



# the Quick Release

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## Call for CCC Volunteers

By Harv Koplo, Century Chair

The 42nd annual Capital City Century is coming up on September 7, the Sunday after Labor Day. To make sure this year's CCC is another memorable one, we need **your** help! If you've volunteered before, we'd love to have your help again this year. Volunteering for the century is also a great way for new members to get to know their fellow bike club members. If there are enough volunteers, there's no reason you can't ride and help out as well.



If you enjoyed helping out in a particular volunteer job last year, here's a change to get your "dibs" for 2014. If you enjoy working with a friend, give them a call and ask them to join you! We'll be calling members in August about helping out with CCC.

If you would like to volunteer, please get in touch with me, Harv Koplo, my Food Chair Jim Elliott, or with one of our subcommittee chairpersons:

### **Event/Century Chair: Harv Koplo**

899-9175 or [harv\(at\)avromsystems.com](mailto:harv(avromsystems.com))

#### Subcommittee Chairs:

Registration: Alan Whitaker

494-6807 or [webmaster\(at\)spfldcycling.org](mailto:webmaster(spfldcycling.org))

T-shirts: Cindy Kvamme

744-8864 [cindykvamme\(at\)att.net](mailto:cindykvamme(att.net))

Historic Sites Ride: Naomi Greene & Jim Hajek

698-7627 or [kngreene\(at\)comcast.net](mailto:kngreene(comcast.net))

Maps: Tom Clark & Derek Ewing

726-5560 or [president\(at\)spfldcycling.org](mailto:president(spfldcycling.org))

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726-5560 or [president\(at\)spfldcycling.org](mailto:president(spfldcycling.org))

Marking: Phil Windell

824-8764 or [phillip.windell\(at\)live.com](mailto:phillip.windell(live.com))

Traffic Drection: Chanell Bradbury

220-1523 or [chanell.bradbury\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:chanell.bradbury(gmail.com))

Family Ride: Jim & Judy Percy (

494-2222 or [jim\(at\)percyco.com](mailto:jim(at)percyco.com)

Route Checking & Signs: TBA

SAG: Carl Johnson

652-4738 or [carljohn2010\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:carljohn2010(at)gmail.com)

### **Food Committee Chair: Jim Elliott**

899-9175 or [elliott.js\(at\)comcast.net](mailto:elliott.js(comcast.net))

#### Subcommittee Chairs:

Knights of Columbus Food: Ted & Judy Sunder

698-9194 or [tsunder423\(at\)aol.com](mailto:tsunder423(aol.com))

Deb Cooper, House Madam

[ddcooper\(at\)sorlinglaw.com](mailto:ddcooper(sorlinglaw.com))

Robert LaBonte (Kitchen)

836-8387 or [r.labonte1\(at\)comcast.net](mailto:r.labonte1(comcast.net))

Jim Elliott (Line), Food Managers

Bunn Farms Rest Stop: Ken Anderson

522-3876 or [k\\_anderson\\_236\(at\)comcast.net](mailto:k_anderson_236(comcast.net))

Clayville Food Stop: Sue Hack

546-4514 or [shack2\(at\)earthlink.net](mailto:shack2(earthlink.net))

Baked Goods: Stephen Paca & Kristina Mucinskas

766-2604 or [incentive\(at\)spfldcycling.org](mailto:incentive(spfldcycling.org))

If you cannot volunteer that day, please consider supplying baked goods for the food stops, or bring a covered dish for the post-pedalin' party at the Beach House.

## **Secretary's Report**

by Alan Whitaker, Secretary

### **New Members**

Scott Bell  
Mike Long  
Poonam Mahajan

### **Renewals**

Jerome Themig  
Terrance Escorcia  
Shaun Lu  
Mike Royer  
Derek & Brigetta Ewing  
Chris & Kathy Mehuys  
John & Judy Day  
Ken and Sandy Anderson  
Jim & Christina Morris & Family  
Alan & Nanette Phillips

### **New Members at the Contributing Level**

John Hayward

### **Renewals at the Contributing Level**

John Hayward  
Mike & Cheryl Eymann  
Rich Saal  
David R. Banks  
Tom & Francie King & Family  
Ed Doornbos & Marilyn Okon  
Jim & Gladys Hajek

### **Renewals at the Sustaining Level**

Ted, Judy, and Nicholas Sunder  
Ernie DeFrates & Linda Butler

Thanks to all for your support of the SBC and bicycling!!

