



Joliet Bicycle Club Newsletter March 2020



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150 Joliet Bicycle Club Members for the 2020 Riding Season





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Message from the President

Hello Fellow JBC Members,

Well I feel like we are starting to see the end of winter. Although as I write this we are getting 3-5" of snow. Well, let it snow cause it will melt soon and we will be riding regularly again soon.

March 8th begins Daylight Savings Time. Don't forget to set you clocks ahead 1 hour.

There will be a general meeting for all members on March 9th at Pizza 4 U on Larkin Ave in Joliet at 7pm.

Please join us and make your voice heard.

St. Patrick's Day is March 17th which is a Tuesday. I was told by reliable sources that everyone is Irish 1 day a year. The annual St Patrick's Day ride will be on March 14th at 4pm leaving from Hickory Creek Brewery hosted by our member brew master Gary Meyer.

If you haven't already signed up for May's Horsey Hundred, there is still time to do so. The ride will be May 23rd and 24th in Georgetown, KY. The Georgetown Hilton where most of the JBC members are staying is sold out, however there are other hotels in the area that have availability. The Horsey is a great ride and loads of fun. If you can make it you'll be glad you did.

As mentioned in many emails and Google Groups, JBC is looking into Club Express to enhance the way the lists rides and do general business. We will be looking at a free 60 day trial. We will keep you posted on the progress of Club Express.

I also mentioned last month about putting together a CPR training course. This is also in the works. We are looking for a location and that will determine the date we hold the training. We have had some good feedback from members and many of us are interested in becoming certified in CPR and other phases of First aid.

The month of February had some mild days and I hope many of you like myself had a chance to get out for a ride. February was also popular for many hikes around the area. Check out pictures in this newsletter of my snow shoe hike with some of our friends from Elmhurst Bike Club and also JBC's hike hosted by Steve Geary.

Rolling forward,

Rob Weiss
President, Joliet Bicycle Club.

JBC Chili Bowl Night Saturday, February 1, 2020 Channahon Lanes



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How to care for technical fabrics

Provided by Dennis Mariasis



Take care of your clothes the right way, they will do what they are intended to, last longer and feel better. Performance fabrics need extra laundry care love due to their unique yarn content and special construction.



Please [follow this link](#) for simple care instructions to maintain a healthy relationship with your athletic apparel.



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Our Trip to France

Provided by Karen Meyer

Karen and Gary Meyer traveled to France in 2017. [Click here](#) to view Karen's journal.



Conrad isn't afraid of the winter weather.

Provided by Janae Hunziker



Frankfort Plans Meeting To Discuss Bike Path Grant

Provided by Dick Chisholm



Mayor Jim Holland and the Village Trustees
Invite You to Attend ...

PUBLIC MEETING

Please join us to discuss a grant opportunity to construct a bike path along the north side of Sauk Trail Road between Pfeiffer Road & 80th Avenue

March 9, 2020

5:00 PM

Village Administration Building
432 W. Nebraska Street

The Village of Frankfort is considering a grant opportunity from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Bicycle Path Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2020.

The Village desires to apply for this grant for a bike path along the north side of Sauk Trail Road between Pfeiffer Road and 80th Avenue.

This portion would complete the loop to allow residents in Prestwick, Lakeview Estates, Frankfort Meadows and Timbers Edge access to the Old Plank Road Trail.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Village of Frankfort
815-469-2177



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Fighting for Cyclists Too

Provided by Earin Land

Kansas City-based industrial warehouse developer, NorthPoint Development, has been working on a plan to acquire nearly 3,000 acres of prime farmland in our area and replace it with a massive industrial warehouse complex. This project is being proposed at a time when Will County is suffering from an astronomical growth in trucking and warehouse development that is straining an already decrepit and ill-maintained roadway system.

