

NYCC *Bulletin*



A great shot of the Tuscan countryside. Find out more at our next club meeting. More on pages 4, 9 & 16.

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November 2000

President's message

by Ben Goldberg

November is Election Month. Aside from the national elections, we have our equally important NYCC Board elections. In this bulletin, you will find a ballot that you can mail in or cast in person at our November club meeting on Tuesday, November 14. Please do your civic duty!

Despite the fact that cold weather is setting in, many of us will be riding throughout the winter. Like skiing and ice skating, cycling is a wonderful excuse to spend a winter's day outside. Dressed appropriately, we can stay surprisingly comfortable - once we've cycled a few minutes to warm up - in below-freezing weather. That said, winter is also a great time to cross-train, namely to participate in other activities that help maintain fitness. Cross country skiing, squash and racquetball, spin classes, basketball, aerobics - the list goes on and on. Before you know it, Spring will be here and you'll be glad that your didn't let your fitness disappear completely.

Don't forget to reserve your spot at our wonderful Holiday Party on Monday, December 4 (see the notice elsewhere in the bulletin). The venue, St. Maggie's Cafe, is a lovely spot with excellent food.

I'd like to express my gratitude to the entire Escape from New York Century committee for doing such a fantastic job. If you didn't get a chance to ride the century (or the 62 mile or 50 mile routes), you missed something truly special. The routes were lovely and well marked, the food was outstanding, and the entire day was perfectly organized. Be sure not to miss it next year!

Editor's note

It's election time! Your vote counts. As of press time, the Special Events and Bulletin Editor positions are open (got a new job so I can't run again...but who knows, I may give it a go again in 2002).

Interested in being bulletin editor? Got a Mac or PC? Got QuarkXPress, InDesign or Illustrator? Got a scanner? Got internet access? It's a great opportunity for someone who's interested in cutting his or her teeth in publishing. I took the gig so I could brush up on my DTP and PDF workflow skills. It's amazing how quickly you get rusty and how fast you get back into the groove once you have a project to keep you on your toes. The fine folks at Dandy Printing (our printer in Brooklyn) are PDF-ready, which makes the editor job that much easier. Of course I'm an email away if you have any questions. Drop me a line and I'll give you more info.

Lastly, don't forget to mark your calander...the next club meeting is on Tuesday, November 14th.

Don Montalvo, Editor

A Biker's Guide to the Wine Roads of Tuscany

Find out more at our November 14th meeting

Pat Thomson & Claudio Bisio of La Dolce Vita Wine Tours

(details on page 16)

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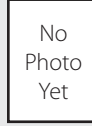


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Cover: Out of all the photos I got for the monthly meeting, this one stood out so I used it for the cover. Wanna know who took the photo? Go to the meeting! :-)

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(2) Email your text in the body of a message. Contact me before sending attachments! Email to:

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Letters To The Editor

September Counterpoints

Dear Editor,

Although I am not sure that any cover will ever capture the spirit NYCC as well as Mike Samuel's drawing of the SIG participants at a coffee bar, I think that the September cover runs a close second. Half of the discussions, at least between the men, on rides are geared towards whether this or that particular technological improvement enhances the riding experience. Usually someone with a Campagnolo Record 10-speed gruppo on a aluminum bike is arguing with someone on a seventeen year old steel frame with downtube shifters as to who is right. I think your cover perfectly captured the essence of the arguments that I am sure will take place regarding the future of the bulletin.

I was genuinely surprised to see the letters from Ilene Avery and Linda Wintner in the October bulletin expressing their dismay at the belief that the "wrinkled old geezer" comment was levelled at Irv. My understanding was that the cover was a depiction of the struggle between old and new, and not until I spoke with Linda did I ever entertain the thought that the text was directed at Irv.

Anytime you print content with a sense of wit or irony you risk someone taking umbrage. I would encourage you not to let this controversy steer you away from the direction the bulletin has taken this year. I find it vastly improved and a pleasure to read.

As for PDF versus print. I own an Cannondale with Record parts and an old steel Peugeot which I have converted to a fixed gear. I wouldn't give up either. I like getting the PDF file as soon as the bulletin is available so I can plan my weekends, but nothing replaces reading the bulletin letters and gossip while sprawled on a couch. So, I would like the best of both worlds: PDF and print.

Bob Hancock

To the Editor

I am appalled at the reaction by members both old and new to a very funny cover on the September 2000 NYCC Bulletin. Kudos and huzzahs to those who created it.

I read it and interpreted it for what it was - a Mexican standoff between the old and the new means of transmitting information to the members of this club. To my eye it was not a personification of anyone.

For most of the years that I have been a member of the NYCC there has generally been human beings cycling on the cover - photograph, cartoon or drawing. That a cyclist be depicted on the bulletin cover that was at odds with the pdf is quite appropriate, and who better to honor than one of the most venerated members of the club. This argument between the old and the new does not have any bearing upon the person depicted on the cover for artistic reasons. It could have been me . . . or any of my predecessors or successors as President of the club, or anyone.

This vitriolic attack(s) brings to mind Sancho Panza and his notable Master tilting their lances with a windmill. Misinterpretation of someone or something can be embarrassing or down right foolish.

We must never lose the joy of humor nor the ability to laugh at ourselves. To those who took offense at the cover, please look at it again, and seek out the humor, and please don't search for windmills.

I repeat -kudos and huzzahs for those who created the cover.

have a good day, regards geo carl kaplan

To the Editor,

I am a former NYCC member (and board member) who let his membership lapse for this year. However, since I have many friends in the club I have been able to see copies of the bulletin and keep up-to-date on club issues. What I have seen (and read) disturbs me greatly and has convinced me to decide I will NOT be renewing my membership anytime soon.

I'm disappointed to see members will latch onto the smallest things and blow them out of proportion. (OK, I admit I've done that in the past as well. I apologized publicly then and I'll do so again now. Mea culpa.) What has disturbed me recently is the issue of the cover of the September bulletin.

While I was on the board I was quite often the lone (and also strident) voice against the club going electronic. I wanted the bulletin to be on paper and to be the final source of ride listings, etc. So I'm definitely in the camp of favoring the "wrinkled old geezer (sic)" of a paper bulletin. But I also was able to read the rather large print on the bottom of the cover which said "Hey, guys...there's no need to fight. There's enough room for both of you here!" However, it appears I may be one of the few literate members left in the club, based on the letters printed in the October bulletin.

Why do Ilene Avery and Linda Wintner think the cover is an attack against Irv? Is it because there is still the "A-riders vs. B- and C-riders" animosity in the membership? Since the editor is an "A-rider" and Irv's likeness is on the paper version of the bulletin and Irv is a "C" rider, ergo it must be an attack? Where in the September "Editor's note" is any board member named? So why does Linda Wintner assume a)Irv is against Don's desire for a PDF-version of the bulletin; b)Don singled out Irv in response to this; c)Don singled out Irv at all for anything? And how is this demeaning? Did anyone consider the original cover by Mike Samuel demeaning? So why is it demeaning when reproduced now?

All in all, I'm glad I'm no longer a member. The club seems to have forgotten it's only a bicycle club, not a political party. It's major purpose is to ride bicycles and promote cycling at every level. And most importantly to have fun. Until it moves away from back-biting and bickering and re-focuses it's energy on cycling's positive aspects, I'll choose to ride alone or with my friends on "pick-up" rides.

