



# EBCBIKEWRITER

NEWSLETTER OF THE EVANSVILLE BICYCLE CLUB • EVANSVILLE, INDIANA • FEBRUARY, 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](http://www.evansvillebicycleclub.org)



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



Welcome to February,

Once again we had to cancel the January awards banquet. We just did not get that many members to RSVP for the event to make it worth putting on this year.

I feel this was most likely due to the Covid situation and probably was the best thing to do. Hopefully next year we are in a better position to have the banquet. If you did qualify for an award, you will receive it in the same way you did last year, most likely from Rusty.

Not having a banquet does not mean I can't give some shoutouts to some of the hard working big shots this year.

In the category for most club miles by a female, that award goes to Diane Bies with a total of 4,055 miles. Honorable mention shoutouts to Sue Vernier and Elizabeth Blackford for rounding out the top three.

In the category for most club miles by a male, that award goes to Chuck Wingert with a total of 3,987 miles. Honorable mention shoutouts to Bill Johnson and yours truly, Kevin Otolski for rounding out the top three.

In the category for most centuries (100mi), that award goes to Gary Gardner with 28, followed closely by Rusty Yeager and Kevin Otolski

A few people applied for some of our open club positions. Normally we would have voted on these at the banquet, but as you know that did not take place. I hope to have an update on that soon.

Rusty mentioned to me that no one has sent in any EBC miles for January using the online form. If you need to do that, you can go to <http://www.evansvillebicycleclub.org/> and there is a link on the main page. I know there have not been too many good days in January to ride outside this year.



The February club meeting is our annual Finance meeting. We will be discussing our income from the GPM and membership funds to see what donations to the causes we support we can make this year. .

Stay safe, spring winds are right around the corner.

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Board of Directors -- 1 position open

# EBC FEBRUARY RIDE NOTES

Diane Bies • biesdi@aol.com

## MORNING & AFTERNOON RIDES

Remember we have weekday rides on Tuesday and Thursdays at 9:00 AM; Monday, and Friday afternoons at 1:00 PM, and Wednesdays at 12:30 PM. Check out the schedule and come join the fun.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Our Wednesday night rides go back to Garvin Park for February except for the 16th, which is our Moon Pie Ride. 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.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

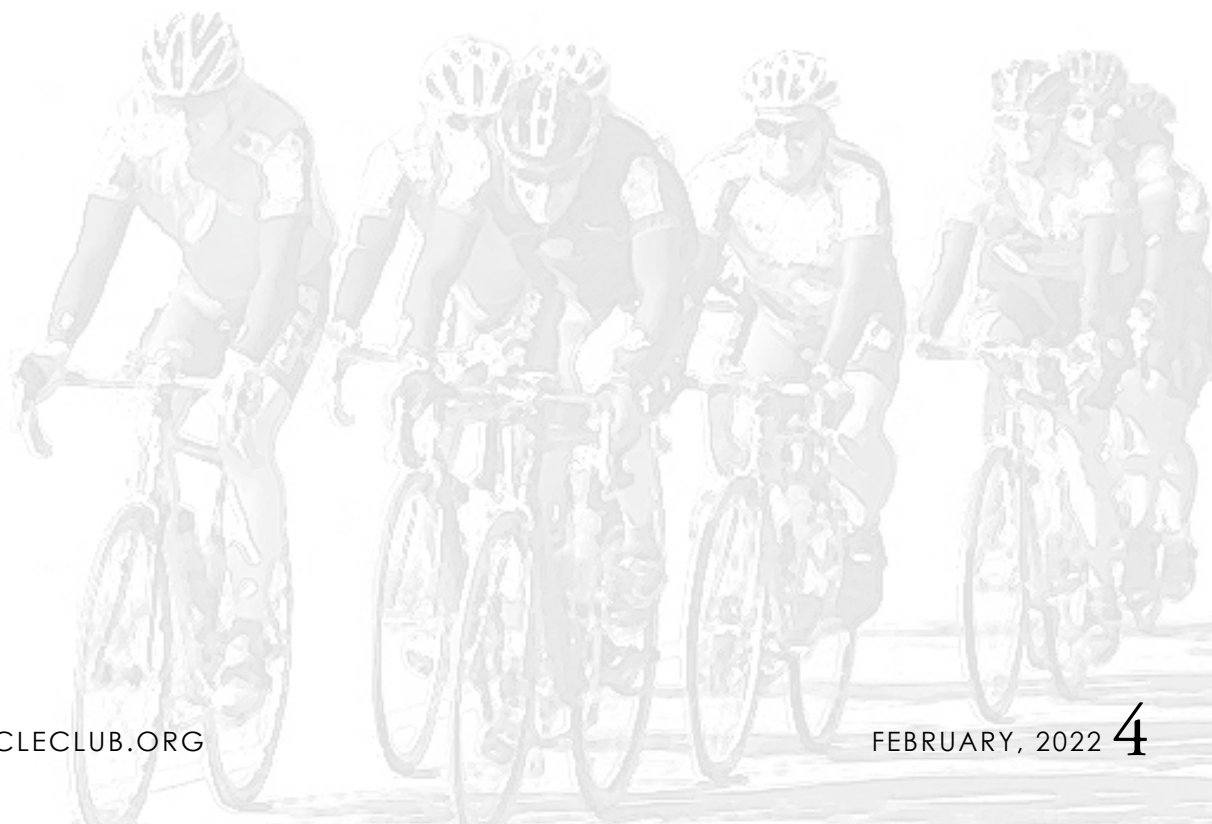
We will have our monthly Full Moon Ride on this date, at Olmstead. Slow, no drop ride. Moon Pies will be available after the ride. Hope for a warm night! 5:30 sunset and 5:30 full moon rise. Ride starts at 5:30. Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds.17, 22, 33 mi.