## **Incentive Report**

by Stephen Paca, Incentive Chair

**RIDE OF THE MONTH:** Christa McLaren-Morris's ride from Mechanicsburg was voted Ride Of The Month for June 2014. A good-sized group showed up at the start in Mechanicsburg and rode to Mt. Auburn and Illiopolis. Thank you, Christa, for helping us branch out to less traveled locations!

**ALMOST ANYTHING AWARD:** The AAA goes to Joel Johnson for trimming branches on the Interurban trail. Several club members witnessed Joel cutting back overgrown bushes on the trail, during the hot days of June and July. He even rode to the trail with his tools. Thanks, Joel, for taking your own time to make the trail riding experience better for everyone!

**RIDE LEADER INCENTIVE DRAWING:** Mark Rabin's name was drawn for the Ride Leader Incentive award. He will receive a \$50 gift certificate to the local bicycle shop of his choice. Congratulations, Mark, thanks for being a ride leader!

***Any rider or member can nominate rides or leaders for the above recognition. Please send nominations or ride anecdotes to incentive (at) spfldcycling.org***

## President's Column

by Tom Clark, President

We have some great rides and events in August.

*The **SBC Picnic** hosted by **Gladys Hajek** is August 2 (see article on page 7).*

Our VP **John Nelson's** monthly scheduler, **Alan Josephson**, leads an out-of-town ride from Edwardsville to the Gateway Arch on August 16 and a Chatham ride on August 30. Other weekend ride leaders in August include **Mark Rabin, Robert LaBonte, Tracey Hurley, Deb Cooper, Marty Celnick, Alan Whitaker,** and **Cindy Kvamme.**

The 4<sup>th</sup> event in **Derek & Brigetta Ewing's SBC Great Cycling Challenge** is Sunday, August 24. Riders can go 101 miles to Decatur, 55 miles to Illiopolis, or 24 miles to Riverton. This should be a great tune-up for the Capital City Century (CCC), the 5<sup>th</sup> and final Challenge event, on Sunday, September 7, which features a visit to historic Clayville and a 125-mile Double Metric option.

CCC is going west and north this year. We start/end once again at the **Knights of Columbus @ Iles & Meadowbrook**. The 40-mile loop 1 includes a lunch stop at historic Clayville, near Pleasant Plains. Riders can complete additional loops from there for more mileage, before returning to K of C. In the middle of loop 4, there's an optional, hilly Challenge loop that starts/ends at New Salem State Park. Riders can elect to add it for a 125-mile Double Metric Century, or skip it for a relatively flat 100-mile Century. The CCC also features shorter options.

**SBC volunteers are what makes the CCC a very special event!** If you are interested in volunteering, please contact your area chair (see **Call for CCC Volunteers**, page 1) or Century Chair Harv at [events@spfldcycling.org](mailto:events@spfldcycling.org) or 899-9175 (cell). We will be contacting prior year volunteers in early August. Derek Ewing will be encouraging our Challenge riders to recruit a few new volunteers from among their family and friends, to assist with the optional Challenge loop that makes possible the ultimate challenge, a 125-mile Double Metric option.

Our annual meeting of the Capital City Century Committee will be held on Wednesday, August 6 at 6:00 p.m., before the regular Board meeting, at Ken and Sandy Andersons, 2301 Sangamon Avenue. **Harv Koplo** leads the CCC as Event Chair, with **Jim Elliott** serving as Food Chair.

Save the date!—we'll be holding our **Annual Meeting and Socializer** on September 24 at Brickhouse West. This will be a chance for members and potential members to socialize post-CCC. A brief annual meeting at 6:30 p.m. will precede the socializer from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The weekend & holiday A-level rides organized by **Lisa Kidd** are a great option for extremely strong and competitive riders with expert bike handling skills. As such, they compliment our (typically) slower-paced, shorter weekend & holiday Club rides.

