

SHENANDOAH VALLEY BICYCLE CLUB NEWSLETTER

APRIL 1988

OFFICERS

President	Mike Kase	879-2649
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

My Pedal Pushing Pals. . .

I told friends that if I became bike club president I would use that phrase in my innagural address. Much to my dismay, I found out there would be no ceremony so I thought I would use it as my opening for my first Newsletter report.

Thanks to all who voted for me in the election. It's a pleasure to be a part of such a fine cycling community. I've made many friends riding here in the Valley and through the club and I hope to make many more before my tenure is over. I would like to thank Art for the ongoing transitional support and for taking the club forward as long as he did. We all owe him a large debt of gratitude.

Looking forward, the executive committee is persuing the question of liability insurance and should have something to report at the next regular meeting.

We are still in need of a Racing committee Chairperson and members. Many of us would like to see the weekly Time-Trial, and other events continue, but we need help. Anyone that is interested should call me and we will set up a time to get together.

The "impromptu" ride has had a reasonable amount of success and the feedback has been positive. Shall we make it a regular thing? Anyone should see Pat Ulik (a new member from Montana) for details. In addition, we need suggestions for rides and perhaps overnigheters. Camping anyone?

I would also like to drop another friendly reminder that DUES ARE DUE! Please renew your membership so that we can maintain you on our mailing list. Applications can be obtained at the next regular meeting and at the local bike shops.

In closing I would like to say that we, the officers and committee heads, want and need your imput. As Norm put it so well at the last meeting, "the club is about riding bikes isn't it?" I certainly hope so. My door is always open to comments and criticism. Please voice your concerns either to me personally or at the regular meeting. I believe you will find us open to new ideas and willing to persue them to best of our means and abilities.

GET OUT AND RIDE! GET ACTIVE! GET INVOLVED! IT'S SPRING!

APRIL MEETING: New Products in Bicycling

On Monday, April 11, at 7:30 PM we will be meeting at the Valley Wellness Center for the regular business meeting and program. Mark's Bicycle Shop will present new products for all-terrain bicycles and Cool Breeze Cyclery will give some new products for racing and touring. Come on out and hear about what's new! See you Monday the 11th at the Valley Wellness Center.

OFFICER CHANGES

Sue Rippy has resigned as Vice President. At the executive committee meeting held Monday, March 28, Eleanor Price resigned as Secretary. After her resignation was accepted the committee elected Eleanor Price to fill the vacancy of Vice President for the remaining part of this year, as allowed in the SVBC By-laws. A search is in process for someone to fill the vacancy of Secretary. Eleanor will be filling in until the new officer is found.

## "IMPROMPTU" RIDE SCHEDULE

What are our "impromptu" rides? These rides have no set leader, no predetermined route, no set pace or length. Route, pace and length are decided by the people who show up at the starting location.

Sunday, April 10	Keister Elementary School Maryland Ave., Harrisonburg	1:00 PM
Sunday, April 17	Waterman Elementary School Chicago & Gay St. Harrisonburg	1:00 PM
Sunday, April 24	Valley Mall - J.C. Penney Route 33 East, Harrisonburg	1:00 PM
Sunday, May 1	Plains Elementary Timberville	1:00 PM

### \*\*\* SVBC RIDE CALENDAR \*\*\*



- Wednesday, April 13 Evening ride, begin at Keister Elementary, 6:00pm  
Pizza Pig-out afterwards, info. Pat 433-0756
- Sunday, April 17 Todd Lake Ride, meet at east parking lot at  
Purcell Park, 9:00 am. 56 miles. For information  
call Norm Gulliksen, 434-2692.
- Sunday, April 24 Amateur Off Road Bike Ride. 1:00 PM Plains  
Elementary School, Timberville. 12 miles.  
Info. Ray Ritchie 896-2913
- Saturday, May 7 Ride for Mother's and anyone else, about 12 miles,  
start at the Route 33 East Investors Savings Bank  
Parking Lot at 8:00 AM. Slow, easy pace, some hills.  
Info. Donna Werner 433-8977.
- Sunday, May 15 Begin at the Staunton Mall at J. C. Penney for about  
30 mile ride around Augusta County. For info.  
John Zyban 703-885-5620.

Every Sunday 2:00 PM, A Pace 50 mile ride. Meet at Werner's Country  
Store near Natural Chimneys. Info. Mike Wenger 828-2523.

