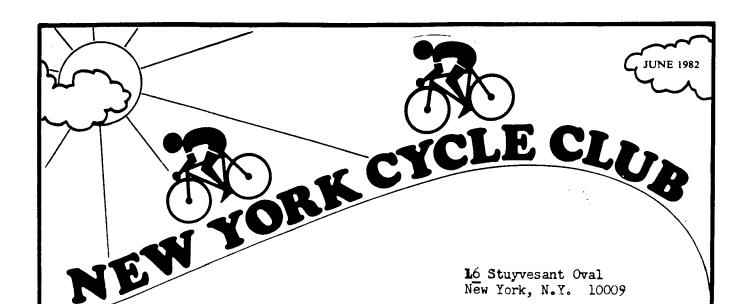
# June 1982



May 5, 1982

Bill Vojtech, Editor NYCC Bulletin 4111 Ave. R Brooklyn, N.Y. 11234

Dear Bill:

I read with interest Irv Weisman's report on "Disaster on the G.W. Bridge -- Averted," in the May Bulletin.

Jeff Bogumil is a spoilsport. It would have been better if he just quietly rode off on his tandem. As a result of his interference, we have missed one of the major events of the season. Imagine the sight of 100 NYCC riders marooned in New Jersey — probably camped out for several weeks. At night, ore would be able to see the flickering of their fires from Washington Heights. Fort Lee would probably become a desirable place to visit.

But of course, this is just wishful thinking. We all know that Irv would again save the day. With a wave of his hand, the waters would be parted, and the children of NYCC would enter the promised land.

Best regards,

Dan Smith

# **Ride Listings**

### GUIDELINES FOR CLUB RIDES

NYCC rides are intended to be friendly group rides; we don't like to "drop" or lose anyone. Riders whose physical or bicycle condition seem inadequate for the ride are to be turned back by the leader. Our leaders are truly reluctant to do this, so please cooperate with them:

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2) Be on time or a bit early. Rides will leave promptly.

3) Have your bike in good condition: both brakes working, properly inflated tires, adjusted derailleurs, no loose parts.

4) Ering water, snacks, spare tube, patch kit, pump and lights for after dark.

### RIDE CLASSIFICATIONS

			Riding Pace
	ANIMALS:		17+ mph
"A":	SPORTS(WO)N	EN: Vigorous riding over hill and dale. High regard for good	14-17 mph
		riding style. Can take care of themselves anywhere. Stops every two hours or so.	
ugu.	TOURISTS	Moderate to brisk riding along scenic roads, including hills;	11 10
		destination not so important. Stops every hour or two.	11-14 mph
"C":	SIGHTSEERS	Leisurely to moderate riding. Destination oriented: nature,	Ե-11 mph
		historical, cultural. Stops every half to one hour.	•
"D":	BEGINNERS:	Very leisurely sightseeing. Discovering bike and their bodies;	less than
		training up to "C". Frequent stopping and regrouping. Do not	dqm 8
		believe reports of mere mortals riding 100 miles or more in a day.	·

Any member may lead a ride. See the respective Ride Coordinator to submit a Ride Listing form: "A" rides: Gloria Lasoff; "E" rides: Marsha Taggart; "C" rides: Phyllis Lehmann.

Central Park Boathouse phone numbers are: 650-9521, 744-9813, 744-9814.

Jun 5,6,	DIAL-A-RIDE Leader: Lee Gelobter (646-7037). Each weekend day a group of
12,13,19,	friendly "B" riders go on 65 to 100 mile rides. If you'd care to join us.
20,26,27	call Lee Thursday or Friday evenings after 5:00 pm for additional
"B/B+"	information.

Sat Jun 5 KENSICO ROUND ABOUT Leader: Frank Petralito (home: 425-1979, office: 770-"A-" 70 mi 5236). Are the "A" rides too fast and the "B" rides too slow? Try this ride. We will meet at the Central Park Boathouse for a scenic ride to the Kensico Reservoir and on to Armonk for breakfast. We will even ride on a bike path part of the way home.