See you on the road or trail!—Tom

## August 2014 Ride Schedule

For updates, corrections and last minute changes to the ride schedule please check the SBC website at [www.spfldcycling.org](http://www.spfldcycling.org). Unless otherwise indicated, **weekday** daytime rides will not take place on holidays. All rides return to the starting point unless otherwise noted.

### Ride Classifications

**NC – Non-Cycling events.**

**MB – Rides suitable for mountain bikes.**

**EZ – For riders who prefer a pace under 10 mph.** These are purely social rides. Expect short routes either in town or on a trail and expect to ride as a single group. No one will be left alone at the back of the group and assistance is provided for flats and other minor mechanical problems.

**D – For novice or recreational riders.** Expect to ride at a pace of 10 – 12 mph with rest stops as needed. Expect the ride leader or another club member to stay with the slowest rider and to offer assistance for flats and other minor mechanical problems.

**C – For competent riders with basic safety and bike handling skills.** These rides combine social riding with improving fitness and riding ability. Expect that most riders will ride in groups at a pace of about 12 – 15 mph. There may be rest stops on the route, but they will be limited. Riders are comfortable navigating by map if separated from the group and can handle their own mechanical repairs.

**B – For strong, experienced riders with considerable group riding experience.** Expect the emphasis to be on improving individual stamina and riding skills. Most riders will maintain a pace of 16 – 18 mph and will not feel obligated to wait for slower riders. Pace lines are common. Riders are able to handle their own mechanical repairs and are comfortable navigating by map if separated from the group.

**A – For extremely strong and competitive riders with expert bike handling skills.** Expect riders to be self-sufficient and to maintain speeds of 19+ mph for extended distances using pace lines.

If you have questions about whether a specific ride is right for you, give the ride leader a call. If you are unsure about your cycling ability, try a ride with a group one class below where you think you might be. You can then move up until you find the level that is right for you.

Please arrive for rides 10 minutes early. Be sure that your bike is in proper working order before you arrive. All riders are strongly encouraged to obey traffic laws, wear a helmet, carry everything necessary to fix a flat tire, and bring hydration. If the ride leader fails to appear, form a group and go on a ride if you like. Then turn in your miles to the club record keeper ([records@spfldcycling.org](mailto:records@spfldcycling.org)).

Questions about leading a ride? Contact [vp@spfldcycling.org](mailto:vp@spfldcycling.org)