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.

*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

**Consider joining EBC as a paid member. There are assorted benefits available to our paid members. See the form on Facebook or on our website. Membership is cheap but it helps pay for our paint and other expenses. Thanks!**



# February 2022 E.B.C. Ride Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Note: All Wednesday night rides move to Garvin Park after the Feb. 9 ride. Except Feb. 16 Full Moon Ride. Wesselman Park closes the big loop for salamanders crossing</p> <p>Full Moon ride on Wed. 2/16 at Olmstead,. Slow, no drop ride. Moon Pies will be available after the ride. Hope for a warm night! 5:30 sunset and 5:30 full moon rise. Ride starts at 5:30.</p>						
<p>6 <b>10:00 AM @ <u>West Terrace School</u></b> (Near USI) 19, 33 mi.  <b>1:00 PM <u>Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access</u></b> Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.17, 22, 33 mi.</p>	<p>7 <b>1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds</b> 15, 24, 28 mi</p>	<p>8 <b>9:00 AM @ I-69 Access</b>  <u>Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead</u>  <u>Rds.17, 22 mi</u></p>	<p>2 <b>12:30@ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd.17,23,35 mi.</b>  <b>6:00 PM <u>Circuit Ride @ Garvin Park</u></b> on N. Heidelberg Av. Ride up to 20 mi.  <b>Lights required</b></p>	<p>3 <b>9:00 AM @ <u>Old Dam Site</u></b>, Newburgh, 27 mi.</p>	<p>4 <b>1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</b> 17, 22, or 33 mi</p>	<p>5 <b>9:00 AM @ <u>Elite Fitness 57 &amp; Kansas Rd</u></b>17,23,35,43 mi  <b>12:30 PM @ <u>Hornville Tavern</u></b> Baseline Rd. 21, 29 mi.</p>
<p>13 <b>10:00 AM @ <u>Castle HS</u></b>, on Hwy 261 in Newburgh 23, 32 mi.  <b>1:00 P M <u>Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access</u></b> Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.17, 22, 33 mi</p>	<p>14 <b>1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds</b> 15, 24, 28 mi</p>	<p>15 <b>9:00 AM @ I-69 Access</b>  <u>Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead</u>  <u>Rds.17, 22 mi</u></p>	<p>9 <b>12:30@ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd.17,23,35 mi.</b>  <b>6:00 PM <u>Circuit Ride @ Wesselman Park</u></b> on Boeke Rd. Ride up to 20 mi. <b>Lights required</b></p>	<p>10 <b>9:00 AM @ <u>Old Dam Site</u></b>, Newburgh, 27 mi.  <b>6:00 PM Social Time</b>  <b>6:30 PM Club Meeting @ Roca Bar 1618 S. Kentucky Ave.</b></p>	<p>11 <b>1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</b> 17, 22, or 33 mi</p>	<p>12 <b>9:00 AM @ <u>Elite Fitness 57 &amp; Kansas Rd.</u></b> 17, 23, 35, 43 mi.  <b>12:30 PM @ <u>Silver Bell</u></b> in St.Wendell 28 mi.</p>
<p>20 <b>10:00 AM @ <u>Mesker Park Dr. and Wimberg Ave.</u></b> 23 or 38 mi.  <b>2:00 PM <u>Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u></b> 17, 22, or 33 mi.</p>	<p>21 <b>1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds</b> 15, 24, 28 mi</p>	<p>22 <b>9:00 AM @ I-69 Access</b>  <u>Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead</u>  <u>Rds.17, 22 mi</u></p>	<p>16 <b>12:30@ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd.17,23,35 mi.</b>  <b>5:30 PM <u>Full Moon Ride @ I-69 Access</u></b> Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds 17 mi <b>Lights Required</b></p>	<p>17 <b>9:00 AM @ <u>Old Dam Site</u></b>, Newburgh, 27 mi.</p>	<p>18 <b>1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</b> 17, 22, or 33 mi</p>	<p>19 <b>9:00 AM @ <u>Elite Fitness 57 &amp; Kansas Rd.</u></b> 17, 23, 35, 43 mi.  <b>12:30 PM @ <u>Korner Inn</u></b> in Elberfeld 21, 30 mi.</p>
<p>27 <b>10:00 AM @ <u>Scott School</u></b> on Old State Rd. 15, 26, 33 mi.  <b>2:00 PM <u>Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</u></b> 17, 24, or 33 mi.</p>	<p>28 <b>1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds</b> 15, 24, 28 mi</p>	<p>23 <b>12:30@ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd.17,23,35 mi.</b>  <b>6:00 PM <u>Circuit Ride @ Garvin Park</u></b> on N. Heidelberg Av. Ride up to 20 mi.  <b>Lights required</b></p>	<p>24 <b>9:00 AM @ <u>Old Dam Site</u></b>, Newburgh, 27 mi.</p>	<p>25 <b>1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt &amp; Olmstead Rds.</b> 17, 22, or 33 mi</p>	<p>26 <b>9:00 AM @ <u>Elite Fitness 57 &amp; Kansas Rd.</u></b> 17, 23, 35, 43 mi.  <b>12:30 PM @ <u>Hawg "N Sauce</u></b> in Mt.Vernon, 30 mi</p>	<p>HELMETS ARE ALWAYS MANDATORY!</p>

