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April member meeting

Beulah Brinton Community Center

2555 S. Bay St. Bay View

Monday, April 17 @ 7 pm

Speaker: Steve Whitford of South Shore Cyclery

The Prez Sez

It's finally that time of year. The outdoor temperatures are starting to rise, the landscape is beginning to turn green and we're seeing a little more daylight each day. It's the time of year when a cyclist's thoughts turn to.... I really need to clean my bike.... Where did I put my floor pump.... Where are my shoes.... I swear I had an extra tube around here somewhere.... Maybe I should just buy a new bike.... How did these shorts shrink.... Maybe a winter diet of pizza wasn't the best idea I've ever had.... Yes, spring is here!!

The first club ride of the season brought 30+ BVBC members out for a leisurely ride along the Oak Leaf Trail between Hart Park in Wauwatosa and Dretzka Park. It was great to see old friends and we even had a few new riders join us. I hope to see many more of you as the season goes on, remember riding your bike is fun, but riding with your friends in the BVBC is "funerer".

Anyway, I should go and clean my bike, and I should probably clean and lube the chain and in general make sure I'm ready for all the miles ahead.

Hope to see you on a ride,

Rich

The Veep Speaks

The guest speaker for our April meeting will be Steve Whitford, owner of South Shore Cyclery. Steve will be discussing basic bike maintenance including things you should be checking on your bike to avoid breakdowns, costlier repairs and possible injury. Steve will be demonstrating how (and how not to) oil your chain, and other simple maintenance you can perform yourself.

Joe

On the Road

Ride Coordinators needed!

The schedule is set. The weather has cooperated for the first couple of weekends, and rider turnout has been excellent. We're off to a great start to the season! However, there's another thing that the club needs to ensure that things continue to be successful: Ride Coordinators!

For those who are new to the club, the responsibilities of the Ride Coordinator are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. The duties aren't that difficult, and they provide a great opportunity to interact with different club members and make new friends!

If you're interested in helping out in this role, the ride packets and signup sheet are always available at the monthly membership meetings. I'll also typically have everything with me when I ride on the weekends. If there's a specific ride that you'd like to assist with, feel free to e-mail me at rides@bayviewbikeclub.org. Any urgent Ride Coordinator needs will be posted on the club Facebook page.

In the past, we've had a great group of individuals who have taken on more than their share of these duties. Last year, the 99 weekend and Tuesday morning rides were covered by just 25 individuals. Let's give these fine folks a breather and have a bit of fun along the way!

Membership Notes

Membership renewals are due now for the 2017 season. I have currently received only about 50 renewals so far, which means there are over 100 members who haven't renewed yet. Print out a membership form and mail the completed form to the address specified. Or get one from me at an upcoming meeting or ride.

We had 5 people join the club last month. Please welcome these new members:

Doug Niebruegge
Justine Wagner
Matthew Wagner
Hunter Wagner
Randall Kocherer

See you on the road.

Mike
Membership Chair

Memorial Day Weekender

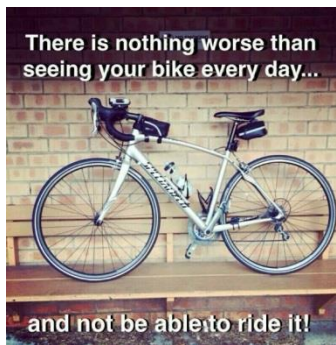
Come join us in Boulder Junction/Sayner/St Germain, WI area for a weekend of riding. Make your lodging plans now for May 26th -29th. Routes will be provided ranging from 30 to 50 miles on paved roads and trails which have been mapped out with cue sheets. We normally plan a lunch stop on the route each day so bring lunch money or pack food that travels well on your bike. Riding starts every day at 10:00am. For those starting the weekend early, there will be a Friday afternoon ride on the Vilas County bike trail starting at the Corner Store in Sayner, WI.

On Saturday evening, a potluck dinner will be hosted at the Roessl's place located on Little Bearskin Lake where we can all gather, eat, socialize and relax. This is an easy 35 minute drive from St Germain; the address and map will be provided to all who care to attend. Please BYO beverages, a dish to pass or \$10 per person. There will be plenty of food and a couple of Golden Retrievers, Izzy and Roxy who enjoy meeting new people. We will provide boat rides around the lake to check out the eagle's nest. If you have residual energy, there is a canoe and kayak on-site for your paddling pleasure.

Optional weekend activity; if you prefer to go fishing in exchange for riding, Tom can fit a total of three people in the boat. Feel free to call (414) 764-2513 or contact me at roessll@hotmail.com to RSVP or any additional questions you may have.

Linda

Social Chit Chat



We had a great turnout for our first weekend ride. With all of the dreary weather that we had been having, it was nice to have a warm, sunny, windless day to start the season on April 1 – no fooling! We started our ride in Wauwatosa on the Oak Leaf Trail and then we had a great lunch at Pizzeria Piccola in downtown Wauwatosa. It was so nice out that we were able to dine on the outside patio.