| <b>Weekday Daytime Rides</b>                    |  | <b>Check start times!</b>  |
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| Monday thru Friday<br>10:00 a.m.                | Morning Geezer Ride<br>Washington Park Pavilion on the South side of the park<br>Pete Gudmundson, 523-8200 | Show-N-Go ride for retired geezers or those hoping to become geezers. No leader or map, but Pete shows up often enough for this ride that he can answer questions. Please use ride sheet if riding together. Participating riders should turn in miles to the club records keeper. <b>*Disclaimer: Geezer riders occasionally change the start time due to weather and other considerations. Please call ahead.</b>  |
| Monday thru Friday<br>10:00 a.m.                | Daily Pana Trail Ride, Lake Taylorville parking lot, Rt 29<br>Pat Stephens, 287-7056                       | Show-N-Go along the Lincoln Heritage Trail. Turn in miles to the records keeper. There is no ride leader, but Pat can answer questions about this ride.  |
| Monday thru Friday<br>12:20 p.m.                | Vredenburg Park<br>Saxon Dr & Crusaders Rd<br>Tom Clark, 726-5560<br>Dave Ross 789-4823                    | Show-N-Go westside lunch ride that begins on the Wabash Trail. Dave or Tom will be there sometimes to hit the trails or go out in the country. They can answer questions about this ride.  |
| <b>Weekday Evening Rides</b>                    |  | <b>Check start times!</b>  |
| Monday<br>5:45 p.m.                             | East end parking lot, Wabash Trail by Sonic (Wabash & Park)<br>Amy Goldesberry 714-8762                    | BCD — Leave from the east end of the Wabash Trail at Sonic. Riders may also start from AMC Parkway Pointe (Lindbergh & Robbins Rd) at 5:30 p.m. This popular ride will get you 16 miles from Sonic or 21 miles from Parkway Pointe.  |
| Tuesday<br>6:00 p.m.                            | Engrained Brewing<br>1120 W Lincolnshire Blvd<br>Kevin Brown, 971-8862                                     | EZ- 10 miles at a relaxed pace on the trail. Those interested will end the ride with dinner and/or a cold beverage at Engrained.   |
| Tuesday<br>5:30 p.m.                            | IDOT, Dirksen Pkwy & Ash St<br>Show-N-Go   | BCD — Show-N-Go ride on the Lost Bridge Trail for 10-14 miles.   |
| Wednesday<br>6:00 p.m.                          | Centennial Trail South End Parking Lot, Bunker Hill Rd<br>Alan Whitaker, 494-6807                          | BCD — Ride the trail for 12 or add a low traffic county road to the airport for a total of 15.   |
| Thursday<br>5:30 p.m.                           | IDOT<br>Dirksen Pkwy & Ash St<br>Cindy Kvamme, 971-8687  | BCD -- Ride the Lost Bridge Trail for 10-14 miles.   |
| Mon., Tues.,<br>Wed., & Th.<br>6:00 p.m.        | Pana Trail, Lake Taylorville parking lot, Rt 29<br>Charlie Witsman, 299-7038                               | Show-N-Go – Ride on the Lincoln Heritage Trail. Turn in miles to the club records keeper. Call Charlie if you need information about trail conditions or directions.   |
| <b>Weekend Daytime Rides</b>                    |  |  |
| Saturday<br>4:30 p.m.                           | Lewis Memorial Park<br>Koke Mill Rd<br>Robert LaBonte, 787-0237  | MB – Meet at the pavilion and ride the church trails for an hour or so. This ride will be at an easy pace and is suitable for beginner and intermediate riders. Ride is dependent on trail conditions so call Robert for details. If you don't have a mountain bike, Robert can loan you one if your call ahead.   |
| Saturdays<br>time varies<br>(see<br>Disclaimer) | Vredenburg Park<br>Saxon Dr & Crusaders Rd<br>Lisa Kidd, 341-6181  | <b>Weekend A-Ride.</b> This ride is intended for extremely strong and competitive riders with expert bike handling skills. Expect riders to be self-sufficient and to maintain speeds of 19+ mph for extended distances using pace lines. Riders will agree on a destination and determine a route at the time of the ride. Developmental A-riders are welcome, but they should be self-sufficient and familiar with local roads, or accompanied by an experienced rider. <b>Disclaimer: Schedule sometimes changes due to weather. Please call ahead.</b> |
| Sundays<br>time varies<br>(see<br>Disclaimer)   | Vredenburg Park<br>Saxon Dr & Crusaders Rd<br>Lisa Kidd, 341-6181  | <b>Weekend A-Ride.</b> See Saturday Weekend A-Ride description. <b>*Disclaimer: Schedule sometimes changes due to weather. Please call ahead.</b>  |