# 2022 MIDWEST RIDE CALENDAR

Editor's Note: I picked this up off the internet and put it here for everyone to think about filling their "dance card" (out of town ride schedule) while there's still snow on the ground and you're getting pumped up doing Zwift. This is not complete, as there are a lot of rides still unconfirmed as of this publication, such as GOBA in Ohio. See RAGBRAI promo below.

Start Date	Event	Location	Routes	Type
May 29 2022	Chippewa Valley Century Ride	Chippew Falls, Wisconsin, USA	35, 50, 75, 100 miles	CENTURY
Jun 04 2022	Tour de Cure: Minnesota	Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA	7, 18, 27, 45, 62,100	FESTIVAL
Jun 05 2022	Arlington 500	Barrington, Illinois, USA	25, 42, 51, 70 miles	CENTURY
Jun 05 2022	Bicycle Ride Across Nebraska (BRAN)	Omaha, Nebraska, USA	7 days, 745 miles	TOUR
Jun 11 2022	Harbor Springs Cycling Classic	Harbor Springs, Michigan, USA	20, 45, 60 miles	CENTURY
Jun 11 2022	Harvest Homecoming Bicycle Tour	Starlight, Indiana, USA	26, 40, 65 miles	CENTURY
Jun 11 2022	Biking Across Kansas	Johnson City, Kansas, USA	8 days, 500 +/- miles	TOUR
Jun 12 2022	Big BAM (Bicycle Across Missouri)	Poplar Bluff, Missouri	297 miles	TOUR
Jun 17 2022	Le Tour de Shore	Chicago, Illinois, USA	2 days, 66 miles, 34 miles	TOUR
Jun 18 2022	Pedal Across Lower Michigan (PALM)	Whitehall Michigan, USA	6 days, 280 miles	TOUR
Jun 18 2022	Peninsula Century Spring Classic	Sister Bay, Wisconsin, USA	25,50,62,100 miles	CENTURY
Jun 25 2022	Ride Across Illinois RAIL South	St. Louis, Missouri, USA	165 miles	DOUBLE
Jun 25 2022	Tour da Goose	Watertown, WI	12, 22, 42, 62, 100 miles	TOUR
Jun 25 2022	Superior Vistas Bike Tour	Washburn, Wisconsin, USA	13, 19, 34, 52, 70, 100 miles	CENTURY
Jun 25 2022	Tour de Corn	East Prairie, Missouri, USA	15, 30, 60, 100 miles	FESTIVAL
Jul 09 2022	Dog Days Wine Tour	Oberlin, Ohio, USA	35, 50, 68 miles	FESTIVAL
Jul 16 2022	Holland 100	Holland, Michigan, USA	18, 36, 67, 100 miles	CENTURY

