



EBCBIKEWRITER

NEWSLETTER OF THE EVANSVILLE BICYCLE CLUB • EVANSVILLE, INDIANA • JANUARY, 2022

HAPPY NEW GEAR



2022

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



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NEW MEMBERS

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ADDRESS CHANGE AND RENEWAL

48

TOTAL EBC MEMBERS - 190

Paid Members 126

Past Due Members 64

Cheddar Up Link is up. Members will be able to renew/ join and pay dues online. Please click the link below to pay dues online or scan QR code.

<https://evansville-bicycle-club-membership-application-renewal.cheddarup.com>



THE PRESIDENT'S SADDLE

Kevin Otolski • Kotolski@gmail.com

Happy New Year!

I assume you all have started your diets this week, so good for you.

It's January and that means it's time for the EBC Banquet. This year's banquet will be on January 29th at Riverwalk Restaurant (located in the Hadi Shrine Building at 6 Walnut St, Evansville, IN).

Social time starts at 5:30pm with dinner at 6pm. You need to RSVP by January 20th and here is where you can go for more info on the big event. <https://my.cheddarup.com/c/evansville-bicycle-club-annual-awards-banquet>

Time is running out. If there is anyone interested in getting more involved in EBC leadership, please send your name to our nominating committee evansville.bike.club@gmail.com.

We will be voting on any open positions at the EBC banquet in January.

If you have not done so, please get all your outstanding 2021 miles turned into Rusty or submitted online so the end of year stats can be totaled up.

I came across an interesting phone app called bike fast fit EZ. It works best if you have someone to help you shoot the video, but you take a 10 second video of yourself pedaling your bike and it will tell you if your seat is at the right height based on your knee angle. If your bike is not on a trainer you can get on your bike and pedal backwards and still get a correct reading. (I tested this).

The app is free for seven days after you download it, so make sure you are ready to test it shortly after downloading it. There is a paid app version that does a lot more with fit options.

Stay safe and warm out there

K.O.



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EBC JANUARY RIDE NOTES

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AFTERNOON RIDES

Remember we have weekday rides on Monday, and Friday afternoons at 1:00, and Wednesdays at 12:30. These rides are in the warmer part of the day. Check out the schedule and come join the fun.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Our Wednesday night rides go back to rotating between Garvin Park and Wesselman Park for January. Please check the calendar and come out to ride with your fellow club members. These are fun winter rides. You can always stop at the car and add more layers if you didn't put on enough.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17TH

We will have our monthly Full Moon Ride on Monday January 17. This is Martin Luther King Day so come out and get a ride in that evening.



The ride will start at 5:00 at Olmstead and will be the 17 mile route. Lights are mandatory. The moon should be up and may light up the night for us. Just hope for enough warmth for some riders to come out for a Moon Pie after the ride. This is a moderately paced ride which lasts just over an hour. Come join the fun!

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 29TH

The club is holding its annual club meeting and awards banquet at RiverWalk Restaurant in the Hadi Shrine at Walnut and Riverside.

The doors open at 5:30 with dinner at 6:00. This is another wonderful opportunity to see your bike friends off the bike with your family too. There will be some great door prizes again this year.

All members who rode over 500 miles will receive their mileage awards and any kids will all receive awards for their efforts. Please come and bring your family for this evening of fun.

Rusty always has a surprise in store for us with the awards ceremony. Who knows what the theme will be this year???

MAKE YOUR RESERVATION BY JANUARY 21ST, PLEASE.

The info is being emailed to all members and is in the newsletter and on the Facebook Evansville Bicycle Club Connections page. Problems or questions (even if after 1/21) call Diane at 812-453-9966. Be sure to leave a message if I don't answer.

I sure hope to see all of you out on many rides this year.

2022 should be a super year for all! Let's get it started with lots of fun in January! It is your club, get involved, join the fun, RIDE and bring your friends! Come to the banquet, volunteer for a new position with the club leadership or just start coming to the monthly meetings regularly.

