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MARCH, 2021



## THE SNOW IS GONE!



**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.

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# The President's Saddle

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Ring-a-ding-ding, Spring is about here!

March is here and that means two things, March Madness and Daylight saving time. I went back and looked at my riding activities for last March and noticed I didn't have that many outside rides.

Now I can't remember if that was related to weather or Covid. I am just so burned out on this Covid and and the year we lost. I really don't want to look back and I am ready to move forward like the rest of you.

So here's hoping for a warm spring and some outside rides. Be sure to check the March schedule as evening rides make their glorious return.

In club news, not a lot is happening. I feel like during the winter I should have more time to get things done, but for some reason it just doesn't happen. Can I blame Covid? Maybe I can a little or maybe a lot.

I am hoping EBC leadership can resume in person meetings in April. We have a lot to talk about. Normally we would have had our finance meeting in February to decide on how we were going to fund some of the causes we support.

With the GPM not happening last year, that is going to have a huge

impact on what we can do this year. So we are behind a little, but I think we can get back on schedule.

**Awards:** Rusty has let me know that he is finishing up the year end results and he should turn in the awards order to Tiffany & Co the first week in March. It's still too soon to decide on how we are going to get you your award.



I feel we still need to have a get together to recognise the accomplishments you guys did in a challenging year. Still working on this.

For those softies like myself, you spent most of

the winter on the indoor trainer. This year has been the best yet of indoor riding and has gone by so fast. I see it only getting better as more members and non members jump on Zwift.

I have enjoyed our Wednesday night group rides that now include a chat room so we can talk just like we do when outside rolling down the road. This year there was also a 5 week TT event that Lance Farr put together. I hope to see more of you next winter in my pain cave.

Stay safe, get that shot, and start racking up those club miles.

K.O.



# MARCH RIDE NOTES

## EFFECTIVE MARCH 14 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME IS BACK!!!

**Monday evening rides** at the 4-H Center are back on the calendar with Daylight Savings Time. This ride will be at 5:30 so we can finish before dark. Tuesday evening rides at Olmstead are also back. These are only 17 mile rides for March and will start at 5:30 also. Safety is a concern!

**Wednesday fast rides** at 4-H are also back. These start at 5:30 for 17 miles this month.

**Wednesday night rides** at Garvin Park Consider coming early if you want extra miles. You can earn up to 20 miles on these circuit rides in the park. We are staying in the park due to potential flooding on the Greenway. Lights are no longer required after the time change as we should not be in by dark at 7:00.

**Thursday mornings at Mesker** are back. We have spent the last two months at Newburgh on Thursday mornings because the roads there are cleared in the winter better than the west side ones. However, we are assuming winter is

passed and going back to rotating the Thursday morning rides between the Old Dam and Mesker Park.

**Thursday night rides** at Newburgh Old Dam is a new addition. Again only the 17 mile route is on the schedule for a 5:30 start.

**Wear your green on Wednesday March 17 or risk being pinched. Happy St. Patty's Day!**

**The Club Centuries are also back on the schedule!!!** We are riding the Tennyson Century or a Touring Century this month on Thursday March 18 and Saturday March 20, the first day of spring. Meet up at Crossroads Church at 8 AM for a fun day on the bike.

**GET OUT AND RIDE!!  
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTS MARCH 14.  
SPRING ARRIVES ON MARCH 20.**

Again, be aware of water across the roadway. Do not enter deep water as it may take you down. Watch out for chuck holes too! They could be lurking, very deep, under that harmless looking puddle.