Sun Jun 6

"C" 30 mi
10:15 am

Meet at 10:15 am at Dyckman Street and Broadway in upper Manhattan. There is a small triangular park at this intersection, where we will gather. Meeting place is easily accessible via the "A" subway (200th St. stop) or the number 1 subway (Dyckman St. stop, walk a few blocks to Dyckman and Broadway). We'll do a lovely ride up the east side of the Hudson River, past beautiful views of the Palisades and some lovely mansions to a pleasant little park on a spit of land right in the Hudson River. Bring or buy lunch. Also bring spare tube, patch kit, pump and lock. For further information, call Maggie evenings.

Sun Jun 6
"A" 125 mi
"A" riders and leaders will be at GEAR this weekend. Ed will be using this time to scout what promises to be a scenic, but hilly, ride to Lake Hopatcong on the border between New Jersey's Morris and Sussex counties that he hopes to lead later this season, and he would welcome any and all company. If you're interested, give him a call. Careful though, or you might wind up becoming a co-leader.

Sat Jun 12 NYACK Leader: Martha Ramos (858-9142). Meet at 178th St. and Ft. "B" 45 mi Washington Ave. Trip is to Nyack with a lunch stop at the destination. 10:00 am

Sat Jun 12 "A" 50 mi 7:00 am NYACK, THE SCENIC ROUTE Leader: Bill Vojtech (339-1308). This ride is designed to get you home in time to do other things with your life such as paint the house, visit the in-laws, or patch that drawer full of flats. Meet at the Central Park Boathouse at 7:00 am. We should be rolling by 7:15 am. The route up to Nyack will be via the boat basin road, along the Hudson. This road is closed to non-motorized traffic after the early morning. There will be a food stop in Nyack. The ride will be cancelled if the National Weather Service (976-1212) predicts that it will rain before 10:00 am. Do not call the leader on the morning of the ride; he'll be coming in from Brooklyn before you're awake. Don't call after 10:00 pm in the evening; he'll be asleep.

Sun Jun 13 "C" 30 mi 10:00 am QUEENS PARK CORRIDOR RIDE Leader: David Moses (847-0159). Meet at 10:00 am at the end of the "F" subway line in Queens (179th St. and Hillside Ave.). If you missed last month's Queens Parks Ride, don't miss this one! Since we'll be exploring many places that the May ride missed, the ride will be fun even for those who are coming to Queens for the second time. We'll do a loop through Cunningham Park and Alley Pond Park, with a few other surprises thrown in. Bring or buy lunch. Also bring a spare tube, patch kit, pump and lock. For further information, call David evenings.

Sun Jun 13-"C" 35 mi 9:30 am WESTBURY TO COLD SPRING HARBOR Leader: Sara Flowers (544-9168). Meet at the I.U. Willetts school parking lot on Long Island. This "C" ride will closely parallel Ed Flowers' "B" ride, but will be done at a slower pace and over shorter, less hilly routes. The two groups will start off together and will try to converge for lunch. Bring or buy lunch. Also bring lock, pump, spare tube and patch kit. For further information, see Ed's write-up below, or call Sara.

Sun Jun 13 "B" 60 mi 9:30 am WESTBURY TO COLD SPRING HARBOR Leaders: Ed Flowers (544-9168), Eric Gertner (989-1176) and Paul Grieder (261-0543). This ride takes about 5 hours at 12 mph, plus a lunch stop at Caumsett State Park. In addition to the rolling country of Westbury, this ride takes in the scenic chic of Cold Spring Harbor, Lloyd Harbor, Caumsett State Park and the Target Rock National Wildlife Refuge. The ride leaves at 9:30 am from I.U. Willetts School parking lot on Long Island.

Sun Jun 13 "A" 105 mi 7:30 am GREENWOOD LAKE Leaders: Rich Herbin (666-2162) and Ed Schweber (567-2661). Meet at the Central Park Boathouse for a scenic ride via the George Washing on Bridge, by the Oradell Reservoir, across the Ramapo Mountains on the infamous Skyline Drive, along the shore of the Wanaque Reservoir and up to the northern tip of Greenwood Lake in Orange County. We will stop at a Friendly's in Waldwick, and delis in Hewitt and Upper Macopin. There are a number of very challenging hills en route, but the route is not continuously strenuous.

