

*Joliet Bicycle Club 50 Years Newsletter July 2024* 



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The rest of this year, I will be providing excerpts from the old hard copy JBC Newsletters. I hope everyone enjoys the Nostalgia of looking back through the years as we celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of JBC!

Shirl Boatman, JBC Newsletter Editor

## Message from the President

Where did June go? The 4th of July Ride is just days away. I know I was busy ordering food and picking up items for the ride from places like GFS, Walmart and Costco. All that is left to purchase is ice, ice cream bars, uncrustables and the bananas. Conrad was busy ordering the U-Haul trucks, table and chairs, porta potties, water truck, dumpster and taking care of the ride insurance. There are still plenty of chores before our big day. Marking the route, jug and hose cleaning, and getting the U-Haul trucks. The truck from Channahon has the tables and chairs. **The other truck from Mokena, picks up all the items from Bob Applegate's pole** barn. Many thanks to long time JBC helpers who make this event run like a well **oiled machine. Watching our event come together is truly amazing! I can't give** enough accolades to our club members who make hosting the ride look easy! THANK YOU!

Our 4th of July Ride rocks and it is because of all of you who take the initiative to **volunteer and then work hard. There is still time if you haven't committed to lend**ing your talents. Many thanks to all those who have already committed to helping out on Thursday July 4, 2024. Email Conrad chitinner73@sbcglobal.net, Janae jbikes4fun@gmail.com or contact a captain directly: Route, Jim Lambert; Registration, Rob Weiss; Plattville, Michelle Furmanski; & SAG, Bob Jacobs.

The 4th of July Worker's Ride is 8 AM Saturday, July 6, 2024 in Plattville. Left over snacks from the ride and sandwiches from Jersey Mike's will be served. Cycle the 4th of July Ride's marked loops and enjoy some camaraderie. I am looking forward to sharing some laughs, riding some miles, breaking bread and celebrating a successful 4th Ride with those who attend.

Cherry pie anyone? Tired of the same ol' bike roads? Try the quaint, quiet roads, in towns like Egg Harbor, Fish Creek, Sister's Bay, Ephraim, Jacksonport and Ellison Bay, Wisconsin. Jim Lambert's Door County Week is scheduled for Saturday July 20th (travel day) through Saturday July 27th (travel day).

#### Happy Trails...

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# Membership Corner By Steve Geary

Welcome New Members: Matthew Wagner Joan Tucker Grant Dixon Sharone Aharon Rebecca Amble Jeffrey Cook Donald Schmitz





Jim Lambert invites you to enjoy Door County July 20—July 27.



# JBC Ride List













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Penny Farthing

Safety Bike England Road Bike

Mountain Bike

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Sunday June 23, 2024 for the Lynnie Ques BBQ Lunch

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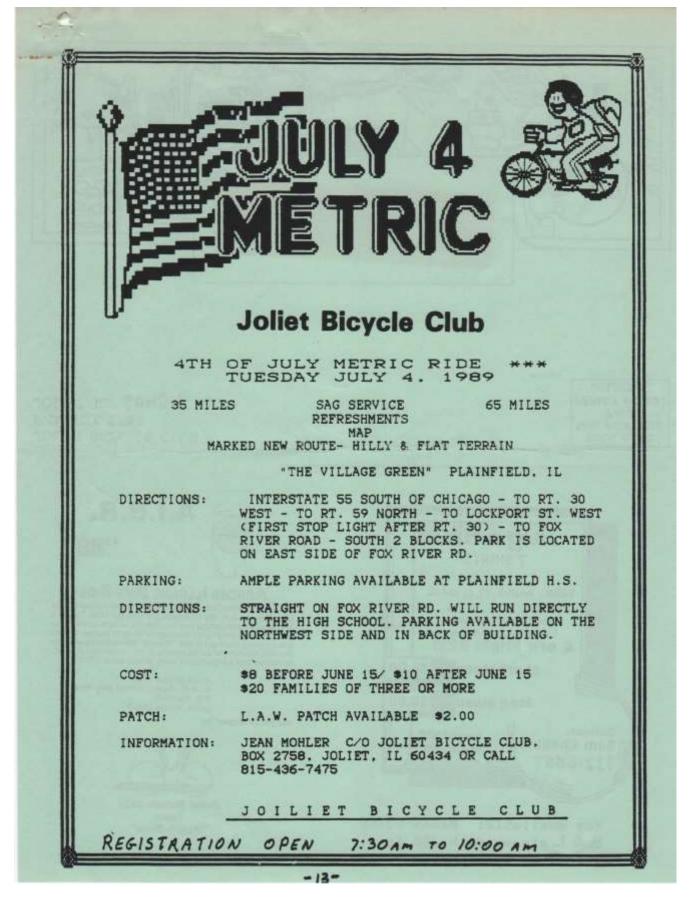
Kudos to Michelle Furmanski for masterminding the Lynnie Que's Bar-B-Q cycling extravaganza, despite being benched from biking herself, and for providing a top-notch escort service through the wilds of Lansing on Glenwood-Lansing Road. A fearless fleet of 14 pedal-pushers embarked on a trail-blazing adventure through OPRT, Indian Hill Woods, Woodrow Wilson Woods, Halsted Woods, Joe Orr Woods, Glenwood Woods, and finally Lansing Woods. Their reward? A feast fit for cycling royalty: Sloppy Joes, Pulled Pork, Potato Chips, Chocolate Chip Cookies, Gatorade, and the elixir of life—Water. The weather played nice, serving up a 'Goldilocks' day—cool enough to keep sweat at bay, cloudy enough to prevent sunburn, and breezy enough to put wind in their hair and adventure in their hearts.