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| Sundays<br>time varies<br>with multiple<br>loops<br>(see<br>Disclaimer) | Chatham Community Park<br>South West Parking lot<br>John Nelson, 652-8981<br><a href="mailto:luv2flyjrn@aol.com">luv2flyjrn@aol.com</a> | <b>Weekend BC-Ride.</b> My first Century Group. The ride is typically multiple loops of 20-30 miles allowing for riders of varying abilities to do distances appropriate to their ability. Many in the group are working towards their first metric century, century, or 160 mile bike ride. Please contact John before Sunday to get a link to the weekend's routes and to ensure that he does not start a loop without you. No rider is left behind with an experienced rider always in the back.<br><b>*Disclaimer: Sometimes changes due to weather. Please call ahead.</b> |
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| <b>Scheduled Rides and Events</b> | <b>Check start times!</b> |
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| Saturday<br>August 2<br>8:00 a.m.<br><b>NOTE TIME</b>                                       | Chatham Community Park<br>South West Parking lot<br>Mark Rabin, 544-4006                                   | ABC — Mark takes us on his very popular ride of 40 miles with cutoffs. You'll have to show up to see where he is going!   |
| Saturday<br>August 2<br>4:00 p.m. to<br>8:00 p.m.   | Lake Springfield<br>Tom Madonia Park East<br>East lake Drive<br>Gladys Hajek 698-7626                      | <b>SBC PICNIC-</b> Join your bike club friends for an old fashion picnic. Feel free to bring a guest interested in the SBC. Gather at 4:00 p.m. with dinner at 5:00 p.m. See article in the QR for details and what to bring.   |
| Sunday<br>August 3<br>9:00 a.m.   | Waldrop Park<br>Andrew Road, Sherman<br>Robert LaBonte, 787-0237   | ABC — Breakfast ride to Elkhart for about 30 miles. If you want to do more miles, ride over the hill to Mt Pulaski and back for about 53 total miles.   |
| Wednesday<br>August 6<br>6:00 p.m. +  | Residence<br>2301 Sangamon Ave<br>Ken Anderson, 522-3876   | NC – <b>CCC Chairs Meeting at 6:00 p.m.</b> followed by<br><b>Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m.</b><br>All SBC members are invited to attend the Board meetings.   |
| Saturday<br>August 9<br>8:00 a.m.<br><b>NOTE TIME</b>                                       | Vredenburg Park<br>Saxon Dr & Crusaders Rd Tracey<br>Hurley, 414-8900                                      | ABC – Tracey promises a surprise ride to someplace in the county, for 30-45 miles with shorter options.   |
| Sunday<br>August 10<br>8:00 a.m.<br><b>NOTE TIME</b>  | Vredenburg Park<br>Saxon Dr & Crusaders Rd<br>Deb Cooper, 899-8385   | ABC — Deb hasn't made up her mind yet. Loami, New Berlin, Auburn or some other exotic place in the county. Expect from 30-45 miles with shorter options..   |
| Saturday<br>August 16<br>7:30 a.m. for<br>carpooling<br>7:45 a.m. leave<br><b>NOTE TIME</b> | Cracker Barrel Parking Lot<br>I-55 & Toronto Rd<br>Alan Josephson, 793-0590 home<br>299-3348 cell for trip | BC —.Ride to the ST. LOUIS ARCH area at a leisurely pace on the Madison County Trail system beginning in Edwardsville, IL. This very popular ride will begin around 9:15 a.m., follow the asphalt trails and city streets to cross the McKinley Bridge on their fabulous bicycle path. The route through city streets may be different than previous trips, so be prepared for traffic and maybe some route changes. Lunch & drinks at Sandeckers under the ML King Bridge and return. About 44 total ride miles. Contact Alan for information. Maps and directions will be passed out at Cracker Barrel. |
| Saturday<br>August 16<br>8:00 a.m.<br><b>NOTE TIME</b>                                      | Rotary Park<br>Archer Elevator & Iles<br>Show & Go   | ABC- For those not riding to the ARCH, get together and ride from 25-50 miles. Send your miles in to the record keeper.   |
| Sunday<br>August 17<br>9:00 a.m.  | Vredenburg Park<br>Saxon Dr & Crusaders Rd<br>Marty Celnick, 522-4206                                      | ABC — Marty always has an interesting ride someplace. 30-45 miles, with shorter options.  |
| Saturday<br>August 23<br>8:00 a.m.<br><b>NOTE TIME</b>                                      | Rotary Park<br>Archer Elevator & Iles<br>Alan Whitaker, 494-6807   | ABC — Alan says to expect some hills throughout his 30-40 mile ride with shorter options. Maybe Athens? Can't wait to find out!   |

