



# EBCBIKEWRITER

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



Patrick Sullivan wearing his EBC jersey on the Paris-Roubaix Pave in France.

## 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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## EBC MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR MAY, 2022

### NEW MEMBERS

Tegan Britt

### RENEWING MEMBERS

Greg Kercher

### TOTAL EBC MEMBERS - 193

*Paid Members 133*

*Past Due Members 60*

### Memberships expired, April, 2022

Michael Effron

### Memberships expiring, MAY, 2022

Brian Lewis

Amanda Dempsey

Brian Bohrnstedt

Tony Brake

Randall Hart

Michael Julian

### Memberships expiring, June, 2022

John Bosko

Mario Leavell

Jon Mandel

Jim Braden

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](mailto:Kotolski@gmail.com)

Welcome to May,

April seemed like it was cold and wet and when it wasn't, the wind was usually blowing 20+ MPH. Now that May is here, we should start to see some better ride days.

A few things happening this Month to be aware of:

**Bike Rodeo** —The joint bike rodeo between EBC and Mary Raley, an Injury Prevention Specialist at Ascension St. Vincent and member of Vanderburgh-Warrick Safe Kids Coalition, is set for **May 14th**. I really NEED some of our members to step up and volunteer a couple hours at this event. If you can help, get in touch with Diane 812-453-9966.

**The Ride of Silence** is back after being canceled due to covid the past two years. The Ride of Silence is an annual international bicycle ride to commemorate cyclists killed and support those injured while riding on public roads.

It helps to raise awareness among motorists, the public and decision makers of the dangers cyclists face on the roads, especially from traffic. The ride is 9 miles at 12mph,

and there is no talking during the ride. The ride will start and end at the Evansville State Hospital grounds on the corner of Lincoln and Vann. The date this year is **Wednesday, May 18th** and the ride will start at 6pm. Please arrive early for a few pre-ride announcements.

Here is a link to the route. <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/38804617> I hope to see a good turn out for this community event.

The Monday evening 4H and the Sunday 2pm rides are being labeled as **"Come Ride with Us Rides"**. This means there will be A-B-C pace groups. The A group will not have a set pace, it is what it is. The B group will have a pace of 16-18 mph and the C group will have a pace of 15-16 mph. If anyone is interested in being a pace partner, let me know.

I really think after a while, the groups will take care of themselves and a pace partner will not be needed. The club wants more people to come out to these rides and knowing there is going to be someone that they can ride with may increase attendance. Every ride does not have to turn into a race, but if you do want to ride above 18 mph then ride in the A group. I also would expect



to see people riding in different groups based on how you feel that week. If we work together on this, cyclists may feel more comfortable coming to the rides knowing there will be someone to ride with.

Stay safe, and I hope to see more of you on the road this month.

K.O.

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# PUT JOSH ON THE PODIUM FUNDRAISER

One of the nice things about being part of a club is getting behind something to assist others to become better cyclists. EBC has been training with member Josh Kempf for the past two years. Last year, Josh won 2 silver and 1 bronze medal in the Special Olympics bike races. To help keep Josh improving, and show our appreciation for the hard work Josh puts in, the EBC would like to purchase a faster \ lighter bicycle for Josh.

We're asking for those who are willing and able to donate any amount they can to this cause. All funds donated will go towards the cost of the bike. Any additional funds that exceed the cost of the bike will be used for lights and other maintenance needs.

<https://put-josh-on-the-podium-fundraiser.cheddarup.com>



# EBC MAY RIDE NOTES

Diane Bies • [biesdi@aol.com](mailto:biesdi@aol.com)

## MAY IS NATIONAL BICYCLE MONTH

**So much to do this month!! Please look at the calendar in detail. There are a lot of changes to the schedule start times and the ride locations have moved some as well.**

**THURSDAY, MAY 12TH—  
CLUB MEETING  
Come join us at Roca Bar  
on S. Kentucky Ave.  
6:00 Social Time, 6:30 Meeting.**

**SUNDAY, MAY 8 — Mother's Day**  
Come out to ride with the Mothers in EBC. No special ride.

**SATURDAY, MAY 14 — We need  
help 8:30 am to 1:00 pm**

**There will be a bicycle rodeo put on by St. Vincent and other groups to help teach children bicycle safety. This is our opportunity to assist in our community. Please consider volunteering at this event. Contact Diane Bies 812-453-9966 for more info.**

**SUNDAY, MAY 15 — 7:00 pm Full  
Moon Ride, I-69 and Olmstead Rd.  
BRING LIGHTS**

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 — 6:00 pm

Our annual RIDE OF SILENCE is to be held at the State Hospital Grounds off of Lincoln Avenue. Please arrive early to line up and hear announcements before leaving with our police escort. Bring all your friends with bicycles. This is a very slow, quiet ride. It is to remember all who have been injured or killed while cycling on public roads. We usually go to Hacienda for dinner following the ride. Please join us.