Time: 9 AM

Start Location: Frankfort ORPT—Out and Back ORPT and Thorn Creek Trail Ride Ride Length: 40 miles give or take a mile or 2 Shorter options available: with a later start Example Matteson- Cicero Ave & ORPT Lunch: Sloppy Joe, chips and drink paid for by JBC



### Flash from the Past



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### April 1989 Newsletter

# Beneath the Helmet and Off the Bike

**Dominick Chellino** has been very active in the bicycle club since he joined in July of 1983 after being forced to give up running because of bad knees and foot problems. He learned about the JBC from two people in his department at work and states that meeting many new friends has been his greatest benefit in being a member. He has served as vice-president twice, and has been chairperson of the Across Illinois Bike Ride in '86 and '89, the JBC Century '85 and the awards banquet in '87. He also has spearheaded the "Hug-A-Biker" T-shirt sales since '86.

Dominick cites traveling with Bill Goldschmidt and Dwight Lewey in RAGBRAI '87, AIBR '85 and '86, and his first century he tried to ride in '83 and had to sag in after completing 94 miles as his most memorable biking experiences. Jim McKeen's back-to-back double century, keeping up with Bill Lang for the summer of '87 and doing the Waterman team time trials with "team Ruben" are Dom's proudest biking accomplishments.

And what advice does this "pro" give to the novice? "Get out and ride every day that you can, learn to spin those cranks which enable one to travel farther with less fatigue, learn to draft (another 20% energy saver), try not to attempt a ride that may be too difficult and drink plenty of water."

When not biking, Dom works for Commonwealth Edison in Joliet as an electrical operator. He has worked there for 13 years and works midnights, which gives him a chance for more riding. He is single and has two children, little hug-a-biker Dominick, 5 and a daughter, Brieanna, 3 1/2. Both have been biking with Dom since their first birthday and think that bicyclists are neat.

Other interests of Dom's are volleyball, skiing and square dancing, which he would like to get back into. He says he has a reputation for being a neat-freak. He likes a place for everything and everything in its place.

In addition to leading 25 rides, biking 9300 miles and doing 300 miles in a day, Dominick also hopes to become a massage therapist. He has started a one-year program and has found the classes to be fantastic. He states that next year he will be ready for those sore leg and saddle muscles (on the ladies, naturally!!) Joan Erwin, this year's ride chairperson is a relatively new member, having joined in 1987. She says she joined the club because her tennis partner was unable to play so she was looking for an outdoor sport which did not require the participation of another person. "I never realized how beautiful Illinois is until I began riding with the JBC," comments Joan. She also remarked that the people in the club are truly fun-loving and versatile. Participating in the "88 Apple Cider Century was her most memorable biking experience and her proudest accomplishment was being named Biker of the Year for 1988.

Joan states she has two professions-being an elementary educator and a recreation addict. During the summer she doesn't spend much time off the bike because she likes the sport so well. However, during the winter she plays tennis frequently and has taken up cross-country skiing, for which she credits the JBC.