As a result many residents of this area are fed up with local, regional and state governments allowing this area to be turned into an unsafe and unlivable industrial zone. This proposed development would negatively impact our communities to the point that they would be unrecognizable if NorthPoint were to come through. [Learn more about the project.](#)

In response to the proposal for this industrial warehousing project, local residents joined together. The result is an unofficial grassroots effort led by concerned Will County residents who are united by the desire to stop NorthPoint Development's proposed Compass Business Park. We're fighting for everyone, including cyclists using these roads. For more information, Please visit www.no2northpoint.com

4th of July Ride Update Volunteers Needed

Provided by Gary Zaur

I hope everyone has had a great winter and has gotten out for a couple of miles on your bikes during the breaks in the weather. I want to give a brief update on the status of our annual 4th of July Century Ride. As most of you know, this is the primary fundraiser for the Joliet Bicycle Club. I cannot recall the exact number, but JBC has been putting on this ride for over 40 years. The club has been able to do this due to the support the members of this club have given this project.

Work on the ride has begun and most of the set pieces are in place. All the permits have been submitted and ordering has begun. Our ad in the Ride Illinois Invitational Booklet has been placed. You all should be receiving a copy of this through the US mail in April. We have permission once again to use Plainfield South as our start and end point. Also, Plattville has given us permission to use Pletcher Park for the focal point of the routes and the refreshments that are provided to the participants. I have been told by Jim Lambert that the routes will be very similar to the ones that were used last year. I think they make very good use of the loops that are available to us.

This year's Captains are as follows:

Rob Weiss - Registration

Dominick Chellino / Bob Kehoe – Plattville. Dominick will be taking the Plattville stop over from Bob. Bob has given many years to running the Plattville Stop.

Bob Jacobs – SAG

Brent Radomski – Food and Drink

Jim Lambert – Routes and Road Marking

Bob Applegate – Storage for of the accessories that are required

Bill Cihon – IT and WEB

Gary Zaur – Coordinator. I have informed the Board that I will not be leading the 2021 ride. JBC will need a new coordinator for next year. If you have an interest, please let the board and me know. This would be a perfect time to become familiar with how the ride is put together.

The primary reason this ride is successful is because of the volunteer support that is provided each year. We will need volunteers to staff each one of these areas for the duration of the ride on July 4. Either half day/ full day / morning / afternoon. Please contact one of the Captains if you wish to volunteer in an area. There are no special skills needed, just a willingness to pitch in. Help will be needed in all areas. We will also have a sign-up sheet available at the club meetings starting in March. Last year there were over 80 volunteers. The riders have always commented on the great hospitality we provide.

The ride this year will be starting at 6:30 AM due to a couple of items. The first is that the riders are already queuing up this early and the second is that we have not made people wait. We will not be selling tee shirts this year. The cost of the shirts has started to get too high. This will be revisited for the 2021 ride. Ice cream will be available to the riders when they are done. I also believe Brent is going to try a new item or two for our menu.

I would like to thank the Captains for being willing to lead each of these areas. I would like to thank all the volunteers in advance for making the 2020 ride a success.

If there are questions and anyone would like more detail , please feel free to contact me.

Gary Zaur

JBC 4th of July Ride Coordinator



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St. Patrick's Day 2020 March 17, 2020

The wearing of the green and the one day a year that everyone is Irish.



Spring Solstice 2020 March 19, 2020

Don't forget to set those clocks forward and gain some extra daylight riding.

39th Annual Folks on Spokes Spring Fling (Formerly Easter Ride)



Sunday, May 31, 2020

New location:

Country Creek Commons
1005 West Laraway Road, New Lenox, IL 60451

Routes: 12, 36, 50 & 63 miles

**Early registration discounts
before 5/15/2020**

**Enjoy homemade cookies, refreshments,
live music and more!**

Register online:
www.folksonspokes.com



All Aboard the Horsey Hundred Train May 23—May 24, 2020

For more information: <https://www.horseyhundred.com/>



2020 Grand Illinois Bike Tour

<http://rideillinois.org/events/2020-grand-illinois-bike-tour/>

June 7, 2020 through June 12, 2020

18th annual Grand Illinois Bike Tour!

2020 loop will tour the Trails of Madison County, on the Illinois side of the St. Louis area.

