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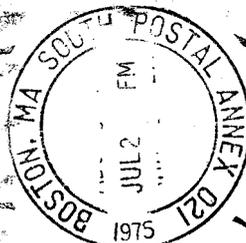
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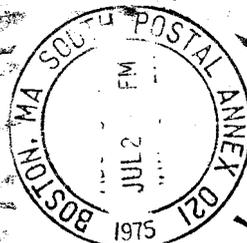
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WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 6:00 PM Easy, mid-week ride, 2210 Mass. Avenue.

SUNDAY, JULY 13 .. Triple Header - three levels of activity. Try one, try two, try them all! Activity #1 9:00 AM Time Trial. Meet at the Burlington Mall Shopping Center at the intersection of Rt 128 and 3, north of Boston. This will be an 11 mile time trial which is strictly you against the clock. You compete with yourself and the clock. Try it out this time and on future scheduled trials to see how you do. The pace is yours to set. Leader: John Vanderpoel, 369-7237.

Activity #2 10:00 AM TOBUMPAL III. By popular demand we repeat the TOur of the BUrlington Mall PArking Lot; the shortest, (1.1 mile), flatest, most traffic free ride ever devised. There is one hill, rising to the height of 5 feet, to test your stamina. This is a great ride for those who have not developed their confidence in traffic and riding skills. You will never be more than one-half mile from your car so you can do as many loops as you wish. There will be many experienced members on hand to answer your questions about your bike and its equipment. Let's get some of you reluctant dragons out on this one. Leader: Richard Mazeikus, 322-5569.

Activity #3 11:30 AM At the conclusion of TOBUMPAL there will be a 30 mi. moderately paced, ride through gently rolling Burlington, Billerica, Wilmington, and Woburn. This will be a CUP (catch up point) ride with several points where riders must stop and wait for the group before further directions are given. Leader: Erv Pfau, 969-5965

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION Membership in the Charles River Wheelmen also includes membership in the national cyclist organization, League of American Wheelmen, and includes subscription to the monthly newsletters of both clubs.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____

Single Membership: \$15.00 Household Membership: \$19.00

Any special bicycling interest? _____

Charles River Wheelmen decal - sheet of three - \$1.00

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 6:00 PM Mid-week social ride, 2210 Mass. Avenue.

SUNDAY, JULY 20, 11:00 AM Meet at the Shop and Shop parking lot on Rt 3A at the Kingston-Plymouth town line. From Rt 3 take Exit 35 for 3A South. This will be a 30 mile ride through North Plymouth, Plymouth and Manomet. Refreshments will be served at the half way point when the ride stops at the leader's cottage. Leader: Paul MacDonald 698-2832. Road Runners meet at 7:00 AM in front of club headquarters.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 6:00 P.M. Mid-week social ride, 2210 Mass. Avenue.

SATURDAY, JULY 26, 11:30 AM Time Trial. Meet in front of the Middlesex School on Lowell Road, about 2 miles north of Concord. The 11 mile trial will be preceded by a ride and a "bring-your-own" picnic lunch. The actual time trial will be at 2:00 PM. As the riding season progresses we all, hopefully, are developing in our riding skills and are improving our riding performances. Time Trialing is a very good way to check our development. Leader: John Vanderpoel, 369-7237.

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 10:00 AM SHARP. Meet at the Boston Bicycle Shoppe, 50 Berkley Street, corner of Appleton Street, Boston, for a 30 mile ride through downtown Boston to the South End and follow the coast line to Castle Island and Long Island, which will include a spectacular view of the harbor. A stop will be made for those who wish to take a dip in the briny - bring a suit - no skinny dipping also bring a lunch if you expect to get hungry, as there are no places available to purchase a lunch. This should be a fun ride and a fun day. Leaders: Bill and Linda Wolk. For information if the weather is questionable, call Bob Gunderson at the Bicycle Shoppe on Saturday night or Sunday morning, 267-8219. If no answer, call 542-3145. This ride will definitely be canceled if the weather is poor, so if you have any doubts, phone. The ride should be back in Boston by 2:30 PM.