Sincerely, N. Robert Kohn

Dear editor,

Re: the September cover - I thought it was funny, timely, and not in the least disrespectful. Clearly the subtlety was lost on certain hypersensitive humorless kvetches!

Evan Marks

It's Not About the Bike

Dear Editor,

Mike Allison's book review in the September Bulletin of Lance Armstrong's book, *It's Not About the Bike*, accurately quotes Armstrong as having written, "If you asked me to choose between winning the Tour de France and cancer, I would choose cancer." How's that? The man would prefer to have cancer than win the Tour?

In the October Bulletin a ride leader writes he is starting at West Point and will stop at Cold Spring which is on the other side of the Hudson River. So the question arises, how can he avoid crossing the river? A: Beats me. I don't think he can, but apparently he does; he writes, "We will circumvent both sides of the Hudson Valley..."

Richard Rosenthal
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PDF!

To the Editor,

"...I'm definitely in the camp of favoring the 'wrinkled old geezer (sic)' of a paper bulletin..."

- Rob Kohn

Don,

Although I am a paper lover (and will probably be carrying a Filofax when Palm Pilot is in its 50th incarnation), I think PDF should certainly be available to those who want it. One caveat: in the interest of privacy

protection, I would suggest that phone numbers be eliminated from ride listings at leaders' requests.

- Jaimie Epstein

Dear Editor,

I'd like to receive the bulletin as a pdf file. Thanks.

- Josh Gosciak

Hiya,

To PDF or not to PDF= If it saves money that the club can use to enhance my club/riding experience then go PDF.

- Danielle Dinse



Oh, no...not Spencer again... (photo by Robin Read)

Thank you, ENY!

The club would like to thank the following people for their contributions to our very successful ENY Century on September 23rd.

The Organizing Committee: Tom Laskey, Caryl Baron, Cathy Martone, Elena Acosta, Stan Oldack, Karin Fantus, Bob Hancock, Dona Kahn, Joel Englander, Robert Dinkelman, Annaline Dinkelman

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Escape New York 2000 - Let Us Know

Despite the rain, everyone seemed to have a good time. We tried to make changes this year based upon feedback from last year's participants and our own observations. This is your chance to make your voice heard. What did you think of the routes, the ride leaders, the food, the organization, etc. Let us know what you liked and what you would like to change. Please address your comments to Bob Hancock via email at rhancock@bellatlantic.net. If you are not connected, you can always send me a fax at (212) 874-9059.

Majorca

Attend a cycling camp in beautiful Majorca in the Spring! See:

<http://tour.majorca.home.mindspring.com>

NYCC Holiday Party!

Ho, ho, ho! Believe it nor not, it's time to start thinking about our NYCC Holiday Party! Join us for our annual bash at the fine downtown restaurant St. Maggie's Cafe on Monday, December 4. \$40 buys you a full dinner and cash bar, and the fabulous company of your fellow cyclists to share a bit of holiday cheer. For further info contact Lynn Sarro, Special Events Coordinator at sarka@erols.com, or mail checks to Lynn Sarro, 242 E 87th St. #3A, New York NY 10128, made out to the NYCC (not to me. -Lynn)



A Biker's Guide to the Wine Roads of Tuscany

(More info on page 16)

Please read this before your first club ride

NYCC RIDES are led by volunteer leaders who plan the route and maintain the listed speed (eg. B15 = B Style / 15 mph cruising speed - see charts). Our rides are described by pace and style because it's more fun when the group is of similar ability. We ride for fun, fitness, and food.

RIDE STYLE indicates the type of riding. See chart at right. **CRUISING SPEED** indicates the ride's speed on flat terrain. **AVERAGE RIDING SPEED** over rolling terrain is 3 mph less than cruising speed. This will vary plus or minus 1 mph, according to terrain. **OVERALL SPEED**, including all rest and food stops, is about 3 mph less than average riding speed.

SELF-TEST: Assess your personal cruising speed by riding 4 laps (24.4 miles) around Central Park at a comfortable pace and matching your time with the chart. **NOTE:** Riding fewer than 4 laps will give you a false assessment. *The northern end of the park can be dangerous; ride with other cyclists.*

YOUR FIRST NYCC RIDE: Be conservative. Choose a ride easier and shorter than you think you can ultimately handle. You won't enjoy struggling to keep up with a ride that's too fast for you, nor will the group enjoy waiting for you. It's a good idea to call the leader a day or so before the ride, and introduce yourself when signing up at the start.

BEFORE ANY RIDE: Check that your bike is in good riding condition: brakes and derailleurs working well, tires pumped to the pressure specified on the sidewall. Eat a breakfast consisting of carbohydrates and proteins.

BRING: spare tube, tire levers, patch kit, pump, water, snacks, money, medical ID, emergency phone numbers and rail pass. We also suggest that you bring a lock. Leaders may specify other items in their ride listings.

BIKE TRAINS: On Saturdays and Sundays, MetroNorth has scheduled specific trains to/from Grand Central Station to accommodate large groups of cyclists. Bike trains are indicated by a bicycle symbol on the MetroNorth timetable. Schedules change frequently.

SCHEDULE: Here is the schedule as of February 6th, 2000. *Contact Metro North for the most current schedule:*

Bike passes are always required. There are no Bike Trains on holidays. Refer to roster for restrictions which apply at other times. If you are leading a ride and absolutely require a Bike Train at another time, you must call NYCC's Metro North liaison, George Kaplan at (212) 989-0883 well in advance to try to arrange another train for your ride. Bike

Riding Style	Description
A	Vigorous riding with advanced bike handling ability including cooperative paceline skills. Stops every 2 hours or so.
B	Moderate to brisk riding with more attention to scenery. Stops every hour or so.
C	Leisurely to moderate riding, sightseeing and destination oriented. Stops every half-hour or so.
ATB 1	Hilly to mountainous and single track riding. Mountain bikes only.
ATB 2	Rolling to hilly with some single track & trail riding. Mountain and hybrid bikes.
ATB 3	Flat to rolling, trails and road riding. Mountain and hybrid bikes.

Cruising Speed	Central Park Self Test Four Lap Time
22+ mph	1'10" or less
21	1'10" to 1'13
20	1'13" to 1'16
19	1'16" to 1'20
18	1'20" to 1'25
17	1'25" to 1'30
16	1'30" to 1'38
15	1'38" to 1'48
14	1'48" to 2'00
13	2'00" to 2'14
12	2'14" to 2'30
11	2'30" to 2'50

Outgoing from GCT		Returning to GCT	
GCT>Poughkeepsie	7:43am (Hudson Line)	Poughkeepsie>GCT	3:40pm (Hudson Line)
GCT>Poughkeepsie	8:54am (Hudson Line)	Poughkeepsie>GCT	4:35pm (Hudson Line)
GCT>Brewster North	7:48am (Harlem Line)	Poughkeepsie>GCT	5:40pm (Hudson Line)
GCT>Brewster North	8:48am (Harlem Line)	Brewster North>GCT	3:07pm (Harlem Line)
GCT>New Haven	8:07am (New Haven Line)	Brewster North>GCT	4:07pm (Harlem Line)
GCT>New Haven	9:07am (New Haven Line)	Brewster North>GCT	5:07pm (Harlem Line)
		New Haven>GCT	2:57pm (New Haven Line)
		New Haven>GCT	3:57pm (New Haven Line)
		New Haven>GCT	4:57pm (New Haven Line)



Rides List

Always wear your helmet!



