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NEWSLETTER OF THE EVANSVILLE BICYCLE CLUB • EVANSVILLE, INDIANA

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Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc. Mission Statement:

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.

www.evansvillebicycleclub.org



CLUB JERSEYS

If you are wanting to get one of these new club jerseys they are now back at Diane Bies' house. Please contact her at biesdi@aol.com or phone at 473-3546 and I can get one picked up for you and meet with

you to deliver it.

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.



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NEW MEMBERS

Rachel Wheaton #1291

Chuck Wingert (REJOINED) #1292

John, Patty, Shelby, Daniel, &
James Liegl #1293

RENEWING MEMBERS

Michael, Janet & Sean Effron #1143

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"It doesn't get any easier, you just go faster" — Greg Lemond



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The President's Letter

Hello Everyone:

Boom, was the weather change fast enough for you? A few weeks ago, I like most of you who did the Rockin River City ride were in arm and leg warmers and now two weeks later we are sweating our bibs off. I know we are still a few weeks away from officially being able to call it Summer time but it is not too soon to check in on everyone's favorite riding challenge, "The how long can I go without eating a bug" I am happy to say I am still in the running for the award. I have had a few close calls with some type of dive bomber hitting me in the face but so far so good.

I would like to thank all those of you made out to the Ride Of Silence. The ride is to acknowledge those that lost their lives or were seriously injured by a motor vehicle while riding a bicycle. We had a pretty good turn out. I did not hear the official number of riders but I think it had to be near thirty. I would also like to thank the Evansville Police Department and the Indiana State Police for providing our escort and getting us through all the intersections safely with that big of group. If you have not done this ride in the past, you need to put this on your ride calendar for next year.

And now I would like to bring up to the podium Steve Gerbig with a recap on the 2019 Senior games.

Weather predictions for the Indiana Senior Games were not very promising going into Sunday morning. We knew there'd be rain and that was okay. What we didn't want was lightning or a gully washer. Several hardy souls came out to ride and a similar number to volunteer. The EBC was well represented on both sides with Keith and Kelly Paige and Archie Carter competing while



Colette Loehrlein and Bill Voegel helped with the heavy lifting on the support side. The Senior Games format calls for short (5km and 10km) time trials and a (20km) road race. A light drizzle greeted the competitors for the 5km time trial. The 10km time trial was conducted in a steady downpour. By the time we got around to the road race, the rain had stopped and the riders enjoyed dry air but still wet roads. All the EBCers won gold medals in their respective age groups in each of their races.

Since this was not a National Games qualifying year, the attendance was down even before the weather kept several riders from making the trek to Evansville. We did have a bit of senior athletic royalty though as Peter Wimberg, gold medalist from the 2017 Nationals, made the trip from Cincinnati to test his legs in competition. The Indiana State Senior Games is a great way to test your fitness against other athletes of your age.

Qualifying for the Nationals can lead to an experience which few athletes get to enjoy in their lifetime. If competition isn't your thing, come out and volunteer. Colette and Bill can attest that this can be both fun and rewarding.--

One last item, A couple of EBC family members could use your thoughts of peace and courage at this time. Please keep Bill Johnson and Tom Gabe in your thoughts.

Stay safe out there,

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America Needs SAFE Streets

Nearly 1 in 5 people who die in traffic crashes are killed while biking or walking.

This is a public health crisis, one we detailed in our 2018 Benchmarking Report to raise awareness about the need for urgent action to address the increasing danger we face as we bike, walk, or use mobility devices on the street and sidewalk.

Recently, Representatives Julia Brownley and Adriano Espaillat introduced HR 3040, the Safe and Friendly for the Environment Streets Act, or the SAFE Streets Act to put federal dollars towards making our roads safer. This bill addresses a blind-spot in Highway Safety Improvement Program funding and directs investment towards safety improvements in areas where the lives of people who bike and walk are most in danger.

Currently, states spend less than 1 percent of their Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) on vulnerable road user safety, though nationally 18% of roadway deaths are vulnerable road users. This needs to change. The SAFE Streets Act would target safety spending towards improvements for bicyclists and pedestrians and ensure spending matches the level of danger they face on a roadway.

