

The Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc. – Youth Cycling Program

see our Facebook Group site: “EBC Kids!”

- The position of Youth Cycling Program Coordinator has been established in the Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc. and this position will be renewed on an annual basis.
- Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc. Members have the option of riding with a Child or Grandchild at ANY LOCATION DEEMED SAFE by the Parent or Grandparent and may submit those miles toward a Youth Cycling Award. Youth Miles completed on a bicycle, mountain bicycle, in a trailer, on a tag-a-long or on a tandem bicycle qualify. The opportunity for parents to ride with their kids in a SAFE & controlled environment is a cornerstone of the Youth Cycling Program.
- The determination of what constitutes a SAFE location for a Youth Ride for You and Your Child or Grandchild will be left strictly up to YOU. The Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc. will not specifically endorse any routes or locations for that purpose.
- A Youth Cyclist must be accompanied by an EBC Member Parent or Grandparent for Youth Miles to be counted. We will not open the door to parents allowing their children to ride with inexperienced cyclists for the purpose of attaining EBC Youth Miles.
- The Youth Cyclist must be a Member of the Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc. for Youth Miles to be counted. In the case of an EBC Member Grandparent wishing to ride with a non-member Grandchild, the EBC Member Grandparent will need to obtain a signed Release of Liability from the parents of the Grandchild. The Release of Liability must be submitted before the grandchild can be included in the EBC Youth Cycling Program.
- The Youth Cyclist MUST wear a Bicycle Helmet on ANY ride submitted for Youth Miles.
- As a part of our Youth Cycling Awards Program a Youth Cyclist can qualify for any one of three achievement levels:
 - A Certificate of Achievement will be presented to a Youth Cyclist for any Youth Miles.
 - A Youth Mileage Award Certificate will be presented to a Youth Cyclist for Youth Miles attained from 25 miles up to 250 Miles.
 - A Youth Mileage Award Plaque (or a current year plate for an existing plaque) will be presented to a Youth Cyclist for Youth Miles attained starting at 250 Miles.
- To encourage Adult participation in Youth Cycling we will count the Adult Mileage for any EBC Member who rides with their child or grandchild.
- We will NOT have a Youth Mileage Leader Award. Our objective is to promote Teamwork & Cooperation among all EBC Parents to encourage All the Kids to Ride More Miles!
- To encourage Community Involvement Youth Cyclists have the opportunity to earn mileage for their help and participation in the many community outreach programs of the EBC. Mileage is awarded exactly as it is for the adults participating in those same events.

- No more than 50% of Youth Mileage Award Miles can be obtained through Community Service. While we strongly encourage Community Service, the Kids also have to get out and Ride their Bikes to achieve Mileage Level Awards. Thus, if a Youth has attained the needed mileage for a 250-Mile Award, no more than 125 of those miles can have been attained through Community Service.
- Our Youth Cyclists can transition into the Adult Mileage Awards Program when the Parents and/or Grandparents feel it is both appropriate and SAFE to do so.
- The Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc. has established a Facebook Group “EBC Kids”. “EBC Kids” can be utilized by parents to communicate about getting the kids together for rides, to share good ride locations, as a place to upload & share photo’s of our Youth Cyclists, and to provide communication about the EBC, Inc. Youth Cycling Program to the general public.
- Our Newsletter, the “EBC Bikewriter,” has a separate listing of Youth Cycling Participants. The Youth listing is sorted in Alphabetical Order rather than by mileage achieved.
- Youth Miles and the accompanying Adult Miles on a Youth Mileage Ride should be submitted via EMAIL to Rusty Yeager at: **RYeager42@wowway.com**
- NOTE: If you ride with a Youth on a Regularly Scheduled EBC Club Ride, BOTH the Adult & the Youth should Sign-In and list their mileage on the Sign-Up sheet. In this case you DO NOT need to send a separate email to Rusty Yeager for either the Adult or Youth Mileage.
- Miles must be submitted in increments of 1 MILE. No more than one submission can be made for any single day. If on a given day you ride with your youth 3 separate times, for 1 mile each time, you can make a SINGLE submission of 3 miles for that day.
- Mileage submissions to Rusty Yeager should include the Day, Date, Parent or Grandparent Name, Youth Cyclist Name, Miles Ridden, & the Location of the Ride. Example:

Wednesday, 5/26/10, Curt & Cindy & Cory Jones, 11 miles, Wesselman Park

Please send any comments or concerns you have about the Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc. – Youth Cycling Program to Keith Weyer at: TKWeyer@SBCGlobal.net

It is the objective of the Youth Cycling Committee to encourage wider participation in the Youth Cycling Program. One measure of our success will be the number of KIDS we see in the Youth Mileage Log in the Newsletter and at the Year-End Awards Banquet. We hope it is a Bunch!

Sincerely,

Keith Weyer
2010 Youth Cycling Program Coordinator

Youth Cycling Committee Members: Curt & Cindy Jones, Gary & Opal Gardner, Matt & Sonya Brindle, Paul Jensen, Rusty Yeager & Theresa Weyer