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 10:00 AM First Rhody Roundup sponsored by the Narraganset Bay Wheelmen. Meet at Fort Adams State Park in Newport, R.I. for a choice of 25, 50, or 75 mile rides. The 50 miler will be very special as it will go over the Newport-Jamestown Bridge, from which cyclists are usually prohibited. Imagine pedaling over a bridge higher and longer than the Mystic River Bridge. There will be a "bring-your-own" picnic and social in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 6:00 P.M. Mid-week social ride, 2210 Mass. Avenue.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 11:00 AM Meet at the Shopping Mall, Rt 1 Southbound, in Dedham, opposite Lechmere Sales. This will be a slow 20 mile ride with an optional fast loop of 7 miles for those who want to move out a bit at a faster pace. This marked route will bring us to our leader's home where a modest libation will be proffered. Leader: Rod Huck, 769-0451.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 6:00 PM Mid-week social ride, 2210 Mass. Avenue.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 10:00 AM Through special arrangements with the B&M

railroad, we are planning to bring our bicycles aboard the train at North Station for a ride to Rockport, arriving at 11:18 AM, where rides will be planned for the Cape Ann area. We will return on the 5:35 PM train, arriving at North Station at 6:53 PM. The roundtrip fare for both rider and bicycle is \$5.00. **IMPORTANT!** You must reserve in advance for this event by sending your check for \$5.00, payable to Charles River Wheelmen, to club headquarters, 2210 Mass. Ave., Cambridge 02140. Reservations will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis, and is limited. For further details call Erv Pfau at 969-5965. With your check be sure to include your address and telephone number so we can contact you in the event of any last minute changes.

Later that day, 11:30 AM - three different loops of 20, 35, and 50 miles of the beautiful Cape Ann area will be available. Some of these rides will pass through Rockport, Gloucester, Manchester, Hamilton, Essex, Ipswich, Rowley, etc. There is some real fine riding in this area with beautiful ocean vistas and quaint villages. This promises to be an interesting day of riding for all levels of ability. It is not a prerequisite to ride the train in order to participate. Leaders: Stephanie and Richard Quinn, 948-2405.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 6:00 PM. Mid-week social ride, 2210 Mass. Avenue.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 11:00 AM Once again we are pleased to advise that the every popular Sunday with Pat Goodwin has been scheduled. Ride will start from Pat's house at 65 Candia Street, Arlington, and goes for 20 miles through Arlington, Lexington and Concord, returning to our hostess' house for hot dogs, hamburgers, soft drinks and beer. Also bring your swim suit and enjoy the pool. Yard limitations restrict the number to 50 so make your reservations early by sending your check, payable to Pat Goodwin, for \$3.00 no later than August 11. Directions: from Rt 128 take Rt 2A past Park Avenue (ball field on right) to first left after ball park, Washington Street, then first right onto Candia Street. From Arlington Center, follow Rt 2A just beyond Symmes Hospital sign, first right will be Washington Street and next right is Candia Street. Leader: Pat Goodwin, 646-1408.

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Coming Attractions

August 23-24 - Our president, Ralph Galen, is planning a weekend of camping and biking in the Mt. Washington area; for the stout of heart the ultimate thrill will be a climb - on your bike - to the summit of Mt. Washington.

September 6-7 L A W New England Rally to be held in the Portsmouth NH area. More details later.

September 14 Tandem ride for the blind and a visit with the very gracious Col. and Mrs. Sherwood, including a corn-on-the-cob and fixings feast.

Thursday, Sept. 18 First indoor meeting of season.

Saturday, Sept. 20 Earn your National Century patch the easy way. Join the work party marking the route on bicycles, then sit back and watch the crowds at work on the 28th. If interested, please call Ed Gross 969-0477, 6-9:30 pm, in advance for details. Paint and brushes provided.