Sunday's ride started in Menomonee Falls where we rode the Bugline trail. This beautiful trail used to be a railroad bed. It meanders through suburbs, woods, and past the quarry. After the ride, we had lunch at the Village Bowl.

We have a lot of members who are participating in day and weeklong rides. Please watch for weekly emails with updated information on rides. If you would like your name added to the list, please email me: Social@BayViewBike.org or at my personal email address. As a reminder, this list is for members only and the list will not be published in the newsletter or on Facebook.



Jill
Social Chair

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. The deadline for the next newsletter is **May 5, 2017**.

Ride Coordinator Responsibilities

Being a ride coordinator 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 – April 3, 2017

Mowery, Dean	477	Binkowski, Joslyn	116	Gresl, Lois	55
Schmidt, Jeff	395	Blanchard, Stephen	112	Burke, Christine	49
Ziegler, Suzanne	387	Litzenberg, Jill	109	Klein, Robert	48
Ziegler, Joel	328	Temple, Rich	106	Thaller, Susan	42
Sikorski, Andy	287	Gibbs, Tamara	105	Charlson, Penny	39
Stephens, Sharon	267	Sullivan, Tim	97	Gannon, Dan	39
Siebers, Scott	260	Connors, Dennis	92	Gannon, Sandra	39
Smiley, Michael	233	Templin, Tod	92	Walkowiak, Cheryl	38
Roessl, Linda	213	McNaughton, Jamison	90	Douglas, Pat	36
Rutkowski, Ron	213	Wojtal, Norm	90	Moranski, Jeffrey	36
Donahue, David	210	Wojtal, Prati	90	Patterson, Maria	36
Fishman, Steve	210	Murray, Bob	87	Mitton, Steve	34
Lerand, Bill	209	Martinez, Andy	86	Kliegman, Sharon	30
Lerand, Carol	209	Tallberg, Janet	86	Krueger, Nancy	26
Blakely, Chuck	204	Beachkofski, Clare	81	Lamers, Kim	26
Dix, Michael	187	Crown, Ron	79	Orosa, Jojo	26
Hogan, Helen	183	Gietzen, Catie	79	Peterson, Beth	26
Tuckwood, Debra	174	Ritchie, Sharon	79	Butters, Gary	25
Santoro, Ron	169	Marx, James	72	Wagner, Justine	23
Gast, Ted	150	Umhoefer, Ron	72	Ormond, Judith	20
Ziegler, Megan	144	Velickovic, Ratko	72	Henn, Milton	16
Fischer, Joe	141	McAttee, Eric	70	Meagher, Gary	16
Soriano, Joseph	134	Zur, Kimberley	67	Zellner, John	16
Ellington, Pauline	133	Moranski, Erica	63	Freischmidt, Lance	15
Aschenbrenner, Gary	125	Dames, William	61	Mark, Scott	14

Ride Schedule for April 10, 2017 - June 1, 2017

All Rides Start at 10am April and October and 9am May through September

Tuesdays- Morning Rides (May - October) - miles vary

Start at 9:00am from Buelah Brinton Community Center, 2555 S Bay St, Bay View. Routes determined day of ride but are usually around 20 miles.

Apr 15, 2017- Secret Bong Roads - 28, 37 miles

Ride through western Racine County, including roads in Bong Recreation Area which are closed to automobile traffic. - Starts at Union Grove City Government building - 925 15th Ave., Union Grove. Take I94 south to Hwy 11. Take Hwy 11 west to Union Grove. City government building is at the intersection of Hwy 11 and US 45 (next to McDonalds). Parking lot is behind the building.

Apr 16, 2017- Fiddlesticks - 34 miles

Easy ride through River Hills and Mequon. Formerly Chucks Lunch Ride. - Starts at Village Park in Thiensville. Take I-43 north to Mequon Rd. West on Mequon Rd (approximately 3 miles). Right on

N. Cedarburg Rd/Main St. (approximately 1/2 mile). Right on Green Bay approximately 1 block, right on Elm to Village Park.

Apr 22, 2017- Classic Mash Up - 26, 40 miles

Ride northwest of Oconomowoc and south to Dousman using the Classic route. - Starts at Roosevelt Park in Oconomowoc. Take I-94 west to WI 67. Take WI 67 north (becomes Summit) for 2.5 miles. Turn left on Forest St. half-mile into park. Approximate drive time: 30 minutes from Zoo

Apr 23, 2017- Burlington Roll - 23, 33, 50 miles

Easy ride between Wind Lake and Burlington. - Starts at Heg Park. Take WI 36 (Loomis Rd) south towards Wind Lake. Heg Park is approximately 1 mile past Wind Lake, watch for signs on the right.

Apr 29, 2017- Mukwonago - 27, 36, 45, 54 miles

Rural ride east and south of Mukwonago. The long route goes to Burlington. - From Milwaukee take I43 south take exit #43 at Hwy 83. Turn right (north) on Hwy 83/Rochester St. Follow Hwy 83 1.7 miles to CR NN. Turn left on NN and follow 1/2 mile to Mukwonago High School. 605 W. School Rd. 30 minutes from the zoo.

