



Quick Release



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September Quote:

"I like riding a bicycle built for two
- by myself."

Harry S. Truman

FEDERAL RUMBLE STRIP RECOMMENDATIONS: YOUR IMMEDIATE HELP NEEDED!

Rumble strips are increasingly being installed on roads around the country, including rural roads and bicycle routes frequently used by cyclists. Rumble strips are designed to rouse sleepy drivers.

These strips are a significant safety hazard for cyclists and deprive cyclists of roads and shoulders they need and want to ride on. Shoulders with rumble strips are often unrideable, forcing cyclists to ride either in traffic or on gravel shoulders. A number of cyclists have already been injured, some seriously, and an increasing number of roads frequented by cyclists are becoming dangerous or unpleasant to ride on.

Visit the League of American Bicyclists website at www.bikeleague.org to find out how you can help! (*This story from LAB.*)

JOHN CONQUERS ALASKA

September Program Preview

At least it was Summer when 3RVS member John Enrietto raced his handcrank bike into a 35 m.p.h. headwind across a mountain pass in Alaska. John was crossing the mountain pass as part of Sadler's Midnight Sun Ultra Challenge, a race from Fairbanks to Anchorage.

John will make a power point presentation about his Alaskan race at the next 3RVS Club meeting on Thursday, September 6. The meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. at First Wayne Street United Methodist Church.

The 267-mile race had three divisions, one for handcycles, one for racing wheelchairs and a women's handcycle division. John said the race was started 15 years ago to showcase what persons with disabilities can do. John came in fourth in the division for handcycles.

The race lasted six days and averaged about 50 miles for the first five days. The last day was an eight and a half mile time trial. The first two days were mostly uphill, according to John, with the middle day crossing the mountain pass. The last two days were more downhill than uphill. One of the uphill sections, John explained, was four or five miles long at a 5 to 6 percent grade. John said he just geared down and got into a rhythm. John said some of the downhill he was supposed to enjoy was eliminated from the race because of road construction.

John began riding in the Spring of 2000. Last Summer, a ten-mile ride was long for him. This Spring he began riding with 3RVS, and that made a big difference for John. He started doing 20, 30 and 50-mile Club rides as part of his training for the race. By the time the race came along in July, John had put in 2,500 miles since the first of the year, much of that on Club rides.

John is an engineer at Wabash Technologies in Huntington and a big Purdue sports fan when he is not riding. John, now 39, was paralyzed from the waist down in a car accident when he was 21.

Join John and your other 3RVS friends at the Club meeting on September 6 for John's interesting and informative presentation about racing in Alaska

Karen Walker



John and fellow racers in Anchorage

President's Message



Just before writing this President's Message, I was at one of our Club's Monday night rides at Wayne High School. The group on this particular night consisted of fairly experienced cyclists, who have ridden together often. The conversation at the ride focused on what had occurred on the weekend rides the previous weekend. I had not been at the weekend rides as I had been out of town. What this group of experienced cyclists was telling me was that the paceline they were riding in was not as safe as it could have been.

They said some of us were riding more than two abreast. The law specifies we cannot ride more than two abreast. So please abide by this law whenever possible. Further, I was told that some in the group went through at least one stop sign when traffic was coming, forcing the traffic to stop or slow. We sometimes complain about drivers not being courteous to us. And, we have very legitimate complaints. However, if we expect drivers to be courteous to us, we must be courteous to them as well. Please do what you can to ride safely and courteously.

The other comment from the Wayne group was that the paceline was not always keeping a steady pace. I know most of you try your best to hold a steady speed while riding in the paceline. And none of us are perfect. However, occasionally we do not think about the effect on the paceline of our actions, particularly when we are riding up front. If you stop pedaling and coast for a few seconds or slow down to drink, that action impacts all the way back through the paceline. So, please be courteous to your fellow cyclists by keeping the paceline as safe as we can.

In the past, I have tried to recognize in this column at least some of the people who have contributed their time and talents to our Club. One individual I have not recognized so far is our Treasurer Diane Mardoian. Diane was elected Treasurer at the beginning of this year. Since that time, she has worked very hard keeping our books up to date, informing me about our balance and requests for money and reporting about our financial status at Club meetings. But, most importantly, Diane has gone out of her way to make sure anyone owed a reimbursement, got his or her money as soon as possible. Thanks, Diane, for the excellent job you have been doing as Treasurer.