# March 2021 E.B.C. Ride Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Note addition of evening rides at 5:30 pm after the time changes on March 14! Come out and ride!! Century: March 18 & 20	1 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15, 24, 28 mi	2 9:00 AM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22 mi	3 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ Garvin Park on N. Heidelberg Av. Up to 20 mi. Lights required	4 9:00 AM @ Mesker Park Dr. and Wimberg Ave. 23 mi	5 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 24, or 33mi	6 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM @ Elite Fitness 57 & Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi.
7 10:00 AM @ West Terrace School (Near USI) 19, 33 mi. 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 33 mi.	8 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15, 24, 28 mi	9 9:00 AM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22 mi.	10 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ Garvin Park on N. Heidelberg Av. Up to 20 mi. Lights required	11 9:00 AM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 17, 27 mi.	12 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 24, or 33mi	13 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM @ Elite Fitness 57 & Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi.
14 Daylight Savings Time 10:00 AM @ Castle HS on Hwy 261 in Newburgh 23, 32 mi. 2:00 P M Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 33 mi.	15 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15, 28 mi. 5:30 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi.	16 9:00 AM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22 mi. 5:30 PM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rd. 17 mi.	17 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 5:30 4-H Fairgrounds Fast Ride 15mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ Garvin Park on N. Heidelberg Av. Up to 20 mi. Lights required	18 8:00 AM Club Century @ Crossroads Church on Outer Lincoln, 100 mi. Tennyson or Touring Route 9:00 AM @ Mesker Park Dr. and Wimberg Ave. 23 mi. 5:30 PM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 17 mi.	19 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 24, or 33mi	20 8:00 AM Club Century @ Crossroads Church on Outer Lincoln, 100 mi. Tennyson or Touring Route 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM @ Elite Fitness 57 & Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi.
21 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, or 33 mi.	22 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15, 28 mi. 5:30 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi.	23 9:00 AM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22 mi. 5:30 PM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rd. 17 mi.	24 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 5:30 4-H Fairgrounds Fast Ride 15mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ Garvin Park on N. Heidelberg Av. Up to 20 mi. Lights required	25 9:00 AM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 17, 27 mi. 5:30 PM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 17 mi.	26 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 24, or 33mi	27 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM @ Elite Fitness 57 & Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi.
28 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 mi.	29 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15, 28 mi. 5:30 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi.	30 9:00 AM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22 mi. 5:30 PM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rd. 17 mi.	31 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 5:30 4-H Fairgrounds Fast Ride 15mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ Garvin Park on N. Heidelberg Av. Up to 20 mi. Lights required	Club Jersey Sundays Wear your EBC jersey on Sunday club rides.	HELMETS ARE ALWAYS MANDATORY	New Riders need to be ready to leave 30 min. early and are encouraged to start with a Come Ride With Us Ride. We often eat out after Monday and Wednesday



# 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	7	119	3516	
2 Johnson, Bill	7/1/21	2	96	2925	
3 Bosko, John	6/1/21	3	66	1972	
4 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/21	27	39	1389	
5 Vernier, Richard	3/1/21		50	1233	
5 Vernier, Sue	3/1/21		50	1233	
7 Heiss, Dave	9/1/21		37	1071	
8 Niethammer, Jim	12/1/20	24	28	1029	
9 Ashworth, David	1/1/21		31	882	
10 Paige, Keith	6/1/21	13	26	838	
11 Seger, Khris	10/1/21	11	22	832	
12 Maurer, Kenneth	8/1/21		26	770	
13 Wingert, Chuck	10/1/21		27	748	
14 Sullivan, Patrick	10/1/20	24	12	628	
15 Gerbig, Steve	3/1/21	7	13	526	
16 Brouillard, Gene	6/1/21		21	524	
17 Nelli, John	11/1/21		16	497	
18 Kirby, Ken	7/1/21		11	384	
19 Blome, Andrew	12/1/21	5	10	352	
20 Straka, David	10/1/20		10	310	
21 Kercher, Greg	4/1/21		10	286	
22 Hawley, Tom	7/1/20		8	250	
23 McBain, Roger	7/1/21		8	202	
24 Corcoran, Lisa	11/1/21		16	180	
25 Palmer, Dale	1/1/21		8	169	
26 Blackford, Elizabeth	8/1/21		4	124	
27 Kempf, Josh	7/1/21		20	114	
28 Bartley, Johnnie	6/1/20	6	1	100	
29 Samm, Bill	10/1/21		3	78	
30 Majors, Bill	6/1/20		3	77	
31 Shrimpton, Dave	8/1/20		2	69	
32 Carter, Archie	8/1/21		2	66	
33 Leavell, Mario	6/1/21	1	2	64	
34 Wong, Howard	8/1/21		3	61	
35 Robertson, Janet	2/1/21		5	60	
36 Effron, Michael	4/1/21		2	55	
37 Breivogel, Gary	10/1/21		2	49	
38 Gerdeman, Kella	9/1/21		1	45	
38 Kline, Philip	7/1/21		2	45	
38 Paige, Kelly	6/1/20		2	45	
41 Cloin, Drake	7/1/21		1	31	
41 Reising, Alan	10/1/20		1	31	
43 Miller, Mark	12/1/20		1	22	
43 Scott, Nicolas	6/1/20		1	22	
43 Spencer, Jack	10/1/21		1	22	
43 Weber, Scott	8/1/20		1	22	
43 Paige, Kelly	6/1/20		1	15	
48 Gray, Elizabeth	7/1/21		1	10	
49 Yeager, Rusty	6/1/21	13	1	3	
Gardner, Gary	6/1/21	34			

