, Missouri, Nebraska and Montana.

The League judged the performance of each state in 26 administrative, legal, and policy categories—the comparison does not take into account the scenery, climate, or topography of the states.

Inrating the states, the League gave points to those with bicycle coordinators and special bicycle advisory councils; to those who spend federal highway money on bicycle projects; and to those with the best legal and nighttime riding regulations. Some states lost points for having mandatory sidepath laws.

"Most states didn't get many points simply because they aren't doing much to make cyclists feel welcome on the road," explains L.A.W Executive Director John Cornelison. "Even those scoring high still have some way to go before they can pat them-

selves on the back over a job well done.

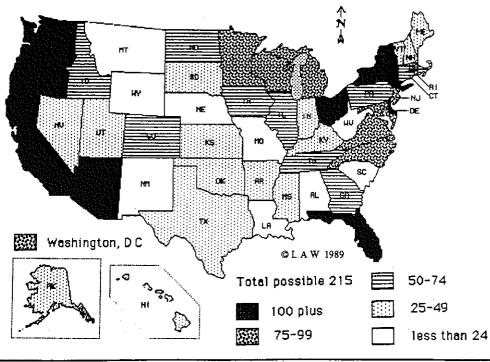
"There are some stark contrasts as you cross the United States," Cornelison continues. "Arizona and New Mexico may share many physical and geographic features, but riding a bicycle is a very different proposition in each The same is true between neighbors West Virginia and Ohio; and Florida and Alabama."

If riders are picking out regions in which to bicycle, the League's map suggests the west coast is the place to go The mid-Atlantic and upper mid-west states are good, but try to avoid south central states and large areas of the Rocky Mountain region.

For a full listing of "How to Rate the States" send \$2 to the L A W., 6707 Whitestone Road, #209 Baltimore, MD 21207

#### NATIONAL BICYCLE PROGRAM MANAGER SUR-VIVES APPROPRIATIONS HURDLES

At the time of writing, the House Appropriations Sub-committee on Transportation's recommendation that DOT appoint a full-time bicycle program manager was still contained within the report language of the final congressional appropriations bill CONTINUED OVER



FROM PAGE 1 for 1990.

After passing the House side of Congress before the summer recess, the language survived intact through the full Senate Appropriations Committee hearings and their transportation sub-committee.

Few problems are expected with the final hurdles the full Senate vote and conference committee between House and Senate representatives.

The language, introduced by Martin Sabo (D-MN), directs the Department of Transportation to review its staffing levels. There is a recommendation that the Department appoint a full-time bicycle program manager. Should it pass, the DOT will require plenty of encouragement to fulfill this recommendation. Please write to Samuel Skinner, Secretary of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, Washington, D.C. 20590.

#### WILDERNESS ACCESS BILL IN CONGRESS

James Hansen (R-UT) has introduced H.R. 3172, a bill to amend the Wilderness Act of 1964 to allow bicycle access. Currently, bicycles are banned—along with all other mechanized forms of transportation—from all areas designated as wilderness.

Hansen cites the growing use of mountain bikes as the primary reason for the amendment "The mountain bicycle is an innovation of the 80s and therefore was not considered when the 1964 Wilderness Act was drafted."

The bill, with 22 co-sponsors, has been received cautiously by the mountain bike community — and with open opposition by environmental groups. Their big fear is that the bill will open up the previously unamended Wilderness Act for a host of other amendments detrimental to the purposes of the legislation.

The League's newly formed Mountain Bike Committee is debating their stance on the issue. The International Mountain Bicycling Association welcomed the bill, provided that a rational federal land access policy, with strong environmental safeguards, is adopted.

#### NATIONAL BOTTLE BILL UPDATE

Co-sponsors now number over 80 for Paul Henry's H.R. 586 Support for Senate bill 932 is proving harder to gain, as the beverage industry has been lobbying very hard against the proposed container deposit law.

Response to the League's petition has been good—but there is always a need for more and more names. If there is any opportunity for you to circulate the form please do so. More are available from the League.