Speaking of Club officers, I know some of our current officers will not be running for re-election in January. I will be among those who will not be seeking re-election. I have been Club President for the past almost two years. I also served previously as an officer, and have worked at most of the Club's major events. We have a great Club, and I have been very proud to be your President. I cherish the many friends I have made through our Club and bicycling. I believe, however, two years as President is long enough and someone else should have the opportunity to serve our Club. I have increasing family and personal obligations that are taking considerable time and causing me to regularly be out of town. This makes it difficult for me to devote the amount of time needed to direct a Club of our size. Please consider if you will be able to serve the Club next year as President or in another officer position. Thank you.

Karen

SATURN CELEBRATION AND TIME CHANGE

The Wednesday evening Saturn rides will continue in September. But, the time will change to 5:30 p.m. because Indiana does not observe Daylight Savings Time. This time change will allow more time to get our rides in before dark during Sept.

The Saturn riding group will celebrate the end of the Saturn season by (of course) going out to eat after the last ride of this year, Wednesday evening, September 26. The Saturn celebration banquet, which has become a Club tradition, will be at a restaurant to be announced later.

Dan Strayer is in charge of the evening's festivities. We will meet at Saturn at 5:30 p.m. on September 26 for a short ride, long enough to get "helmet hair." Then, we will convene to the location Dan chooses. Dan will take a count at the ride the previous week, so he knows how many reservations we need. Or, you can e-mail Karen at cougargalkw@hotmail.com to reserve your spot at the Saturn end of the season banquet.



Saturn regulars at a recent Wednesday night ride

We have had some great rides and lots of fun at Saturn this year. If you have not ridden with this great group yet, please join us in September. The rides begin at Saturn Christian Church on County Road 800 South. See you at the Saturn Rides in September at **5:30 p.m.** and at the banquet on September 26.

Karen

September Touring Schedule

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Start Location/Destination</u>	<u>Map</u>	<u>Distance</u>
Saturday	9/1	8am	Homestead: 1997 Festival Tour Route	special	14/30/53/75/100
Sunday	9/2	8am	Wayne: May Madness Route	special	11/30/43/63
Monday	9/3	8am	Carroll: 2001 Festival Tour Route	special	19/44/63/104
Saturday	9/8	9am	Leo/Waterloo/Angola: See Pokagon Page 4	special	25/50/65/90
Sunday	9/9	9am	Homestead/C.City/S. Whitley	HHS-2	24/48/62
Saturday	9/15	9am	Huntertown/Busco/Chain-o-Lakes	HTN-10	22/33/50
Sunday	9/16	9am	Woodlan/Antwerp/Cecil/The Bend	WLN-1	12/30/47/63
Saturday	9/22	9am	Club Century: See page 5	special	31/52/100
Sunday	9/23	9am	Dana/Busco/Chain-o-Lakes	DCU-8	14/35/59
Saturday	9/29	9am	Arcola/Coesse/C.City/Pierceton	ARC-1	21/37/57
Sunday	9/30	9am	Wayne/Huntington	WHS-3	19/33/60

Weeknight Touring Ride Schedules

Monday rides at Wayne High School have concluded for this year. See you next year!

Tuesday - Carroll High School - 5:30 pm

Group 1 Average 14 - 17 mph - Distance - 25 miles

Ride Leaders - Dave & Larabie Resler

Group 2 - Average 18 - 20 mph - Distance - 25 miles

Come out early for extra miles!

Ride Leader - Group led

Wednesday - Saturn Christian Church - 5:30 pm

Average 16 - 17 mph - Distance 15 -25 miles

Ride Leader - Karen Walker - 219-747-2420

Weeknight Start Locations

Carroll High School - 3905 Carroll Road

Saturn Christian Church - CR 800 S,

about 1 mile west of County Line Road

September Sociables Schedule

September 15: Sociables Safari - Join the Sociables for a Safari ride on Saturday, September 15. The ride will start at 8:00 am at Wayne High School and stop for breakfast at Nine Mile Restaurant approximately halfway into the ride.

This is the ride originally scheduled for August 18 that had to be postponed. Safari ride leader Jim Bugert had a nasty bicycle accident shortly before the original ride date. We hope he has made a full recovery!

Mark the date Saturday, October 20, on your calendar for the Howe to Stroh Safari ride. This 45 mile ride was very successful last year due to beautiful weather and the Fall colors. Lunch will once again be at the original Fish of Stroh restaurant.

