



The 8th Annual Y Bike at Nite was Saturday 13 May, 2006. It rained all day but about an hour before the ride the drizzle stopped and about 168 riders poured to the event. The police escorted ride was lead by John O' and Brian Michaels of Star 88.3 radio station. Koehlinger Cycling and Fitness donated prizes.



JUNE GREENWAY REPORT

by Kathy Boling

A lot of activities are happening on the Greenway. Here are a few...

- National Trails Day is on June 3rd and the Little Rivers Wetland Project will be having an Open House of Eagle Marsh. It is from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. You can tour the property (nearly 700 acres) and learn about wetlands restoration. They will be giving out a free nature gift and will have a cookout. Directions are to meet at the barn on the south side of Engle Road, 1/2 mile east of West Jefferson. Visit their website at www.lrwp.org or call 260-478-2515 for more details.
- New Haven is having a Grand Opening on June 4th for their section of the Rivergreenway. The ribbon-cutting ceremony with Mayor McDonald and Al Moll will be at 1 p.m. There are many events (biking, walking, running and canoeing) scheduled that afternoon. Meet at the boat launch on North River Rd. Great for the whole family.
- ANT's Bike About Aboite is scheduled for June 10th. They have a 50-mile Tour ride (8 a.m.) and a 10-mile Fun ride (10 a.m.) scheduled that morning. It starts and ends at Homestead's Ninth Grade Academy on Aboite Center Road.
- Arts United, the Museum of Art and the Urban League were awarded to paint murals on the flood control project between the Old Fort and Fourth Street. Students will design the murals for a two-month period this summer. The public will vote on three murals at the Museum of Art and the official unveiling will be the end of July.

On May 20nd the Rivergreenway was cleaned for The Great American Cleanup. There were more groups willing to help than there was trail.

There done! Yep, the new Rivergreenway map has been printed. You can pick up the new brochure at the bike shops, running stores, YMCA and Libraries. The Greenway Consortium stepped up to pay half the printing cost.

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The Ride of Silence was Wednesday May 17th. Cyclists on and off their bikes went to the Headwaters Park to be a part of this event. The rain kept some folks away but those that did go chatted about some of their experiences and how it has changed their lives. Butch Harris' parents came down and thanked us for what we were doing. Before the ride was underway we had a moment of silence, then the group silently proceeded through town. Some wore red to honor those that have been injured by vehicles others wore black to remember those that have been killed.



Friday May 19 was National Bike to work Day. At 7:15 the commuters gathered at the Parks Dept on Parnell and State St to hear Al Moll (head of the Parks Dept.) talk about the great thing we are doing for the city by using alternate means of travel and read the Proclamation from Mayor Richard declaring the day 'Ride to Work Day'. John O' from WLAB 88.3 led the cyclist down the Rivergreenway and conducted interviews about why they commute. After meandering through town we arrived at the Courthouse lawn. We stayed a while before heading to work and ate bagels donated by Panera Bread.



Our '**Girls Ride Out**' are on **Thursday evenings** at **St. Pat's Church in Arcola**.

Please arrive early as we will **roll out** at **6PM**.

The 'ladies only ride' focus is to have fun while riding our road bikes. We will keep the speed around 15 mph. There will be ride leaders to help keep everyone together. With longer daylight hours and the ladies wanting more miles we are bumping up the mileage to 30-35

The first Thursday of each month is the bike club meeting and 5 of the ladies that do these rides are officers. So in order to make the meeting we will add a 12 mile ride [just on the first Thursday](#) of each month. If you are not sure you can do the regular ride try this ride and learn from some experienced ladies.

For the GRO info packet visit www.3rvs.com
See you on the road. - Kathy Boling - publicity@3rvs.com