\*\* April 21, Thursday, 7:30 pm, Touring Committee Meeting at Norm  
Gulliksen, 79 Weaver Ave., Harrisonburg. If you are not able to come  
to the meeting or/and you would like to contribute to the Tour  
Riding Committee, call Pat Urik at 433-0756.

May 22 will be Eleanor's Century Ride or 25-50-75 mile rides.

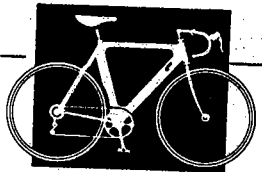
### \*\*\* OTHER RIDES YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING \*\*\*

- \* The 6th Annual Kent County Spring Fling bicycle rally sponsored by  
the Baltimore Bicycling Club will be held Memorial Day Weekend,  
Friday, May 27 - Monday May 30 at Washington College in Chestertown  
on Maryland's Eastern Shore. Costs. . \$110 for 3 nights 5 meals or  
\$85 for 2 nights, 4 meals. Bike rides are from 10-130 miles on flat  
to rolling terrain. Info. write Marianne Levin; 2401 Cross Country  
Boulevard; Baltimore, MD 21209. Register by the end of April.
- \* COLONIAL CHALLENGE, May 28, 29, 1988, Double, Single, Half, and  
quarter English and metric centuries. To take place in the Williams-  
burg, Jamestown area. SASE to Fred Denn, Peninsula Bicycling Assoc.,  
102 Bayberry Lane, Hampton, VA 23666.
- \* GEAR Up '88, June 3-5, 1988 Millersville State University; Lancaster,  
Pennsylvania. Contact; Bob Carson, 205 E. Joppa Rd. #607; Baltimore,  
MD. 21204.
- \* CATSUP'88. Cycle Around The State's Universities and Parks. Bicycle  
Tour of Missouri, June 18-24. Cost: \$130 by 4/22 or \$160 after 4/22.
- \* BIKE VIRGINIA '88. The first annual statewide fun ride will start in  
Charlottesville June 22 and end in Williamsburg. 210 miles in 3 days  
or 350 miles in five days. Accommodations: Camping or motel. All  
cyclists will receive luggage transportation, van support, transporta-  
tion for you and your bike back to Charlottesville.  
Feel free to call 800-542-BIKE if you have any questions or want to  
make a reservation.
- \* BETTERTON, MD 3rd annual "Bay to Bay Ride" June 26, 1988, Betterton  
beach front, 7:00 a.m. 72, 86, 107 miles flat; \$6.00 till June 16th,  
then \$8.00. Includes: map, marked route, sag, swimming in Delaware  
and Chesapeake Bay, 3 food stops, and 4th of July LAW patch. Eastern  
Shore Velo Club, Box 393, Centreville, MD 21617 (301)778-4881.
- \* L.A.W. National Rally, June 29-July 3, 1988, Northern Arizona Univer-  
sity, Flagstaff, Arizona. Contact: L. A. W. Rally '88, P. O. Box 2657,  
Scottsdale, AZ 85252.
- \* MS 150-Bike tour-- August 13-14--700 plus riders; two day event;  
from Harrisburg, PA to Harper's Ferry, W.VA.; tour benefits Multiple  
Sclerosis; meals, return transportation, sag wagon, and sleeping  
facilities provided. \$25. registration fee, must raise \$1.00 per mile.  
Central Pennsylvania Chapter, Multiple Sclerosis Society, 1 Ararat  
Boulevard, Harrisburg, PA 17110-9720. (717) 652-2108.
- \* Fourth Annual Southern Utah National Parks Bicycle Tour; Sept. 11-17;  
Bicycle 240 miles through Red Rock deserts and high alpine forests.  
Info. Carl Ehrman, 3247 Bon View Drive, SLC, Utah 84109. (801)278-9386.

For more information on the above rides, contact Donna Werner, 433-8977.

### SUNRAYCER

Sunraycer, the vehicle that won the 1,950 mile race across Australia  
for solar powered cars, used some bicycle technology in spite of being  
a big dollar effort from G.M. The wheels were spoked, (2 cross) and  
covered with plastic discs to reduce drag. They had aluminium rims,  
17 inch diameter, with quick mount hubs for speedy changes. The wheels  
were designed by Chester Kyle of AreVironment Inc., whose past efforts  
included the Gossamer Albatross, the pedal power English Channel Crossing  
Aircraft.



TIME TO RENEW, ALSO A GREAT TIME TO JOIN!

The month of March started the 1988 SVBC Year. If you haven't turned in your dues, remember to do so now. Please indicate your ride preferences committees you may wish to work with and sign the release on the application below. Mail or bring to the April meeting.