Friday, November 3rd

A17 45 MI 8:20 AM

Staten Island Perimeter Ride

Leader: Barbara Barrett (212) 786-9708

From: Lower level entrance to the Staten Island Ferry

Catch the 8:30 am ferry to Staten Island, where we will enjoy a 45 mile flat ride with a few minor hills. We will enjoy a rest stop at a local bagel shop and then make a quick stop at the beach. Then on to catch the 1 PM ferry back to NYC. This is a perfect, very convenient ride for anyone who lives south of 23rd Street. The ferry ride is quick, easy and pleasant, and at this time on a weekday morning, there is little traffic to worry about on the island. Try this ride out if you are looking for a new riding alternative! Rain cancels. Please call in advance.

Saturday, November 4th

A19 +/- 90 MI 8:30 AM

Croton, Yorktown & Kensico Foliage Ride

Leaders: Spencer Koromilas (212) 867-8678 or

SpencerNYCC@juno.com) and John Vazquez (212) 544-9450

From: The Boathouse @ 8:30AM, or Dunkin Doughnuts (Broadway & 207th St.) @ 9:15 AM

Yeah . . . this is a new ride; John, Pam, and I scouted it on September 30th, and we couldn't wait to do it during peak foliage . . . which should be occurring just about now! An absolutely beautiful route, up Broadway (where we'll be picking up John at Dunkin Doughnuts . . . we can't

be too late . . . those doughnuts can be awfully tempting!) then into Sleepy Hollow, Croton and some lovely roads; Spring Valley a Blinn. After short respite, while admiring the Croton Dam waterfall. Then up Baptist Church and Baldwin to Yorktown Heights for some chow. Return via Pines Bridge, Crow Hill, Roaring Brook (some unpaved), Whippoorwill, Nanny Hagen, and Grassy Sprain . . . anything missing? Ride ends @ Bedford Ave. & Grand Concourse (Subway return suggested . . . or ride?). Required: Smooth riding skills; steady pace; warm clothing . . . it's getting cold out! Cancels: A torrential downpour . . . of epic proportions . . . we're talking Hollywood!

A16/17 70 MI 8:45 AM

Christmas Bazaar at St. Paul's

See November 11 rides; this ride date changed after October bulletin went out.

B16 50 MI 9:00 AM

A Poetic ride to Piermont (the Century route)

Leaders. Bernie Brandell (718) 633-1759 and

Cludio Medina (718) 847-2808

From: the Boathouse

"One-eyed Joe",--so goes the lore,--Awealthy ex-pirate settled by shore Fiercely independent,--of light-quick reflexes,--Announced to the town:--"he wont pay any taxes". De-fie-ance!!!--fumed lawmen's red faces,--would promptly descent on his house, He'd greet them with smiles and embraces, Yet play them as cat would with mouse. His descendents--of exalted rank,--would transfer their wealth--to an offshore bank. And to teeth-gnashing lawmen admit:--"not paying taxes"--But now it's Legit. Rain cancel

C14 48 MI 9:00 AM**Piermont****Leader: Lynn Sarro (212) 722-8495****From: The Boathouse**

We'll throw in a few twists and turns rather than take the conventional route to one our favorite club destinations. Bring your own lunch or buy at the local market and then a quick ride to the Pier for dining and viewing the majestic Hudson. Bring a bike in good working order with fully inflated tires and a spare tube. Helmets required. Rain cancels.

Sunday, November 5th**A18 +/- 85 MI 9:00 AM****Apple Picking on South Mountain Road****Leaders: Spencer Koromilas (212) 867-8678 or SpencerNYCC@juno.com and Simon Nadulek (212) 685-5797****From: The Boathouse**

You know what time of year this is: fall foliage & apple picking, so we'll do both! A classic ride through Bergen and Rockland Counties; first to Saddle River, where we have a great place for lunch (at about the 40 mile mark). Then off to South Mountain Road and the Apple Orchard for some desert-apple pies, turnovers, & some apple cider wash down! Optional Little Tor climb for Chris, Thomas, Simon, and svelte others . . . I'll man the fort, while eating a leftover apple . . . or two! Return via Goebel, Strawtown and Sickletown, then either Peanut, Hazelnut, Chestnut, or Walnut over the ridge . . . I'm hungry already! Required: Smooth riding skills; steady pace; warm clothing . . . it's getting cold out! Cancels: Moltissimo rain . . . not just a drop or two . . . same as yesterday!

B16 45 MI 9:20 AM**Perimeter of Staten Island with a loop to High Rock****Leader : Ron Grossberg (718) 369-2413****From: Staten Island Ferry Terminal (Manhattan side) Conservation area and Lighthouse Hill**

Call leader for details.

C14 35 MI 9:30 AM**River Road****Leader: Carol Waaser (212) 581-0509 or biker-c@rcn.com****From: Boathouse North Parking Lot**

Who says C-riders don't do hills! Join me for the joys of River Road, including the last climb to the Police Station (new bathrooms...nice). Then we'll go back 9W to the Royal Cliffs Diner for brunch. Bring snack food - it's 25 miles to the diner and you'll need a little refueling after the big hill. We'll stick to the pace getting to and from River Road, but everyone can take the RR hills at their own pace; we'll regroup at the police station. Helmets, please. Rain or temps below 35 (or above 90) cancel.

C13 22 MI +/- 8:00 AM**NYC Marathon****Leader: Peter O'Reilly (212)414-1937 and Maria Ong****From: Meet in front of Dunkin Donuts, nearby south subway entrance. Last stop, R train, 95th St, Brooklyn.**

As the title implies this is a ride along the NYC marathon course just hours before the race. I did such a feat last year; it was a blast and to say the least. Expect to ride through various ethnic neighborhoods along balloon lined streets with little or no traffic while listening to bands warming up. All in all it should indeed be a very festive atmosphere. The ride will be non-stop at a very leisure "see" ride pace. The only hills are the

bridge crossings. The ride will end somewhere near the race's finish line in Central Park (most likely south entrance of CPW). Riders of all abilities welcome. Note the convenient finish time and location for those energetic souls who will continue on and do another ride. Questionable forecast (temp below 40 or wet weather), please call the night before.

Saturday, November 11th**A18 65 MI 9:00 AM****Brewster, Reservoirs, with no Reservations****Leader: Fred Steinberg (212) 787-5204 or fcs1@worldnet.att.net****From: The Boathouse parking lot**

This is the old Vogel route to Purdys, now so civilized (paved) that Jeff isn't leading it. I have extended the route to Brewster, maintaining Jeff's low standards. As the man said, no whining. It's always beautiful up in reservoir-land, but it will be especially nice if we catch some late fall colors. First stop is the diner in White Plains. Metro North returns abound from there: Bedford Hills, Purdys, Croton Falls. But if you hang on for Brewster, there's real Mexican food and brew across from the station. Bring: Metro North bike pass, \$\$\$ for the train and food.

A16/17 70 MI 8:45 AM**Christmas Bazaar at St. Paul's****Leader: Marty Wolf (212) 935-1460****From: the Boathouse**

The goal is to reach St. Paul's in New City before the best handmade ornaments and gifts have been sold out. Church lunch of soup, sandwiches, and home-baked desserts. Bring a small knapsack or large musette bag for your purchases. Note: we leave at 8:45 AM.