## RAGBRAI — JULY 23-30th

RAGBRAI is the oldest, largest, and longest recreational touring bicycle ride in the world. Started in 1973 by Des Moines Register reporters John Karras and Donald Kaul, RAGBRAI is a seven-day bicycle tour that goes from the Missouri River to the Mississippi River with stops in overnight towns along the way. One of the largest tourism events in the country, a 2008 study by the University of Northern Iowa estimates RAGBRAI's economic impact between \$24 million to \$25 million for the weeklong ride. Registration for RAGBRAI XLIX is open at [RAGBRAI.com/ragbrai-registration](http://RAGBRAI.com/ragbrai-registration). The full route with meeting and pass thru towns will be announced in March 2022.



# 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	126	4055
2 Wingert, Chuck	10/1/22		6	132	3987
3 Johnson, Bill	7/1/22		2	100	3004
4 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/22	1	22	57	2232
5 Bosko, John	6/1/22		2	67	1933
6 Kercher, Greg	4/1/22			68	1770
7 Vernier, Sue	3/1/22			61	1558
8 Vernier, Richard	3/1/22			61	1557
9 Sullivan, Patrick	3/1/23		16	24	1229
10 Heiss, Dave	12/1/22			38	1128
11 Niethammer, Jim	2/1/23		14	33	947
12 Maurer, Kenneth	8/1/22			36	945
13 Seger, Khris	12/1/22		15	22	874
14 Nelli, John	11/1/22			27	804
15 Brouillard, Gene	2/1/23			31	697
16 Straka, David	2/1/22			23	682
17 Farr, Lance	12/1/22	2	17	557	
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		26	289	
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 Salemie, Eric Claudius	12/1/22		7	202	
26 Kempf, Josh	7/1/21		29	191	
27 McBain, Roger	7/1/21		7	178	
28 Julian, Michael	5/1/22		4	123	
29 Head, Bob	12/2/22		4	121	
30 Gardner, Gary	6/1/23		28	7	119
31 Braden, Natalie	6/1/22		4	101	
32 Efron, Michael	4/1/22	1	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	
40 Yeager, Rusty	6/1/22		24	1	33
42 Samm, Bill	10/1/21			1	31
43 Lewis, Brian	5/1/22			1	30
44 Shrimpton, Phoebe	3/1/22			1	29
45 Brake, Tony	5/1/22			1	28
46 Ashworth, David	1/1/22			1	24
47 Constable, Brittny	1/1/22			1	15
48 Leavell, Erica	6/1/22			1	14
49 Robertson, Janet	2/1/22			1	5

## Men's Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Wingert, Chuck	10/1/22		6	132	3987
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3 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/22	1	22	57	2232
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5 Kercher, Greg	4/1/22			68	1770
6 Vernier, Richard	3/1/22			61	1557
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10 Maurer, Kenneth	8/1/22			36	945
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19 Leavell, Mario	6/1/22	1	5	248	
20 Salemie, Eric Claudius	12/1/22		7	202	
21 Kempf, Josh	7/1/21		29	191	
22 McBain, Roger	7/1/21		7	178	
23 Julian, Michael	5/1/22		4	123	
24 Head, Bob	12/2/22		4	121	
25 Gardner, Gary	6/1/23		28	7	119
26 Efron, Michael	4/1/22	1	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 Yeager, Rusty	6/1/22		24	1	33
34 Samm, Bill	10/1/21			1	31
35 Lewis, Brian	5/1/22			1	30
36 Brake, Tony	5/1/22			1	28
37 Ashworth, David	1/1/22			1	24

## Women's Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Bies, Diane	11/1/23		2	126	4055
2 Vernier, Sue	3/1/22			61	1558
3 Blackford, Elizabeth	12/1/22			13	498
4 Corcoran, Lisa	11/1/21			26	289
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, Brittny	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			7	201
Mitchell, Zane	5/1/18			2	60
Smith II, Richard	9/1/20			1	28
Swonder, Drew	10/1/19			1	30

# 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!

**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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