The League is also asking bicycle clubs and other organizations to pass resolutions supporting the law. Once passed, these can be sent to legislators as an indication of grass roots support. A model resolution is also available from the League

The National Container Recycling Coalition reports that a recent industry study funded by Anheuser-Busch indicates that **bottle bills will greatly increase the recycling rates** of communities when combined with comprehensive recycling programs. They have always claimed that bottle bills harm comprehensive recycling

#### SCENIC BYWAYS: MOVEMENT AT LAST

After making slow progress for many months, the Senate Appropriations Committee finally moved to provide \$1 million for a study to:

- a) Update an inventory of existing scenic byways:
- b) Develop guidelines for establishing a national scenic byways program, including techniques for maintaining and enhancing the scenic, recreational, and historic qualities associated with each byway;
- c) Conduct case studies of the economic impact of scenic byways on travel and tourism;
- d) Analyze potential safety consequences and environmental impacts associated with scenic byway designation

Final approval by the full Senate and conference committee is expected, as the provision was introduced by committee chairs Lautenberg and Byrd.

## **RAGBRAI 1990**

The ride will be July 22 - 28, 1990, on a route that will be announced in late February. The cost this year for wristbands for each riding member is \$50. This includes the souvenir pack of nine special editions of the Des Moines Register. Without the pack, the fee is \$40. The non-rider cost (drivers) will be \$20 with the souvenir pack. Without the pack, the fee is \$10.

Group members who obtain wristbands through their clubs will not be able to obtain individual vehicle passes. If you want to take a camper, you need to go through the lottery.

There was an increase in underage drinking, rowdy behavior, vandalism, stolen bikes, stolen luggage, and unsafe riding habits. The Des Moines Register held a meeting in November with various clubs and provided us a list of complaints and problems they said could effect the future of the ride. The Club will not condone any problem personnel.

If you were not a member of the QCBC by the end of December 1989, you will need to put your name in the Des Moines Register lottery. If you get selected by them, we should have space available to transport your bike and luggage. As always, if you cannot make the distance each day, the

Club will not be responsible for providing transportation to the next campground.

If you would like to help out on this year's RAGBRAI, drive trucks, work on committees, etc, contact Tom Bolton, 1912 E., 32nd Street, Davenport, Iowa, 52807, Work number is 782-4379 or 782-3435.

More articles on this subject will appear in future newsletters.

# Ride Report

Wednesday, November 29 by Earl Strupp

The alarm clock shattered my dream of Jamaica and its beautiful beaches. The reality of the real world slowly reached my brain. This was the day of the "Over the Hill Gang" bike ride. I flipped on the weather radio and heared there was a "brass monkey alert." Now it is big decision time - should I just ignore it and go back to Jamaica or put on my suit of armor and join the troops. Well, as they say "press-on-regard-less." Fred and Leon were on their second cup of coffee as I walked stiff legged into Davenport's McDonalds. The manager noted my purple face and asked if it was cold out there . . . at least he didn't ask if I wanted my order "to go." As I slowly thawed out, Mary and Pat rode up. It seems

the Quad City Times took publicity pictures for their ride across America during the summer of 1990. We tried to talk them into riding out to Eldridge, but they were too smart for that. Barney strolled in and had breakfast. He is still nursing a sore wrist and arm. He said he will be back riding after the first of the year. As per usual, we headed out into the wind. The wind chill factor was -5 degrees Even so. I was overdressed and perspiring by the time we reached Eldridge. Cheerful Leo whipped up our breakfast, and we shot the breeze until it was time to leave. Guess what? The wind shifted, and we had a headwind on the way back. It was not all bad. The sun was out, and the temperature had climbed up to 30 degrees. We rode toward Mt. Joy cutting across by the airport and came down Division Street. There is very little protection, and it was a bit trying biking into the wind. All in all, it was a good ride. We didn't see any other bikers - suppose they were watching T.V.

Attention Members!
Renew you membership in the QCBC so you will be listed in the new Ride Schedule.

