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 Ride of Remembrance


The Evansville Bicycle Club Inc., is an organization formed to promote bicycling in the Tri-State area. We advocate bicycle safety and education in our local communities by participating in and supporting health, fitness and cycling activities. The club provides the opportunity for cyclist of all ages and abilities to partake in cycling activities on a regular basis by offering a variety of rides weekly.


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CLUB JERSEVS
If you are wanting to get one of these new club jerseys, please contact Diane
Bies at biesdi@aol.com or phone
812-473-3546 and I can bring them to a ride, you can pick them up at my home or at a club meeting.

Short Sleeved Jersey: $\$ 60$, Sleeveless Jersey $\$ 60$ (limited
quantities), Long Sleeved \$65, and Bike Shorts $\$ 50$.

We have both women's and men's in stock.




## NEW MEMBERS

Richard D Swingle \# 1202
Edwards, Scott and Keri \# 1201

## RENEWING MEMBERS

Michael Effron \#1143
Matthew Meyer \#1147
Wendell and Eunice (Yvette) Wassmer \#1026
Bill \& Kathy Voegel \#1012
Gary, Opal Gardner and Ashley Whittaker \#388
Ricardo Zacarias \#1181
"The bicycle has a soul. If you succeed to love it, it will give you emotions that you will never forget." - Mario cipollini


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## omme the president's letter

JJune is upon us and summer is just around the corner. There is so much to do in June!

Bicycle racing returns to Evansville with the River City Classic Races at Garvin Park on Saturday June 6. We have been asked to volunteer to make this event great! Please do so even if you do it on the day of the event. Come out, watch some great riders, participate in the citizen's race, enter your children in the youth races, be a course marshal, or just represent EBC with your presence. We need to support this side of our sport!

Another great thing that is happening this month is a safe cycling "class" at the Dream Center. We are helping to put on a program to teach some youths how to ride safely and in the process earn a bike. They will also learn some bicycle maintenance skills too. Thanks to the EBC members who have volunteered to help with this. If you are interested please contact me for more info too. The program runs through July.

When you look at the calendar you can see there are many more week long touring rides available in June. Almost every week of June offers a touring ride this year. What a great opportunity to get out and enjoy the countryside around us. There are a lot of special events in June as well. Just get out and ride!

On June 28, at the Sunday afternoon ride, we will "Ride to Remember" Joan Baehl. Joan was a lovely lady who was really enjoying riding with EBC. She was so special to so many of us. Please take the time to come out that Sunday afternoon to join us in honoring her on a bike ride.

We are hoping to place an order for more EBC bicycle jerseys this summer. Of course they won't be here till later but please start thinking about if you want one or more when they come in. You can place your order ahead of time if you want. Just email or text me if know you want a particular size or style so we are sure to get it for you. Please don't expect me to remember verbal requests.

June is also a great month to travel. Be safe in your travels. Keep an eye out for bikers and runners and children out enjoying the nicer weather.

NO EBC MEETING THIS MONTH. WE HAVE TOO MUCH GOING ON AND NOTHING TO MEET ABOUT. SEE YOU NEXT MONTH AT THE PIZZA CHEF ON THE SECOND THURSDAY!

Diane Bies

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Hardy souls at the Folsomville Rest Stop on the Thursday May EBC Century.

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## UNPLUGGED

Name: Kevin Otolski

Years as a cyclist: It will be two years in August.
Year began riding: 2013
Year joined the club: 2013
Do you have a volunteer position with the Evansville Bicycle Club? And if so, what is it and what does it entail: I am not sure I volunteered, but somehow through the magic of being in the wrong place at the wrong time, I find myself as a elected Board Member. I plan to use this position to learn more about the day to day operations of what it takes to run this huge operation but mostly I just want access to the private plane.

What is (was, if you are retired) your occupation?
I am currently employed as a Computer System Analyst at Deaconess Hospital. I have held a few different positions in the IT Department over the last 16 years.

Is this what you wanted to do growing up? No, I not sure there were computers back then. I think I wanted to be an Architect. I went to school for Electronics but ended up in the Computer Field.

Where did you grow up? I grew up in South Bend, Indiana about 4 miles from the University of Notre Dame, before moving to Evansville shortly after graduating from Indiana State University. I can remember when I lived in South Bend, my friends and I would ride our bikes all over the Notre Dame Campus and on one Sunday after a home Football game, while the Stadium was being cleaned up, we rode into the Stadium and I got my first look at the football field.

Tell us about your family. I have one wife and two Sons. I have been married to Carolyn for 25 years. My oldest Son (Chris) graduated from the University Of Indianapolis and is currently working on his Chemistry PHD at

## a look at Kevin Otolski

The University of Kansas.My other son (Kyle) is currently a junior at Anderson University studying Criminology. He is also a member of the Anderson Baseball team.