To make this bill law, we need more Members of Congress to stand up for safety by co-sponsoring the bill. Please ask your Member of Congress to co-sponsor HR 3040, the SAFE Streets Act.



June 2019 E.B.C. Ride Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
HELMETS ARE MANDATORY!	Wear your EBC jersey on Sunday rides		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			/ River City Bike Races @ Garvin Park Red Bank Ride @ Ft. Branch, IN \$\$ 15, 31, 50 mi.
2 Ride The Fault 10:00 AM @ <u>West Terrace School</u> (Near USI) 19, 33 mi. 2:00 PM <u>Poker Ride @ I-69 Access</u> Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 24 mi	3 RTF 1:00 PM @ <u>4H Fairgrounds</u> 15,24,28 mi 6:00 PM <u>Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fair-ground</u> 15 mi	4 RTF 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ <u>I-69 Access</u> Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	5 Ride The Fault 12:30 @ <u>Elite Fitness</u> 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 5:30 <u>4-H Fairgrounds Fast Ride</u> 15,24,28 mi. 6:00 PM <u>Come Ride With Us on the Greenway from Evansville Museum</u> Ride Up to 20 mi.	6 Ride The Fault 9:00 AM @ <u>Mesker Park Dr.</u> 23 mi. 6:00 PM @ <u>Scott School</u> on Old State Rd. 15, 26	7 RTF 1:00 PM @ <u>I-69 Access</u> , Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22,33 mi	8 Ride The Fault 8:30 AM and 1:00 PM @ <u>Dogtown Boat Ramp</u> Old Henderson Rd. 12, 23, 45mi.
9 10:00 AM @ <u>Castle HS</u> on Hwy 261 in Newburgh 23, 32 mi. 2:00 PM <u>Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access</u> Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 33 mi.	10 1:00 PM @ <u>4H Fairgrounds</u> 15,24,28 mi 6:00 PM <u>Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fair-ground</u> 15 mi	11 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ <u>I-69 Access</u> Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	12 12:30 @ <u>Elite Fitness</u> 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 5:30 <u>4-H Fairgrounds Fast Ride</u> 15,24,28 mi. 6:00 PM 6:00 PM <u>Come Ride With Us on the Greenway from Evansville Museum</u> Ride Up to 20 mi.	13 9:00 AM @ <u>Old Dam Site</u> , Newburgh, 27 mi. 6:00 Social Time. 6:30 PM <u>Club Meeting @ Roca Bar</u> 1618 S. Kentucky Ave	14 1:00 PM @ <u>I-69 Access</u> , Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22,33 mi	15 GOBA 9:00 @ <u>Hornville Tavern Baseline Rd.</u> 21, 29 mi. 1:00 PM @ <u>Elite Fitness</u> 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi.
16 Father's Day GOBA 10:00 AM @ <u>Mesker Park Dr.</u> and <u>Wimberg Ave.</u> 23 or 38 mi. 2:00 PM <u>Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access</u> , Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, or 33	17 GOBA 1:00 PM @ <u>4H Fairgrounds</u> 15,24,28 mi 6:00 PM <u>Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fair-ground</u> 15 mi	18 GOBA 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ <u>I-69 Access</u> Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	19 GOBA 12:30 @ <u>Elite Fitness</u> 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 5:30 <u>4-H Fairgrounds Fast Ride</u> 15,24,28 mi. 6:00 PM 6:00 PM <u>Come Ride With Us on the Greenway from Evansville Museum</u> Ride Up to 20 mi.	20 GOBA 7:00 AM <u>Club Century @ Crossroads Church</u> 100 mi. Tennyson or Touring Route 9:00 AM @ <u>Mesker Park Dr.</u> 23 mi. 6:00 PM @ <u>Scott School</u> on Old State Rd. 15, 26	21 Summer GOBA 1:00 PM @ <u>I-69 Access</u> , Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22,33 mi	22 GOBA 7:00 AM <u>Club Century @ Crossroads Church</u> 100 mi. Tennyson or Touring Route 8:30 AM and 1:00 PM @ <u>Dogtown Boat Ramp</u> Old Henderson Rd. 12, 23, 45mi. 11:00 PM <u>Indianapolis NITE Ride</u> 20 mi. \$\$
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MAY EBC RIDE NOTES