Sat Jun 19 "A-"100 mi STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL Leader: American Youth Hostels (431-7100). This is an annual event run by AYH to Mattituck on Long Island's north shore. Eat strawberry shortcake or purchase strawberries to carry home. Return trip to New York City will be by train. Advance registration at AYH is required (132 Spring St.). For further information, call AYH.

Sat-Sun Jun 19-20 "A/B" 220 mi

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NEW YORK TO BOSTON Leaders: Bill Cooper (935-4550, days) and Steve Bauman (359-1972). New York to Boston via the Strawberry Festival in Mattituck and the Orient Point Ferry to Connecticut. Stay overnight in a motel in Groton. Eat well, and return Sunday night on the Eastern Air Shuttle. Bill Cooper will lead a slower group, Steve Bauman will lead a faster group. For further information or to reserve your space, call the leaders.

Sun Jun 20 "C" 35 mi 9:30 am GATEWAY WILDLIFE RIDE Leader: Gregory D'Agostino (272-4271, after 6 pm). Meet at Grand Army Plaza in Brooklyn at 9:30 am (Grand Army Plaza is one of the most pleasant of Brooklyn's meeting places, safe and easy to reach via the number 2 or 3 subway trains, which stop right there. You may also take the number 4, 5 or "D" trains to Atlantic Avenue, or the "RR" or "B" trains to Pacific Avenue, and there transfer to the number 2 or 3 trains for the Grand Army Plaza stop.) We'll take a leisurely ride around Jamaica Bay and through Gateway National Park, with a possible stop at the bird sanctuary. We'll return to Grand Army Plaza by late afternoon. Bring or buy lunch. Also bring spare tube, patch kit, pump and lock. For further information, call Greg.

Sun Jun 20 "B" 65 mi 9:00 am VISIT TO MY HOUSE Leader: Marsha Taggart ((914)962-5991). Meet Marsha Taggart at 9:00 am at Jerome Ave. and the last stop of the number 4 train for a ride to my new home in Yorktown Heights. Bring or buy lunch for a picnic on the lawn.

Sun Jun 20 "A" 95 mi 8:00 am BEAR MOUNTAIN REVISITED Leader: Rich Herbin (666-2162). You did it in May, so why not do it again in June? Meet at the Central Park Boathouse (or at 225th St. and the Broadway Bridge at 8:45 am) for a ride to Bear Mountain. North on Route 9 and south on Route 9W and through a series of Hudson River parks. As an added bonus, if time permits, we'll include an excursion to the top of Bear Mountain via Perkins Drive. There will be a diner stop on the way up and a deli stop on the way down, but you should eat a good breakfast first. SPECIAL FEATURE: Any tandem captains or would be stokers who wish to participate, please call the leader, who will attempt to arrange match-ups.

Sat Jun 26 "A-" 75 mi 8:00 am OYSTER BAY Leader: Doug Blackburn (407-2306). Meet at the Central Park Boathouse for a ride to Oyster Bay with some hills, one big one. Buy food at a deli in Oyster Bay for a picnic on the beach.

Sun Jun 27 "C" 30 mi 9:30 am "IS THIS NEW YORK CITY?" BIKE RIDE (STATEN ISLAND) Leaders: Mike Antanis ((201)420-6232, eves) and Phyllis Lehmann (636-6037, eves). Meet at 9:30 am at the Seaman's Institute (15 State St., opposite Battery Park in Manhattan). Joint NYCC/AMC ride of an unhurried pace to Tottenville, Staten Island. Discover the diversity of the "forgotten borough". We travel at a "C" (conversational) pace. Bring or buy lunch. Also bring a spare tube, patch kit, pump and lock. Rain cancels.

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Sun Jun 27 "A" 150 mi ALBANY Leader: Steve Bauman/AYH (431-7100). This is an annual marathon event run by AYH. To go on this ride you must attend a pre-trip meeting at the AYH office, 132 Spring St. on Thursday, June 17 at 7:00 pm. Details will be provided there. Riders will return by train that evening.

