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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

Drake Cloin #1317
Elizabeth Gray #1318
Philip Kline #1319
Ken Kirby #1320
Josh Kempf #1321
(need release form completed)

RENEWING MEMBERS

John & Carol Bosko #1180
Roger McBain #1250
(need release form completed)
Kevin & Carolyn Otoski #1158
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The President's Saddle

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Hello everyone:

It's hard to imagine what this year would have been like if Covid had not come around.

A bright spot I noticed is how many more new cyclists I have met or seen at rides this year. The excitement they have brought to the rides has been a great lift to everyone in a year that has been difficult on everyone. Also remember that if you do not feel comfortable riding in groups, that is totally fine.

You can do your own thing or ride before or after the main group rolls out. Everyone needs to do what they are comfortable with and just use common sense and social distance the best you can.

If you have not heard by now, EBC has made the tough decision to postpone this year's GPM until October 2021. There were just too many unknowns of what this October would look like with the Covid situation and the risk it would pose to all the volunteers and cyclists. We will start back up with GPM planning in March.

The young man on the cover of this issue is Josh. Josh is a Special Olympics cyclist who reached out to EBC looking for help training for the 2020 Special Olympics. However like most events this year, the 2020 Olympics were

cancelled. This did not discourage Josh or some fellow EBC cyclists that started working with Josh in late June.

Currently Josh is training with EBC about twice a week and doing base miles of about 5.5 miles each ride. The current plan is to continue building base miles and maybe work on some bike skills

before we ramp up to interval training in the spring. Later this fall, I would like to have Josh out to one of our group rides and have a big EBC turn out where we can all ride a few miles together so watch for more information on that.



The Evansville Bicycle Club would like to give a big thank you to Scheller's Fitness & Cycling and to EBC member Nic Scott for helping us out with new cables, brake adjustments, front derailleur replacement and a wheel tune up. The work done on Josh's bike was excellent and it showed in our next training ride. Thanks again.

The web page <http://www.evansvillebicycleclub.org/> has been updated with the paperless link to send in your ride miles. Also the routes map page is all new. Check it out!

Stay safe,
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A tribute to Marshall "Major" Taylor



From Mario Leavell, July 25, 2020:

Visiting the east coast this weekend I had to make a special trip to Worcester, MA. The adoption hometown of Marshal Taylor aka Major Taylor "the Worcester Whirlwind". This monument features a two-sided sculpture wall, 10 feet high and 12 feet, 4 inches wide, serving as a wind break for the library entrance and anchoring an outdoor plaza suited for reflection and contemplation.

One side of the wall is inscribed with text explaining Major Taylor's life story, under a 4-foot-by-8-foot bronze bas relief sculpture of track bike racers in action. The other side features a larger-than-life, three-dimensional figure of Major Taylor, with his bicycle in high relief, in front of a velodrome portrayed in bas relief. I also went by George Street where they have the George Street Bike Challenge

For Major Taylor.

This is a two-block quad-buster that was a training ground for 1899 world champion Major Taylor. It's one rider at a time against the clock in this steep uphill time trial in downtown Worcester. The distance is 500 feet, and the average grade is 18 percent. The contest is open to riders age 12 and up.

@majortaylorcyclingwear

@ Worcester, Massachusetts

editor's note: "Major" Marshall's hometown is Indianapolis, IN and the Eagle Creek Velodrome is named in his honor. Throughout his career he challenged the racial prejudice he encountered on and off the track and became a pioneering role model for other athletes facing racial discrimination. (courtesy Wikipedia).

August EBC Ride Notes

Our Saturday rides are all at Dogtown this month. You are invited to bring a chair and a snack and or a cold drink for after the ride to sit in the shade, observing social distancing, and visit with other riders.

Full Moon Ride on Monday August 3 at 8:15 PM. This is a moonlight ride. The ride will start and end at the I-69 Access point on Olmstead.

Kevin Otolski and Jim Neithammer will provide refreshments after the ride. You must have lights on your bicycle both front and back! This will be held following the normal Monday night ride at 4-H.

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

Club Meeting on Thursday August 13. Come join us at a shelter in Wesselman Park. We will try for the first shelter on the left. If we aren't there keep looking around the park. Bring a chair and a cold drink.