B16 50 MI 10:00 AM**Winter Ride****Leader: You Decide****From: the Boathouse**

A friendly "get out on the road" ride. It's getting colder and we'll leave later and return earlier to make the most of the day. Rain, below freezing or slick roads cancel.

C14 45 MI 9:30 AM**Scarsdale****Leader: Scott Wasserman (914) 723-6607 or bicyclife@cs.com****From: Near the Boathouse**

Since this is my hometown, start without me and I'll meet you for lunch. OK, just kidding. We'll eat indoors as befits a November ride unless the expected high is 70 or above in which case we'll go to the beach. Rain, on the other hand, means I'll go for a run instead.

C12 23 MI 9:15 AM**U-23****Leader: Alfredo Garcia (212) 802-2441, cyclist23@email.com****From: Plaza Hotel, 59th St. & Fifth Ave.**

U-shaped ride of a certain mileage to explore greenways ringing Manhattan. Pedal to Central Park, Cherry Walk, Riverside Park, Battery Park, East River Park. Possible trip to a NEW connector bike lane between Riverside Park and 59th St. Bring lock, \$ for lunch and maybe camera. Rain, snow & 32 degrees cancels. Co-listed with 5BBC. Some off-road, cracked concrete slabs. Helmets required.

Check out the new NYCC Message Board!

http://www.nycc.org/bb_frame.html

Sunday, November 12th**A19 60 MI 9:00 AM****Head for the Hills**

Leader: Michael Kuor (212) 699-3825 x5553 or
bikehikemike@bikerider.com

From: Manhattan Ferry Terminal @ 9:00 AM or in S.I.:St. George
Ferry Terminal @ 10:00 AM

Let's tackle a few more hills before the weather turns nasty. Just one short
deli stop so we can get back by 3:00. The usual cancels.

A18 70+ MI 9:00 AM**November Spawned A Monster**

Leader: Peter O'Reilly (212) 414-1937

From: The Boathouse

I have never led a ride this late in the year. I have no idea what the weather
will be like - most likely cold, yes? What better way to ensure staying
warm than riding up a hill or two? If that does not work for you please
let me know. I could push up the pace by riding off the back and singing
some of my favorite British pop tunes. (Hey, you haven't heard me "sing.")
Here is a ride that I have led a few times, but always going in the other
direction. The Curious George in me seeks to give such a route-in-reverse
a worthy spin. No knee busters; just a bit hillier than the usual club ride.
We will stop at the Mahwah diner on the way. Rain or a high probability
of rain or temps below 40 degrees cancels.

B16 50 MI 10:00 AM**Winter Ride**

Leader: You Decide

From: the Boathouse

A friendly "get out on the road" ride. It's getting colder and we'll leave
later and return earlier to make the most of the day. Rain, below freezing
or slick roads cancel.

C14 30/35 MI 8:30 AM**Bronxville Brunch**

Leader: Jesse Brown (718) 931-7283

From: American Youth Hostels, 103rd St. & Amsterdam Ave.

Ride to scenic Bronxville for a quick bite and views of the Bronx and
Lower Westchester counties. Quick paced, fat burning jaunt. Rain snow or
another act of God cancels. Helmets required. Co-listed with 5BBC.

Friday, November 17th**A17 45 MI 8:20 AM****Staten Island Perimeter Ride**

Leader: Barbara Barrett (212) 786-9708

From: Lower level entrance to the Staten Island Ferry

See description for November 3, 2000

B16 50 MI 9:15 AM**Long Beach and back by 2 30**

Leader: Ron Grossberg (718) 369-2413

From: City Hall Park across from Brooklyn Bridge

Smell the salt air and enjoy the ocean breeze as we approach the quiet
boardwalks of Long Beach.

Saturday, November 18th**A20 80+ MI 8:30 AM****Straight up to Bedford!**

Leaders: John Vazquez (212) 544-9450 Tony Monge (718) 652-7489

From: Parking Lot adjacent to the Boathouse

We'll be leaving the City by way of the Madison Ave Bridge and onto
Park Ave. Lunch in Bedford and back on the road. We're gonna encounter
some hills! Paceline skills a must. Bring pocket food. Dress appropriately
for the cold. Rain @ 8:00 AM cancels.

A18 65 MI 10:00 AM**Backdoor to Nyack**

Leader: Peter O'Reilly (212) 414-1937

From: The Boathouse

Join me on a not so common way to a very common destination. We will
ride on to Nyack passing by a reservoir, a country store, a couple of horses,
through a college campus and ride up a hill named after some Bradley
dude. We will return via 501/9W. Note the sleep friendly start time. Rain
or a high probability of rain or temps below 40 degrees cancels.

B16 50 MI 9:30 AM**Roundabout to Northvale**

Leader: Carol Waaser (212) 581-0509 or biker-c@rcn.com

From: North end of Boathouse parking lot

We'll meander through northern New Jersey and end up at the Northvale
Diner for brunch (almost 30 miles before the diner, so plan snacks
accordingly). Then home the usual way (for me, that's Churchill). Nothing
special ? just a pleasant autumn ride. Rain or temps below 40 cancel.

B15 50 MI 9.30 AM**POINT to POINT**

Leaders: Larry R (212) 304-8503 and Arlinda Bath (212) 928-5399

From: Statue of Civic Virtue

Join us for a fun ride going to Kingspoint and then on to Sandpoint for
an indoor/outdoor lunch weather permitting. Rain and or temperatures
below 35 degrees at 8:00 AM cancels.

C14 40 MI 9:00 AM**I Cover the Waterfront**

Leader: Ludwig Vogel (212) 838-0852 or ludwig@bway.net

From: The Boathouse

A loop across the GWB and South bring us to a little bit of Japan.
Then we take in the million-dollar views of Manhattan, and further south
along the Jersey Coast, the area's best Polish food. After our multi-cultural
experience in New Jersey, we'll head across the Bayonne Bridge to Staten
Island, where we'll circle around to the ferry for a free ride home. The
usual cancels. Helmets are required.

Sunday, November 19th**A18 50-60 MI 9:00 AM****Find a December Ride**

Leader: Vote on it in the Boathouse parking lot

From: Parking lot adjacent to the Boathouse

Get in that Sunday ride-don't push the pace, enjoy the scenery and friends.
Just keep the route in mind-you'll want to take your fellow A-riders there
for real (in a bulletin-bound official ride) in December.

Don't forget to vote!

Fill out the ballot on pages 11/12 and mail it in.

B16 50 MI 10:00 AM**Winter Ride**

Leader: You Decide

From: the Boathouse

A friendly "get out on the road" ride. It's getting colder and we'll leave later and return earlier to make the most of the day. Rain, below freezing or slick roads cancel.

C14 35+ MI 9:30 AM**"Maxie's Coney Island" a.k.a. Brighton Beach**

Leader: Stan Oldak (212) 780-9950 stanonyc@aol.com

From: In back of City Hall

As a young child my first ocean/sand experience was a bus and subway ride to Brighton Beach (renamed by my dad as Maxie's Coney Island). Who out there remembers the Brighton Beach Baths? We're headed there not for the "waters" but for the Russian food. Join us for a pleasant ride through Brooklyn and a great lunch. On the return we'll do some laps in Prospect Park to work off the meal. Rain or temp. below 35 at start cancels.

C12 25/30 MI 8:30 AM**City To City**

Leader: Jesse Brown (718) 931-7283

From: American Youth Hostels, 103rd St. & Amsterdam Ave.

