



Quick Release



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"Compare yourself to yourself. That's the most satisfying way to achieve improvement."

Mary Jane Reoch

A Call For Submissions

The one thing that makes a newsletter interesting is ... YOU! Most riders enjoy hearing about other rider's experiences, rides and stories. And I'd like to include these in our newsletter.

Thanks to all who have submitted articles in the past! My supply is dwindling, so I'd like to ask all of you to consider sharing one interesting story with the rest of us. Don't worry, you don't have to be Hemmingway, just write down your story, maybe include a picture or two, and send it in. I'll be sure to return any pictures you send.

Subject matter? Pretty much anything you think might be interesting. Advocacy issues are always welcome. Rides you like, tips you've learned that help you with your riding, whatever. Thanks alot! *mike*

Bike Racing Is A Team Sport

June Program Preview

Team tactics are very important in bike racing. And, as we prepare to watch the Tour de France on television this Summer or maybe attend a bike race ourselves, it would be helpful to understand the tactics that come into play in bike racing.

One of our Club members, Ed Messer, will help us learn more about bike racing at the next Club meeting on Thursday, June 7. The meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. at First Wayne Street United Methodist Church.

Ed not only will speak to us about racing terms and tactics, he plans to show us a video about racing. Ed's talk comes at a very opportune time since the Giro d' Italia will be in progress at the time of Ed's talk and the Tour de France is shortly afterward in July. Both races will be shown this year on the Outdoor Life Network, cable channel 45.

Ed has been a member of 3RVS since the mid 90's. His interest in racing began when he was in college at Indiana State University. He did some intramural racing there and trained with some other students who were interested in racing. In the Spring of 1996, Ed came to his first weekend Club ride, where he met Ken Isaacs. Ken is another 3RVS member who races. Ken encouraged Ed, and Ed began entering citizen races.

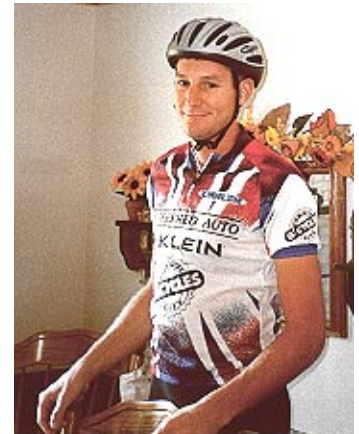
Ed is a Category III racer now, who races almost every weekend in the Summer. Ed typically does two races on a weekend, but may do as many as four. He does both road races and criteriums. When asked how many hours a week he trains, Ed said, "Not enough." His normal week may consist of 7 to 10 hours of training. He usually does the Club Tuesday night race ride and sometimes the Wednesday night race recovery ride. And, on Thursday night he does sprints or interval workouts.

Last Summer, Ed won the Indiana-Kentucky District Championship Road Race for Category III racers. That win came in a race here in Fort Wayne. Ed said he was able to do so well in that race because, "I was in the right place at the right time." He will explain what he meant by that at the Club meeting. Ed's most personally satisfying race victory came in a race in 1997 in Peoria, Ill. That race was Ed's first big, well-attended criterium, and his first big victory. He came in second in a field of 80 racers.

Besides bike racing, Ed works as a project manager for Messer Construction. His wife, Jennifer, likes to ride too and comes to Club rides occasionally. Jennifer also devotes considerable time to running and working out at the YWCA.

Please plan to attend the Club meeting on June 7 to learn about bicycle racing from one of 3RVS' foremost bike racers, Ed Messer.

Karen Walker



President's Message



What a successful May Madness we had this year. We had 185 riders, and the Ride came off with almost no problems. The routes were well marked, the sags were amply stocked with food and the roving sags did a great job keeping track of the riders and making sure they had no trouble. Reversing the route through Ossian, thereby avoiding that dangerous left turn on Indiana 1, was an excellent idea.