## 1982 RIDING SCHEDULE

DATE	RIDE	LEADER/CLUB	CLASS	DISTANCE
7/1-5	LAW National Convention	Dayton, Ohio LAW	A/B/C	
7/3-5	Shelter Island Weekend	Guterding & Ramos	В	250 mi
7/3-5	All Club Camping Trip to Fire Island	Hulbert	A/B/C	
7/8-11	Bike Trek for Life and Breath	Bklyn Lung Assn/AYH	В	150 mi
7/11	New Hope	Bauman/AYH	Α	110 mi
7/11	Long Westbury Breeze	Flowers, Flowers,	В	65 mi
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7/25	All Class Club Ride/Old Bethpage Park	Rides Committee	A/B/C	
7/25	Long Westbury Breeze	Flowers, Flowers,	В	65 mi
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3/8	Eaton's Neck By Way		В	75 mi
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3/14-15	Delaware Water Gap	Mailing	A+	280 mi
3/22	Eaton's Neck By Way	Flowers, Flowers,	В	75 mi
0.40		Gertner & Grieder		
.0/3	Second Annual Bill Baumgarten Memorial			
	All Class Club Ride/Kingsland Pt.Pk.	Rides Committee	A/B/C	
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Every Saturday, when there is no "A" ride scheduled, a leaderless "A" ride will leave the Central Park Boathouse at  $8:30~\mathrm{am}$ .

# PREVIEW LISTINGS

Sat-Mon Jul 3-5 "B" 250 mi 6:30 am	SHELTER ISLAND WEEKEND Leaders: Art Guterding (861-6224) and Martha Ramos (858-9142). Celebrate the fourth by doing at least a double century the easy and scenic way. Join Art and Martha for a weekend trip to Shelter Island. We leave Saturday from Hillside Avenue and 179th St. in Queens (take the "E" or "F" train to the last stop). Meeting time is 6:30 am in front of the OTB office. We will stay overnight two days at an inn on the Island. Participants are responsible for their own accommodations and reservations. Call Art or Martha for details.  Lunch stop en route to Shelter Island. Dinner and breakfast in the Shelter Island area and departure early Monday morning. There will be a tour of the Island and/or the Hamptons on Sunday. We go rain or shine, hail or high water. Bring money (for food, accommodations, emergencies, etc.) and the bare essentials in clothing, or as bare as you dare.
Sat-Mon Jul 3-5	PROPOSED 55-80 MILE RIDE TO FIRE ISLAND FOR JULY 4TH WEEKEND  Ride out on Saturday July 3rd with full camping equipments and have the

Jul 3-5
"A/B/C"
110-160 mi
Ride out on Saturday July 3rd with full camping equipment; celebrate July 4th on the beach or do the (optional) "B" ride; return on Monday. The trip includes optional subway rides to and from Far Rockaway reducing the riding distance in both directions. The cost of the weekend is expected to be nominal. This would be an excellent shake-down ride for the novice cycle-camper, but all classes of rider are welcome. If you are interested please call Lin Ehrlich at 737-3887 or Joe Hulbert at 768-9374 by no later than May 31st for further information.

BANTAM LAKE "SUFERTOUR" WEEKEND- Leaders: Gloria Lasoff(879-6199)

Bill Vojtech (339-1308). Ride to Bantam Lake for a long, hilly
"A+" 200 mi+ weekend out of the City. This is an "A+" ride because we will

maintain an "A" pace over hilly terrain, with baggage. See May

bulletin for tips on packing for light touring. On the 3rd and

4th we will stay at the Lake View Motel. Call (203) 567-9547

for reservations. Note; As of 5-12-82 this motel was not yet

taking reservations for the Fourth of July weekend- but every
thing else in the area was booked solid, so make your res-

ervations as soon as possible. They do not take credit cards.

# **Membership Update**

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Member of New York State Assembly from New York City

Urgently request your help this week on two critical bicycle transportation matters-Queensborough Bridge access, and bicycle report release.