Questions? Call either Barb Pontius at 219-485-5187 or Cheryl Mathews at 219-483-8733. See you at the Safari! **Cheryl**

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>
Blueberry Bicycle Cruise	Sept 1	16,31,41,62	Plymouth, Indiana	219-936-2508
Bridgeton Bike Tour	Sept 8	30,48,50,62+	Bridgeton, Indiana	765-548-2136
Lakeshore Century 2001	Sept 9	25,62,100	Chesterton, Indiana	219-662-6923
Hancock Horizontal Hundred	Sept 9	32,64,100	Findlay, Ohio	hhbc@bright.net
Ride For Riley	Sept 9	12,24,62	Logansport, Indiana	219-753-0134
Hoosier Hills	Sept 15	20,60,100 KM	Bloomington, Indiana	812-332-1254
Hope Ride !!!	Sept 22	10,25,50,75,100	Hope, Indiana	see BRinIN site
September TRIRI	Sept 16-24	350 Total	Southern Indiana	812-332-6028
Bike Ride Across Tennessee	Sept 16-22	400 Total	Gallatin, Tennessee	612-532-0756
Goshen Bikefest	Sept 29-30	20,30,50,100/dy	Goshen, Indiana	219-533-2102

Bob Kersjes

I am sorry to write that Bob Kersjes, a longtime 3RVS Club member, passed away on July 27.

Bob, seen below displaying a very early Club jersey at a recent volunteer party, was an active member of 3RVS. Bob was the person responsible for starting the Festival Tour ride 30 years ago.

Bob was a good wheel to ride behind, and we all will miss seeing him on Club rides.



Traditional Pokagon Overnighter September 8 & 9, 2001

Pokagon Overnights, it's time! Thank you for sending your applications in so early. The ride is full, the deadline is past, but we are extending the deadline to September 1, 2001 for 3RVS members only so that our loyal Club members can get a chance to sign up late for this ride.

For those who like food, we offer sags every 15 miles on the shorter loops. If you want to race ahead, try the 65 mile loop on Saturday which goes through some foresty areas. Or just join us for the meals, campfire, hayride. Enjoy the many couples, children, and single folks who make this ride so much fun.

To reserve your spot on this great fall ride, call Marilyn at 219-749-2095 or email here at mbcbtandem@aol.com.

Three Rivers Festival Tour Recap

by Jim Schroeder

Mother nature couldn't have given us any better a day that greeted the few of us that were hustling and bustling at 5am Sunday morning. By the time most of you had waken up, we already had signs, tables, tents, water jugs ready for the onslaught of bikers. 109 preregistered riders were about double of the previous years', and with an expanded race, who knows what was to come.

A total of 425 riders rode the many routes that we had to offer. 314 riders chose to ride the traditional road tour while 15 riders braved the gravel roads. The racer field more than tripled in size with 96 -13 women, 38 cat 3-4 men, and 45 cat 5 men. Included in the 425 riders, there were also 25 riders that volunteered at least 2 hrs of their time and then were allowed to ride or race free of registration charge.

The route was again quite challenging, but there were no reports of dehydration or medical emergencies. A few riders needed to be driven in toward the end of the day by our support crews.

There were also no reports to this director of major problems with the routes and markings. There were maybe only a couple of instances of riders getting lost on this quite complex route as additional signage may have assisted the riders.

I'm sure a few pounds were either gained or lost depending on how long riders were at our well-stocked rest stops. The post-ride lunch was again a success and afforded the riders and racers a ending respite to the hot sun in the afternoon.

Lisa Dougherty (Paulowski) of Urbana, IL returned to Ft. Wayne and raced to win the women's category. Many more local women came out and raced with Rita Andersen being the top 3RVS gal at sixth place.

Mark Morgan of Indianapolis gathered high honors in the cat 5 race, while Eric Cell, now of Grand Rapids, returned home and finished in 3rd place. Our own Earnie Williamson adorning the new 3RVS-Pyrotec skin suit placed 7th or 8th depending on who you're talking to as the finish was a wild bunched sprint in front of Carroll High School.

In the fast and furious but grueling 75 mile cat 3/4 race, the "Indiana Kid", Drew Illman outsprinted the rest of the large field to capture the top prize of \$120 gift certificate. Our own 3RVS contingent of Todd Andersen, Joe Bartels, and Ryan Myers each grabbed prizes for 2nd, 3rd, and 5th respectively.