We have May Madness Chair Doug Myers and his great group of volunteers to thank for such a successful Club event. And, I also want to thank Anne Stratton and Kent Ellis for bringing the Hoots tandem group to the May Madness ride. Seeing all those tandems riding together was quite a sight. Some of the credit too should go to Mike Bedwell, who did part of the preliminary work for May Madness before his recent move to Colorado. And, let's not forget the wind. In the true May Madness tradition, we had a nice, strong headwind for the riders returning from Poe.

With May Madness over, we are looking forward to a Festival Tour and Road Race on July 15, which is equally as successful and as much fun as May Madness. Jim Schroeder, Chair of the Festival Tour and Race, has been hard at work for several months planning our biggest event of the year. Mike Heyes has completed the flyers, and Jeff Bechinski has provided us with another fantastic T-shirt design. Jim is seeking volunteers to work at the Festival Tour and Race. Volunteering to work at Club events only takes few hours and is a big help to your Club. So please contact Jim and offer him your assistance.

We have a special Club event that is in the works for June. That is the Club picnic. The picnic has been moved to Saturday, June 30, because the original date conflicted with Flat 50, a ride many of us enjoy doing each year in Decatur. Anne Stratton and Kent Ellis are in charge of the Club picnic, which will begin this year from New Haven High School. We will ride to Grabill, picnic in the park there and ride back to New Haven.

Please note the Club ride on that Saturday only, June 30, will begin at 9 a.m., rather than 8 because of the picnic.

Besides the regular Club rides, the Sociables Group is planning some special rides this Summer too. The Sociables is a group of cyclists who like to socialize as well as ride. They like to do miles, but don't hammer quite as hard as some members of our Club. If you like more social riding, consider joining the Sociables for some of their rides. Cheryl Mathews and Barb Pontius lead this very friendly group of cyclists.

I will look forward to seeing all of you on the Club rides this month, including the Club Picnic on June 30.

Karen

Meet Our New Touring Director



The smiling guy who has been passing out maps at weekend touring rides is our new Touring Director, Doug Myers. Doug was elected at the May Club meeting to fill a vacancy on the Board of Directors.

In addition to being Touring Director and trying to find some time to ride, Doug served as chair for this year's very successful May Madness. Doug has been riding with 3RVS for the past year. He does the weekend touring rides and is one of the Saturn regulars on Wednesday nights.

Doug lives in Huntington, where he does hill workouts when he is not on a Club ride. Huntington has some pretty challenging hills right in town so he doesn't have to travel very far from home for a good workout. Doug also enjoys mountain biking at the Huntington Reservoir.

When he is not riding, Doug works as an electrical engineer for Wabash Technologies in Huntington. He is an avid NASCAR and hockey fan, taking in many Komet games during the non-riding season. He also is a graduate of Purdue University and a BIG PURDUE FAN. (Hey, he can't be perfect.)

When you see him, please welcome our new Touring Director, Doug Myers. And, thank him for agreeing to take over such an important position.

Karen

June Touring Schedule

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Starting Location/Destination</u>	<u>Map</u>	<u>Distance</u>
Saturday	6/2	8 am	Homestead/Columbia City/So. Whitley	HHS-2	24/48/62
Sunday	6/3	8 am	Carroll/Laotto/Avilla/Kendallville	CHS-2	19/31/42/57
Saturday	6/9	8 am	Woodlan/Antwerp/Cecil/The Bend	WLN-1	12/30/57/63
Sunday	6/10	8am	Arcola/Coesse/Col. City/Pierceton	ARC-1	21/37/57
Saturday	6/16	8am	Huntertown/Churubusco/Chain-'o-Lakes	HTN-10	22/33/50
Sunday	6/17	8am	Dana/Churubusco/Wolf Lake	DCU-4	20/36/67
Saturday	6/23	8am	Wayne/Poe/Huntington	WHS-3	19/33/60
Sunday	6/24	8am	Leo/Edgerton/Montpelier "The St. Joe"	LHS-7.1	19/37/56/70
Saturday	6/30	9am	New Haven H.S. special	Picnic ride...see details below	

Weeknight Touring Ride Schedules

Monday - Wayne High School - 6pm -

Ride Leader - Anne Stratton-Ellis - 219-482-2845
This NEW group will average about 15 mph,
with ride distance varying with amount of daylight.