Joan does have a husband, Marion, who is a golfer and a fisherman. She states that do all these things she must sacrifice something. So she has given up cooking, housecleaning and other domestic duties. Even though Marion does not share Joan's sport, he offers encouragement and support (does that include a new bike again this year??) and out of desperation has taken over some of the household chores.

Joan also has three grown children-Paula, Neal and Mike. Paula joined the JBC last year and is planning on making the club a part of her summer activities this year.

Joan's goals this year are to do the Across Illinois Bike Ride and the week in Door County. She also wants to participate in as many invitationals as possible. She also states that she might try pedalin' in races for the "mature woman".

Joan's advice to the beginner is to just take the first step. You will love it and there are so many JBCer's that will be there to offer encouragement and support that you'll wonder why you never started sooner.

Joliet Bicycle Club Team "Hug-A-Biker"

### May 1989 Newsletter

# Beneath the Helmet and Off the Bike

Bill Goldschmidt is the JBC vice-president this year Bill has been a member for more than ten years. He has chaired the chill dinner twice in the past Bill states that a plus in being a member is meeting people that have the same interests.

Bill's first century was a memorable experience He says that Jim McKeen told him it would be easy'! It turned out to be a ten-hour ordeal with Bill drafting Jim all the way (But Bill adds that there is nothing new about that!!)

His coast-to-coast ride from Florence, Oregon, to Virginia Beach, Virginia. with Dwight Lewey is Bill's proudest biking accomplishment. They made the trip in two summers.

Among Bill's goals for this year are riding slower than previous years (12 old age catching up on you, Bill?), socializing and leading more social rides

Bill has worked for Johansen & Anderson for 25 years His wife, Pat, is also a JBC member Bill and Pat recently observed their 25th wedding anniversary. They have three children-David, 22 and twin daughters-Sharon and Laura, 21.

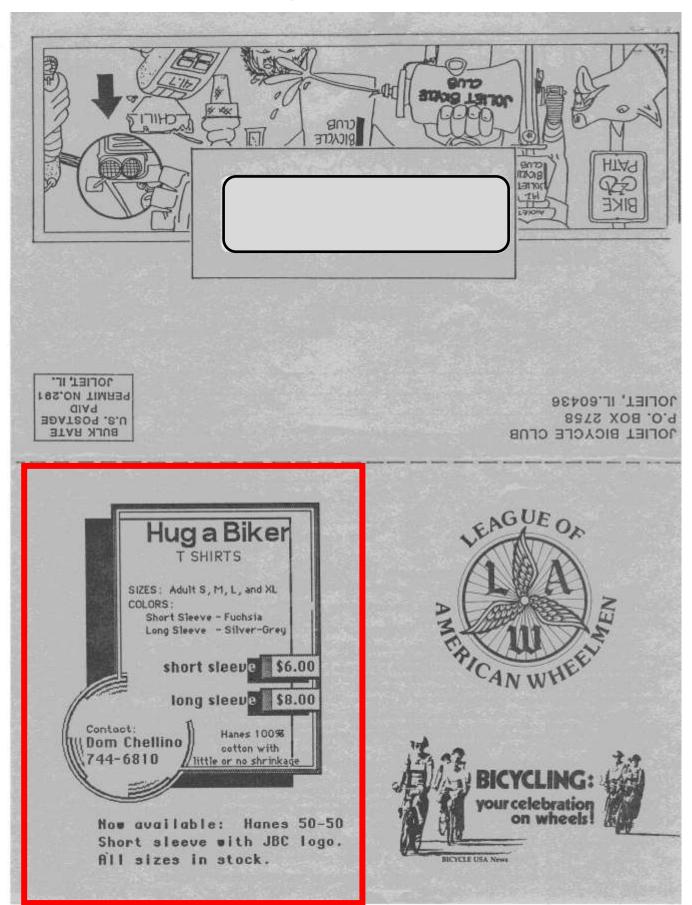
Bill's advice to the novice biker is to ride at least twenty miles a week and always wear a helmet. Minnie Lou has been a member for three years and has begun her second year as treasurer. A friend of hers took her to a meeting and she liked the people. Then she went on her very first club ride in March and used a three-speed bike with only two speeds that worked. Because the group on that ride said she had done a good job, she Joined. She has met some nice people and has learned to like the relaxing feeling of riding.