Our ride also got a great write-up on the front page of the Journal-Gazette Monday morning including a large color photo of the "Meijer" crew, one of our local race teams.

I would like to especially thank our sponsors that assisted us in many aspects of this unique bike festival in Indiana: Meijers, Verizon, Koehlinger, Summit City, Trek, and Specialized.

And finally the wonderful volunteers that enabled this tour & race to become a reality and a financial success for the club (~\$2500 profit). Many of the volunteers I met for the very first time; some I haven't yet met.

Many of them have just joined the club in very recent months or the past year. I'm not going to mention names as a list would just be a list. You all know who you are, and I definitely will remember all of you; keep your head up knowing that you pitched in and helped out the bike club!

Annual Club Century - September 22

September is known as Century Month at the League of American Bicyclists. Our Club helps to celebrate Century Month by putting on our Annual Club Century ride. This year's ride will be held on September 22nd, and will feature another of Phil Snider's famous river tour routes. And, this year there is are 31 and 52 mile options for those wanting to do a half-century or a half-half-century.

The Century Route is the third of the Three River Tours. If you've ridden "The Maumee" and "The Saint Joe", this is your chance to complete the trilogy. If you haven't, well, you can start the trilogy this year and finish it next. Starting a few miles south of Fort Wayne, the route winds into Ohio and stays within three miles of the Saint Marys River. It's not flat, but never really hilly.

The ride is mostly self-supported, with a detailed map but no road markings. Plan to bring food with you, or some money to buy stuff along the way (although there is a rumor of a muffin break at the 25 mile mark of the ride). The ride starts at 8:00 AM at Wyneken Memorial School, located on the east side of US 27, just south of the Allen/Adams county line on the way to Decatur. This is a great way to enjoy all the fitness you've accumulated during this year's riding season!

Thanks to Phil Snider for pulling this event together for us for yet another year!

Weekday Training Rides

Tues	9-4	5:30	Wayne H.S.	Circuit Race
Tues	9-11	5:30	Harding H.S.	Circuit Race
Tues	9-18	5:30	Flaugh Rd.	Circuit Race
Tues	9-25	5:30	GM course	Circuit Race

September Road Races

- 1, Delaware, OH, Ohio State Time Trial Championships
- 2, Windsor, Ontario, Canada, Tour di Via Italia
- 3, Detroit, Michigan, Debaets-Devos Pro-Am Memorial Races
- 8, Columbus, CERAland Criterium, Indiana Race Series
- 9, Mooresville, Mooresville Fall Finale, Indiana Race Series
- 9, Indiana, Kokomo Time Trial Series - part of the Hoosier Cup
- 15, Waterford Hills, MI, 3rd Pino Morrioni Memorial Circuit Race

September MTB Races

- 1, Wooster OH, Vultures Knob (non-series) Adventure race (MOMBC)
- 1-2, Callaway, Minnesota, NORBA MN State Championships
- 2, Indiana, DINO MTB Race Series
- 2, Mohican Wilderness, Glenmont, OH (MOMBC)
- 2, Zanesville, Ohio, AEP/ COMBO Power Surge
- 7-9, Peoria/East Peoria IL, Peoria Area Mountain Bike Association Race Series
- 9, Fort Duffield, West Point Kentucky, Duffield Derby
- 9, Oxford, OH, Hueston Woods Ohio XC Race Series
- 15, New Philadelphia, OH, Beans Mountain Bike Series #6 (Night Race)
- 15-16, Challenge Park, Joliet, IL, Pedal Power Mountain Bike Race
- 16, Linton, Indiana, LOCO XC Mt Bike Race Series
- 16, Carrollton, Kentucky, KY Open - www.BikeButler.com
- 16, Duncan Falls, OH, Velo-Z (MOMBC)
- 23, Wooster OH, Vultures Knob (MOMBC)
- 30, Muskego, WI, Luis Ocana MTB Criterium
- 30, New Philadelphia, OH, Beans Mountain Bike Series #7

Race Results

July 8 Rum Village Park

South Bend, IN

Category 3

Ed Messer 3rd

July 15 3RVS Festival Race

Category 3/4

Todd Andersen 2nd

Ryan Myers 5th

Ken Lundquist field

Ed Messer field

Women

Rita Andersen 6th

July 21 Kensington Metro Park RR

Detroit, MI

Category 3

Ed Messer 2nd

Ryan Meyers 5th

Ken Lundquist field

July 29 Major Taylor RR

Grand Blanc, MI

Category 3

Ed Messer 3rd

Ken Isaacs field

Ken Lundquist field

August 12 Lafayette RR

Lafayette, IN

Category 1/2/3

Ed Messer 5th

Ken Lundquist field

Masters

David Coar 8th

August 12 Tour de Franke MTB

Expert Men

Bob Mann 2nd

Todd Andersen 3rd

Ryan Meyers 7th

Expert Women

Rita Andersen 2nd

Race Results -

The Saga Continues

These are the only race results received this month, and so these are the only ones that will be printed here and posted on the Club's website.