Tour of the Bronx takes us to some of the finest seafood to be had in NYC, esp. City Island, a world unto itself. Explore greenways, side streets and other interesting things. Rain, snow, ice or an act of God cancels. Co-listed with 5BBC. Helmets required.

Friday, November 24th**A17** 45 MI 8:20 AM**Staten Island Perimeter Ride**

Leader: Barbara Barrett (212) 786-9708

From: Lower level entrance to the Staten Island Ferry

See description for November 3, 2000

Saturday, November 25th**A19** 50-60 MI 9:00 AM**UnStuffit Deluxe**

Leader: All who need to work off Thanksgiving repast

From: Parking lot adjacent to the Boathouse

This is not a Macintosh users group meeting. Get yourself unstuffed; ride off that bird; lose that potato (butt); eat humble pie, Punkin'! Just be sure to note the ride for a write-up in December. 'Kay?

A/B16 56 MI 9:00 AM**Bicycle Christmas Shopping in Hicksville**

Leader: Marty Wolf (212) 935-1460

From: Tramway Plaza, Second Ave at 59th St.

Objective: Christmas sale of bike paraphernalia-books, posters, Christmas cards, jewelry, men's ties, scale models, etc. Bring LIRR bike pass if you want to return by train. Ride leaves at 9 AM sharp. Cue sheets provided should you wish to ride faster or slower than the advertised pace. If it's a rainy day and you want to take the train, call the Leader.

B-15 40-45 MI 9:30 AM**Scarsdale Direct**

Leader: Carol Waaser (212) 581-0509 or biker-c@rcn.com

From: North end of Boathouse parking lot

We're all still stuffed like a turkey, so let's do an easy spin up to Scarsdale just to shake the cobwebs loose. We can refuel at the coffeeshop (excellent pancakes). No major hills until we get back to the north end of Manhattan. Rain or temps below 40 cancel.

C12 23 MI 9:15 AM**Bike Chocolate**

Leader: Alfredo Garcia (212) 802-2441, cyclist23@email.com

From: Lower level entrance to the Staten Island Ferry

Since 1911, Superior Confections has made chocolate that "lives up to its name." Opportunity to satisfy your sweet tooth and gifts for your loved ones. Bring \$ for goodies & snacks and maybe a Carradice saddlebag. Co-listed with 5BBC. Rain, snow, ice and 32F degrees cancels, baby. Check out the <http://www.superiorchocolatier.com> website. HELMETS REQUIRED.

Sunday, November 26th**A18** 50-60 MI 9:00 AM**WinZip**

Leader: You choose

From: Parking lot adjacent to the Boathouse

Is the title . . . PC? Sounds lithe, spirited, all zippy zipping along in the November wind. You probably rode yesterday and you're feeling free, you can take it easy. All those who sat at home all weekend-does Aladdin Expander come to mind?

B15 40 MI 10 AM**Scarsdale**

Leaders: Hindy and Irving Schachter (212) 758 5738

From: First Avenue and E. 64 St. NW corner

As the days turn colder, we head to Scarsdale and warm coffee at the Coffee Tree. Someone will someday write a tome on NYCC coffee spots and Coffee Tree latte should certainly make a listing. We have an interesting route home. Rain cancels.

C13 35 MI 10:00 AM**Winter Ride**

Leader: You Decide

From: the Boathouse

A friendly "get out on the road" ride. It's getting colder and we'll leave later and return earlier to make the most of the day. Rain, below freezing or slick roads cancel.

Saturday, December 2nd**A19** 55 MI 10:00 AM**Winter Ride**

Leader: You Decide

From: the Boathouse

A friendly "get out on the road" ride. It's getting colder and we'll leave later and return earlier to make the most of the day. Rain, below freezing or slick roads cancel.

Please take the time to fill out the election ballot on pages 11/12. Your vote counts!

B16 **50 MI** **10:00 AM****Winter Ride****Leader: You Decide****From: the Boathouse**

A friendly "get out on the road" ride. It's getting colder and we'll leave later and return earlier to make the most of the day. Rain, below freezing or slick roads cancel.

C14 **50 MI +/-** **9:30 AM****Return of the "Ride to Eat" ride****Leader: Paul Hofherr (212) 737-1553 bikeman999@aol.com****From: The Boathouse Parking lot**

Hopefully the weather will cooperate and we'll be able to satisfy our two most passionate needs - riding and eating of course. (What'd you expect me to say)? Perhaps hot pancakes at Northvale or maybe Park Ridge. We can make our decision at start time. Even if we're super hungry, we'll still ride the advertised pace. Rain, Snow or temps below 35 at start cancel. If in doubt call, but not before 7:30 AM. (Grrrrr). Helmets are required.

Sunday, December 3rd**A19** **55 MI** **10:00 AM****Winter Ride****Leader: You Decide****From: the Boathouse**

A friendly "get out on the road" ride. It's getting colder and we'll leave later and return earlier to make the most of the day. Rain, below freezing or slick roads cancel.

B16 **50 MI** **10:00 AM****Winter Ride****Leader: You Decide****From: the Boathouse**

A friendly "get out on the road" ride. It's getting colder and we'll leave later and return earlier to make the most of the day. Rain, below freezing or slick roads cancel.

C13 **35 MI** **10:00 AM****Croton Aqueduct****Leader: Maggie Clarke (567) 8272****From: 242nd St and Broadway, Bronx, end of the #1 and #9 trains**

So that we can enjoy more time outside the City in the nice scenery, we leave from the edge of the City, as we used to in years past. On the way there, we'll take the Croton Aqueduct off-road path (the FLAT, no-traffic way through Westchester) with views of the Hudson -- tire widths down to 28x700 or 1 1/4 have always done OK. Depending on temperature, we'll stop for hot chockie or coffee, and have an indoor lunch stop (Sleepy Hollow or Tarrytown). We'll enjoy an orderly ride on roads along the Hudson back to the City. Helmets required. Cancellation: Predicted excessive wind chill, start temp 40 or below, 50% chance of precip, icy roads (please call if in doubt). Bring Metro-North Pass for emergencies.

Check out our fabulous web site:

<http://www.nycc.org>

Check out the new NYCC Message Board!

http://www.nycc.org/bb_frame.html

"Tuscany is a biker's paradise, with its rolling Italian landscapes, quiet back roads, rustic hilltop villages, and heaping plates of pasta."

(more info on page 16)

Phoenicia Follies...and More

by Lou S.Pokes

The weekend of October 13 - 15 was bright and sunny with temperatures in the high 70's. Unfortunately, Columbus Day was the weekend before. It was overcast with morning temperatures in the low 30's with a constant threat of rain and, yes, possibly snow!

Unlike the Sheffield weekend this past May when many were unprepared for the cold weather, this time everyone had been warned and only one or two riders were spotted in the hunting/fishing store searching for warm clothes. And everyone knew Jeff Vogel wasn't going to be giving away clothes again, although John Vazquez did manage to borrow a spare pair of gloves.

Saturday morning's temperature was about 40 degrees. The A and B rides were the traditional Slide Mountain - Peekamoose loop; 70 or 80 hilly miles, depending on which leader you followed - Fred, Margaret, Jeff, or Karin Fantus and Gary McGraime. No matter how much attention was paid to the spectacular foliage, the waterfalls, or the deer, no one could possibly get lost - there are only six turns on the whole ride.