Some of Minnie's more memorable biking experiences have been a weekend ride with the American Lung Association, going on the Florida ride her second year and completing her first 75-mile day at the Door County Century. Being honored as Rookie of the Year in 1987 and one of the top five female riders the same year are Minnie's most proud accomplishments in biking. For this year Minnie hopes to add about 200 miles to last year's mileage and to go on more bike trips. She advises beginners to stick with it if they enjoy biking.

Minnie is the office manager at the George Werden Buck Boys Club and the Estee Lauder lady at Marshall Field's. She is single and has two children-Treva and John. Treva is a sophomore at the College of St. Francis, has a boyfriend Eric, and thinks that biking is just "OK". John is a sophomore in high school and loves biking. His mother expects him to be riding more with the club this year. John is a free-stylist biker who won a second-place trophy at Fun Way Park in January.

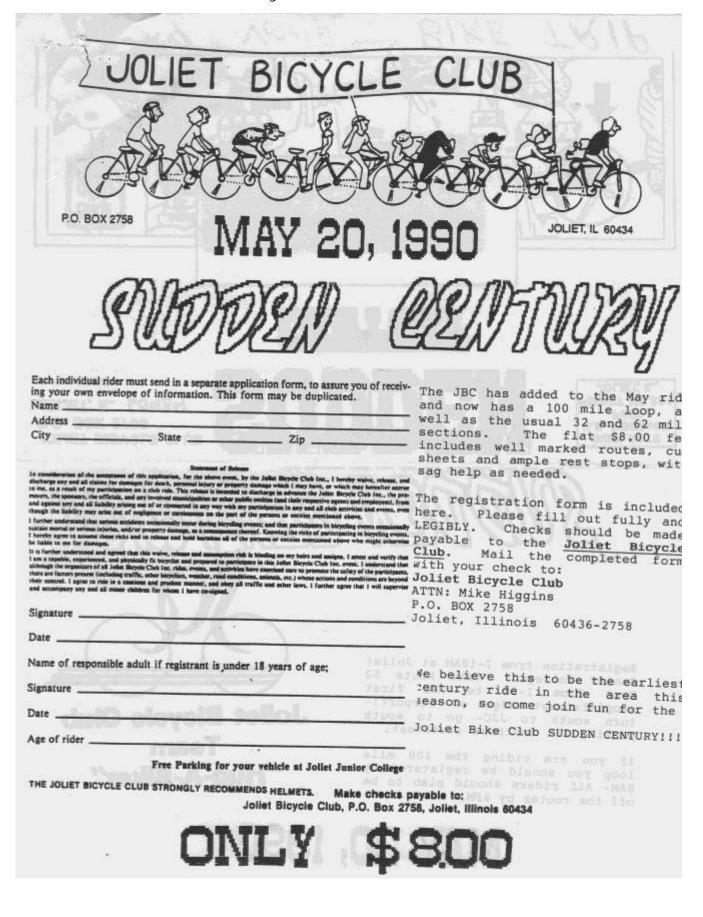
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# Sudden Century Success

I wish to thank each and every one of the over 45 volunteers who helped before and the day of the ride. Even with less than desireable weather, the rider turnout was fantastic. The unofficial total was 345 riders, The rains before the ride caused a couple of last minute detours on the route, but most riders seemed to take them in stride. I also want to thank all of the organizations who provided support. Now let's turn our attention to the 4th of July metric and support Rick and Denise O'Brien.

Below are the names of the ones who helped: Angelo Alvarez, Woody Bowser, Sara Jo Briese, Jim Brunner, Mike Byrnes, Gordie Carrier, Kathi Cassman, Dominick Chellino, Linda Corwell, Walt Dearie, Bill Dornick, Alice Dunn, Jean Eichholzer, Nancy Fister, Ron Fister, Carol Frazier, Pat Gardner, Teresa Gardner, Bill Goldschmidt, Tina Hall, Debbie Hicks, Mike Higgins, Roger Hill, Shelli Hill, Mark Karner, Bill Lang, Bonnie Lindner, Randy Lindner, Minnie Lou, Tom Lupa, Kerry McGee, Sheila McGee, Tom Miszewski, Jean Mohler, Ingrid Neilsen, Russ Neilsen, Rich Nona, Denise O'Brien, Rick O'Brien, Greg Piskur, Jeannie Roe, Larry Roop, Lisa Roop, Paul Stewart, and Paula Webb.

