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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](http://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](mailto: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

Matt, Kella &  
Jack Gerdeman #1324

Erica Leavell #1316  
(New Family member for  
Mario Leavell)

### RENEWING MEMBERS

Gary & Judy Breivogel #379  
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# The President's Saddle

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Hope you all are doing well.

Normally at this time we would have just been finishing up the GPM, but just like about everything else this year we had to cancel it.

Instead of promoting the GPM, I hope you all had a chance to hear John Nelli a few weeks ago on WIKY radio promoting the EBC.

He did a fantastic job and thanks to all that helped out with the food and supplies.

I am going to go Tech on you now, so if you are an iPhone user and your phone is capable, you may find this helpful. Sorry Android users, there may be a way to do this but I have an Apple phone.

### Setup your phone to quickly update your EBC miles.

1. Upgrade your iPhone to IOS 14.
2. Search your phone and launch shortcuts.
3. Create a new shortcut by clicking the + upper right corner, then click Add action.

4. Search for Safari and then click on it. Choose Show Web Page.

5. Copy this URL  
<https://rb.gy/qzpio4>

6. Where you see URL, click it and paste <https://rb.gy/qzpio4> into the field.

7. Click next and name the Shortcut EBC Miles. click done.



8. Go to iPhone settings, Gray gear icon, go to accessibility, then go to touch, then at the bottom, choose back tap. Choose double or triple tap, scroll down and find EBC miles and click it.

9. Now backout of all the settings. Now tap the back of your phone 2-3 times depending on what option you picked. If you did it correctly, the EBC mile web page should launch.

Stay safe,  
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# October EBC Ride Notes

We are down to weekday, weekend, and Wednesday night rides. Please consider joining us on a ride of your choice soon!

**BEWARE!!** Because of the season change, we have also changed the start time of some of our rides. Please consult the schedule for details.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT Circuit Rides

Circuit rides may seem boring in concept but it is really a great ride! We ride circles around the parks. The great part is that even if you can't keep up with the other riders or if you want to go a bit faster, it isn't far to the next rider at any time. You must have head lights and tail lights but they are cheap at discount stores and very reasonable at bike shops. There is minimal traffic in the parks at night also. JOIN US FOR FUN! This is a great opportunity to enjoy the company of fellow bikers.

## SATURDAY MORNING RIDES

We have consistently had a great group of riders out on Saturday mornings at Dogtown. The riders have been congregating after the ride for some fellowship in the parking lot. Come join the ride and bring a lawn chair to visit in after the ride. There have been sweet treats on a regular basis provided by Lisa Corcoran. YUM! Thanks Lisa!

## October 8

### Evansville Bicycle Club Meeting

We meet monthly on the second Thursday of the month currently at the shelter house in Wesselman Park. All members are welcome and encouraged to come. This is your club, come see what is being discussed and add your opinion. We want you! Bring a chair and your mask. Please continue social distancing.

## October 10

### Two out of town rides are happening.

The Red Bud Ride is in London, Kentucky. It is usually held in April but was postponed to October this year. The routes are very nice and the ride is well supported with great rest stops. Go ride Tussy! You won't forget her. The Crane Cruise, in Medaryville, IN was always scheduled for this date.

There is no registration fee. Only an optional goodwill offering is suggested if you wish. I have never ridden this one but it promises to be fully supported as Indiana moves to Stage 5 in our Covid opening.

## October 22 and 24

### October Club Century Days are late this month.

Note these rides start at 8:00 due to later sunrise. The route this month is the Poseyville Century or the Touring Century.

## October 31

### Halloween

Have fun, but be safe, if you want to wear a costume to the ride. Be sure all costumes are bike friendly please!

Don't let a little cool weather keep you off your bike! There are several club members who ride all winter and survive even the coldest nastiest weather. Actually the fall is the best time to ride as the leaves are beautiful and the air is clear and so much easier to breathe! Just ask anyone at a ride if you need help with how to dress and what gear you need. Think in layers and you should be fine.

No matter how far, no matter how fast, KEEP ON RIDING!!!

Wear your EBC Jersey on Sunday Club Rides

Remember to wear your EBC jersey on Sundays if possible!