June 1 is the Red Banks Ride in Ft. Branch if you are inclined to support our neighboring community. Sunday June 2, the first EBC Poker Run Bicycle Ride. All members are welcome to draw their hand of poker cards as they ride the 24 mile route from Olmstead through Bluegrass Fish and Wildlife area. Come join the fun!

Our June 8 ride is the usual Dogtown offering but we start earlier at 8:30 to beat the heat in the morning. That afternoon ride is at 1:00 also from Dogtown Boat Ramp.

June 15 is at 9:00 Hornville Tavern with the TDE. The afternoon ride will be at Elite Fitness at 1:00.

Saturdays June 22 and June 29 the ride is at back at Dogtown at 8:30 and 1:00.

Thursday evening rides are at Scott Elementary School this month and start at the usual 6:00 pm.

Club Meeting on Thursday June 13, 2018. Again we will have social time starting at 6:00. Come early and visit and share your thoughts. Enjoy dinner with your fellow EBC members. We actually sit while we eat for a change.

Thursday June 20 and Saturday June 22 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 15, GOBA begins. This is a week long tour – Greater Ohio Bicycle Adventure. This year's tour begins and ends in Bowling Green, Ohio in the northwest part of the state. This is a pretty flat

area. Check it out at <http://goba.com/wordpress/>

On June 24 through June 28 the Rehab Center is holding their annual I CAN BIKE sessions. This is a great opportunity to volunteer to help those less fortunate than us to learn to ride a bike in a week. It is a very rewarding experience. See the link to register or contact Patty Balbach at 812-479-1411 ext. 268. <https://www.icanshine.org/evansville-in/> or email pbalbach@evansvillerehab.com

Looking to July:

On Saturday, July 6, 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 on July 20 this year or others who are just looking for a challenge. It is a very hilly 122 mile ride.

Fuller Center Bicycle Adventure is coming near our area. July 21 in Peoria, IL to Indianapolis, IN on July 27. Two build days, 4 riding days. Or stay until July 31 in Springfield, OH for two more riding days and another build day. Talk to Diane Bies 812-453-9966 or Biesdi@aol.com. Transportation can be worked out. This is a great ride for a great cause. Steve Gerbig and Bill Johnson hopped on for a day last year. It is fun!



Evansville Bicycle Club – 2019 Club Mileage

Overall Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Yeager, Rusty	6/1/19		58	40	1617
2 Bies, Diane	6/1/19		4	33	1144
3 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/19		8	29	1027
4 Weyer, Keith	2/1/20			36	765
5 Niethammer, Jim	12/1/19	2	19	683	
6 Sullivan, Patrick	10/1/19	5	16	573	
7 Lancaster, Jeff	6/1/19	2	14	568	
8 Vernier, Richard	3/1/20		21	473	
8 Vernier, Sue	3/1/20		21	473	
10 Gerbig, Steve	3/1/20	4	12	440	
11 Johnson, Bill	7/1/19		14	410	
12 Brouillard, Gene	6/1/19		18	397	
13 Paige, Keith	6/1/19	1	11	387	
14 Ashworth, David	1/1/20		13	352	
15 Majors, Bill	6/1/19		13	249	
16 Silke, Randy	7/1/19		10	247	
17 Gibson, Josh	3/1/20	4	7	235	
18 Carter, Archie	8/1/19		9	209	
19 Breivogel, Gary	10/1/19		7	160	
20 Bosko, John	6/1/19		7	153	
21 Wong, Howard	8/1/19		8	140	
22 Gardner, Gary	6/1/19	13	7	126	
23 Voegel, Bill	4/1/23		5	110	
24 Nelli, John	11/1/19		3	92	
25 Farr, Lance	8/1/19		3	89	
26 Straka, David	10/1/19		2	82	
27 Bartley, Johnnie	6/1/20		2	72	
28 Hawley, Tom	7/1/19		3	69	
29 Robertson, Janet	2/1/20		2	65	
30 Breivogel, Judy	10/1/19		3	64	
31 Janowski, Robert	7/1/19		2	51	
32 Miller, Kent	11/1/19	1	1	43	
32 Powell, Robert	10/1/19		2	43	
34 Pendley, Kevin	6/1/20		2	38	
35 Moors, Butch	1/1/20		1	35	
36 Maurer, Kenneth	8/1/19		1	29	
37 Bohler, Nick	2/1/20		1	28	
37 Liegl John	5/1/20		1	28	
37 Seger, Khris	4/1/19		1	28	
40 Brindle, Matt	1/1/20		1	22	
40 Oliver, Mark	4/1/20		1	22	
42 Corcoran, Lisa	11/1/19		2	20	
43 Plouchard, Sherrie	10/1/19		1	18	
44 Wheaton, Rachel	5/1/20		1	15	
45 Wassmer, Yvette	7/1/19		1	11	
46 Gatewood, Ronald	4/1/20		1	10	
46 Guckien, John	2/1/20		1	10	
46 Pendley, Ann	6/1/20		1	10	