If you're racing and want to be sure your results are published, either here or on the website, send them to me at newsletter@3rvs.com.

Thanks to Ed Messer for the results for the Summit City Racing Team.

Fort Custer Recreation Area

by *Sven Eric Franzen*

If you're looking for a great trail network need to explore the Fort Custer Recreation Area. Located near the town of Kalamazoo, Michigan, the park's 2,988 acres contain 28-miles of mountain bike trails. The trails here are superb: tight, twisting singletrack with plenty of technical sections. The trails here are well-marked and maintained by the Michigan DNR and the Southwest Chapter of the Michigan Mountain Bike Association, the country's largest mountain bike organization.

The Trails: With 28 miles of trails, mountain bikers have a great selection to choose from and access to all trails starts at the trailhead parking lot. The most challenging and longest trail is the 8-mile Red Loop. The trail, located south of Eagle Lake, combines technical riding, short but strenuous, hill climbs and speedy descents.

Upon entering the trail at the "Trenches," one is greeted with the remainders of a World War I trench warfare training system. The ride is a gas and one can be grateful that the area was turned over to the DNR from the nearby Ft. Custer Military Training Center.

After clearing "The Trenches," riders will enter "Rocks and Roots" and "The Gravel Pit." These two sections, full of technical obstacles, allow the rider an opportunity to miscalculate and sample some of the sandy soil of southwestern Michigan. The next three sections are favorites with climbers: "Cardiac Climb," "CPR" and "Granny's Garden" allow for small chain ring usage and long, leg-burning uphills. Those seeking a killer workout will not be disappointed.

And if you're in the need for speed "The Freeway," "Table Top Chute" and the "Amusement Park" sections are sure to please. Some killer descents are possible, as well as some "air time," but remember to stay in control of your bike. The trails at the park are multi-use, so keep an eye out for other users. The Red Loop concludes with two waterfront sections: "The Peninsula" and "Crazy Beaver Loop." The Red Loop is the most difficult of all the trails at the park and the best ride.

A moderate trail following the shoreline of Eagle Lake is the 7-mile Green Loop. While not as good as the Red Loop, this trail is certainly worth riding. Due to its proximity to the lake, the trail is scenic and two small waterfalls are crossed here. Riders looking for an easy workout may want to head for the 8-mile Yellow Loop. Two other easy loops, both following the shores of Jackson, Whitford and Lawler Lakes are the 2-mile Jackson Hole Loop and the 3-mile long Whitford Lake Loop. **Be on the lookout for turtles on these trails;** they're everywhere.

Hours and Rates: The park is open daily from 8 AM to 10 PM; a daily \$4.00 permit is required; an excellent trail map is available at the park. For more information: Fort Custer Recreation Area, 5163 Fort Custer Drive, Augusta, MI 49012-9618; 616.731.4200.

September Fat Tired Rides

Saturday, September 1 -- Trail Work at Franke Park: Why not spend a little of the holiday weekend improving the local trails? Plans are to do some marking and mapping also. Meet at the BMX parking lot at 8am and bring a bike to ride afterward.

Saturday, September 15 -- Real Off-Road at Fort Custer: If you've hammered through the Trenches or gone for some "air" on the Table Top Chute, you know why Custer is a favorite spot in the area. Meet at Bob Evans on DuPont & I-69 at 8am.

Sunday, September 16 -- Intro To UORE: Bring your friends and family to an easy pace urban exploration. We may even stop for a cool treat along the way. Start at Applesed Park at 3 in the afternoon.

Saturday, September 22 -- Join the Roadies: This is the day for the 3RVS Club Century! the route follows the Saint Marys River into Ohio and back. Mileage options are 31, 52 and 100 mmiles. Meet at Wyneken Memorial School on US 27/33 just south of the Allen-Adams County line at 8 am. See page 5 for additional ride details.

