

# Pedal Power

## Bay View Bicycle Club (BVBC) Newsletter

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## March member meeting

Beulah Brinton Community Center

2555 S. Bay St. Bay View

**Monday, March 20 @ 7 pm**

Speaker: Joe & Andy on the joys of Ride with GPS App

### The Prez Sez

Wow....71°....in February.... if I hadn't felt it myself I would never have believed it. I hope everyone could get outside, riding, hiking, dog walking or maybe even finishing up a few left over outdoor projects around the house during our streak of great weather. Personally, I was privileged to be able to preview a top secret route Joe has put together. We started at..... well you're just going to have to wait and see.

It was great seeing everyone that made it out to our February social event. There's nothing like good food, a little wine and the promise of seeing old friends (and perhaps meeting some new ones) to bring people together. I hope everyone had as much fun as I did catching up and maybe even planning some cycling adventures for the coming year.

For those of you in the volunteering mood, we have two opportunities to help spread the joys of cycling. The first opportunity is at the BVBC booth at the Wheel and Sprocket Bike Expo being held April 7th – 9th. If you enjoy talking about cycling (and especially cycling with the BVBC) consider signing up for a shift at our booth. If you would like more information, you can contact Bob Klein by email at [robkle@att.net](mailto:robkle@att.net) or by phone at 262-385-7704. The UPAF Ride for the Arts is also looking for volunteers. If you are interested in being a ride marshal check out <http://upaf.ivolunteer.com/> to see which routes are still available.

Hope to see everyone at the March meeting,

Rich

## **The Veep Speaks**

The “guest speaker” scheduled for our March meeting will be a presentation on Ride with GPS. Even if you are already using the app, even if you have no intention of ever using the app on a bike ride, there are still some cool things you can do with Ride with GPS.

Ever wake up on a warm sunny Saturday morning in February and want to go ride one of your favorite BVBC bike routes, but can't find the cue sheet you thought you saved from last year? Ever get lost on your way to a ride because the driving directions are confusing, or you forgot we changed the start location? Ever go on vacation and wish you knew some good places to ride your bike when you got there? Does this sound like an infomercial at 2 am?

Ride with GPS can be used for all those things. But wait! There is more!! Come to the March meeting and see how.

(Ever wish you could figure out how to get your stupid smart phone to work the app? Sorry. Try the Apple Store--before you come to the meeting.)

To get access to the club's Ride with GPS site, please send an email request to either Andy Sikorsky or me. You can use the email addresses on the club webpage.

As always, if you have any ideas for a speaker or presentation for future club meetings please let me know.

Joe

## **Membership Notes**

What a great time we had at the pizza party last month. We had two guests sign up that night. Please welcome new members David Fowler and Kim Lamers to the club.

People have started renewing their memberships for 2017. We already have over 30 new or renewed members so far. You can renew any time, you don't have to wait for the new membership year to start on April 1st. You can print a membership form and mail the completed form to the address specified.

Looking forward to seeing you on the road in the spring,

Mike  
Membership Chair

## Upcoming ride:

Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 11 am  
Pantheon – 16 miles  
76<sup>th</sup> & Rawson

## St. Patricks Day Fun

Sure, we could meet at an Irish bar somewhere, drink too much green beer, and then regale each other with tales of our biking adventures and prowess. However, with this rowdy bunch, that plan is certain to end in fist fights and a visit by local law enforcement. Wouldn't you really rather do something a bit more tame, even cultured??

If so, join us for the Greenfield Concert Band free Spring Concert at Whitnall High School. This is a group of adult musicians who choose to continue to share their talents with the community. The members range from college age to some who are even older than Scott. Included in the group are my daughter in law and at least one BVBC member.

Here are the details:

Date: Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>  
Location: Whitnall High School  
116<sup>th</sup> and Edgerton, Greenfield  
Price: Free – tickets for a variety of raffles will be available.  
Time: [If attending only the 7:00PM concert, meet in the high school lobby at 6:45PM](#)

For anyone who would like to gather beforehand, I plan to head to Bosch Tavern (their 'new' location at Hwy. 100 and Janesville Road) from 5:15PM to 6:30PM. Since it's St. Patrick's Day, they're not taking reservations, so if you plan to join, let me know and I'll try to get there early to stake out a table large enough for the group. Even if you can't get there in time for a bite to eat, feel free to stop in for a bit of socializing before we head over to the concert.

Andy

## Biking Clothing Give-away and Sale

Cleaning out closets and drawers of items we haven't used in years, if ever.

If it hasn't been worn, it's \$5.00! (not too many of these)

If it has been worn, it's FREE!!! (a lot more of these)

Check it out at the March meeting!

Kent and Nancy Kelly

## Memorial Day Weekender

By Linda

Join us on Memorial Day weekend, May 26, 27, 28 & 29th, 2017 riding the scenic Vilas County, WI paved bike trails and neighboring area. It is time for you to make your lodging reservations for the weekend because places fill fast, but there are plenty of motels in the area. Bay View Bike Club members have reserved lodging at the Northwood's Rest motel in St Germain for the weekend. Since they are sold out, use this establishment as a gauge to find lodging nearby.