Tuesday - Carroll High School - 6pm -

Group 1 Average 12 - 15 mph - Distance varies
Ride Leader - Diane Mardoian
Group 2 - Average 18 - 20 mph - Distance 20 - 25 miles
Come out early for extra miles!
Ride Leader - Group led

Wednesday - Saturn Christian Church - 6 pm -

Average 16 - 17 mph - Distance 15 -25 miles -
Ride Leader - Susan Hunt - 219-424-2030
Check out the article on a special Saturn ride on page 4!

Weeknight Start Locations

Wayne High School - 9100 Winchester Road
Carroll High School - 3905 Carroll Road
Saturn Christian Church - CR 800 S,
about 1 mile west of County Line Road

3RVS Picnic Ride

The 3RVS Club Picnic Ride will be held on **Saturday, June 30th at 9:00 AM. PLEASE NOTE THE TIME!** The ride will start at New Haven High School and will proceed 25 miles to Grabill Park for lunch. After lunch, we'll head back to New Haven for dessert. Yum Yum.

The total distance for the ride will be approximately 40 miles. And, road along the route will be marked with Dan Henry's.

The Club will supply paper products, drinks and ice cream at the end of the ride. Please bring a lunch dish with you to the start of the ride and we'll transport it to the lunch stop.

Come on out and join us for a rolling food fest (or is that food feast?) and a bikin' good time. This ride is being organized by Kent Ellis and Anne Stratton, who will be glad to answer any questions you might have. Call them at 219-482-2845.

Web Sites Of Interest

Koehlinger's Cycling and Fitness: www.koehlingers.com

Summit City Bicycles: www.summitcitybikes.com

Bike Rides in Indiana and Surrounding Areas

<http://www.cris.com/~mheyes/bikeIN/bikeIN.shtml>

<u>Ride Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Further Info.</u>
B & O Corridor Bicycle Tour	Jnue 2	10,25,45	Brownsburg, Indiana	317-852-2018
Tour de Cure	June 3	25,50,75 KM	Indianapolis, Indiana	800-228-2897
Camptown Country Tour	June 9	5,15,35,65	Carmel, Indiana	317-896-2647
Rock River Tour 2001	June 9	25,40,65,100	Crawfordsville, Indiana	765-362-9615
Pumpkinvine Bike Ride	June 16	22,40,65	Goshen, Indiana	219-266-1362
Boulevard Lakefront Tour	June 17	10,35	Chicago, Illinois	312-427-3325
Flat 50 Plus Bicycle Tour	June 23	20,30,50,62,100	Decatur, Indiana	219-724-2705
Spokin' 2001	June 23-24	18,30,65	Elkhart, Indiana	219-295-6596
Casual Coast and Country	June 23-24	15-60	Chesterton, Indiana	219-462-0072
TRIRI	June 24-30	Lotsa miles	Huntingburg, Indiana	812-332-6028

Ride For The Roses 2001

reported by Marla York

The 2001 Ride For The Roses has come and gone. A grand total of 6000 riders attended this year. 390 of those riders were Peloton Project members. The Peloton project members alone raised 1.1 million dollars for cancer research. Totals for the entire troupe on April 8th have not come in yet, but it will eventually be posted on the Lance Armstrong Foundation's website, www.laf.org.



The Ride

We had great weather. The temperature was in the mid-eighties and VERY windy. Blue skies were overhead. The promoters described Austin as having rolling hills. If those were rolling hills, here in northern Indiana have rolling speed bumps! I had a great time. And, I caught a glance of Lance Armstrong himself as he left with the head of the main pack. At the finish line, I saw Davis Phinney, Connie Carpenter, Chris Carmichael and Ron Kiefel, some of the greatest American cyclists of the past decade.