Sunday was even colder than Saturday. Jeff got an excellent weather report from Christy and Jody who drove up from Cold Spring that morning and said that the sun was shining there. So, off to the southeast the group went, chasing the elusive sun. They spent the entire day dry, if not warm, and got back with seconds to spare before an afternoon shower. Margaret's group opted for a shorter loop to the northwest and were lucky enough to find shelter to wait out a rain and sleet storm. Paul Hofherr's group thought they would be smart and wait until later in the day to ride when it would be warmer. It turned out to be the wrong move this time. They got caught in rain, sleet, hail and a snow squall. They'll be talking about this ride for years. And where was Fred "I've got a better route" Steinberg? He had no takers on his exploratory ride to Haines Falls and climbs unknown. He came back and said that his route, with a nine mile climb, wasn't going to be repeated.

With Monday's rides scheduled for 9:00am, it wasn't a good sign when people started strolling into breakfast at 8:45, in street clothes. After two great days of riding (three for those who rode up on Friday), only Todd and Beth were up for a sub-freezing ride on Monday. Sana Irfani, Sue Panny, Keith Goldstein, Frances and James, Kristi Roberts, Margaret and Jeff and Mike DeLillo all went on various hikes. Mikey even managed to find enough snow to start a short lived snowball fight!

All that riding led to lots of good eating. In addition to the huge breakfasts at Sweet Sue's, there was the BBQ on Sunday afternoon, complete with hamburgers, sausages, steak, chicken, pasta, salads, and a whole barbequed pig. This being Yom Kippur eve, everyone needed to finish by sundown. Of course, Judy Rabinowitz had her own rules, "I fast between meals".

Judy had also provided some of the "entertainment" the night before. After an early dinner with Ed, Christy and Jody, Jim and Alison, Douglas Riccardi, Laura Schwartz and several others, she went across the street to see how Keith, Kristi, Ron "every complaint in the book" Kahn, Jeff and Margaret were doing. They were still eating. So she went up the road to the Hungarian restaurant where Spencer, Rob, Chris, Tom, and John were having dinner. Or, hopefully, having dinner. They had been waiting over an hour. It turns out that the chef-owner was also the waiter, busboy and host that night. Judy, citing her waitressing experience, volunteered to help. The chef gladly accepted. "Bring bread to Table 6!" "Bring water and menus to Table 4!" "Desserts to Table 5!" "Clear and set Table 3!" Eventually everyone was served. And what did Judy get for all her hard work? Nothing! Her NYCC friends stiffed her on the tip!

Of course, what kind of weekend would it be without a Spencer story or two? It seems Spencer decided to broker some of the rooms at the Phoenicia Hotel. He was trying to rearrange rooms for his friends, Chris, Rob, Tom and John and a girlfriend or two. It was like musical beds. Unfortunately, when the music stopped, it was Spencer who was left standing, without a bed to sleep in. He wound up staying at a B&B a half mile away!

Henry Joseph also played the room swapping game. He was going to take Linda Wintner and Lynn Sarro's room when they cancelled but, according to Linda, Lynn couldn't remember where they had made the reservation!

And Spencer's quote of the weekend, after climbing one too many hills: "I may have to give up cigars".

All in all it was a great weekend, despite the shivering. The only disappointment of the weekend was Alison Galante cancelling her "Nude Ride" because of the cold. Maybe next year.

...and More

Alison and Elizabeth Kandel are two pretty lucky kids. Their grandfather on their father's side is Eric Kandel, who just won the Nobel Prize for Medicine for his research in Parkinson's disease. Their grandfather on their mother's side, George Kaplan, would easily win the Nobel Prize for All-Around Good Guy if the Nobel people were smart enough to give out that award. Congratulations to the entire Kaplan family.

Good luck to Reem Jishi, who's running the Dublin Marathon in late October. By the time you read this the Hawaii Ironman will be over. Let's hope we have results to congratulate Stefani Jackenthal for.

Financial Statement for 1999			
	Actual	Actual	
	12/31/98	12/31/99	
Assets			
Bank accounts			
Checking	\$9,729	\$5,250	
Savings	\$11,537	\$15,796	
		\$21,266	\$21,046
Merchandise			
Bottles	\$0	\$624	
Jersey Deposit	\$950		
Jerseys	\$4,505	\$5,090	
		\$5,455	\$5,714
Other			
Deposits	\$500	\$0	
Software	\$100	\$200	
PA system	\$250	\$250	
		\$850	\$450
Total Gross Assets	\$27,571	\$27,210	
Liabilities			
Merchandise			
Undelivered Jerseys	-\$3,795		
Balance due for Jerseys	-\$2,292		
Total Liabilities	-\$6,087		\$0
Total Gross Assets	\$22,334	\$27,660	

(financial statement continued on page 14)

Official NYCC 2001 Election Ballot

Vote for officers and member awards

President	Tom Laskey	<input type="checkbox"/>
VP of Programs	Cathy Martone	<input type="checkbox"/>
VP of Rides	Gary McGrame	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secretary	Jeff Vogel	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Bob Hancock	<input type="checkbox"/>
Treasurer	Ira Mitchneck	<input type="checkbox"/>

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PR Director	Rita Tellerman	<input type="checkbox"/>
Membership	Carol Waaser	<input type="checkbox"/>
Special Events	(open)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bulletin Editor	(open)	<input type="checkbox"/>
A-Rides Coordinator	Jim Galante	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Hank Schiffman	<input type="checkbox"/>
B-Rides Coordinator	Anneline Dinkleman	<input type="checkbox"/>
C-Rides Coordinator	Stan Oldak	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Now's your chance to vote in the best of the best member awards!

Best Dressed Man:

Best Dressed Woman:

Most Improved Man:

Most Improved Woman:

Comeback Rider Of The Year:

Best Cycling Couple:

Best Ride Leader:

Best Diner/Food Destination:

Fastest Flat Fixer

Most Shameless Gear-Head

Best Retrogrouch

Best Wheel (to Follow in a Paceline)

Please follow these instructions to cast your ballot by mail:

You are encouraged to vote in person at our club meeting November 14th. But if you cannot attend and wish to vote by mail, please select your choice of nominee for club office in the left-hand column. You may write in the name of any NYCC member you please for the member awards in the right-hand column).

Candidates in contested races have been given the opportunity to write 75-word statements, which are printed on the next page.

Fill in your name, address and signature in the signature lines on the other side of this page, detach, fold and seal the ballot with tape.

DO NOT USE STAPLES. Send ballots to the pre-printed address on the other side of this page only.

Ballots received at the NYCC PO Box cannot be counted. Remember to use a 33-cent stamp.

You may copy this form for use in multiple member households but without a name, address and signature on the bottom third of the reverse side your ballot cannot be counted. Ballots sent by mail must be postmarked by November 10. Ballots can also be cast in person at the November club meeting on Tuesday, November 14th.

Robert Hancock

Candidate for Secretary

In the past two years, I have been a leader for the B-SIG, a participant in the A-SIG Classic, a ride leader, and coordinator of routes, ride leaders, and marshals for Escape New York in both 1999 and 2000. I will guarantee timely electronic delivery of the board meeting minutes to the bulletin editor. I will work to build programs to develop new ride leaders and create a forum to improve communication between members and the board.