The routes we plan to ride range from 30 to 55 miles. I plan to start the weekend off with a paved 30 mile ride on the Vilas County bike trail on Friday afternoon for those who arrive early. Other routes will venture around the Rainbow Flowage, to Lake Tomahawk, through Manitowish Waters and Boulder Junction mostly on rustic roads. Since we are on vacation, rides will start at 10:00 AM unless the group decides otherwise.

On Saturday evening, we will be gathering at the Roessl's cottage with food and merriment. I will provide sandwiches and a variety of other stuff to eat. You can bring money, or a dish to pass. I recommend bringing items that travel easily in a cooler and don't need much refrigeration such as; munchies, fruit, vegies, desserts, beverages, etc. A map to the Roessl cottage will be emailed to all who care to attend. Email me at roessll@hotmail.com or call me at (414) 764-2513 if you have any questions. We will provide boat rides by Tom, there are kayaks on site for those with extra energy and a campfire if there is time.

Come join us for a getaway weekend and enjoy the Northwood's.

## Climbing the Social Ladder

Jill  
Social Chair



The club had a great turnout for our February Kick Off meeting on February 28 at Riverfront Pizzeria. We had 50 club members attend and enjoy pizza, drinks, and of course – each other's company. It was nice to see so many people and to catch up with each other.

We forgot to take a picture earlier when everyone was present. This is a picture at the very end of the evening. I apologize to the people who had just left and missed being in the picture. Photo Credit: Ron Santoro



### March Social Outing

See Andy's article in this newsletter for the March social outing: dinner and music on March 17, **St. Patrick's Day**.



### St. Patrick's Ride on Saturday, March 18

**Ride O' the Green.** Come join our club on our annual St. Patrick's ride on Saturday, March 18. Join others for lunch if anyone is interested. See details above and look for email the week before.



# Whatever your style, there's a helmet for you!



## Newsletter

All club members are welcome to submit content to the Monthly Newsletter. If you come across something interesting to share, please feel free to send to MaryJo at [newsletter@bayviewbikeclub.org](mailto:newsletter@bayviewbikeclub.org). The deadline for the next newsletter is **April 5, 2017**.

## Ride Leader Responsibilities

Being a ride leader is lots of fun and earns you additional rider points. Just remember:

- Be on time, or preferably, a little early.
- Be sure all riders sign the waiver sheet. Have them indicate the number of miles they intend to ride.
- Provide and distribute the ride route map to all riders.
- Pack and carry a First Aid Kit. If you don't have a kit or need additional supplies, please contact the Ride Chair. Render assistance as needed and as you are able. In case of an accident involving more serious injury or property damage, fill out the enclosed incident report when time permits. This will allow a claim to be submitted to our insurer.
- Have fun!
- After the ride, return the waiver sheet (and ride package) to the Ride Chair so that everyone can qualify for rider points and to satisfy our insurance requirements.
- Make notes after the ride (where to eat afterwards, where to park, any problems with the route (places people got lost, incorrect mileage, bad corners, etc.)) for the next ride leader and turn in to the Ride Chair.

## Rider Points – Oct. 1, 2016 thru Valentines Day ride

Dean Mowery	396	Tod Templin	92	Eric McAttee	44
Suzanne Ziegler	326	Stephen Blanchard	91	Dan Gannon	39
Jeff Schmidt	319	Joslyn Binkowski	90	Penny Charlson	39
Joel Ziegler	272	Andy Martinez	86	Sam Gannon	39
David Donahue	210	Janet Tallberg	86	Cheryl Walkowiak	38
Steve Fishman	210	Pauline Ellington	84	Susie Thaller	37
Sharon Stephens	206	Joe Fischer	80	Dennis Connors	36
Andy Sikorski	205	Rich Temple	80	Jeff Moranski	36
Scott Siebers	188	Catie Gietzen	79	Maria Patterson	36
Bill Lerand	183	Ron Crown	79	Pat Douglas	36
Carol Lerand	183	Sharon Ritchie	79	Bill Dames	35
Mike Smiley	182	Jaime McNaughton	74	Steve Mitton	34
Ron Rutkowski	157	Jim Marx	72	Christine Burke	33
Linda Roessl	147	Ratko Velickovic	72	Gary Butters	25
Mike Dix	145	Kimberly Zur	67	Judith Ormond	20
Debra Tuckwood	139	Erica Moranski	63	Dennis Labinski	19
Ron Santoro	139	Bob Murray	61	Gary Meagher	16
Helen Hogan	134	Norm Wojtal	60	John Zellner	16
Joe Soriano	134	Prati Wojtal	60	Milton Henn	16
Ted Gast	124	Clare Beachkofski	58	Ron Umhoefer	16
Megan Ziegler	118	Lois Gresl	55	Lance Freischmidt	15
Chuck Blakely	117	Tim Sullivan	55	Scott Mark	14
Tamara Gibbs	105	Jill Litzenberg	53		
Gary Aschenbrenner	99	Bob Klein	48		