We need you!

How fast you ride or how far you go isn't what makes you a cyclist. It's your determination to clip in and get riding that does. - UNKNOWN

January 2022 E.B.C. Ride Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Make your reservation for the EBC Banquet!! Don't miss out on this fun event. Annual awards will be presented. Reservation deadline Jan. 21. Banquet on Saturday Jan. 29</p>	<p>3 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15, 24, 28 mi</p>	<p>HELMETS ARE ALWAYS MANDATORY!</p> <p>4 9:00 AM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22 mi</p>	<p>Make Your Reservation!!! January 29 at 5:30 PM EBC Annual Club Banquet- at River Walk in the Hadi Shrine on Walnut and Riverside</p>	<p>6 9:00 AM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 27 mi</p>	<p>7 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, or 33 mi</p>	<p><i>1 New Years Day!!</i> 9:00 AM @ Elite Fitness 57 & Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi. 12:30 PM @ Hawg "N Sauce in Mt. Vernon, 30 mi</p>
<p>2 10:00 AM @ Elite Fitness @ 57 & Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi. 1:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 24, or 33 mi.</p>	<p>3 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15, 24, 28 mi</p>	<p>4 9:00 AM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22 mi</p>	<p>5 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ Garvin Park on N. Heidelberg Av. Ride up to 20 mi. Lights required</p>	<p>6 9:00 AM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 27 mi</p>	<p>7 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, or 33 mi</p>	<p>8 9:00 AM @ Elite Fitness 57 & Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi 12:30 PM @ Hornville Tavern Baseline Rd. 21, 29 mi.</p>
<p>9 10:00 AM @ Old Dam Site Newburgh, 15, 27, 40 mi. 1:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 24, or 33 mi.</p>	<p>10 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15, 24, 28 mi</p>	<p>11 9:00 AM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22 mi</p>	<p>12 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ Wesselman Park on Boeke Rd. Ride up to 20 mi. Lights required</p>	<p>13 9:00 AM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 27 mi</p>	<p>14 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, or 33 mi</p>	<p>15 9:00 AM @ Elite Fitness 57 & Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi. 12:30 PM @ Silver Bell in St. Wendell 28 mi.</p>
<p>16 10:00 AM @ Reitz High School on Claremont off the Ray Becker Pkwy. 21, 40 mi. 1:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 24, 33 mi.</p>	<p>17 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15, 24, 28 mi 5:00 PM Full Moon Ride @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds 17 mi Lights Required</p>	<p>18 9:00 AM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22 mi</p>	<p>19 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ Garvin Park on N. Heidelberg Av. Ride up to 20 mi. Lights required</p>	<p>20 9:00 AM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 27 mi</p>	<p>21 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, or 33 mi Banquet reservations due to-</p>	<p>22 9:00 AM @ Elite Fitness 57 & Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi. 12:30 PM @ Korner Inn in Elberfeld 21, 30 mi.</p>
<p>23 10:00 AM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 24, 33 1:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 33 mi.</p>	<p>24 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15, 24, 28 mi</p>	<p>25 9:00 AM @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22 mi</p>	<p>26 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35 mi. 6:00 PM Circuit Ride @ Wesselman Park on Boeke Rd. Ride up to 20 mi. Lights required</p>	<p>27 9:00 AM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 27 mi</p>	<p>28 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, or 33 mi</p>	<p>29 9:00 AM @ Elite Fitness 57 & Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi. 12:30 PM @ Hawg "N Sauce in Mt. Vernon, 30 mi 5:30 PM EBC Annual Club Banquet- at River Walk in the Hadi Shrine on Walnut and Riverside</p>
<p>30 10:00 AM @ Elite Fitness-TP Route (57 & Kansas) 23, 37 mi. 1:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, 33 mi.</p>	<p>31 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15, 24, 28 mi</p>		<p>At Olmstead please park on the I-69 side of the access road and PARK ON THE PAVEMENT</p>			<p>The Annual Banquet is coming soon! Make your RESERVATIONS!! Great food!! Great fellowship!</p>