Jeff Vogel

Candidate for Secretary

By voting for me, you are advocating an agenda whereby the Board will support all levels of rides to meet the needs of all members. A22 and A23 are as important as C12 and C14. High performance and speed do not mean less focus on safety and comraderie. There should be a place in the NYCC for all levels of ability. The club should reverse the trend of making faster riders look elsewhere for riding companions.

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Jim Galante

Candidate for A-Rides Coordinator

This spring we had 22 "A" classic grads. and 40 "A"-19 grads. with 25 sig leaders. We need these great riders to lead more rides. With the help of some of the veterans, I'd like to encourage new leaders for more "A" rides. Remember It's skill that makes an "A" ride, not speed and distance. I'll help the club fill the void for rides that "could have been" this year.

Hank Schiffman

Candidate for A-Rides Coordinator

I did the A Sig two and a half years ago and was impressed by the caliber of leadership and quality of the program. Since then I've ridden numerous A rides, leading a few. Now along comes this opportunity to serve the NYCC in a different capacity. Like us all, I'm a busy New Yorker. But what the hay, it can't weigh any more than my steel frame and 2 water bottles.

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Signature

Name

Address/Apt#

City State Zip

Place
Stamp
Here!

Geo Kaplan
18 West 16th St.
New York, NY 10011

Minutes for the NYCC Board Meeting, September 5, 2000

Present: Wendy Cohen, Annaline Dinkelman, Ben Goldberg, Paul Hofherr, Cathy Martone, Gary McGraime, Ira Mitchneck, Don Montalvo, Laurie Nisco, Lynn Sarro; absent was Frank Grazioli.

Meeting was called to order at 6:45 pm at the offices of Ben Goldberg

A motion was seconded and passed to confirm Dona Kahn as the replacement of Irv Weisman, who resigned as secretary citing health problems.

Minutes for the July 17, 2000 Board meeting were reviewed and approved with modifications to reflect the discussions, after an appropriate motion.

Ben informed the Board that he approved a contribution of \$50.00 (later corrected to \$100) to help with the expenses of a truck to transport bikes for a ride on October 22 for singles, sponsored by the Staten Island Bike Club (two such trucks will be needed). Many clubs are participating in the event, the riders to take a train to the start and the truck to transport the bicycles. Registration and other information is available on NYCC's web site.

Cathy Martone reported on the upcoming speakers. The October meeting will feature speakers from Cannondale, who will be speaking about the history of Cannondale and its latest innovations in high-end bicycles.

Annaline Dinkelman reported that the all-class ride was a success but opined that at least one of the riders was a danger to the group and asked what options were open to the leader. Gary, as VP of rides, agreed to contact this individual. It was agreed that the leader could tell a rider who did not have a well-equipped bike or one who rode dangerously that he or she had to leave the ride.

Laurie Nisco reported that there were 1330 members as of this date. Maggie Clarke has prepared a questionnaire to be sent to those who did not renew to determine the reason, and if possible, make changes to improve the offering of services by the club.

Gary McGraime feels the all-class rides should be better coordinated. There were too many people who came late to the lunch, defeating the purpose of having a social interchange between the riders. He suggested we re-examine the routes and start times and possibly even the destination, so that everyone arrives at approximately the same time. He also felt there should be a program, with a raffle etc. to make it more of a social event.

Gary also stressed the necessity of finishing the guidelines for leaders before the start of next year's season.

Lynn Sarro reported that the next special event would be Zydeco dancing, which some of the more hip members of the Board thought was a great idea. The holiday party is already being planned and the date is December 4, 2000.

Wendy Cohen reported that the company Tee Jays is donating, at no cost to the club, all the tee shirts for the Century. She asked Ben to write an appropriate letter of appreciation to the company. It's the second year in a row that Wendy landed the tee shirts at no cost.

Water bottles have been re-ordered and Jerseys and vests are on order and expected this month. Club gloves are being designed.

Elections are upcoming. At the September and October meetings, nominations will be received and Ballots will be in the November bulletin.

Annaline opened the discussion on the need to develop more leaders by possibly having special rides to train leaders and scout routes. We have fewer ride leaders and either the V-P of rides or another member of the Board should take on the task of developing ride leaders. It was also suggested that the SIG rides should be run by persons other than the Ride Coordinators because the SIG took a great deal of effort and there was little energy left over for getting leaders for the regular rides. It was noted that SIG graduates do not seem to step to the plate and lead rides. More emphasis should be placed on getting SIG graduates to lead rides.

It was decided to have a committee review the bylaws and make recommendations to the Board on such broad issues as changes in the by-laws, increasing the number of members on the Board, using electronic technology for distributing the bulletin, registering members, renewing membership, and other issues the committee felt needed to be addressed. The committee is to be composed of Lynn Sarro, Annaline Dinkelman, Don Montalvo, Ira Mitchneck, Dona Kahn and Ben Goldberg (ex officio)

The timeliness (rather un-timeliness) of the bulletin was the subject of a long and extensive discussion. Don Montalvo gets the galley to the printer by e-mail at least 10 working days before the first of the month and he and Laurie Nisco, who investigated the problem with him, could not determine whether the printer or the mailer or the post office were the culprits, but the decision was made to have Don make some changes to increase the chance of a timely arrival of the bulletin.

Laurie Nisco raised the issue of e-mail between Board members that became increasingly inflammatory and disconcerting last month. It was agreed that e-mails on a particular issue should be limited to one-round and if not resolved, then put on the agenda.

The September bulletin cover was a subject of heated discussion and some members of the Board expressed the opinion that it was inappropriate and negative and could be viewed as disparaging of one of the members. Others thought it was a way to illustrate the two ways in which the bulletin could be provided to members, PDF and hard copy. Views were freely expressed. It was emphasized that board members should review the bulletin when it is sent to them by PDF, and provide feedback to the bulletin editor, who can still make changes.

Annaline reported that we are using an on-line application for the Century, with payment on the secured web site we are using and it has worked well and gives us necessary data very quickly. Applicants pay by credit card and pay a little extra for doing so, but it seems to be a popular method of signing up. It was decided to have the by-laws committee investigate whether a similar system should be used for renewals and new memberships.

The next meeting will be held October 3. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Dona Kahn

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Income	Actual 12/31/99	
General Income		
Interest	\$248	
Advertising	\$828	
		\$1,076
Membership		
Membership	\$26,992	
		\$26,992
Merchandise		
Water Bottles	\$604	
Jerseys	\$10,825	
		\$11,429
Ride Programs		
Century	\$6,846	
		\$6,846
Special Events		
Spec. Events	\$1,963	

Expenses	Actual 1999	
General Expenses		
Banking Fees	60	
Insurance	1,335	
General Administration	620	
		2,015
Membership		
Postage And Misc.	325	
Phone	350	
		675
Ride Programs		
Lunch Ride	1446	
Century	4,005	
Ride Leader Vests	1547	
		6,998
Merchandise		
Water Bottles	1,042	
Jerseys	16,884	
		17,925
Bulletin		
Production	11,218	
Postage	7,180	
		18,398
X-Mas Programs		3,204
Special Programs		945
Misc.		1,977
Total Expenses		108
		52,244