Tell us about your cycling adventures, your favorite local route; your favorite out-of-town ride; and why. I am not sure I have been riding long enough to have an adventure, but somehow I let fellow member Jim Niethammer talk me into riding a Century with him. Jim then goes on to tell me if I get ten in a year, I can get into the Century Club. At this point it is March of 2014 and I thinking how in the world am I going to get ten centuries done by the end of the year. I am not sure how he did it, but somehow Jim tricked me into riding 22 more Centuries with himbefore the end of the year.

Do you have any hobbies other than cycling?If so, what? I did have two before all this biking got in the way. When I can find time I like to mess around with photography and I am working on completing a complete collection of Amazing Spider-Man Comic books. I think I need about 16 more issues to finish. I am not sure if this counts as a hobby, because I think everyone collects money, but I think this started sometime around the time I was ten years old, I started saving any penny I came across. At last count, I was over 80,000 pennies.

If you could be any famous professional cyclist, (living or dead) who would it be and why? This is a hard question, being new to riding, and just now getting to know some of the pro riders, I would like to be a combination of Mark Cavendishand Alberto Contador. I would like to have speed and hill climbing skills all rolled into one.

## If you could meet any professional

 cyclist, who would it be and why? Matt Stephens you know the British guy who does those GCN videos. I bet he has a bunch of stories to tell.If money were no object, what bicycle would you buy, and why? The S-Works McLaren Tarmac looks like a bike I could be happy with for a while. Only around 250 were made at a price tag of \$20K Good thing this question was if money was no object because I bet I would be looking for wife number two if I bought this bike.

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## Rewor Remenbsume fot Tran Buach

On April $14^{\text {th }}$ The Evansville Bicycle Club lost one of our members from injuries sustained in a one bicycle accident. The accident occurred on Easter Sunday afternoon on Asbury Cemetery Road and it took the life of Joan Baehl.

Joan was a beautiful person inside and out who brought joy to all who were lucky enough to know her. Joan volunteered regularly for EBC events and rode many of our rides. She was a regular at our Monday evening 4 H ride and the Wednesday evening rides. She was becoming more and more of a regular at Sunday afternoon and Tuesday morning rides also. Her smile was infectious and everyone who knew her felt at ease with her. She will be missed by many in our club, as well as by so many other family and friends.

EBC is holding a "Ride of Remembrance" in her honor on Sunday, June $28^{\text {th }}$. This ride will coincide with our regular 3:30 Olmstead ride. We ask everyone who would like to honor and remember her to join us on this ride, whether a member of EBC or not. Joan's terrible accident

happened approximately $51 / 2$ miles from Olmstead parking. We hope to have a Sheriff's escort from Olmstead parking to the site of the accident. This escort will be at 10 mph so that we can all stay together. We ask everyone to ride 2 abreast in complete silence for the duration of this part of the ride. Once arriving on Asbury Cemetery Road near the accident scene we will stop, dismount our bikes and a few people have asked to say a few words in Joan's honor.

This is a public road and it is important that we not completely block the road. We will hold this "service" at a location which allows most of us to get off the road. After everyone who wishes to speak has done so, everyone is free to continue the 17,24 or 33 mile routes as you normally would, at any speed you normally would.

Please try to make it to this ride. Some of Joan's family hopes to be there, and we are extending the invitation to ride to anyone in the cycling community, whether you knew Joan or not, or whether you are a member of EBC, or are in TDE, or ride independent of any group.

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## Old Jersey Order?

A number of club members have expressed an interest in obtaining our old jersey design. It is the yellow and purple jersey shown in the pictures below. We are trying to assess whether or not there is sufficient interest to do a jersey order.

Please indicate how many jerseys you think you might want to order and what sizes. The jerseys are made in the U.S.A. and the material would be similar the current club jersey. The sizes available are XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL, 3XL and 4XL.

The cost will be similar to our current jersey (\$60). Long sleeve would be available but may cost an extra $\$ 5$ (we will need to decide that at a club meeting prior to sending out the final order form). Sleeveless will also be available. This is simply a survey and not a commitment. If it looks like there would be sufficient interest to do an order we will send out an order form.

If you think you would be interested in buying an old jersey send an email to Gary Gardner at gogardner@roadrunner.com. Please put "jersey" or "ebc jersey" in the subject line so that I know you are an EBC member and not someone sending me the latest iteration of blaster worm. Again, indicate the number of jerseys and sizes that you think you may want to order.


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## EHC RTLE NOTES

## JUNE 2015

Saturday morning rides are now at 8:30. It is warmer so we start earlier for those who want to beat the heat.