I would like to thank each and every one of you who supported me and the Lance Armstrong Foundation. A very special thanks go to my Mom and Dad for helping raise money and getting me to Austin. A huge thanks also to Harold at TPI for the flight. And to Jonathan at Louis Garneau for the riding clothes. My rear truly appreciates it!

Rider's Revenge

excerpted from "The Cuckoo's Egg", by Cliff Stoll

Windmill Quarry is just across the Niagara River from Buffalo, New York, where I grew up. It's a ten mile bicycle ride, across the Peace Bridge to Canada and down a few winding roads to the finest swimming hole around. If you dodge the potholes and speak politely to the U.S. and Canadian customs agents, you'll have no problems.

High school had just let out in June of 1968 when I biked over to Windmill Quarry for a Saturday swim. Two other friends and I wore ourselves out trying to swim to the raft in the middle of the water. Around six, we ran out of steam, hopped on our bikes and headed back to Buffalo.

Three miles shy of the Peace Bridge, we were pedaling along the stony margins of a country road when a pickup truck crowded us off the roadside. Someone swore at us and tossed a half-empty can of Genessee beer, hitting our lead rider. She wasn't hurt but all three of us were furious.

We were on our bikes. No way to catch up with the SOBs. Even if we could, what would we do? We were three miles inside of Canada, after all. We were powerless, unable to retaliate. But I'd caught a glimpse of the license plate. From New York State. Oh . . . they're returning to Buffalo, too. Then it hit me.

I stopped at the first phone booth - luckily there was a directory - and called the U.S. customs agents. "There's a green Chevy pickup truck heading for the Peace Bridge," I reported. "I'm not sure, but I think they're carrying some drugs." The agent thanked me, and I hung up.

The three of us biked back at a leisurely pace. We got to the bottom of the bridge, looked over at the side of the road . . . and my heart sang! Sure enough, there was that green pickup, hood up, seat pulled out, and two wheels removed. Customs agents were crawling all over it, searching for drugs.

Saturn Summer Solstice Ride

The Saturn riding group will celebrate the longest Wednesday night of the Summer with its first annual "Mike Bedwell Memorial Summer Solstice Ride."

The ride will be at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27, beginning from Saturn Christian Church. (Yes, I know the longest Wednesday of the year is June 20, but we have conflicts on that date.)

The ride will go to Columbia City, where we will stop for ice cream. This is a ride our departed friend, Mike Bedwell, wanted to do last Summer. But, we just never quite got around to riding to Columbia City for ice cream. (Although, Mike and Karen had ice cream in Roanoke last Summer.)

The Saturn group rides every Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. The rides leave from Saturn Christian Church, which is on County Road 800 South about a mile west of County Line Road.

The group normally rides from 20 to 25 miles at an average speed of 16 to 17 miles per hour. If you like to ride a quick touring pace with a really fun and friendly group of cyclists, join us at Saturn. For more information, contact president@3rvs.com. **Karen**

Weekday Training Rides

Tues	6-5	6:00	Harding H.S.	Circuit Race
Weds	6-6	6:00	Homestead H.S.	Easy recover
Thurs	6-7	7:30	Club meeting	Club Meeting
Tues	6-12	6:00	Flaugh Rd.	Circuit Race
Weds	6-13	6:00	Jefferson M.S.	Easy recover
Thurs	6-14	6:00	Homestead H.S..	Huntington
Tues	6-19	6:00	GM course	Circuit Race
Weds	6-20	6:00	Flaugh Rd.	Easy recover
Thurs	6-21	6:00	Wayne H.S.	Decatur
Tues	6-28	6:00	Jefferson M.S.	Circuit Race
Weds	6-29	6:00	Wayne H.S.	Easy recover
Thurs	6-30	6:00	Flaugh Rd.	Columbia City

For 2001 season, the Monson Church course will be called the GM course and instead of parking at the Monson Church, we will park along the road @.6 mile southwest of there. Ground has been broke for something close to that course's finishline, hopefully a commercial building that we could use for parking.