## Men's Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Johnson, Bill	7/1/21	2	96	2925	
2 Bosko, John	6/1/21	3	66	1972	
3 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/21	27	39	1389	
4 Vernier, Richard	3/1/21		50	1233	
5 Heiss, Dave	9/1/21		37	1071	
6 Niethammer, Jim	12/1/20	24	28	1029	
7 Ashworth, David	1/1/21		31	882	
8 Paige, Keith	6/1/21	13	26	838	
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22 Palmer, Dale	1/1/21		8	169	
23 Kempf, Josh	7/1/21		20	114	
24 Bartley, Johnnie	6/1/20	6	1	100	
25 Samm, Bill	10/1/21		3	78	
26 Majors, Bill	6/1/20		3	77	
27 Shrimpton, Dave	8/1/20		2	69	
28 Carter, Archie	8/1/21		2	66	
29 Leavell, Mario	6/1/21	1	2	64	
30 Wong, Howard	8/1/21		3	61	
31 Effron, Michael	4/1/21		2	55	
32 Breivogel, Gary	10/1/21		2	49	
33 Kline, Philip	7/1/21		2	45	
34 Cloin, Drake	7/1/21		1	31	
34 Reising, Alan	10/1/20		1	31	
34 Paige, Kelly	6/1/20		1	31	
37 Miller, Mark	12/1/20		1	22	
37 Scott, Nicolas	6/1/20		1	22	
37 Spencer, Jack	10/1/21		1	22	
37 Weber, Scott	8/1/20		1	22	
41 Yeager, Rusty	6/1/21	13	1	3	
Gardner, Gary	6/1/21	34			

## 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

## Overdue Membership Mileage

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
Ellis, Toby	12/1/12		1	31	
Feller, Randy	11/1/14		8	217	
Fisher, Scott	1/1/16		2	31	
Shrimpton, Dave	8/1/20		1	35	
Shrimpton, Phoebe	8/1/19		1	31	
Wilson, Ned	11/1/19		1	32	

## Women's Standings

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1 Bies, Diane	6/1/21	7	119	3516	
2 Vernier, Sue	3/1/21		50	1233	
3 Corcoran, Lisa	11/1/21		16	180	
4 Blackford, Elizabeth	8/1/21		4	124	
5 Robertson, Janet	2/1/21		5	60	
6 Gerdeman, Kella	9/1/21		1	45	
7 Paige, Kelly	6/1/20		2	45	
8 Gray, Elizabeth	7/1/21		1	10	

# 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.**

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