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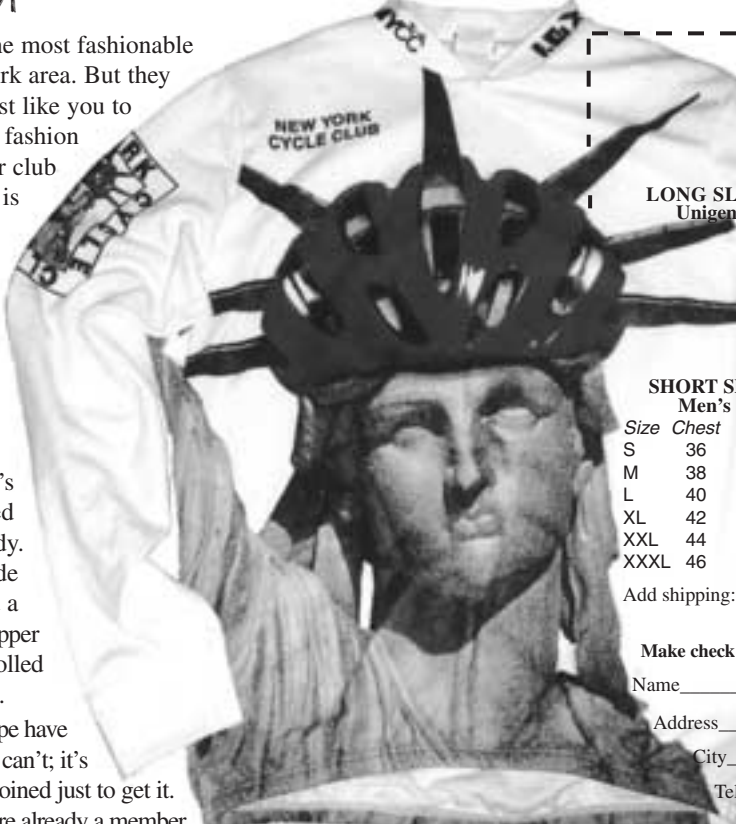
attention-getting
Club members, your long-sleeve jersey is here: keep warm *and* make a statement.

You've seen the NYCC jersey on the most fashionable roads throughout the entire New York area. But they had short sleeves. So what's a cyclist like you to do to remain on the cutting edge of fashion and make a proud statement of your club membership now that cold weather is here? Answer: Wear the new *long-sleeve* club jersey.

It has the same eye-popping graphic as the short-sleeve jersey: the Statue of Liberty wearing a helmet. The same designer: club member Richard Rosenthal. And the same manufacturer: Louis Garneau.

What's new is the Airdry® fabric. It's a 100% polyester microfiber, treated to keep moisture away from the body. It has the same rip-stop/waffle outside finish as the short-sleeve jersey, but a brushed inside surface. A deep, 15" zipper makes for easy on-and-off and controlled cooling (yes, useful even in winter).

Riders from around the U.S. & Europe have sought to buy the club jersey. But they can't; it's limited to club members. Some have joined just to get it. But, lucky you, you don't have to. You're already a member.



NYCC Jersey Order Form

Mail to:
 Ben Goldberg
 1 Washington Sq. Village, #5B
 New York, NY 10012
 goldberg@cs.nyu.edu

LONG SLEEVE @ \$57
 Unigender

Quantity	Size	Chest
_____	S	36
_____	M	38
_____	L	40
_____	XL	42
_____	XXL	44

SHORT SLEEVE @ \$50

Men's			Women's		
Size	Chest	Quantity	Size	Chest	Quantity
S	36	_____	XS	30	_____
M	38	_____	S	32	_____
L	40	_____	M	34	_____
XL	42	_____	L	36	_____
XXL	44	_____	XL	38	_____
XXXL	46	_____	XXL	40	_____

Add shipping: 1-2 jersey(s): \$3.20; 3 or more: \$6.40

Make check payable to New York Cycle Club *Total*

Name _____
 Address _____
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2000 Renewal / Membership Application / Change of Address



In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way in New York Cycle Club ("Club") sponsored Bicycling Activities ("Activity") I for myself, my personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin: 1. ACKNOWLEDGE, agree, and represent that I understand the nature of Bicycling Activities and that I am qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such Activity. I further acknowledge that the Activity will be conducted over public roads and facilities open to the public during the Activity and upon which the hazards of traveling are to be expected. I further agree and warrant that if at any time I believe conditions to be unsafe, I will immediately cease further participation in the Activity. 2. FULLY UNDERSTAND that (a) BICYCLING ACTIVITIES INVOLVE RISKS AND DANGERS OF SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS AND DEATH ("RISKS"); (b) these risks and dangers may be caused by my own actions, or inactions, the action or inaction of others participating in the Activity, the condition in which the Activity takes place, or THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" NAMED BELOW; (c) there may be OTHER RISKS AND SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC LOSSES either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time, and I FULLY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSSES, COSTS AND DAMAGES I incur as a result of my participation in the Activity. 3. HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, COVENANT NOT TO SUE the Club, the LAB, their respective administrators, directors, agents and employees, other participants, any sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which the Activity takes place, (each considered one of the "RELEASEES" herein) FROM ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, LOSSES, OR DAMAGES ON MY ACCOUNT CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE RESCUE OPERATIONS, AND I FURTHER AGREE that if, despite the RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which may incur as the result of such claim. I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND HAVE SIGNED FREELY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE AND INTEND IT TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW AND AGREE THAT IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS HELD TO BE INVALID THE BALANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING, SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

Mail this application with a check made payable to: **New York Cycle Club, P.O. Box 20541, Columbus Circle Station, New York, NY 10023**

PLEASE PRINT or use address label. Zip code is required.

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Check if applicable: I do not want my Address Phone Email published in the NYCC semi-annual roster.

Annual Membership: January 1st - December 31st, 2000. Please check the appropriate box:

Individual — \$21 (\$10.50 after Labor Day) Couple residing at the same address — \$27 (\$13.50 after Labor Day)

Recycle

For Sale: "Ladies" Colnago 47cm Classic road bike. Columbus SL tubing/Dura Ace 8 sp Group. Mavic Reflex Silver wheels w/ DT14 (front radial laced). 3T bar 40cm. 3t record stem 8cm. Judy Furtado (mountain) saddle. Look pedals. Red/orange/yellow morph. Built at

Conrad's. 3 years old - ridden 3 times for 125 miles! Cleaned and polished 50 times. This is a sweet racer that simply hangs around. Paid \$2,900 must sell asking \$1,500. Call or write Scott 212 752-1323 skgnyc@aol.com.

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A Biker's Guide to the Wine Roads of Tuscany

Find out more at our **November 14th** meeting



Pat Thomson & Claudio Bisio of La Dolce Vita Wine Tours

Tuscany is a biker's paradise, with its rolling Italian landscapes, quiet back roads, rustic hilltop villages, and heaping plates of pasta. If you're fantasizing about a trip to bella Italia, now's your chance to get some tips on recommended bike routes in the regions of Chianti Classico, San Gimignano, Montalcino, and Montepulciano. NYCC's own Pat Thomson & Claudio Bisio will get down to specifics: spectacular roads, historic must-sees towns, and some of the legendary wine estates along the way.

Join your fellow members for an evening
of camaraderie and good food

at

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50 East 43rd Street (west of Grand Central Station between Madison & Vanderbilt Aves.)

Buffet Dinner with chicken marsala with rice, pasta primavera and green salad. Coffee or tea. Dinner is \$20 (cash only, includes tax and tip). Social hour with cash bar at 6pm. Dinner at 7pm. Program at 8pm. Take 4/5/6/7 & S to 42nd Street/Grand Central Station.

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