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| <p>Sunday<br/>August 24<br/>8:00 a.m.<br/>Start. Arrive<br/>earlier to<br/>register<br/><b>NOTE TIME</b></p> | <p>Rochester Station<br/>Rt 29 &amp; S. Walnut<br/>Rochester, IL<br/>Derek &amp; Brigetta Ewing,<br/>624-2016</p> | <p>ABCD — <b>Springfield Bicycle Club Cycling Challenge #4.</b><br/><b>Make sure to arrive before the start time to register.</b><br/>Printable maps and GPS uploads are available at <a href="http://www.spfldcycling.org">www.spfldcycling.org</a><br/>Mileage routes are:<br/>101 to Decatur<br/>55 to Illiopolis<br/>24 to Riverton</p> |
| <p>Saturday<br/>August 30<br/>8:00 a.m.<br/><b>NOTE TIME</b></p>   | <p>Chatham Community Park<br/>South West Parking lot<br/>Alan Josephson, 793-0590</p>                             | <p>ABC — Wind and heat will determine Alan's route. Expect several choices from 30 to perhaps 75 miles.</p>   |
| <p>Sunday<br/>August 31<br/>8:00 a.m.<br/><b>NOTE TIME</b></p>   | <p>Waldrop Park<br/>Andrew Road, Sherman<br/>Cindy Kvamme, 971-8687</p>   | <p>ABC – Cindy's ride will take us either 24-36-50 miles depending on your desire to go to Middletown or Greenview.</p>   |

## SPRINGFIELD BICYCLE CLUB'S ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC

**Saturday, August 2, 2014, 4 pm - 8 pm**

Springfield Lake  
Tom Madonia Park East  
East Lake Drive, Springfield, IL



Grilled Hamburgers, Brats and Veggie Burgers and condiments will be provided as well as soft drinks and bottled water.

We are asking that you please bring a covered dish, salad or dessert to share.

Hope you can make it and share in the fun and good food. Gladys

## Other Area Rides

Springfield area bike shops and other entities sponsor or host a number of rides and events each year. When we receive requests to help publicize these activities, we'll post them in this new section of the QR. **NOTE: 'Other area ride' miles count for club miles, as they are organized rides.**

| Other Area Rides & Events   |  |  |
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| Mondays<br>5:30 p.m.  | Ace Bicycle Shop<br>2500 S. MacArthur Blvd<br>Rich Moscardelli, 523-0188       | <b>Trail and Road Ride.</b> Join Pete and Rich for a casual 30-35 mile ride down the trail and out into the country. All levels of riders are welcome. Riders usually break up into two riding groups, which average 13-15 mph and 17-20 mph.  |
| Tuesdays<br>5:30 p.m.   | Biketek<br>957 Clock Tower Dr<br>Jim Elliott, 529-5848                         | <b>Bike Tek Road Ride.</b> This ride is for C level riders. Jim will lead a ride for about 15 miles at a much easier pace than the AB ride.  |
| Tuesdays<br>5:45 p.m.   | Biketek<br>957 Clock Tower Dr<br>Tom Murphy, 787-2907                          | <b>Bike Tek Salisbury Hills Ride.</b> A and B group leaders assist developmental riders. The route is challenging and hilly. Each group re-forms periodically. The Thursday rides are all show-n-go rides, with no official leader.  |
| Wednesdays<br>6:10ish p.m.  | Wheel Fast<br>17 Cottonwood Dr<br>Matt Saner, 483-7807                         | <b>Wheel Fast Road Ride.</b> ABC Intermediate training ride. Meet at the bike shop and plan on 16-20 miles. The ride will begin when the shop is closed and locked up for the evening.   |
| Every other<br>Wednesday<br>August 6 & 20<br>5:30 p.m.  | New City Church parking lot<br>New City Rd<br>Pawnee<br>Steve Schien, 741-8388 | <b>New City Time Trials.</b> This is a non-affiliated 10.85-mile time trial on Pawnee New City Road. Most riders are seeking to improve their cycling ability and personal time trial speed. All are welcome to participate. Check-in immediately after arriving. The goal is to send off the first rider at 6:00. Riders are started in 15-second intervals starting with the slower riders first. Bring \$2 for the timer. Ask to be put on the email group to learn of date and time changes. |
| Thursdays<br>5:45 p.m.  | Scheels<br>3801 S. MacArthur Blvd<br>Michael Ritzer, 726-6330                  | <b>Trail and Road Ride.</b> A chance for fellow bike enthusiasts to get together and share their passion. This ride is intended for all levels of riders. Some riders stay on the trails for 10-12 miles while others add a road ride for 20-30 miles. A designated rider leader stays at the back of each riding group.   |
| Thursdays<br>5:45 p.m.  | Biketek<br>957 Clock Tower Dr<br>Tom Murphy, 787-2907                          | <b>Bike Tek Salisbury Hills Ride.</b> A and B group leaders assist developmental riders. The route is challenging and hilly. Each group re-forms periodically. The Thursday rides are all show-n-go rides, with no official leader.  |
| Regional Rides  |  |  |
| For an up-to-date listing of upcoming rides, go to <a href="http://www.mikebentley.com">www.mikebentley.com</a> and check <b>Illinois Bicycle Rides</b> |  |  |



