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FEBRUARY MEETING
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FEBRUARY 12, 1976
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a) 1 Sun Feb TOUR OF SOUTH SHORE B C $35-40$ miles. Leader: Harry Lack. Meet 10:00AM at the Riis Park parking lot, near the entrance. Ride to Far Rockaway, Atlantic Beach, Long Beach and return.
b) 1 Sun Feb CENTRAL PARK METRIC CENTURY B ride. Leader:Ernie Lampeter rides from the Central Park Boathouse at 9:00AM.

7 Sat Feb TOUR OF LIOYD'S HARBOR B ride $35-40$ miles. Ma ps provided as Leader Bill Recht and Co-Leader Hubie Girard try once more. Ride at 10:00AM from I.U.Willets.

8 Sun Feb I.U.WILLETS HALF CENTURY B ride. Co-Leaders Steve Bauman and Ron Kahn riding from I.U.Willets on Josh Levin's marked route. Ride starts at 10:00AM.

12 Thur Feb MONTHLY MEETING --- NOTE NEW MEETING PLACE Rinaldo's Restaurant, 32 East 32nd St N.Y.C.2nd floor (Bet. Park and Madison)
12 Thur Feb LINCOLN'S BIRFHDAY RIDE B ride leaving Milkmaid Diner at 9:30AM. Mileage to be determined by those who partieipate. Leader Ron Kahn, with a route to be determined.

14 Sat Feb ST. VALENTINES DAY "MASSACRE CENTURY" A+ ride. Mystery ride leaving Milkmaid at 7:00AM. Leader Ron Kahn expects to return to the diner by 9:00AM to eatch on with the regular ride. Expect the worst in terms of hills, seed and anything else you don't like.
16 Mon Feb CENTRAL PARK METRIC CENTURY B ride. Leader Jin Rex leaves from the Central Park Boathouse at 9:00 $\bar{A} M$.
21 Sat Feb LONG ISLAND METRIC CENTURY B ride. Leader "Clincher Cincher" Josh Levin leaves I.U.Willets at $10: 00 \bar{A} M$ blazing a new route. Maps will be provited so come and see how it's done. The pace will be moderate.

22 Sun Feb TIME TRIALS IN CENTRAL PARK $5-10-25$ miles and nore. CoLeaders Bill Hoffman and Irv Weisman expect lotes of fun. Bring a watch if you have one. Event starts 10:00AM by the Boathouse. A Special Surprise is planned.

28 Sat Feb Dial A Ride with Ralph Irizarry. Give Ralph a eall at 212-824-3235 if you'd like to ride 25 or more fast paced miles in Central Park. Tentatively 10:00AM at the Boathouse.

29 Sun Feb ROCKEFELLER ESTATE RIDE Celebrate the Leap Year with a fantastic ride led by Leader Extroadinaire Ray Cartier. Hope you can all make it as a SAG WAGON will be provided. Meet 9:30 to ride 10:00AM from the Milkmaid Diner. Lunch on the route. There will be fast and slow groups, so DON'T WORRY ABOUT BEING LEFT BEHIND.

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I.U.WILLET'S Rd. Sehool, Sat \& Sun at 10:00AM. Direetions: LIE exit south, 1 mile ahead on Guinea Woods Rd. Pre-Ride breakfast 9:00AM at Howard Johnson's by LIE exit 37, Saturdgys. 1 hr . or less by ear.

MILKMAID DINER Saturdays 9:15 AM at Mamaroneck \& Rosedale Ave.'s in White Plains. Take Hutchinson Pkwy. to Mamaroneck Ave. Go north about a mile. Free parking at the bank's lot across the street.

BEDFORD VILLAGE Sundays, 9:15 AM from the Firehouse.
BRIDGEHAMPTON Sundays. Meet $9: 30$ to ride 10:00AM. Montauk Hwy (Rt 27) in Bridgehampton, L.I. Free parking at Grant's Shopping Center. Allow 2 hrs. driving time from N.Y.C.

## RIDES UYDATE

Apparently $80 \%$ of the Club does not ride during the winter. This estimate shouldn't be so surprising as I doubt more than $50 \%$ ride during the summer. Of ourse this is based upon regular and listed rides; but as a Club member participation on these rides is what counts.

Winter riding is a significantly different experience than "comfortable" weather riding. I won't discuss the merits of one as opposed to the other, for if you don't know by now you probably don't care to.

Remember, those who ride now usually lead later. They deserve their rides as they put in YEAR ROUND effort to not only advance themselves, but to benefit the Club. Why should these riders settle for what they consider to be winter type rides later on in the season? They won't and they shouldn't. Thus the abundance of longer and more difficult rides when most Club members are just beginning to brush the dust off their bikes. Besically, sunlight determines when the serious eyelist rides; we strive to overcome all other obstacles. This doesn't mean that we're bent, but that we view eyeling as an esthetic experience, oceasionally rewarding, occasionally disappointing, but never dull.

Start riding now. Don't let yourself get out of condition. Make your voiee heard on the road, on Club rides; after all, isn't that why you joined a CYCLING CLUB? Theres a message in that name. Cyelopaths do exist, and we ride all year round. Come out and join us.