## NO CLUB MEETING THIS MONTH

On Saturday, June 6, Bicycle Racing returns to Evansville at Garvin Park. Please come out to the River City Bicycle Classic at Garvin Park. Activities begin at 10:00 and will go into the afternoon. They need your help in any way you can give!!! Please contact Tracie Young at rcbcvolunteer@gmail.com or show up the day of the ride and see what you can do to help out and enjoy the races.

More info at www.rivercitybicycleclassic.com Volunteers are needed from 6:30 am to 9:30 am for set up. 7:30 to 10:30, 10:00 to $1,12: 30$ to 3:30, 3:00 to 6 for Registration. Course marshals are needed from 9 to Noon, 11:30 to 2:30, and 2 to 6 . Clean up help needed 5-7.

PLEASE COME HELP OUT!!!! Volunteers will be given 45 miles credit for their full shift.

On Sunday, June 7, TRIRI begins. This is a week long Touring Ride In Rural Indiana. This summer TRIRI is visiting Spring Mill and McCormick's Creek State Parks. Check it all out at TRIRI.org

On Sunday, June 14, Ride the Fault Line begins. This is a week long tour of the New Madrid Fault Line area. It starts and ends in Sikeston, Mo. This is one of the flattest week long tours around. Check it out at www. ridethefaultline.com/

On Saturday, June 20, the Kentucky Century Challenge continues with the Preservation Pedal in Frankfort, Ky. They offer a 25, 50, and 100 mile route. Check it out at www.preservationkentucky.org

On Saturday, June 20, GOBA begins. This is a week long tour - Greater Ohio Bicycle Adventure. This year's tour begins and ends in Van Wert, Ohio. Check it out at www.goba.com

Thursday June 24 and Saturday June 27 are the dates for the club century this month. It is the Tennyson or Touring route. New start time!! Be there at 7:00 am.

On Saturday, June 27, we offer the annual ride to New Albany. You must have your own sag to get back to Evansville after the ride. This is a great training ride for those who are doing RAIN in July this year or others who are just looking for a challenge. It is a very hilly 122 mile ride.

On Saturday, June 27, at night there is the N.I. T. E. ride in Indianapolis. This is a fun ride in the city at night under the stars. It is very safe with much police support at the intersections as well as at the beginning and end of the ride. There is a pasta dinner after the ride. The event starts and ends at the Indiana State Fair Grounds this year on the NE side of Indianapolis. More information at niteride.org

On Sunday, June 28, we are having the club's first "Ride to Remember". It is a Ride of Silence for Joan Baehl. While Joan did not die on her bicycle, nor was a vehicle involved, we want to remember her and the spot of her accident which proved to be fatal to her. We will ride in silence in mass at about 8 to 10 mph to the site of her accident about 6 miles out.

We will stop there for a few words and reflections. Then everyone is welcome to finish the Sunday ride distance and speed as they choose. Please come support us as we remember this very special member, biker, friend, lady. More details in the newsletter article. (see page 5)