The bicycle is the most civilized conveyance known to man. Other forms of transport grow daily more nightmarish. Only the bicycle remains pure in heart.

Iris Murdoch, writer (1919-1999)

# Illinois Share the Road License Plates

*(Updated July 18, 2014; originally from the League of Illinois Bicyclists)*



The State of Illinois “Share the Road” specialty license plates for cars, vans, and light trucks are available for permanent, year-round use. Get your plates to make a statement when you drive – and make cycling safer at the same time. These great-looking plates (by Bryan Werner of Collinsville) deliver a key message while raising money in a new state Share the Road Fund specifically for LIB’s bicyclist and motorist education efforts in Illinois.

## **To purchase plates:**

Walk-in random number license plates may be purchased at the Secretary of State’s office in the Howlett Building at 501 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Springfield.

You may also purchase the plates online through the Secretary of State’s [webpage for Share the Road plates](#). There, you may download a [brochure](#) to order (by mail) either 4-digit random number plates, or personalized or vanity plates. If you’re ordering personalized or vanity plates, you also have the option of checking whether your choice is available and ordering online using the Pick-a-Plate feature. Note that personalized or vanity plates take longer to ship than random number plates, since the former have to be individually made.

New customers of random number plates pay \$51 (plus your normal vehicle registration renewal fee, if within 90 days of expiration). This includes \$34 for the Secretary of State and \$17 for the Share the Road Fund. Each year afterwards, the Secretary of State will automatically send you a renewal form for your Share the Road plates, like they do now for your regular plates, but with an incremental \$22 fee over your vehicle registration renewal fee. Of that \$22, \$2 goes to the Secretary of State, \$20 goes to the Share the Road Fund. If you order personalized or vanity plates, these incremental fees – specifically, the amount going to the Secretary of State – will be higher.

Grants from the Share the Road Fund pay for LIB’s safety resources and programs. Look through LIB’s website at [www.bikelib.org](http://www.bikelib.org) to learn about our education campaigns and other efforts to improve bicycling conditions in Illinois.

Board Meeting Minutes – July 2, 2014  
by Stephen Paca

Present. Tom Clark, John Nelson, Alan Whitaker, Jim Hajek, Harv Koplo, Gladys Hajek, Bill Donels, Stephen Paca, Joe Agner, Ken Anderson, Marty Celnick, and Mike Schwab.

The meeting was called to order by Tom Clark at 7:17 p.m.

President's Remarks. No remarks.

Vice President's Report. John Nelson reported that the ride scheduling is going well. Alan Josephson is working on the August and September schedules.

Secretary's Report. Alan Whitaker reported that online membership registrations are coming in, both new memberships and renewals. Alan will work with Jim Hajek on breakdowns for CCC and membership registrations.

Minutes. Ken Anderson made a motion to approve the June Board meeting minutes; John Nelson seconded the motion; and the Board approved the minutes. Stephen Paca distributed a draft of the minutes from the July Board meeting via email, and he made corrections based on feedback.

Treasurer's Report. Jim distributed a copy of the Treasurer's Report prior to the meeting via email. He reported a balance of \$16,118.01 for the period ending 06/30/14. Ken Anderson motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report; Harv Koplo seconded the motion; and the Board approved the report. Jim also distributed an update of actual activity of the first two quarters of the year compared to the approved 2014 budget.