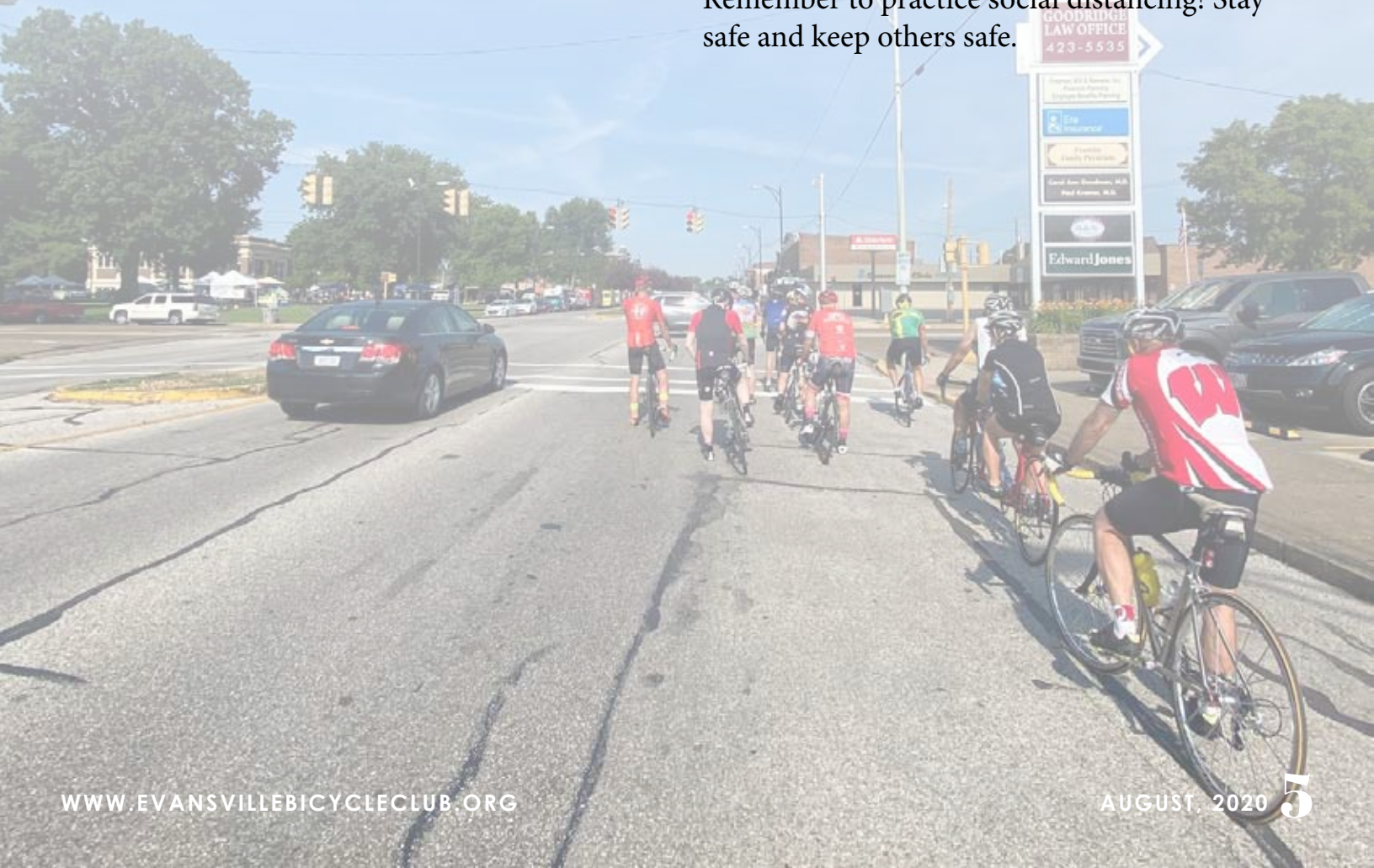
SOCIAL DISTANCE PLEASE!

Thursday August 20 and Saturday August 22 are the dates for the club century this month. It is the Mt. Vernon or Touring route. Early start time!! Be ready to roll at 7:00 am.

If you are not a member of Evansville Bicycle Club, we invite you to join. Membership forms can be found at: <http://www.evansvillebicycleclub.org/wp-content/uploads/forms/EBC-Sign-up-form.pdf>

Please print it out and mail it with your dues to the address on the form.

Remember to practice social distancing! Stay safe and keep others safe.