Apr 30, 2017- Delafield Lake Country - 20, 39, 54 miles

Scenic ride through lake country around Delafield, long route passes near Holy Hill, Pike Lake and Hartford. - Starts at Cushing Park. I-94 west to County C (Delafield), left (north) on C 0.4 miles to Main St. Left (west) on Main St. 1/2 mile to Cushing Park Rd. (by Kurts Steak House), right on Cushing Park Rd. 1/5 mile to parking lot just across bridge. Approximate drive time: 25 minutes from Zoo.

May 6, 2017- LaGrange - Southern Kettle Moraine - 30, 48 miles

Scenic ride through Southern Kettle Moraine. - Starts from United Methodist Church N8548 County Road H, Whitewater, WI. Take I-43 southwest to East Troy. West on WI 20 to US 12. West on US 12 to LaGrange. Right on Highway H 200 yards, church is on the right. Approximate drive time: 40 minutes from Zoo.

May 7, 2017- Germantown Roll - 24, 32, 40 miles

Ride north toward West Bend. - Starts at Haupt Strasse Park in Germantown. Take Hwy 45 north to Mequon Rd (167east). Go east to Western Ave. (stoplight, Medical Associates on corner). Left (north) on Western Ave. 1/2 miles to park 30 minutes from Zoo.

May 13, 2017- Big Foot Prairie - 23, 35, 41, 53 miles

Ride through rolling hills south of Delavan Lake then across prairie through farm country. Rest stop in Sharon WI visit old fashioned ice cream shoppe. Stay after for the annual Walworth Corn and Brat Festival. - Take I43 south to Elkhorn. Exit Hwy 67. Turn left (south). Follow Hwy 67 south through Williams Bay and Fontana into Walworth. Turn right at stop sign go one block, turn left on Reed St about 4 blocks. Starts in high school parking lot.

May 14, 2017- Greenfield Park SW - 28, 47 miles

Rural ride going through Muskego, New Berlin and Windlake - Starts at Greenfield Park. Take I-894, exit at Greenfield Ave. Go west to 124th St. Turn Left on 124th and left into park at the Cool Waters Sign. Park in the north lot across from the Cool Waters Pool.

May 17, 2017- Ride of Silence - 10 miles

Easy ride in silence at a very slow pace. Ride to honor bicyclists killed by motorists, promote sharing the road, and promote awareness of bicycling safety. - Starts at 7:00 pm at all Wheel & Sprocket locations.

May 20, 2017- Dundee - Northern Kettle Moraine - 20, 31, 44 miles

Very scenic ride through Northern Kettle Moraine state forest. Short route is fairly easy, longer routes are moderately hilly. - Starts from Mill Park in Dundee. Take I-41 north to the US 45 split (Cabelas). North on US 45 to WI 67 (approximately 7 miles past Kewaskum). East on 67 to Dundee. Park in lot behind the Hamburger Haus. Approximate drive time: 55 minutes from Zoo.

May 21, 2017- Dousman Ride - 20, 37 miles

Very scenic rural ride around Dousman area with some rolling hills. - Starts at the Dousman village parking lot, 118 S. Main St in Dousman. Take I-94 west to WI 67 (Oconomowoc exit), south on WI 67 approximately 3.4 miles, right on US Hwy 18/Sunset Dr for .5 miles, turn left on Main St and go .8 miles. Park in the new village parking lot just south of the Drumlin bike trail. There are restroom facilities in adjacent the park. Drive time about 30 minutes from the Zoo.

May 27, 2017- Urban FIXX - 16, 23, 34 miles

Urban ride through St Francis, Milwaukee and South Milwaukee. - Ride starts at Jacobs Well Cafe (3558 E Sivyer Ave) in St Francis. Take Oklahoma east to Superior St / Lake Dr; drive south to Packard Ave; stay south to Sivyer Ave. Turn right to the coffee house. If you miss Packard, turn right on Howard then right on Packard. Park on Howard (the coffee shop has a small parking lot; save the spaces for the customers).

May 28, 2017- Harrington Beach - 26, 36, 56, 66 miles

Ride along Lake Michigan north to Harrington Beach and back. Note staggered starts for this ride. - The 56 and 66 mile routes start at Virmond Park in Mequon. Take I-43 to Mequon Rd. East on Mequon Rd. to Lakeshore Dr. South approximately 3/4 mile to Virmond Park (on left). The 26 and 36 mile routes start ONE HOUR later from the Marina in Port Washington. Take I-43 north to WI 32, 32 northeast into Port Washington, right on Washington St to marina. Approximate drive time: 40 minutes from Zoo.

May 29, 2017- Southport Harbor - 29, 40 miles

Easy scenic trail ride along Lake Michigan shore through downtown Kenosha to Illinois border. Long route circles west around Lake Andrea recreation area. - Starts near Petrifying Springs Park in Kenosha. Take I-94 south, exit at County E (Kenosha), east on County E approximately 5 miles to Hwy 31, left on Hwy 31 for 0.3 miles, right on JR for 0.6 miles to parking lot on the left, just outside of Petrified Springs Park.