# October 2020 E.B.C. Ride Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>HELMETS ARE ALWAYS MANDATORY!</b> Wear your EBC jersey on Sunday rides	Please be aware of social distancing still, both on and off of the bike.	New Riders need to be ready to leave 15 minutes early and are encouraged to start with a ☐ Come Ride With Us ☐ Ride	Red Bud Ride <a href="http://www.londonkydowntownc.com/redbudride">www.londonkydowntownc.com/redbudride</a> Crane Cruise <a href="http://www.cranecruise.com">www.cranecruise.com</a>	1 9:00 AM @ <u>Mesker Park Dr. and Wimberg Ave.</u> , 23 mi	2 1:00 PM @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22, or 33 mi.	3 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM @ <u>Dogtown Boat Ramp</u> on Old Henderson Rd., 12, 23, 45 mi
4 10:00 AM @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22, 33 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22, or 33 mi	5 1:00 PM @ <u>4H Fairgrounds</u> 15, 24, 28 mi	6 9:00 AM @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22 mi	7 12:30 @ <u>Elite Fitness</u> 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ <u>Garvin Park</u> on N. Heidelberg Av. Ride up to 20 mi. Lights required	8 9:00 AM @ <u>Old Dam Site</u> , Newburgh, 27 mi. 6:00 PM Club Meeting Wesselman Park Shelter Bring a chair and a beverage.	9 1:00 PM @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22, or 33 mi.	10 7:30 Red Bud Ride @ <u>London, KY</u> , 24-100 mi. \$\$\$ 8:00 <u>Medaryville Crane Cruise</u> @ Medaryville, IN 14-50 mi. \$\$\$ 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM @ <u>Dogtown Boat Ramp</u> on Old Henderson Rd., 12, 23, 45 mi
11 10:00 AM @ <u>Elite Fitness-TP Route</u> , (57 & Kansas) 23, 37 mi. 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22, or 33 mi	12 1:00 PM @ <u>4H Fairgrounds</u> 15, 24, 28 mi	13 9:00 AM @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22 mi	14 12:30 PM @ <u>Elite Fitness</u> 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ <u>Wesselman Park</u> on Boeke Rd. Ride up to 20 mi. Lights required	15 9:00 AM @ <u>Mesker Park Dr. and Wimberg Ave.</u> , 23 mi	16 1:00 PM @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22, or 33 mi.	17 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM @ <u>Dogtown Boat Ramp</u> on Old Henderson Rd., 12, 23, 45 mi
18 10:00 AM @ <u>West Terrace School</u> (Near USI) 19, 33 mi. 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22, or 33 mi.	19 1:00 PM @ <u>4H Fairgrounds</u> 15, 24, 28 mi	20 9:00 AM @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22 mi	21 12:30 @ <u>Elite Fitness</u> 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ <u>Garvin Park</u> on N. Heidelberg Av. Ride up to 20 mi. Lights required	22 8:00 AM Club Century @ <u>Crossroads Church</u> 100 mi. Poseyville or Touring Route 9:00 AM @ <u>Old Dam Site</u> , Newburgh, 27 mi.	23 1:00 PM @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22, or 33 mi.	24 8:00 AM Club Century @ <u>Crossroads Church</u> 100 mi. Poseyville or Touring Route 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM @ <u>Dogtown Boat Ramp</u> on Old Henderson Rd., 12, 23, 45 mi
25 10:00 AM @ <u>Castle HS</u> on Hwy 261 in Newburgh 23, 32 mi. 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22, or 33 mi	26 1:00 PM @ <u>4H Fairgrounds</u> 15, 24, 28 mi	27 9:00 AM @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22 mi	28 12:30 PM @ <u>Elite Fitness</u> , 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ <u>Wesselman Park</u> on Boeke Rd. Ride up to 20 mi. Lights required	29 9:00 AM @ <u>Mesker Park Dr. and Wimberg Ave.</u> , 23 mi	30 1:00 PM @ <u>I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u> , 17, 22, or 33 mi.	31 Happy Halloween 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM @ <u>Dogtown Boat Ramp</u> on Old Henderson Rd., 12, 23, 45 mi

# Evansville Bicycle Club – 2020 Club Mileage

## Overall Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Johnson, Bill	7/1/21			45	1296
2 Bies, Diane	6/1/21		3	45	1172
3 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/21	1	17	30	1013
4 Bosko, John	6/1/21			37	1004
5 Seger, Khris	10/1/20		7	16	610
6 Niethammer, Jim	12/1/20		14	17	545
7 Heiss, Dave	6/1/20			17	478
8 Sullivan, Patrick	10/1/20		16	8	436
9 Hawley, Tom	7/1/20			5	153
10 Ashworth, David	1/1/21			5	127
11 Bartley, Johnnie	6/1/20	6		1	100
12 Maurer, Kenneth	8/1/20			3	67
13 Wong, Howard	8/1/21			3	61
14 Brouillard, Gene	6/1/20			2	46
15 Vernier, Richard	3/1/20			2	44
15 Vernier, Sue	3/1/20			2	44
17 Shrimpton, Dave	8/1/20			1	38
18 Paige, Keith	6/1/20			2	37
19 Reising, Alan	10/1/20			1	31
20 Kercher, Greg	4/1/21			1	22
20 Miller, Mark	12/1/20			1	22
20 Samm, Bill	10/1/20			1	22
20 Scott, Nicolas	6/1/20			1	22
20 Weber, Scott	8/1/20			1	22
25 Paige, Kelly	6/1/20			1	15
Gardner, Gary	6/1/20		10		
Yeager, Rusty	6/1/20		26		