August 2020 E.B.C. Ride Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
HELMETS ARE ALWAYS MANDATORY! 2 10:00 AM @ Elite Fitness-TP Route (57 & Kansas) 23,37 mi. 2:00PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 33 mi	Wear your EBC jersey on Sunday rides 3 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi. 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi 8:15 PM Full Moon Ride Burkhardt & Olmstead Rd. 17 mi.	4 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ L-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	New Riders need to be ready to leave 30 minutes early and are encouraged to start with a ☐ Come Ride With Us ☐ Ride 5 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 5:30 4-H Fairgrounds Fast Ride 15,24,28 mi. 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us on the Greenway from Evansville Museum Ride Up to 20 mi.	6 9:00 AM @ Mesker Park Dr. and Wimberg Ave. 23 mi 6:00 PM @ Castle HS on Hwy 261 in Newburgh 23 mi	7 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22,33 mi	8 8:30 AM & 1:00 PM @ Dogtown Boat Ramp Old Henderson Rd. 12, 23, 45 mi
9 10:00 AM @ West Terrace School (Near USI) 19, 33 mi. 2:00PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 33 mi.	10 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi	11 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ L-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	12 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 5:30 4-H Fairgrounds Fast Ride 15,24,28 mi. 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us on the Greenway from Evansville Museum Ride Up to 20 mi.	13 9:00 AM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 27 mi. 6:00 PM Club Meeting Wesselman Park Shelter Bring a chair and a beverage.	14 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22,33 mi	15 8:30 AM & 1:00 PM @ Dogtown Boat Ramp Old Henderson Rd. 12, 23, 45 mi
16 10:00 AM @ Castle HS on Hwy 261 in Newburgh 23, 32 mi. 2:00PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 33 mi.	17 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi	18 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ L-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	19 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 5:30 4-H Fairgrounds Fast Ride 15,24,28 mi. 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us on the Greenway from Evansville Museum Ride Up to 20 mi.	20 7:00 Club Century @ Crossroads Church on Outer Lincoln, 100 mi. Mt. Vernon or Touring 9:00 AM @ Mesker Park Dr. and Wimberg Ave. 23 mi 6:00 PM @ Castle HS on Hwy 261 in Newburgh 23 mi	21 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22,33 mi	22 7:00 Club Century @ Crossroads Church on Outer Lincoln, 100 mi. Mt. Vernon or Touring 8:30 AM & 1:00 PM @ Dogtown Boat Ramp Old Henderson Rd. 12, 23, 45 mi
23 10:00 AM @ Mesker Park Dr. and Wimberg Ave. 23 or 38 mi. 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 33 mi	24 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi	25 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ L-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	26 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 5:30 4-H Fairgrounds Fast Ride 15,24,28 mi. 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us on the Greenway from Evansville Museum Ride Up to 20 mi.	27 9:00 AM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 27 mi. 6:00 PM @ Castle HS on Hwy 261 in Newburgh 23 mi.	28 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22,33 mi	29 8:30 AM & 1:00 PM @ Dogtown Boat Ramp Old Henderson Rd. 12, 23, 45 mi
30 10:00 AM @ Henderson Co. HS in Henderson, KY 24 or 32 mi 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, or 33	31 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi		EBC Membership form can be found at : http://www.evansvillebicycleclub.org/wp-content/uploads/forms/EBC-Sign-up-form.pdf	Please be aware of social distancing still, both on and off of the bike.		

Evansville Bicycle Club – 2020 Club Mileage

Overall Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Bies, Diane	6/1/21			15	429
2 Johnson, Bill	7/1/21			14	409
3 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/20	12		11	375
4 Bosko, John	6/1/20			9	259
5 Seger, Khris	10/1/20	1		6	227
6 Niethammer, Jim	12/1/20	4		5	200
7 Heiss, Dave	6/1/20			7	198
8 Sullivan, Patrick	10/1/20	10		4	181
9 Hawley, Tom	7/1/20			5	153
10 Bartley, Johnnie	6/1/20	4		1	100
11 Wong, Howard	8/1/21			3	61
12 Maurer, Kenneth	8/1/20			2	53
13 Brouillard, Gene	6/1/20			2	46
14 Ashworth, David	1/1/21			2	44
14 Vernier, Richard	3/1/20			2	44
14 Vernier, Sue	3/1/20			2	44
17 Reising, Alan	10/1/20			1	31
18 Kercher, Greg	4/1/21			1	22
18 Miller, Mark	12/1/20			1	22
18 Samm, Bill	10/1/20			1	22
18 Scott, Nicolas	6/1/20			1	22
18 Weber, Scott	8/1/20			1	22
Gardner, Gary	6/1/20		9		
Yeager, Rusty	6/1/20		6		

Men's Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Johnson, Bill	7/1/21			14	409
2 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/20		12	11	375
3 Bosko, John	6/1/20			9	259
4 Seger, Khris	10/1/20		1	6	227
5 Niethammer, Jim	12/1/20		4	5	200
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Yeager, Rusty	6/1/20		6		

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
Selma to Montgomery	2/22
Lee County Tornado Memorial Ride	2/29

Women's Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Bies, Diane	6/1/21			15	429
2 Vernier, Sue	3/1/20			2	44

Commuting Mileage

Club Member	Miles	Thru Month
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The Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc. Membership Application



Fellow Cyclist,

We would like to invite you to become acquainted with the Evansville Bicycle Club by joining us on one of our weekly rides, attending one of our monthly meetings, or participating in any of our other cycling activities.

We encourage you to join us as an official Evansville Bicycle Club member. Membership in the Evansville Bicycle Club entitles you to:

- Participation in all EBC sponsored event.
- Monthly issues of the EBC newsletter *The BikeWriter*
- 10% discount on qualify purchases at local participating bike shops
- Fellowship with other cycling enthusiasts!

The BikeWriter is e-mailed each month to members and is also available on line at the Evansville Bicycle Club web site (www.evansvillebicycleclub.org). In it you will find the EBC ride schedule, year-to-date club mileage statistics, a schedule of various rides throughout the Midwest, and many articles of interest!

Membership Level

New ☐

Renewal ☐

☐ \$12.00 Individual (one adult) add \$1.00 for each additional family member under the age of 18

☐ \$20.00 Family (two adults) add \$1.00 for each additional family member under the age of 18

Name	Age*	Signature*	Date
_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

Special Hobbies/Interests _____

*Members under the age of 18 must indicate age and have signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

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 member, I understand and agree to absolve the Evansville Bicycle Club, 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 Evansville Bicycle Club, 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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