Registration is now open.

JBC July 4th Ride—July 4, 2020

Fore more information:

<http://www.jolietbicycleclub.com/4th-of-july-century>



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Cherry Hill Woods in Palos Park

Provided by Rob Weiss

On Friday February 14 I hiked with 4 wonderful friends in Cherry Hill Woods in Palos Park. It was a high of 7 degrees but we were never cold. There's no such thing as bad weather, just bad clothes. This was a great 5 mile hike with some very nice terrain. I hiked in micro spikes the others in snowshoe's.

I highly recommend this hike to anybody our members. Its an easy trail to get lost on so if you go bring a compass or a lot of bread crumbs.



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JBC Staff Changes *Provided by Shirl Boatman*

JBC Webmaster

Previous co-webmasters Shirl Boatman and Steve Geary transitioned the maintenance of the JBC Website to Bill Cihon effective February 8, 2020. Bill is still maintaining his position as Mileage reporter. Steve and I would like to thank Bill for volunteering to take on this role.

Social Chair

Jeanie and Dominick Chellino have transitioned the Social Chair position to Bob and Carolyn Jacobs as Dominick will be assisting Bob Kehoe with Plattville this year during the July 4th ride. This will be Bob's last year as Plattville Captain. Everyone should thank Bob for his tremendous contributions over the years volunteering for this position. He has spent many tireless hours and it is a well oiled machine appearing as if this is an easy task. It is not and thank you Dominick for stepping up to work alongside Bob this year.

Thank you Bob and Carolyn for taking on the social chair position.



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JBC Welcomes Al Longtin as a new member for the 2020 riding season





JBC Ride Definitions / Rules / Etiquette



SG - Show & Go - ride leaders, and distances can be decided at the ride
Ride contacts are to be called for information about the ride.



S - Social - Group stays together, rides at posted level, has ride leader.
All riders should plan to arrive at any scheduled ride at least 10 minutes before the scheduled departure time.



AD HOC RIDES



1. A non-calendar ride, via google groups email invite
2. 12 hour advance notice, e.g. Friday 8am ride invite sent by 8pm Thursday
3. Invite must include starting time, location and ride level (I-V)
4. Additional details about the ride can be shared too.
5. Miles are recorded as: AH/date/leader initials/miles/riders (in alpha form).
6. Use AD Hoc number assigned to the day of the ride
7. 2 riders minimum for instate rides and 3 riders minimum for out of state rides

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Please send AD Hoc and regular miles to Bill Cihon at:
miles@jolietbicycleclub.com



Send invitational miles with Invitational Mileage Report in the subject line to Bill Cihon at: miles@jolietbicycleclub.com



For a complete listing of invitational rides go to Mike Bentley's by [clicking here](#):



LEVEL	MPH
I	10-12.4
II	12.5-15
III	15.1-18
IV	18.1-20
V	20.1+

Click this [link](#) to view the JBC Member Guide:



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For invitational rides:

Place Invitational Mileage

Report in the subject line

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Reporting Miles, Ride Calendar, Membership

Ride leaders or whomever is in charge for the ride should report miles for daily JBC rides listed on the calendar and for Ad Hoc Rides. Please send the Ride #, date, and list of riders in alphabetical order, and their miles to:

miles@jolietycicleclub.com

Mileage reports should be sent within 3 days of the ride.

The JBC Ride Calendar is published monthly on the JBC website.

<http://www.jolietycicleclub.com/ride-calendar/>

All JBC Ad Hoc Rides are announced through JBC Google Groups emails.

Make sure you are signed up on JBC Google Groups to get all club announcements.

JBC annual dues are \$15.00

Come join us for a JBC meeting

Regular JBC club meetings are at 7 pm on the 2nd Monday of the month at PizzaForU 116 S. Larkin Ave, Joliet, IL. JBC holds meetings in Feb, March, April, May, June, Aug, Sept, Oct, Nov. Meeting locations and dates may change.

February General Meeting: February 10, 2020 at 7 pm at Pizza 4 U on Larkin Ave in Joliet

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