Red highlight denotes expired memberships

Men's Standings

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31 Moors, Butch	1/1/20		1	35	
32 Maurer, Kenneth	8/1/19		1	29	
33 Bohler, Nick	2/1/20		1	28	
33 Liegl John	5/1/20		1	28	
33 Seger, Khris	4/1/19		1	28	
36 Brindle, Matt	1/1/20		1	22	
36 Oliver, Mark	4/1/20		1	22	
38 Gatewood, Ronald	4/1/20		1	10	
38 Guckien, John	2/1/20		1	10	

Women's Standings

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3 Robertson, Janet	2/1/20			2	65
4 Breivogel, Judy	10/1/19			3	64
5 Corcoran, Lisa	11/1/19			2	20
6 Plouchard, Sherrie	10/1/19			1	18
7 Wheaton, Rachel	5/1/20			1	15
8 Wassmer, Yvette	7/1/19			1	11
9 Pendley, Ann	6/1/20			1	10

Commuting Mileage

Club Member	Miles	Thru Month
Miller, Kent	20	April

Ride Mileage Information

Club Rides	Max. Mileage
Scott School	33
West Terrace School	33
Boonville High School	21
Castle High School	35
Henderson High School	47
Reitz High School	40
Garvin Park	20
Wesselman Park	20
Mesker Park	38
Dogtown	45
Elite	43
Elite TP	37
4-H	28
Newburgh Dam	40
Olmstead	33
New Albany	122
Hosted Rides	Max. Mileage
Specialty Rides	Date
Sebring 24 Hour	2/9
Fuller Center	4/6, 4/7, 4/8, 4/9, 4/10, 4/11, 4/12
Harmonie Hundred	5/4, 5/5
Rockin' River City	5/11
Ride of Silence	5/15
Korner Inn in Elberfeld	5/18
Horsely Hundred	5/25, 5/26

Expired Membership Mileage

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
Bies, Nicole	6/1/17			2	66
Briner, Aaron	6/1/12			2	56
Christ, Rick	4/1/15			1	35
Conner, David	6/1/11			2	56
Demerly, Mike	6/1/14			1	22
Kirkpatrick, Greg	9/1/04			1	53
Mitchell, Zane	5/1/18			1	53
Spencer, Jack	10/1/17			6	155

EBC Ride Photos -- Evansville Senior Games



Thanks to Collette Loehrlein and Holly Reis Schneider for contributing these photos from the club's facebook page.



<http://www.evansvillebicycleclub.org>

The Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc.

Name(s) & _____
Age(s) _____

Special Hobbies/Interests: _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ - _____

Email _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Membership Dues

Individual
\$12

Family of 2
Adults \$20 +
\$1 per child

☐ New

☐ Renewal

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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