June Indiana Race Calendar

- 2, Rosedale IN, Rose Dale Criterium, part of Indiana Race Series
 - 3, Monrovia IN, Festina Time Trial #2, part of the Indiana Race Series
 - 16, Lafayette IN, Wheel Warriors Bicycle Bridge RR, Indiana Race Series
 - 17, Kokomo IN, Kokomo Time Trial Series, part of the Hoosier Cup
 - 17, Monrovia IN, Festina Time Trial #3, part of the Indiana Race Series
 - 23, Indianapolis IN, Eagle Creek Fast Criterium, Indiana Race Series
 - 24, Indianapolis IN, Indiana State Fairgrounds Criterium, Indiana Race Series
 - 27, Harrison County, IN, Southern Indiana Time Trial Series
 - 30, Linton IN, Linton Classic, part of the Hoosier Cup
- For out of state races, check out www.truesport.com**

The Summit City Racing Team

reported by Todd Andersen

The newly formed Summit City Racing Team is primarily a Cat III racing team that will focus on the Hoosier Cup Series and the Indiana ABR series of races.

The only member of the team who is not a Cat III is Rita Andersen. This is her first year racing on pavement. However, Rita is an accomplished mountain bike racer who raced in the Expert class and was ranked as high as third in the Indiana / Kentucky region at her peak. We look for great things to come from Rita, as well as the rest of our team members.

Our season has gotten off to a slow start, but we are starting to get into more races as the temperatures get warmer and we get more miles into our legs. The highlight of our spring has been a second place in the Cat III race by Ryan Myers at the Bob Jordan Memorial Classic on May 6th in Mooresville, Indiana. Way to go Ryan!

Summit City Racing
2001 Team Roster

Rita Andersen	Ken Issacs
Todd Andersen	Ken Lundquist
David Core	Ryan Myers
Ed Messer	

Race Results

3RVS' new team this year, Team Pyrotek, and Summit City Racing, are both doing well. Just check out these results! (Ed. Note: Due to the number of results and space limitations, only those placing in the top 10 are listed. Finishing in the field still takes a lot of work, and I wish I could list all the racers who did!)