**THURSDAY, MAY 19 — 8:00 am  
CLUB CENTURY**, The route on the calendar is the Folsomville or Touring route starting at Crossroads Church.

**SATURDAY, MAY 21 — 8:00 am  
CLUB CENTURY**, The route on the calendar is the Folsomville or Touring route starting at Crossroads Church.

**May 23 through May 27 is Bike to  
Work Week with a special focus on  
Friday May 27 as Bike to Work Day.**

**SATURDAY, May 28 — CRAM in  
Clarksville, TN** [bikethecram.com/](http://bikethecram.com/)

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY, May  
28 and 29 — Horsey Hundred in  
Georgetown, KY**  
[horseyhundred.com/](http://horseyhundred.com/)

## MONDAY, May 30 — 9:00 am

EBC Memorial Day ride, at Darmstadt Inn Parking Lot (Come in your patriotic bike clothing for a patriotic bike ride) We will ride the USA route again.

**Remember to wear your EBC jersey  
when riding on Sundays! Also it is  
nice to wear them when riding at  
organized rides so we can recognize  
each other and represent our club**



# May 2022 E.B.C. Ride Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10:00 AM @ Scott School on Old State Rd. 15, 26, 33 mi. 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 24, or 33 mi	2 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi	3 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	4 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 5:30 4-H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi.	5 9:00 AM @ Mesker Park Dr. 23 mi. 6:00 PM @ Mesker Park Mesker Park Dr. & Wimborg Ave. 23 mi.	6 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,24,33 mi	7 10:00 AM @ Silver Bell in St. Wendell 28 Mi. 1:00 PM @ Dogtown Boat Ramp Old Henderson Rd. 12, 23, 45mi.
8 Mother's Day 10:00 AM @ Elite Fitness @ 57 & Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 24, 33 mi	9 Bike to Work Week 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi	10 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	11 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 5:30 4-H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi.	12 9:00 AM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 17,27 mi. 6:00 PM Social 6:30 PM Club Meeting @ Roca Bar 1618 S. Kentucky Ave.	13 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,24,33 mi	14 BIKE RODEO 8:30 to 1:00 @ St. Vincent Parking Lot in front of Ronald McDonald house. Volunteers Needed: Contact Diane Bies 812-453-9966
15 10:00 AM @ Old Dam Site Newburgh, 15,27,30 mi. 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 24, or 33 mi 7:00 PM Full Moon Ride @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17 mi.	16 Bike to Work Week 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi	17 Bike to Work Week 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	18 Bike to Work Week 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 6:00 PM Ride of Silence @ Evansville State Hospital 3400 Lincoln Ave. 12 mi at 12 mph in honor of those injured or killed while cycling on public roadways. Please arrive early.	19 Bike to Work Week 8:00 AM Club Century @ Crossroads Church 100 mi. 100 mi. Folsomville or Touring 9:00 AM @ Mesker Park Dr. 23 mi. 6:00 PM @ Mesker Park Mesker Park Dr. & Wimborg Ave. 23 mi.	20 Bike to Work Week 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,24,33 mi	21 8:00 AM Club Century @ Crossroads Church 100 mi. Folsomville or Touring 10:00 @ Korner Inn in Elberfeld 21, 30 mi. 1:00 PM @ Dogtown Boat Ramp Old Henderson Rd. 12, 23, 30, 45 mi
22 10:00 AM @ Reitz High School on Claremont off the Ray Becker Pkwy. 21, 40 mi. 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 24, or 33 mi	23 1:00 PM @ 4H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi	24 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	25 12:30 @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17,23,35 mi. 5:30 4-H Fairgrounds 15,24,28 mi.	26 9:00 AM @ Old Dam Site, Newburgh, 17,27 mi. 6:00 PM @ Mesker Park Mesker Park Dr. & Wimborg Ave. 23 mi.	27 1:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,24,33 mi	28 CRAM \$\$\$ Horsey 100 \$\$\$ 10:00 @ Hawg "N Sauce in Mt. Vernon, 30 mi. 1:00 PM @ Elite Fitness 57 and Kansas Rd. 17, 23, 35, 43 mi.
29 Horsey 100 \$\$\$ 10:00 AM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,24,33 2:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17, 22, or 33 mi.	30 Memorial Day 9:00 AM @ Darmstadt Inn Darmstadt Rd. 23 miles HOSTED RIDE 6:00 PM Come Ride With Us @ 4-H Fairground 15 mi	31 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM @ I-69 Access, Burkhardt & Olmstead Rds. 17,22 mi	HELMETS ARE MANDATORY Wear your EBC jersey on Sunday rides	NATIONAL BICYCLE MONTH BIKE TO WORK WEEK MAY 23-27 RIDE YOUR BIKE!!! JOIN THE MANY ACTIVITIES		CRAM Clarksville, TN 20,35,62,100 \$\$\$ <a href="http://bikethecram.com/">bikethecram.com/</a> Horsey 100 Georgetown, KY. Two day event 25,42,61,83,100 <a href="http://horseyhundred.com/">horseyhundred.com/</a>