September 21 CRW 10th Anniversary Celebration. This will be a reenactment of the original ride to Ashland State Park, The ride will be led by the original leader, Bruce Bailey. There will also be a corn roast at Ashland; we'd like to see all 300 plus members at this one.

September 28 National LAW Century Day. Ed Gross has promised to modify last year's ride from 125 miles down to 100. Start getting in shape for this one.

The next three weeks we hope to schedule fall foliage rides in the country which will be geared to all riders. This is too nice a time of year to miss. Plan on it now.

October 11-13 Metro NYC council of AYH is sponsoring their FANATICS SPECIAL: their annual "crazy persons" ride. They'll be cycling 24 hours non-stop from New York City to Washington, D.C., approximately 250 miles. Are you up for this one? For more details write: Metropolitan New York Council, American Youth Hostels, 132 Spring Street, New York, NY 10012. It would only seem proper that any correspondence should be done with words cut from a newspaper or with a crayon ... you know, no sharp objects ... 250 miles?

October 26 Special Halloween ride for which a LAW patch will be available. Where will this be held? Where else but in Salem, where the witches still prowl.

A Message from President Ralph

In my June message I encouraged mid-week bicycle club riding by saying that, "There is something right about mid-week bicycle club rides." I have the same feeling about time trials in a touring club. There is something right about time trialing.

Thanks to the effort of one person, John Vanderpoel, chairman of our time trials committee, the CRW has mounted a superb program for the tourist cyclist. Unfortunately, I was at the National Convention of Bicycle Clubs in Dallas for the first CRW time trials, but attended the second of the series and can assure you that I won't miss the third.

Time Trialing, a form of bicycle racing is in my mind the safest form of bicycle adventure one can choose. It is even safer than club riding for you, the rider, are out there all by yourself testing yourself against the clock, the road, and the weather. There is absolutely no need to concern oneself about touching the wheel in front for you are always the leader.

Whether you are a leisure rider who has a limited interest in speed or one of our

more spirited members, time trialing will give you the rider an exhilarating experience that will keep you in the spirit of anticipation until the next event. I salute Chairman John Vanderpoel.

HALT

With the help of bicycling's good friend, Senator William Saltonstall, First Essex and Middlesex District, WHEELPEOPLE has a definitive answer to the new Massachusetts gun law, "Bartley-Fox Firearms Act" G.L., c. 269. S10, and the popular animal protective chemical spray, HALT. Herein are sections of a letter we received from Robert M. Bonin, First Assistant Attorney General of the Commonwealth.

"The device 'Halt' ... would not fall within the scope of the mandatory sentencing provisions ... 'Halt' may be properly regarded as ammunition. No person may legally possess ammunition unless he holds a valid firearm identification card ... A person who illegally possesses ammunition .. may be punished by imprisonment ... or by a fine ... In summary, the bicyclists that you have described, while armed with 'Halt', must possess at least a firearm identification card in order to be in compliance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Gun Laws."

Editor's note: I applied for and received a FIC today. I just went to the police station in the city I live in, filled out an application giving my name, address, date and place of birth, height, weight, hair and eye color, paid \$2.00 and got my card. In all it took less than 15 minutes. If anyone wants a copy of Mr. Bonin's letter, please send me a stamped self-addressed legal sized envelope and I'll mail you a copy.

MARC

Although all the returns are not in yet, the popular "Ride for the Retarded" held last April for the benefit of the Mass. Association of Retarded Citizens, has once again proved to be a ride the CRW can be proud of participating in. We know of at least 12 CRW members who rode on that day and these 12 riders rode over 1200 miles - John Springfield rode 210 miles to raise over \$2500 with Ed Trumbull being the top fund raiser in the state - Ed raised \$1450.00.