Queensborough Bridge Bicycle/Pedestrian Access is scheduled to be terminated severly restricted by the NY State Department of Transportation with the start of construction in mid-June, following May 7 contract award.

The Queensborough is an increasingly important link for New Yorkers traveling by bike or foot between Manhattan and Queens. Only in recent months has there been any question about continuation of access, earlier thought firmly assured. The NY City Department of Transportation supports continued access.

Serious efforts are urgently needed to arrange contractor workspace and storage in an efficient manner to provide continued safe access with minimal impact on traffic. Assurance is needed that contractor employee parking will not be permitted.

Should the threatened termination of full-time access take place next month, the bridge may no longer be eligible for \$19.4 million in federal funds currently budgeted. Under 23 USC 109(n), enacted by the Congress in 1978, the US Secretary of Transportation is prohibited from approving federal funding for any project which severs bicycle/pedestrian access. The defense that construction time is not included is supported by neither statutory language nor legislative history.

- \* Action Needed: Call and write NY State Transportation Commissioner William C. Hennessy, 1220 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12232/(518) 457-4422, and Assistant NYS Transportation Commissioner John A. Marino, 2 World Trade Center--Room 5454, New York, NY 10047/(212) 488-6613, to urge prompt assurance of continued full-time bicycle/pedestrian access on the Queensborough Bridge.
- 2 State Assembly Staff Report. A significant report on bicycle transportation was prepared last year by the Assembly Program Development Group, but not released. This February Assembly staff requested several bicycle groups to provide names for distribution, then expected within weeks, but delayed by budget and other issues. There is now no assurance that this valuable report will be released.
- \* Action Needed: Call and write Assembly Speaker Stanley Fink, State Capitol, Albany, NY 12224/(518) 455-3791, or 270 Broadway, New York, NY 10007/(212) 488-7960, to urge prompt release of this important report and serious consideration of associated legislation.

Advisory Update. Please advise me within a week of your efforts on bridge access and report release, for inclusion in my next bicycle transportation advisory.

# LEAGUE OF AMERICAN WHEELMEN

# LEADERLESS RIDES

Leaderless rides can be just as well organized as the regular rides; in fact, the only difference is that no prior commitment is needed. Maps are not necessary, but they can be useful.

People <u>do</u> come out for these rides, so don't worry about being the only one to show up. As a matter of fact I had 5 riders on a leaderless ride to Nyack. I only had one rider on each of my scheduled club rides last year.

These rides are great opportunities for scouting out new routes. One idea that I've had is that we could explore the areas that our 25 and 50 mile marked routes go through to create spur routes and branch out. The club routes don't use all the nice cycling roads in these areas.

In short the leaderless rides are good for experimenting with new ideas.

Bill Vojtech Editor NYCC

Thought for the month: The only good wrong way biker is a dead wrong way biker.

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#### THE MODERN MAVERICK: BICYCLE MESSENGERS

This month a participant-observer of NYC bicycle messengers will tell us about the lives and philosophies of these modern 'mavericks'. Dr. Jack Kugelmass is an associate in anthropology at the Max Weinreich Center for Advanced Jewish Studies at YIVO Institute in New York City, and he studied messengers while working as one himself. His studies led to an article in the August, 1981 issue of Natural History.

We also have club members who are or have been messengers. So join the crowd for a lively session about a group of professionals who are just about as varied as you could impring

imagine.

Our meeting will be June 3 at Artemis Restaurant, 76 Duane Street (just off Broadway, two blocks north of City Hall). Come at 6:00 to greet, 7:00 to eat, 3:00 to meet, and 9:00 for a treat.

Sara Schell Flowers, Programs

# **Board of Directors Meeting**

SUMMARY OF MINUTES (UNAPPROVED):

- 1. To fill the unexpired term of Gloria Lasoff, who recently resigned as A Rides Coordinator, the board appointed Ed Schweber.
- 2. The board discussed the problem of getting more leaders--there is no problem getting ride participants!
- 3. The practice of ride reports being given at the general membership meeting (not done in recent months) was discussed.
- 4. The abundance of weekend trips this year was pointed out, apparently confirming the belief behind the defeat of the resolution at the April general membership meeting—that leaders' expenses do not have to be paid in order for them to lead weekend trips.
- 5. Bill Vojtech volunteered to complete the special issue of the bulletin for new members begun by Chris Mailing.
- 6. Irene Walter reported that summons are being given out to bicyclists for lack of lights at night, and bells, and will get more information.
- 7. The next board meeting will be held June 1, 1982.