# 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). This is not complete, as there are a lot of rides still unconfirmed such as GOBA in Ohio. But if you're interested, some rides fill up fast. RAGBRAI registration is closed.

Start Date	Event	Location	Routes	Type
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
Jul 22 2022	Summit City Cycling Challenge	Fort Wayne, Indiana, USA	20, 40, 62, 100 miles	CENTURY
Jul 23 2022	The Baroudeur	Detroit, Michigan	20, 37, 60, 100 miles	CENTURY
Jul 29 2022	Tour Da Yoop, Eh	Manistique, MI 120	10 days/ 120 mile/day	TOUR
Jul 30 2022	Amishland and Lakes	LaGrange, Indiana, USA	2 days/100 miles/day	TOUR
Aug 06 2022	Tour de Tonka	Minnetonka, Minnesota, USA	16/30/36/48/62/71/100 miles	FESTIVAL
Aug 06 2022	Shoreline West Bicycle Tour	Montague, Michigan, USA	7 day/386 miles, 3 day/159 miles	TOUR



# Evansville Bicycle Club — 2022 Club Mileage

## Overall Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Bies, Diane	11/1/23		1	8	509
2 Wingert, Chuck	10/1/22			16	432
3 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/22		5	9	344
4 Kercher, Greg	4/1/23			13	308
5 Sullivan, Patrick	3/1/23		4	7	266
6 Vernier, Richard	3/1/23			10	219
6 Vernier, Sue	3/1/23			10	219
8 Johnson, Bill	7/1/22			6	191
9 Carter, Archie	8/1/26			5	160
10 Brouillard, Gene	2/1/23			3	82
11 Heiss, Dave	10/1/22			2	66
12 Maurer, Kenneth	8/1/22			3	51
13 Gatewood, Ronald	1/1/23			1	17
13 Farr, Lance	10/1/22			1	17
15 Kempf, Joshua	4/6/23			2	14
Gardner, Gary	6/1/23		4		
Yeager, Rusty	6/1/22		4		

## Men's Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Wingert, Chuck	10/1/22			16	432
2 Otolski, Kevin	7/1/22		5	9	344
3 Kercher, Greg	4/1/23			13	308
4 Sullivan, Patrick	3/1/23		4	7	266
5 Vernier, Richard	3/1/23			10	219
6 Johnson, Bill	7/1/22			6	191
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8 Brouillard, Gene	2/1/23			3	82
9 Heiss, Dave	10/1/22			2	66
10 Maurer, Kenneth	8/1/22			3	51
11 Gatewood, Ronald	1/1/23			1	17
11 Farr, Lance	10/1/22			1	17
13 Kempf, Joshua	4/6/23			2	14
Gardner, Gary	6/1/23		4		
Yeager, Rusty	6/1/22		4		

## Women's Standings

Club Member	Exp.	Ride Host	100 Miles	No. of Rides	Club Miles
1 Bies, Diane	11/1/23		1	8	509
2 Vernier, Sue	3/1/23			10	219

## 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
<b>Hosted Rides</b>	<b>Max. Mileage</b>

Specialty Rides	Date
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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](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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