RIDER'S JOURNAL

by Simply L. J. Duratour

Spring, as usual, never made it hereabouts, having been brutally stomped by summer before it had a chance. Still, there were a few good days fitted in here and there and we had a chance between blackflies and bitter winds sometimes. Actually it wasn't so much that we lacked for Spring days, which were numerous, only that we thought they were cold Summer ones when they came. The hardest part is always going back from short sleeves to long ones just when the warm air felt good. And the riding was delicious. The Fontana-Gengler two-stage affair is a real virtuoso map readers' performance and deserves to be repeated. Despite

a perfect day and a luscious route only a small number of riders came out; this route deserves another chance. Are our newer members scared off by the prospects of riding to Rhode Island? Is that any way to get started? It's amazingly easy, taken at a pleasant pace. And this ride, like Peter Reagan's, the following week, was run to let the slower pace hold sway so no one got left behind and the "fellowship" part of our club legend was realized. Can we have this one next year, again? I think people will regret what they missed and ride this one.

Mr. Reagan deserves the award for imagination in the attainment of heights; and only five hardy souls made it on a day that threatened, only rarely delivered, rain. Are you all frightened of getting wet? It was warm and pleasant. Where are the hardy commuters, tourists and battlers of the elements? Peter's efforts deserve better. I hope we can have a rain date for rides like this one, or even an optional repeat, the following Saturday if the leader is willing. This ride was stunning, a tour of farms and woods, marshes and hills only rarely difficult yet with splendid views and downhill coasts. The route was well marked and Peter will get thanks from all who get to ride this one.

GEAR 75: remarkably beautiful rides in remarkably beautiful weather. The Springfield group, regardless of their ride planning and features showmanship, should tell us how to arrange for sunshine, though as one Charlie found out too much of a good thing is too much - hot tires, a disappointed Galen and an explosion.

The Sierra Club met recently to consider bicycles, bikeways, and bicyclists. An interesting film about the promotion of bikeways in Denver was shown, and presentations were made by people from BABA, AYH, and Sierra. Plainly the consensus of this unbalanced presentation was that we should "do something" for the bicycle. CRW and LAW were not officially represented, perhaps because the organizers of the meeting know of the LAW stand, which is a reluctant and skeptical one, on bikeways. Anyway it seems that education of the Massachusetts motorist (like taming the mad bull) is the desirable way to better the lot of cyclists, and certainly a few cycle corridors or paths in difficult places would be helpful, at least for the few months they are maintained in riding condition.

Are there CRW members with views on this matter? Would some of you like to share them with us? The editor would surely welcome printable materials. More to the point, won't somebody keep us informed of anything in the state or local governments we can influence for the better? This group is probably the most experienced and certainly the only adult cycling group in the area. If things are going to happen, we should help and advise, lest the dreamers, as in the past, drive away the doers and we end up as before - a nuisance and threat to motorists, orphans to the state's finances, yet full of complaints about ill treatment.

Some have argued for "freedom", saying we're a group that is organized to ride only. Every adult recognizes responsibilities to society at large; these are obtained with cooperation or by coercious. I would sooner lead than be led.

FOR SALE ...

Two year old Raleigh Grand Prix, 23" Men's frame (29) lbs, completely overhauled and includes light weight fenders, toe straps, choice of seats, excel. cond. only \$129. Also Campy seat post, 28.6 mm x 140 mm; like new, \$12. Call Paul Kampas, 256-4774, 6-10 p. m.

Super Tourist Jack Taylor 21" Gents, 531 Tourist tubing, TA Cotterless 15 Speed, special Phil Woods hubs 4/36, 27" HP, Front and rear carriers, Mafac cantilever brakes, Dynamo with concealed wires, Pannier bags if needed, as new \$400.

Woodrup 21" Road Frame, 531 through out, Special Campy chromed ends, new \$125.

Pair tubular wheels, 27", Campy Tipo hubs with QR, Clement Vetro tires, \$45. Call Harold Lewis 969-0879 day or night.

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