Thanks to everyone.

Ken McGee

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Bike rack-attaches to bumper, holds two bikes, better for metal bumper, best for a hatchback. Contact Mark Bitterman 815-725-7770.

# Fourth of July Ride Update

Workers are still needed for rest stops, sag and registration for the ride. The two rest stops will be at Channahon I&M Canal Park and at Tabler and Dellos Road off the towpath. If you can bake goodies for the ride, your contribution will be most welcome. If you can help in any way, contact Rick O'Brien at 741-2372 (home) of 942-3420. ext 201 (work).

# Wisconsin Amish Farms and Lakes

Join Joan Erwin and others for a pre-Door County ride through Amish farmlands in Wisconsin. The ride is the weekend of July 14-15 and begins in Pardeeville. Saturday night lodging in avaiable at the high school with tenting permitted on the grounds and sleeping bag space indoors, use of showers. restrooms and lockers. There is no extra charge for Friday night arrivals. Riders may choose from routes or 25-50-75 miles and cost is \$45. This also includes a all-vou-caneat picnic and a Sunday breakfast buffet. both hosted by the Lions. Participants can visit an Amish farm. The terrain is flat to very gently rolling. This trip has been approved for mileage credit if there are a minimum of 10 on the ride. For information and registration contact Joan-476-2044.



# A New Year Begins

The 1990 bicycling season has ended and a new one has begun with the annual awards banquet held Saturday, Nov. 17th at D'Amoco's. Highlighting the night was the presentation of trophies and other awards, plus the election of officers for the upcoming year. Elected were Ken McGeepresident, Nancy Fister-vice-president, Jean Mohler-secretary and Ingrid Neilsentreasurer. Kathi Cassman has accepted the position of ride chairperson for another year, Nancy Fister has agreed to do the newsletter. Final plans for stats is yet to be determined.

The final report on the award-winners are listed elsewhere in the newsletter, but due to an oversight, two winners were overlooked, and will be receiving trophies shortly. They are Brad Thontlin, who will also receive a trophy for Jr. Biker or the year, and Pat Gardner will receive a mileage trophy in the easy category for her 411 miles. Congratulations to both of you and our apologies for the error.

# Bicycling Series Features Bill Lang

Bill Lang, famed in bicycle circles, now stars on T.V. He is the star of a cable TV series on bicycling to be aired on Channel 10 in the New Lenox, Frankfort and Mokena area.

JBC member Pat Goldschmidt videotaped him in the 12-part series that will begin airing in December, then again in the spring. Check your local-listings and tune in.

# New Year's Eve Bash

Plans are being made for a fun-filled evening suitable for the entire family New Year's Eve at Camp Shaw-waw-nas-see, located just north of the Kankakee River State Park on Rt. 102. It will be an inexpensive, enjoyable way to ring in the New Year with fellow bikers from the JBC and Le Peloton. The festivities will begin at 9 PM, with an opportunity to stay the night in the heated lodge. If there is snow, cross-country akiers can go on their first ski outing for 1991. For the more adventurous mountain bikers, you can even take to the treil for your first ride of the new year. And of course, there is opportunity for hiking.

The cost per person, for the party only, is \$3.75. If you stay the night the total cost is \$11.25 per person. All participants are asked to bring anacks and goodles to share, as well as beverage of choice. Also, if you have games, bring those. Everyone should bring flashlights and any sporting equipment desired. If you are staying the night, bring your own bedding.