Evansville Bicycle Club — 2021 Club Mileage

Overall Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Bies, Diane	11/1/23		2	125	4026
2 Wingert, Chuck	10/1/22		6	132	3987
3 Johnson, Bill	7/1/22		2	99	2975
4 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/22	1	22	57	2232
5 Bosko, John	6/1/22		2	67	1933
6 Vernier, Sue	3/1/22			61	1558
7 Vernier, Richard	3/1/22			61	1557
8 Sullivan, Patrick	3/1/23		16	24	1229
9 Heiss, Dave	12/1/22			38	1128
10 Niethammer, Jim	2/1/23		14	33	947
11 Maurer, Kenneth	8/1/22			34	888
12 Seger, Khris	12/1/22		15	22	874
13 Kercher, Greg	4/1/22			29	748
14 Nelli, John	11/1/22			25	747
15 Brouillard, Gene	2/1/23			31	697
16 Straka, David	2/1/22			21	625
17 Farr, Lance	12/1/22		2	16	529
18 Blackford, Elizabeth	12/1/22			13	498
19 Kirby, Ken	10/3/22			13	393
20 Niethammer, Jesse	7/8/22		6	13	387
21 Corcoran, Lisa	11/1/21			24	271
22 Gerbig, Steve	3/1/22			12	265
23 Leavell, Mario	6/1/22		1	5	248
24 Gerdeman, Kella	12/1/22			9	227
25 Kempf, Josh	7/1/21		29	191	29
26 McBain, Roger	7/1/21			7	178
27 Salemie, Eric Claudius	12/1/22			6	173
28 Julian, Michael	5/1/22		4	4	123
29 Head, Bob	12/2/22		4	4	121
30 Gardner, Gary	6/1/23		24	7	119
31 Braden, Natalie	6/1/22			4	101
32 Efron, Michael	4/1/22			1	100
32 Gatewood, Ronald	1/1/22			6	100
32 Hart, Randy	5/1/22		1	1	100
32 Willett, Bobby	5/1/23		2	1	100
36 Toeniskoetter, Richard	3/1/22			3	91
37 Shrimpton, Dave	3/1/22			3	86
38 Miller, Mark	3/1/22			2	57
39 Dempsey, Amanda	5/1/22			2	53
40 Miller, Susan	3/1/22			1	33
41 Samm, Bill	10/1/21			1	31
42 Lewis, Brian	5/1/22			1	30
43 Shrimpton, Phoebe	3/1/22			1	29
44 Brake, Tony	5/1/22			1	28
45 Ashworth, David	1/1/22			1	24
46 Constable, Brittney	1/1/22			1	15
47 Leavell, Erica	6/1/22			1	14
48 Robertson, Janet	2/1/22			1	5
Yeager, Rusty	6/1/22			23	

Men's Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Wingert, Chuck	10/1/22		6	132	3987
2 Johnson, Bill	7/1/22		2	99	2975
3 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/22	1	22	57	2232
4 Bosko, John	6/1/22		2	67	1933
5 Vernier, Richard	3/1/22			61	1557
6 Sullivan, Patrick	3/1/23		16	24	1229
7 Heiss, Dave	12/1/22			38	1128
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18 Gerbig, Steve	3/1/22			12	265
19 Leavell, Mario	6/1/22		1	5	248
20 Kempf, Josh	7/1/21			29	191
21 McBain, Roger	7/1/21			7	178
22 Salemie, Eric Claudius	12/1/22			6	173
23 Julian, Michael	5/1/22			4	123
24 Head, Bob	12/2/22			4	121
25 Gardner, Gary	6/1/23		24	7	119
26 Efron, Michael	4/1/22			1	100
26 Gatewood, Ronald	1/1/22			6	100
26 Hart, Randy	5/1/22		1	1	100
26 Willett, Bobby	5/1/23		2	1	100
30 Toeniskoetter, Richard	3/1/22			3	91
31 Shrimpton, Dave	3/1/22			3	86
32 Miller, Mark	3/1/22			2	57
33 Samm, Bill	10/1/21			1	31
34 Lewis, Brian	5/1/22			1	30
35 Brake, Tony	5/1/22			1	28
36 Ashworth, David	1/1/22			1	24
Yeager, Rusty	6/1/22			23	