April 22, Ceraland Spring CriteriumCat5/Citizens

Jeff Switzer (3RVS/Pyrotek) 4th

April 22, Muncie Cycling Classic CriteriumCat4/5

David Coar (Indy Hand Center) 6th

Citizens/cat5

Jeff Switzer (3RVS/Pyrotek) 4th

April 28, Shakamak State Park Road RaceCat5/Citizens

Jeff Switzer (3RVS/Pyrotek) 1st

Ernie Williamson (3RVS/Pyrotek) 2nd

Scott Callahan (3RVS/Pyrotek) 3rd

Kelly Gayer (3RVS/Pyrotek) 4th

Jim Cron (3RVS/Pyrotek) 10th

Category 3-4

Joe Bartels (IN Flyers) 1st

Ramon Vasquez (IN Flyers) 8th

Kent Rekeweg (3RVS/Pyrotek) 3rd

Men 50-59

Roger Kingbery (IN Flyers) 6th

James Cron(3RVS/Pyrotek) 8th

Men 40-49

Ron Repka (3RVS/Pyrotek) 4th

Men 30-39

Joe Bartels (IN Flyers) 2nd

Ramon Vasquez (IN Flyers) 5th

Men <30

Jeff Switzer (3RVS/Pyrotek) 10th

May 5, Eagle Creek Park Traditional CritCat5/Citizens

Jim Cron (3RVS/Pyrotek) 4th

Earnie Williamson (3RVS/Pyrotek) 6th

Troy McArthy 10th

Masters 35+

David Coar (Indy Hand Center) 7th, 2nd place 45+

Category 3

Joe Bartels (IN Flyers) 6th

May 6, Bob Jordan Memorial ClassicCat5/Citizens

James Cron (3RVS/Pyrotek) 5th

Earnie Williamson (3RVS/Pyrotek) 7th

Category 3

Ryan Myers (Summit City Racing) 2nd

Ed Messer (Summit City Racing) 9th

May 12, Tippecanoe State Park Road RaceCat5/Citizens

Jeff Switzer (3RVS/Pyrotek) 2nd

Jim Cron (3RVS/Pyrotek) 4th

Kelly Gayer (3RVS/Pyrotek) 7th

Category 3-4

Joe Bartels (IN Flyers) 1st

Men 50-59

Roger Kingsbery (IN Flyers) 4th

James Cron(3RVS/Pyrotek) 5th

Men 40-49

Ron Repka (3RVS/Pyrotek) 4th

Steve Vordeman (3RVS/Pyrotek) 8th

Men 30-39

Joe Bartels (IN Flyers) 3rd

Ryan Myers (Summit City Racing) 4th

June Fat Tired Rides

FT Lite: June brings the beginning of Summer and the vacation season. Our schedule is on the light side to leave room for other cycling and non-cycling activities this month.

Sunday, June 10 -- Urban Exploring: We have to venture into the urban wilderness on at least one weekend per month. We'll leave from Foster Park at 3 PM

Saturday, June 16 -- Real Off Road at Fort Custer: We keep trying to schedule a Custer trip when it doesn't rain. Custer is a favorite of many. If it is dry, come along and find out why. Meet at Bob Evans, located at Dupont and I-69 at 8 AM.

Saturday, June 30 -- Huntington Reservoir: Huntington is a great all around off road spot. It is interesting but not too difficult for the intermediate rider. Recent construction in the area has changed the trails a bit. Come and see. meet at Meijer's on Illinois Road at 8:30 or at the North Observation parking lot at 9:15 AM.

For more info contact Phil at 419-542-8971 or bikenphil@aol.com

New 3RVS Members

- Thomas Wittke
- John, Sarah, Adam,
and Rebekah Taylor
- Brad Morris
- Dave Lehman
- Lisa Baldwin
- Drew Welborn
- Michael Richardson
- Todd Reighter
- Steve Bermes



BMX Racing in Fort Wayne

BMX is one of the hottest alternative sports today. Join the fun in Franke Park this summer! Boys and girls of all ages benefit from the sportsmanship, competition and family atmosphere that accompanies this exciting sport. For fees, equipment requirements and a full schedule of events, please stop by a local bike shop or call the track at 219-484-6338.

Race Schedule:

Sunday Races: Registration 1:30 - 2:30 pm

Tuesday Races: Registration 5:45 - 6:45 pm

Racing follows registration A.S.A.P.

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| Saturday | June 2 - State Qualifier |
| Sunday | June 3 - State Qualifier |
| | June 10 |
| | June 17 - Father's Day Picnic |
| | June 24, July 1, 8, 29 |
| | August 5, 26 |
| Tuesday | July 17, 24 |
| | August 14, 21 |

Practice Schedule:

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| Practice Times: | 6:00 - 8:00 pm |
| Friday | June 1 (6:00 - 9:00 pm) |
| Tuesday | June 5, 12, 19, 26 |
| | July 10 |
| | August 7, 28 |
| Thursday | June 7, 14, 21, 28 |
| | July 5, 12, 19, 26, 31 |
| | August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 |



Dan Boyer airs it out at Franke Park

The Fort Wayne BMX Club is a great source for BMX information! Call their Track Phone (219) 484-6338 for more information, or write them at:

Fort Wayne BMX Club
P.O. Box 12056
Fort Wayne, IN 46862-2056

Better yet, visit their excellent website:

<http://www.fortwaynebmx.com>

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3 Rivers Velo Sport

3RVS Inc. is a bicycling organization based in Fort Wayne, Indiana which promotes bicycling as a healthy, fun, energy efficient, lifelong activity for persons of all ages. The club sponsors a range of activities offering the benefits of group cycling to riders interested in touring, racing and off-road riding. Special thanks to the following:

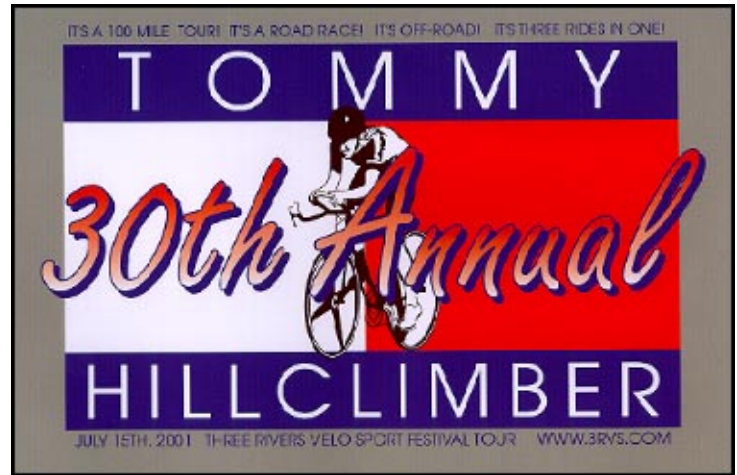
Webmaster Michael Heyes
mheyes@concentric.net

We are thick in the season of cycling. By now many of us have already done a century, metric or “American”, or maybe we’ve just gotten done with 1000 miles of training base. The racers have already got quite a few races under their belt. If we’re all lucky, June should be a great month to get lots of miles in, as all the end of school activities are over and finally all those winter chores are done!

May and June are quite busy months for me as lots of planning, creating, organizing, networking, baby-sitting, and even begging and bribing occur all for the thirtieth annual **Three Rivers Festival Tour on Sunday, July 15**. All of this actually started back in January, and no matter how many things get done in advance, most of the chores have to wait until late June and just before the big day. Actually, the day of the ride, although long, is quite relaxing for me.

New to the registration procedure is registration form. One form is, one rider. This speeds up the registration process and data entry (me!); copies of the registration form are quite acceptable and encouraged. The bike shops have plenty of fliers also. If you receive this electronically, you can download a copy of the registration form at www.3rvs.com. If you have any difficulty with the registration form, give me a call anytime.

There are a few major changes (change is good, my boss tells me!) at this year’s festival tour. We’re starting, finishing, and celebrating with lunch at **Hickory Center Elementary School**. This very new elementary school is behind Carroll High School, and it has some very nice amenities such as showers and a “cafeteria”. The road tour is the same, but we will be trying very hard to prevent any wrong turns.



The gravel road rides have been expanded to three options with a very challenging 41 miles to top things off. If you know of anyone that likes to get dirty on the trails, this might be a fun diversion while almost mixing it up with the roadies! Just ask the fat tire guy! The race has been simplified, shortened in length, but expanded in categories and prizes so radically that I’m expecting a great turnout and a very exciting race! I will also bet that the T-shirts will sell out very, very fast so order them early. This year’s design that our anonymous artist came up with is trendy, edgy, and even a bit risqué if worn in certain stores at the mall!

Okay, now for the sales pitch. I NEED VOLUNTEERS. All kinds of ‘em. Good with math? Registration! People skills? Food stops! The culinary arts? See Susan Hunt! NASCAR and bike mechanics? Support vehicles! Aspirations in film? The prime tent or finish tent! For volunteering for more than two hours, you can ride and eat for free before and after your assignment. You may order (before July 1) a t-shirt at cost, and with this summer gas thing, all support vehicles’ gas consumption will be reimbursed if desired.

Give me a ring at 219-471-7142, email me at festival@3rvs.com or try to catch that tall skinny dude on the red/yellow Tommasini, red/white Nobilette, or dark blue Trek mountain bike at many of our club rides. Ciao!
Indiana-Jim

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June 2001 Newsletter

A FORT WAYNE, INDIANA BICYCLE ORGANIZATION

Next 3RVS Club Meeting

When: Thursday, June 7, at 7:30 pm

Where: First Wayne St. United Methodist Church, 300 E. Wayne St.

June Program

Club member/racer Ed Messer will discuss racing and tactics at the next meeting and will also show a video about racing. Ed won the Cat III IN/KY District RR last year, so come learn more from one who really knows.

3RVS Club Officers

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