Copies of the complete, approved minutes are available from Irene Walter.

THE WEDDING OF THE GEAR (to two NYCC members, at least!) by Irene Walter

The bride wore white satin--and rode a bike. The groom chose a brown suit--and rode a bike. The guests were merry in their finery--and rode bikes. It was the WEDDING PROCESSION BICYCLE TOUR, led by Carole Irene Chavanne and James David VerEecke, on Saturday, May 1, 1982--the first day of American Bike Month, and their wedding day.

On the backs of separate "chauffeured" tandem bikes, cheered on by spectators along the 0.9-mile route, they led 30 bikers from 106th Street and West End Avenue to Sakura Park at 122nd Street and Riverside Drive. There, at 5 p.m., they took off their helmets and exchanged wedding vows, rings, and kisses.

They had arranged for safe bicycle parking so their bicycling guests could enjoy the Reception at nearby International House. The hall was decorated with American Bike Month and Five-Boro Bike Tour posters, and the wedding cake with--you guessed it! They left the next day for a three-week wedding trip through Southern France by--right again!

Carole, New York City's Bicycle Safety Coordinator, says she met engineer Jim when both were directing bicycle traffic through Herald Square during the 1980 transit strike. Ken Abramson avers he introduced them. It's all water under the slow boat to China now.

DAISY, DAISY ... it won't be a stylish marriage, we can't afford a carriage -- but we'll look sweet, upon the seat, of A BICYCLE BUILT FOR TWO.

May 11, 1982

The attitudes and goals of the Reagan Administration are such that the bicycle movement, as it operates on the federal level, has had to shift its tactics to the defensive. Instead of continuing to make new gains, a major portion of the League of American Wheelmen's effort is now devoted to preserving what has already been achieved. One such defensive action involves the renewal of the Clean Air Act, as the following excerpt from the May 1982 issue of American Wheelmen, the League's monthly bulletin, indicates.

# **★** LEGISLATIVE ALERT **★** LEGISLATIVE ALERT **★**

# Air quality jeopardized by House bill

H.R. 5252, a bill now being considered by the Energy and Commerce Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives, would double the level of permissible auto emissions for carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides, relax existing protection against deterioration of air quality in clean-air areas, and push back deadlines for states to clean up air in polluted areas.

The bill probably will come out of committee for a floor vote by the entire House in May. Please write now to your U.S. representative (at House of Representatives, Washington, DC 20515) asking him or her to support continued strong auto emission standards, existing protection for clean-air areas, and early deadlines for state implementation plans.

Ralph Hirsch Hational Legislative Director League of American Wheelmen

While it is true that the Clean Air Act in its present form has never been rigorously enforced in New York City, it is also true that every new automobile which is built in, or imported into, this country does have to conform to the emissions standards contained in the Act. If those standards are weakened, the air quality in New York will become noticeably worse, and the incidence of lung cancer in the city will tragically and inevitably increase. As bicyclists who ride regularly and frequently in the midst of heavy city traffic, we would be among the most immediate victims of such conditions.

On Friday, May 7th, I was advised by the League's legislative director that the chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, who favors weakening the clean air standards, has temporarily postponed hearings on MR 5252 for the expressly-stated purpose of allowing industry lobbyists more time to poison the minds of the legislators against the preservation of those standards. Consequently, the bill is not expected to come before the full House for a floor vote before the end of May. The time to write to your congressional representative is now.

Charles Merkle L.A.W., H.Y.C.C.

# APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE NEW YORK CYCLE CLUB

As a N.Y.J.C. member, I accept full personal responsibility for obeying all traffic regulations and for my own safety on the road. I will hold the Club, it's officers and ride leaders blameless in case of accident.

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