## Men's Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Johnson, Bill	7/1/21			45	1296
2 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/21	1	17	30	1013
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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		10		
Yeager, Rusty	6/1/20		26		

## Women's Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Bies, Diane	6/1/21		3	45	1172
2 Vernier, Sue	3/1/20			2	44
3 Paige, Kelly	6/1/20			1	15

## Commuting Mileage

Club Member	Miles	Thru Month
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## 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
Full Moon Ride (8/3)	17
Specialty Rides	Date
Sebring 24 Hour	2/9
Selma to Montgomery	2/22
Lee County Tornado Memorial Ride	2/29





## Defeating SELF DRIVE: We Need Your Help!

In 2017, the SELF DRIVE Act sailed through the House, from the committee to a floor vote by voice, within one day—leaving advocates like the League with no opportunity to have our voices heard.

We're not alone: many groups interested in road safety want real regulation of automated vehicles, so that the technology that is developed responds to people who bike, walk, or use a wheelchair. The SELF DRIVE Act must be defeated unless it contains real safety regulation.

Take action by visiting [p2a.co/9Dm6tDM](https://p2a.co/9Dm6tDM)

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Highlights from the Blog ([bikeleague.org/blog](https://bikeleague.org/blog)):

## LESSONS FROM THE 2020 BUILD GRANT SELECTIONS

The U.S. Department of Transportation released its list of 70 BUILD grant awardees on September 16, sending \$1 billion dollars to 70 projects in 44 states. Much of what media coverage these grants have garnered focuses on how they benefit states important in the November election.

Here's a different take. I'm looking at how bicycling and walking projects fared. (see blog for full details)

# American Bicyclist: Bike Club Notes October 2020

1. Bicycling and walking continue to do well under the BUILD (formerly known as TIGER) Grants.
2. Most press around BUILD grants doesn't mention any funding going to bicycling, walking or Complete Streets
3. This administration promotes Complete Streets in BUILD projects
4. FHWA's Proven Safety Counter measures are included in several selected project descriptions

## 60% OF AMERICANS SUPPORT INCREASING FEDERAL FUNDING FOR BIKING AND WALKING

Sixty percent of Americans surveyed think the federal government should invest more of its transportation dollars into programs that benefit people who bike and walk. In a new League of American Bicyclists/Ipsos poll, Americans across the political, social, and racial spectrum report wanting better places to bike and walk, with 78% of people surveyed agreeing that their community would be a better place to live if bicycling were safer and more comfortable.

The new poll is the third in eight years conducted by the League of American Bicyclists surveying Americans' attitudes towards biking and the federal government's investment in sidewalks, bike lanes, and trails. Visit [bikeleague.org/blog](https://bikeleague.org/blog) for a download

## 13 BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESS AWARDS REFLECT RESILIENCE AND CHALLENGES

Today, the League of American Bicyclists announced 13 companies earned Bicycle Friendly Business awards in its Summer 2020 round of awards, along with two earning Honorable Mentions. The Bicycle Friendly Business program recognizes organizations that have taken steps to make biking an easy option for employees or customers. Including the Summer 2020 round of awards, there are 1,378 businesses in the program, which demonstrates their commitment to the movement to build a Bicycle Friendly America for everyone.

"This round of Bicycle Friendly Business awards reflects how companies are finding ways to improve the well-being of their neighbors and communities—in one of the most challenging times—through the power of biking," said Bill Nesper, executive director of the League of American Bicyclists. "We know biking is good for you, it's good for your community, and for these Bicycle Friendly Businesses, it's been good for their resilience."

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## Let's Build the Movement—Together!

Thank you for your club's support of the League of American Bicyclists. Together, we're working to make bicycling safer, more convenient, and open to all. Join us today at the 'Individual' level for just \$25 with the code "memberclub0520". Members get our full publication, a subscription to Bicycling Magazine, and a Bicycling Benefits sticker.

***Join us at [bikeleague.org/join](https://bikeleague.org/join).***



# 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](http://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!

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## 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

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## 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.

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**Make checks payable to: Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc.**

**Mail to: Kara May**

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