Hopefully by late March we'll have a new system of mapped routes (possibly marked) in Westchester thet should benefit many club riders. Onee a month, all summer, there will be 25,50 and 100 mile pateh rides emanating from Milkmaid Diner. This is intended to supplement the I. U.Willets series. The 25 will be to Armonk and back. The route is eesy. The 50 will be to Bedford, Armonk, end return. There will be easy and hard routes as we want you all to be able to do the 50. The Century will be diffieult. We will take a strenuous route to Bedford, on to Ridgefield, down to New Canaan, and up and down to the Diner. The starting time will most likely be the same as the regular saturday ride, exeept for the century.

The Rides Committee hoves that this monthly event will be popular, bringing out riderg of all kinds. Weak and strong riders ean thus ride together as they do their own thing. Break our elusters together so to speak. For those without ears, there will be a route from the 238 th station in the Bronx to the Diner.

Comments are welcome. P.S. Route marking may not be desirable as there is an abundance of markers in the area leading in all directions.

Most all of our Westchester rides go North \& East. This Rockerfeller Estate ride covers an Bast to West direction. At one point in the ride you can see the Long Island Sound, and at the extreme Western end of the ride you can see the Hudson River. The entire trip is 42.8 miles. To date we have taken this ride twice. The first time was the day after Thanksgiving I975; we had I2 riders. The second time was the Saturday after Christmas IS75; we had 5 riders. We are schoduling it again this month to give more people an opportunity to evaluate it, If it proves success ful a third time, then we d like to plan a warm weather picnic with this ride.

The trip starts at the Milkmaid in White Plains \& moves out to the Last \& then North. After 6 miles we proceed Westerly for II miles. This takes us up threugh North White Plains to the Kensico Dam ( approx. IOO' high ) in Valhalla. (this would be a perfect spot for a picnic in the summer.) Further on we do a little hill climbing to a beautiful cemetery. (Anyone who can 't go on, arrange ments can be made for permanent accomodations. ) For the next few miles there are some very gentle, rolling, down hills past a very modern business complex that has a glass corridor passing over our route that connects buildings on both sides of the road in a beautiful country setting. (A Camera Bug's Delight) About a mile up the road we came to the Tarrytown Lakes. If the present cold weather persists these lakes should be frozen \& perfect for ice skating \& ice fishing.

We have now arrived at Vice Prosident Rockerfeller 's Estate. It is com pletely fenced in on both sides of the road with I2' high chain- link- fence. The animals that roam about freely come right up to you to be fed. If there is any snow on the ground you should see them. We make an II mile loop through his estate \& the surrounding town of Briarcliff Manor \& come back to the Tarrytown Lakes B/4 pro ceeding West \& then South back to the Milkmaid.

On the way back we get our glimpse of the Hudson River \& move right past the recently built Westchester Premier Theater, built in the round, which is West chester 's answer to the Broadway Theater in that the top talent of all kinds appears there. Beyond Tarrytown we weave South through Elmsford \& Hartsdale to Scarsdale where we boast of many beautiful homes; ( Female riders will especially appreciate this part of the tour. ) \& finally into White Plains \& the Milkmaid.

The whole trip took about 5 hrs including approx an hour for lunch \& another $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{hr}$ to settle Fred Dobs down - something he ate '1"

So we are looking for a large turn out. Everyone is invited, especially the women. We guarentee that everyone will be cared for. No one will be left behind no matter how casual your pace. WINTER RIDING is a much more sociable experience than sumer riding, at least from our experience in Westchester. . Try it "I You may like it '1!
** ( AKA - The Orange Brigade )
We are trying to develop some data on the correlation between the color ORANGE \& its effect on our safety on the road. Therefore, would everyone please wear an orange hat or an orange jacket or both. If this request imposes any problems on anyone, please come anyway.

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Two guests from Los Angeles, George Gilbrech and Arthur Rosman, after reading about our club in Bicycling Magazine and meeting one of our members while riding in Calif. attended our January meeting while in New York on business. Sorry George and Arthur won't be around to ride with us.

Ron Kahn asked the leaders to report on rides held during January which certainly was a full and eventful cycling month. Interspersed were pros and cons re use of rollers at home, Staten Island rides and a variety of suggestions for keeping fingers and toes warm during winter riding. Several "cyclopaths" reported on the joys of riding on Christmas and New Year's Day and, of course, more was heard about the midnight rides of Jimmy (Paul Revere) Rex. Jimmy suggested that in the future the Bridgehampton ride be listed as a regularly scheduled ride.

Iry said that an up-to-date financial report would be forthcoming, adding that the greatest expenditure is for the monthly bulletin. Sam Freedman reported that since December 22 nd, we have acquired ten to fifteen new members. Welcome:

Irv commented briefly about 1976 Great Eastern Rally (GEAR) to be held in Syracuse over Memorial Day weekend. While most members present plan to attend, there seemed to be little interest in reserving a block of rooms but more detailed information will be forthcoming in the next several months. Marie extended New Year's greetings to all from Cec and Larry Benson who have been unable to do much cycling in rainy Seattle. We miss you, Larry and Cec:

Bill Hoffman reported on new developments in LAW. It also seems that City legislation requiring registration of all bikes is imminent.