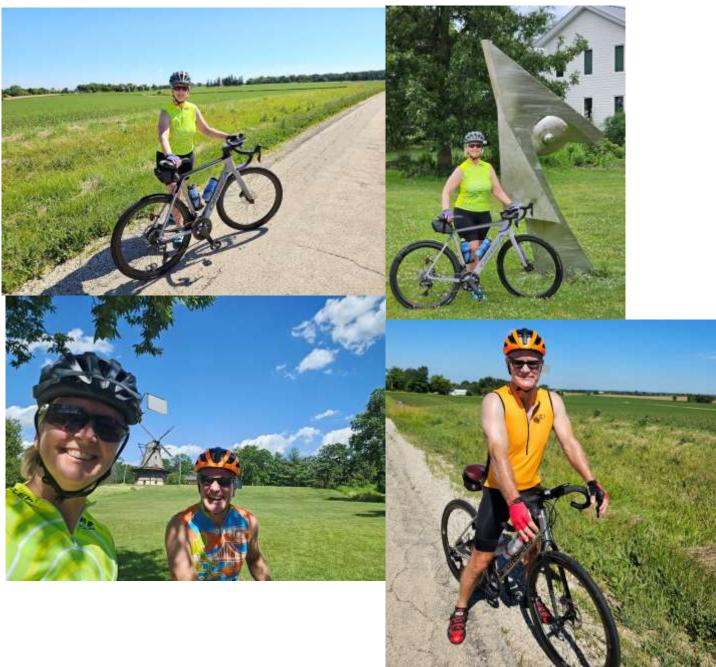
If you are planning on attending, please call Carol at 476-9418. Advance registration is not mandatory, but you are encouraged to do so. If you decide at the last minute to attend, please come. However, we especially need to know the number of those planning to stay the night, because space is limited, and those staying over will need to make plans for a pitch-in breakfest. Peyment will be accepted that night and be sure to come and have a good time. Families are welcome. If you have any questions, or can help with the entertainment, call Carol.

Memberships Expire

#### Be sure to send in your dues for the 1991 year. All current memberships expired at the end of October. There is a membership form elsewhere in the newsletter.

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Michelle Furmanski ð Today at 4:58 PM · Shorewood, Illinois





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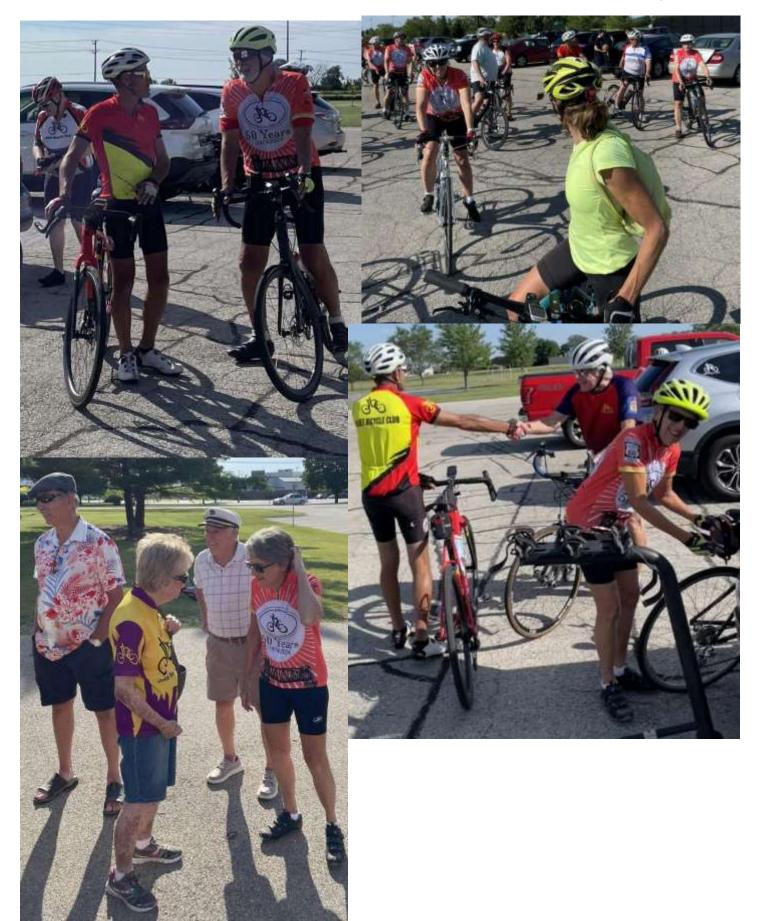


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# William "Bill" J. Kennedy

October 11, 1956 - February 2, 2024



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## 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 in-state and out of state rides

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

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

LEVEL	MPH
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11	12.5-15
111	15.1-18
IV	18.1-20
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### JBC Board and Committee Contacts

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### Reporting Miles, Ride List, 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@jolietbicycleclub.com

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

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

http://www.jolietbicycleclub.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

### JBC Meeting Information

Regular JBC club meetings will be announced in the Newsletter. JBC holds meetings in Feb, March, April, May, June, Aug, Sept, Oct, Nov. at Pizza 4 U, 116 S Larkin Ave, Joliet. Due to the Annual 4th of July ride, there will not be a General Meeting.

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