Women's Standings

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1 Bies, Diane	11/1/23		2	125	4026
2 Vernier, Sue	3/1/22			61	1558
3 Blackford, Elizabeth	12/1/22			13	498
4 Corcoran, Lisa	11/1/21			24	271
5 Gerdeman, Kella	12/1/22			9	227
6 Braden, Natalie	6/1/22			4	101
7 Dempsey, Amanda	5/1/22			2	53
8 Miller, Susan	3/1/22			1	33
9 Shrimpton, Phoebe	3/1/22			1	29
10 Constable, Brittney	1/1/22			1	15
11 Leavell, Erica	6/1/22			1	14
12 Robertson, Janet	2/1/22			1	5

Ride Mileage Information

Club Rides	Max. Mileage
Scott School	33
West Terrace School	33
Castle High School	35
Henderson High School	47
Reitz High School	40
Garvin Park	20
Wesselman Park	20
Greenway	20
Mesker Park	38
Dogtown	45
Elite	43
Elite TP	37
4-H	28
Newburgh Dam	40
Olmstead	33
Hawg 'N Sauce	30
Hornville Tavern	29
Elberfeld Komer Inn	30
Silver Bell	28
Crossroads Church	100
New Albany	122
Hosted Rides	Max. Mileage
Moon Pie Ride (7/23)	17
Specialty Rides	Date
FCBA Natchez Trace	4/17 – 4/24
	5/29 – 6/4
	6/7 – 6/17
Habitat for Humanity	9/11
Bluegrass Century	9/25
Great Pumpkin Metric	10/3
Hilly Hundred	10/9 – 10/10

Overdue Membership Mileage

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
Boren, Mike	5/1/06			1	29
Breuer, Tony	9/1/97			1	29
Feller, Randy	11/1/14			3	90
Fisher, Scott	1/1/16			4	149
Flake, Mike	11/1/98			1	28
Leader, Caron	5/1/16			1	29
McBain, Roger	7/1/21			6	172
Mitchell, Zane	5/1/18			2	60
Smith II, Richard	9/1/20			1	28
Swonder, Drew	10/1/19			1	30

LAB NOTES



After years of anticipating a so-called 'infrastructure week,' 2021 truly delivered. With the passage of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the conversation around transportation investment has changed in a big way. And while the Build Back Better social infrastructure bill won't come to a vote this year, we had MAJOR WINS for bikes in 2021, and the League was absolutely critical in advancing our collective interests in Washington.

This unique expertise in advocacy is one of the things that sets the League apart. With your support, we're building federal support for bicycling, all while publishing critical research to make the case for better biking and taking bold action on policy that makes biking safer, more fun and accessible to all.

In the Infrastructure Law:

- 60% increase in Transportation Alternatives - the main source of funding for bike lanes and trails
- First-ever climate focus in a transportation bill
- \$6 billion for safety plans and implementation

In the Reconciliation Bill (look for more of this in 2022):

- \$4 Billion for Reconnecting Communities - measured partly by biking and walking access
- E-bike tax rebate
- Bicycle Commuter Tax Benefit

Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD):

- Nearly 2,500 public comments submitted on behalf of the League to make critical revisions to the MUTCD, the official guidance document for

roadway design standards

Research and Data Publications:

- Benchmarking Insights on Older Adults
- Reconnecting to the New Majority
- Benchmarking Bike Networks
- Bicycling Benefits Business

Policy Development:

- Working with Argo AI to develop standards for autonomous vehicles - ensuring they can see and respond appropriately to individuals biking and walking
- Supporting several statewide safe passing laws, as well as 'Idaho Stop' laws in Delaware and New York

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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