Stu Shackman conducted a very animated and exciting auction. (Stu missed his vocation, he clearly would make an excellent and irresistible salesman). Several other members, Leo Hirsch, Bob Herzfelder. Les Bercow and Ernie Lampeter also sold some good items.

The meeting ended on a beautiful visual note - Stu Shackman shared with us the lovely slides he and Jerry Koshar took on a recent trip to Colorado which included a national bike race and magnificent shots of snow peaked mountains, rolling valleys and streams and several endless, endless hills.

The Board of Directors met on January 20 th and formulated plans for a change in meeting place, arrangements for GEAR, a club shirt, possible collaboration and locations for 4 th of July and Labor Day weekends, an innovative and varied rides program, time trials, award to outstanding ride leader in 1975, a new membership card and recruitment program. You will hear more about these as definite plans are implemented.

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In response to many requests for a change in meeting place, the Board of Directors has decided to hold the February meeting at RINALDO'S RESTAURANT, 32 East 32nd Street, between Park and Madison Avenues. Parking on streets and avenues is available, as is access to public transportation.

The arrangement is somewhat different in that after you proceed up a flight of stairs to a private dining and meeting room, a restaurant employee will greet you and ask you to select one of four entrees. At that time, you will be asked to pay your bill, receive a receipt and at approximately 7 p.m. dinner will be served to everyone by several waitresses. For the sake of efficiency, orders cannot be taken after 7 p.m.; those of you who arrive later may have dinner downstairs and then join us upstairs at 7:45 p.m. for the meeting. The price of a complete dinner, ranging from $\$ 6.00$ to $\$ 7.50$, will include entree, vegetable, potatoes, salad, dessert, coffee, $8 \%$ tax and $15 \%$ gratuities. A.service bar will be available for your use. The Board had dinner at RINALDO'S and the vote was unanimous - the food, the service and the ambiance is delightful.

Of utmost importance, please note that the February meeting will be held at RINALDO'S on the SECOND THURSDAY - FEBRUARY l2th.

The Board has worked hard to find a restaurant that it feels will more meet your satisfaction and we now ask that those of you who have not, in the past, attended our meetings at Molfeta's, make a special effort to join us at RINALDO'S. We have heard your complaints and have done something about them; now we hope that many more of you, in turn, will indicate your support of our efforts by attending this meeting. On the basis of our experience and your reaction to RINALDO'S on FEBRUARY l2th, the Board will decide whether we will continue to meet there.

We look forward to seeing many more of you at RINALDO's on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12th.

The Board of Directors

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As a result of Marie Caldiero's diligent work, we will enjoy our Dinner-Meeting-Social at Rinaldo's Restaurant this month. It has many pluses in its favor, including food, decor and staff efficiency. Although I consider the prices to be reasonable for what we will be getting (not even counting the bonus of a nice meeting room), I am concerned that some members will be deterred from attending future meetings because of the price. (I understand that there are some members who do not buy CAMPY equipment either.)

Before the Narch meeting we must decide whether to return to Molfetta's or to move our future meetings to Rinaldo's. Since we want the Club's decision to be as representative as possible, do come to the next meeting at Rinaldo's (full details in Marie's announcement), participate in the fun and food, and share your views with the rest of us. Everbody ${ }^{\circ}$ s opinion is important. I would like to see you there.

"TURN back and take this tandem to that ice-cream van."

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For Sale --- Raleigh Professional Mark IV frame, 22 $\frac{1}{2}^{\prime \prime \prime}$, Silver/Black frame fork, Campi headset, \$165. Contact Jim Long (516) 928-0619.

> For Sale --- Ladie"s $23^{\prime \prime}$ Atala 101. Professional with touring gears and upright bars, $\$ 200$. Call Helen Bashkin $673^{-3596 .}$

'It's not second hand-it's pre-owned.


Everyone is in for a real treat at our next meeting at Rinaldo ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$. We tried it out for size this week and it looks like a good fit. Bring your shirts and jackets for another silk screen stencilling session. Ron Kahn will provide the entertainment for the evening, with a slide show of his cross country trip.

I've been wearing Totes Rubbers these past few "Chilly" weekends and I find, they really due the trick. My only problem now is "tire trouble", I tire very easily.

The New York Cycle Clut welcomes the following new members: Michael Nelson, Ted Wiener, Harry Rutten, Beatrice Levine, Robert L. Mieltzer, Phillip Holland, Myrna Meyer, Lou Bodak, Rankin Johnson, Donald R. Baker, Steve Bauman, Phillip Giles, Jack Kaplan and Jack Brover. Nay you always have a tail wind at your back.

Aviation history was made this past week, with the inaugural flight of the SST. I heard a back-up story to this event, on the radio that morning. A man received a patent for an airplane with a prop that is powered by bicycle pedals. (I knew one of our wheels could come up with an answer to the SST. Maybe he will have a model on display at the Bike Show.)

The enclosed cards provide a convenient method of soliciting new members. When folded in half, it can be kept in your wallet and given to any interested party, you might meet in your travels.

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