Saturday, September 29 -- GRR (Gravel Road Ride): Meet at Leo High School for a tour of the backroads of northern Allen and southern DeKalb counnies. Start time: 10am.

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

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This is a publication of 3 Rivers Velo Sport, Inc., as the astute reader would have learned from the top of page 1. It is published 12 or so times a year, and is distributed to all club members free of charge. Well, you do have to pay your dues to receive *Quick Release*, but beside that small detail, it's free of charge to members.

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:

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Newest 3RVS Members

Carl Teegarden

Dan Inderlied

Ken Preston

Don Williams

Christopher, Crystal, Nathen and Corinne Dove

Michigan Shoreline West Tour

If you are thinking of a cycling tour, consider this one. The League of Michigan Bicyclists offers about eight especially well organized and supported week long rides. The West Shoreline is a gorgeous and scenic ride complete with lots of Lake Michigan, pretty towns, lighthouses, well marked roads (many with bike lanes), bike trails, good food and loads of fun.



Jim Brown, Don Wagoner, Ross Binkley, Jill Melcher (my daughter) and I traveled together to Spring Lake to start the adventure. Also from Fort Wayne were John and Alice Powers and Hector and Carol Garcia.



There were 440 cyclists ages 17 months to 78 years. We camped each night at a school which was open for showers, our evening meal and breakfast the next morning. This was especially nice when the schools were air conditioned as the weather was hot with a breeze. The meals were quite good with more than enough to eat. After breakfast, off we rode for the day's adventure. We could do 42 to 97 miles/day depending on what route and side routes we chose.

Available to us were sag wagons and a mechanic who had extra tires and parts. There was also a man who rented out comfy camp chairs for the week and who would thoroughly clean your bike for \$13. He did quite a business. Most evenings, there was entertainment. One evening some of us actually played kickball.

Our group of five liked to get out on the road early each morning after loading our things on the baggage truck that took them to the next campsite/school. We rode fairly hard and some of the hills were tough; one was comparable to Mt. Taber of Hilly Hundred fame, but longer... Each day we stopped and did something just for fun. One day it was miniature golf. Another day we did some kayaking on Crystal River and several

times, we took cool dips in Lake Michigan. We climbed dunes and leaped and ran and fell back down them. We stopped and enjoyed points of interest like the world's largest weather vane, a hydroelectric damn, and scenic overlooks. We ate fresh cherries and cherry turnovers.

We began riding on Sunday, July 29 and our last day was the following Saturday which took us to Mackinaw City; home of the BRIDGE. If you would like more information, the net site for the League of Michigan Bicyclists is: <http://www.lmb.org>.



Michigan pleasantly surprised us with bike lanes and courteous drivers. Treat yourself to a week next season!

Leslie Melcher

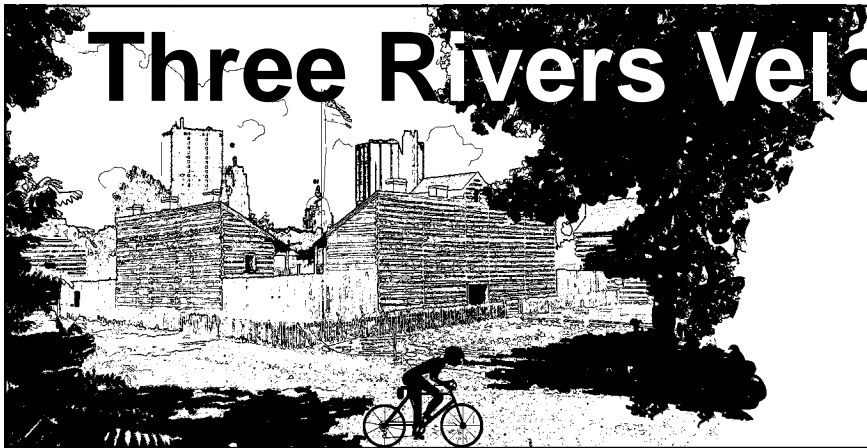
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A FORT WAYNE, INDIANA
BICYCLE ORGANIZATION

Next 3RVS Club Meeting

When: Thursday, Sept. 6, at 7:30 pm

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

September Program

John Enrietto will have a Power Point presentation about his 267-mile handcrank bike race in Alaska this year. This year's race lasted six days, and ended in Anchorage. This will be a great program. Don't miss it.

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