Incentive Chair Report. Stephen Paca conducted the Incentive Awards. Christa McLarenMorris's ride from Mechanicsburg was voted Ride of the Month for June. The Almost Anything Award was given to Joel Johnson for trimming back branches on the Interurban trail. Mark Rabin's name was drawn for the monthly ride leader incentive award.

Special Events Report. Harv presented an example of the application that the CCC volunteer committee will use to call past volunteers. When the application is complete, Harv will turn it over to the committee so they can start contacting members. Harv announced that the Illinois Stewardship Alliance is a new sponsor for the CCC this year.

Legislative/Education Report. Bill Donels reported that the Bicycle Advisory Council has been busy working on the Bicycle Friendly Community application. The committee working on the application hopes to submit it by the deadline in August.

Bill presented the plaque that will be dedicated to Lynn Miller and placed at the Sangamon Valley Trail at the Centennial Park trail head. Steve Luker of the Legacy Pointe development group donated a boulder on which the plaque will be mounted. Bill plans to have a dedication ceremony, ride, and associated PR after the boulder and plaque have been placed.

Social Chair Report. Gladys Hajek reported that she has the summer picnic planned for Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at the same location as last year, Tom Madonia Park on Lake Springfield. Gladys asked for help with getting donations for the picnic from the local bike shops.

Newsletter Editor Report. Joe Agner reported that the last newsletter was sent out with no problems.

Webmaster Report. Alan reported that some members found the PayPal checkout step of online membership registration confusing; Alan requested feedback on the new website and registration process.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Ken and Sandy Anderson. The CCC committee chairs will meet prior to the Board meeting, at 6:00 p.m.

# Springfield Bicycle Club Membership Application

 New Member

 Renewing Member

 Change of Address

|                    |     |  |
|--------------------|-----|--|
| Name               |     |  |
| Address            |     |  |
| City               |     |  |
| State              | Zip |  |
| E-mail Address(es) |     |  |
| Phone(s)           |     |  |
| Birth date*        |     |  |

### Type of Membership (check one):

 Individual: \$15 per year

 Family: \$20 per year

 Contributing: \$25 per year

 Sustaining: \$50 per year

 Patron: \$100 per year

 Corporate: \$100 per year

### Family Member Information

|         |              |
|---------|--------------|
| Name 1: | Birth date*: |
| Name 2: | Birth date*: |
| Name 3: | Birth date*: |
| Name 4: | Birth date*: |

I would like to opt out of:  Club e-mail announcements

Quick Release mailing (issues are available at [www.spfldcycling.org](http://www.spfldcycling.org))

I would like to help with SBC activities:  Yes  No

If yes, please check any specific areas of interest:

 Lead bike rides

 Help with social activities

 Help with bicycle advocacy

 Help w/ Capital City Century

 Serve on the SBC Board

 Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Legal Waiver

I (and my parent or guardian in case of a person under 18 years of age) hereby release the Springfield Bicycle Club and any other party or parties involved in any Springfield Bicycle Club activity of any liability whatsoever for any loss or damage to property or for personal injury sustained or occurring on any Springfield Bicycle Club event.

|                  |              |
|------------------|--------------|
| Signature:       | Date Signed: |
| Parent/Guardian: | Date Signed: |

### Official SBC Name Badge

Hang it on your seat bag. These are a pretty neat way to let other riders know your name. Include **\$12.00** extra and print your name (clearly) on the following line as you would like it to appear on your name badge:

Badge Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\*providing birth dates is optional, but recommended to help us keep track of club demographics.

### Mail with Check to:

Springfield Bicycle Club  
Post Office Box 2203  
Springfield, IL 62705

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Post Office Box 2203  
Springfield, IL 62705  
Address Service Requested  
Not for Commercial Use

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U.S. Postage Paid  
Springfield, IL  
Permit #800

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### **Quick Release Advertisement Rates: Half Page: \$20 Full Page: \$40**

Payment is required in advance for all business ads. Ad copy should be sent to the QR Editor no later than the 12th of the month in order for ad to appear in the following month's QR. Individual club members (excluding businesses) may list bicycling-rated items to buy or sell without charge.

**QR Deadline is the  
15th  
of the month**