**SHENANDOAH VALLEY BICYCLE CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
street city state zip

Check type of membership desired:

INDIVIDUAL \_\_\_\_ (\$5) FAMILY \_\_\_\_ (\$8) JUNIOR (12-16 Yrs.) \_\_\_\_ (\$2)

NOTE: Membership begins in March of this year, and lasts until next March.

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR INTERESTS BELOW

RIDE CLASS DESIGNATION	APPROX. SPEED (MPH)	APPROX. DISTANCE (MILES)	CHECK HERE
A	14-22	25-100	_____
B	12-16	15-60	_____
C	8-12	10-85	_____
D	less than 10	5-15	_____

INDICATE TYPE(S) OF CYCLING IN WHICH YOU ARE INTERESTED

\_\_\_\_ Racing \_\_\_\_ Off-Road \_\_\_\_ Recreational \_\_\_\_ Overnight Tours \_\_\_\_ Other (specify)

WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES?

\_\_\_\_ Racing \_\_\_\_ Touring \_\_\_\_ Program \_\_\_\_ Safety \_\_\_\_ Century \_\_\_\_ AGVITHH

**SHENANDOAH VALLEY BICYCLE CLUB RELEASE**

All club members must sign the release below. For persons under the age of 18, the parent or guardian must sign. Any person riding on an invitational status must furnish a release. This signed release will remain in effect as long as the Club is officially active.

In signing this release for myself, or for the named entrant, I hereby agree to absolve and hold harmless the Club, the Club officers, and the members, also any others connected with events sponsored by the Club in any way whatsoever, for blame or liability for any injury, misadventure, harm, loss, or inconvenience suffered. I understand that the Club is not responsible for and is not an insurer of my personal safety. I also hereby consent to and permit emergency medical treatment in the event of injury or illness. I shall abide by traffic laws and practice courtesy and safety in cycling.

signature of Club member or applicant

date

signature of parent or guardian of member under 18

RETURN TO: Shenandoah Valley Bicycle Club, P.O. Box 1014, Harrisonburg, VA 22801

FOR SALE

- \*\* Racing Bike for sale: FR 800 Cannondale Racing Bike, Size 53cm, Suntour Superbe Pro Group, 12 Speed FIS105 derailleur. \$700.00.
  - \*\* One pair Oakley glasses: Make offer.
  - \*\* Leather recliner: \$350.00
- Call Eleanor Price 433-0539

ARTICLES FOR THIS NEWSLETTER ARE WELCOMED.

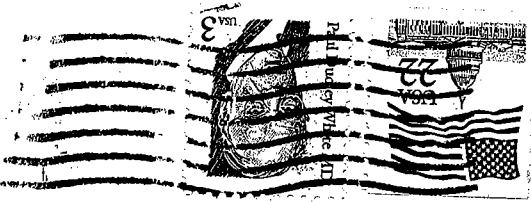
Send articles to Donna Werner, 1450 Crawford Ave., Harrisonburg, VA 22801  
DEADLINE: Last Monday of the month!

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 MARK'S BIKE SHOP & COOL BREEZE CYCLERY contribute to the cost of the monthly newsletters..  
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## Dues Are Due

Fovargue Art & Kathy  
 210 Monument Avenue  
 Harrisonburg VA 22801

P. O. Box 1014  
 Harrisonburg, VA  
 22801  
 SVBC MEETING:  
 APRIL 11, 1988  
 Monday 7:30 PM  
 Wellness Center  
 Program: New Products  
 In Bicycling



## RAAM Needs Volunteer Observers

Official observers are still needed for the 1988 Race Across America. If you are interested in being a part of the longest single-stage bicycle race in the world, this is the ideal way to be close to the action.

Official observers spend anywhere from a few hours in the West to a few days in the East at race time stations. They call in rider times, keep track of race progress, and generally hang-out, away from everyday pressures and ringing office telephones, while waiting for the next rider to pass.

Volunteers are needed at all 81 official time stations along the San Francisco to Washington, D.C., RAAM route this year (June 19 thru July 2). Interested parties should contact: John Marino, 4790 Irvine Blvd., #105-111, Irvine, CA 92720, (714) 544-1701.

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## Hard To Believe

The El Paso Times reported in its October 7, 1987, issue that a private detective in Johnson City, Tenn., had been found guilty of spitting on a bicyclist. The judge offered to waive the \$100 fine if the detective would replace a "kill bikers" bumper sticker on his pickup with "a more positive message."

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