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| New Riders need to be ready to leave 15 minutes early and are encouraged to start with a "Come Ride With Us" Ride on Mon. or Wed. nights or Sun. afternoon | 1 11:00 River City Classic News Conf. Ride. Garvin Park 1 hr. 20 miles credit 1:00 PM@ 4H Fairgrounds $15,28 \mathrm{mi}$ 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi . | 2 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ I-164 Access Burkhardt \& Olmstead Rds. $17,22 \mathrm{mi}$ | 3 1:00@ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. $17,23,35 \mathrm{mi}$. 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us on the Greenway from Evansville Museum Ride 1 hr. get 20 mi . credit | 49:00 AM@OId Dam <br> Site, Newburgh, 27 mi . 6:00 PM @Reitz High School on Claremont off the Ray Becker Pkwy 21 mi. | 5 1:00 PM@ I-164 Access, Burkhardt \& Olmstead Rds. $17,24,33 \mathrm{mi}$ | $6 \quad$ 10:00 AM River City Bicycle Classic Races @ Garvin Park Races, fun! Volunteers needed all day in shifts( 45 mi . credit for vols) Contact rcbcvolunteer@gmail.com YOU ARE NEEDED |
| 7 10:00 AM @ Elite Fitness-TP <br> Route ( 57 \& Kansas) $23,37 \mathrm{mi}$. <br> 3:30PMCome Ride With Us @ I <br>  <br> Olmstead Rds.17, 24, 33 mi . TRIRI | $8 \mathbf{1 : 0 0 ~ P M @ 4 H ~ F a i r - ~}$ grounds $15,28 \mathrm{mi}$ 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi . TRIRI | 9 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ I-164 Access Burkhardt \& Olmstead Rds. $17,22 \mathrm{mi}$ TRIRI | 10 1:00 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us on the Greenway from Evansville Museum Ride 1 hr. get 20 mi . credit TRIRI | 11 NO CLUB MEETING THIS MONTH!! 9:00AM@Mesker PkDr. 23 mi . 6:00 PM @Reitz High School on Claremont off the Ray Becker Pkwy 21 mi. TRIRI | 12 1:00 PM @ I-164 Access, Burkhardt \& Olmstead Rds. $17,24,33 \mathrm{mi}$ TRIRI | 13 9:30 AM \& 1:00 PM@Dogtown Boat Ramp Old Henderson Rd. , 12, 23, 45 mi |
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| 21 10:00 AM@ Castle HS on <br> Hwy 261 in Newburgh 23, 32 mi. 3:30PMCome Ride With Us @ I <br> - $\mathbf{1 6 4}$ Access Burkhardt \& Olmstead Rds.17, 24, 33 mi . GOBA | 22 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds $15,28 \mathrm{mi}$ 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us@ 4-H Fairground 15 mi . GOBA | 23 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ I-164 Access Burkhardt $\boldsymbol{\&}$ Olmstead Rds. $17,22 \mathrm{mi}$ GOBA | 24 1:00@ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us on the Greenway from Evansville Museum Ride 1 hr. get 20 mi . credit GOBA | 25 7:00 AM Club Century @ Crossroads Church 100 mi . <br> Tennyson or Touring Route 9:00 AM @ Mesker Park <br> Dr. 23 mi . <br> 6:00 PM@Reitz High School on Claremont off the Ray Becker Pkwy 21 mi. GOBA | 26 1:00 PM @ <br> I-164 Access, <br>  <br> Olmstead Rds. <br> $17,24,33 \mathrm{mi}$ GOBA | 27 7:00 AM Club Century @ Crossroads Church 100 mi . Tennyson or Touring Route 7:00 AM Ride to New Albany@ <br> Crossroads must have own SAG 122 hilly mi. <br> 8:30 AM and 1:00 PM @ Henderson Co. High School Henderson, KY. 24, 32, 47 mi GOBA, Indianapolis NITE ride 11PM |
| 28 10:00 AM@ Mesker Park Dr. and Wimberg Ave. 23 or 38 mi . <br> 3:30PM Ride to Remember Joan Baehl@ I-164 Access Burkhardt \& Olmstead Rds.17, 24, 33 mi . | $\begin{aligned} & 29 \mathbf{1 : 0 0} \mathbf{P M} @ 4 \text { H Fair- } \\ & \text { grounds } 15,28 \mathrm{mi} \\ & \text { 6:00 PM Come Ride } \\ & \text { With Us } \mathbf{a}, 4-\mathrm{H} \text { Fair- } \\ & \hline \text { ground } 15 \mathrm{mi} . \end{aligned}$ | 30 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ I-164 Access Burkhardt \& Olmstead Rds. $17,22 \mathrm{mi}$ | HELMETS ARE <br> ALWAYS <br> MANDATORY | PLEASE SEE <br> JUNE RIDE NOTES FOR <br> DETAILS ON <br> SPECIAL RIDES, ETC. |  | SPECIAL EVENTS \& TOURS <br> www.rivercitybicycleclassic.com TRIRI.org www.preservationkentucky.org www.ridethefaultline www.GOBA.com www.niteride.org |

Evansville Bicycle Club - 2015 Club Mileage 4/30/2015


Ride Mileage Information

| Club Rides | Mileage |
| :--- | :---: |
| Boonville | 21 |
| Castle | $23-35$ |
| Circuit Rides | 20 |
| Dogtown | $12-23-45$ |
| Elite | $17-22-32-43$ |
| Elite TP | $22-37$ |
| 4H Circuit | $15-28$ |
| Henderson High School | $24-32-47$ |
| Mesker Park | $23-38$ |
| Newburgh Dam | $22-27-40$ |
| New Albany | 122 |
| Olmstead | $17-22-33$ |
| Reitz | $21-40$ |
| Scott School | $15-26-33$ |
| West Terrace | 25 |
| Hosted Rides |  |
| Specialty Rides |  |
| Volunteer Events |  |

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## The Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc.

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Membership
Dues
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Family
$\$ 20+\$ 1$ per child

Send me the newsletter by:

Email

## Release of Liability

Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc. is organized for the sole purpose of providing its members with notification of central meeting points and times. Members freely elect to ride together as a group, following a route of choice. In signing this form for myself and/or my family members, I understand and agree to absolve EBC, Inc. and its organizers or sponsors for all blame for any injury misadventure, harm , loss or inconvenience suffered as a result of participation in any ride or activity associated with, or sponsored by, EBC, Inc. I further understand that I , as an individual, am responsible to abide by all traffic laws and regulations governing bicycling and take full responsibility for my actions.

Make checks payable to Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc.

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