

Joliet Bicycle Club 50 Years Newsletter October 2024



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50 Years

Message from the President

The Club's 2025 riding season starts October 1st. The weather looks fabulous so get a head start on earning miles towards your 2025's one

thousand club miles! I hope you can find time to get out and ride while enjoying the fall color too!

The October club meeting is at Pizza For U on October 3 at 7 PM 116 S. Larkin Ave. Joliet See you there!

Congratulations to all the club members who earned this year's mileage awards. For a different take on awards your board has chosen Polar Water Bottles. Each rider with 1,000 plus miles will get two insulated polar water bottles. This is the mock up:

The 50th Anniversary Banquet will be held on Saturday, November 7, 2024 at the Holiday Inn & Suites/Rock Run Convention Center Joliet Southwest. This location is conveniently located right off Interstate 80. The format will be similar to last year buffet style starting with that strawberry spinach salad, honey glazed baby carrots, roasted garlic herbed red potatoes, apricot chicken with a balsamic reduction, BBQ pulled pork and carrot cake. The cost for the banquet is \$30 a person. Reservations will be handled on the website within the next week.

Happy Trails...
Janae

Newsletter Editor Message

As the JBC Newsletter's current editor-in-chief, I've been the literary cyclist, pedaling through prose and paving the way with punctuation. For six years, my keyboard has clicked to the rhythm of rolling wheels, each newsletter a new leg of the JBC journey. I've been the scribe of spokes, the bard of bikes, chronicling every chain link of camaraderie within the JBC peloton.

The JBC newsletter, a literary tapestry weaving together the high-octane thrills of pedal-pushing adventures with the serene bliss of nature's embrace. It's where the rubber meets the road, and the ink meets the page! Each edition, a mosaic of memories, from the triumphant tales of conquering steep hills and longer trails, to the poignant goodbyes to the tireless two-wheelers retiring from the club's peloton.

I loved sharing stories of epic rides, SLS Hiking Adventure series of hikes that promised fresh air, muddy boots, and memories that didn't need a filter, member spotlights, and tips for maintaining bikes. The newsletter was not just a collection of articles; it was a reflection of the camaraderie and spirit of JBC.

Acknowledging the JBC members' contributions, one could say that compiling a newsletter is much like making a smoothie. You need a blend of colorful photos to add visual flavor, a dash of insightful articles for that kick of knowledge, and of course, the dedication of members who are the secret ingredient to this community concoction. It's a recipe for success that wouldn't be possible without each and every contribution. So here's a toast to the JBC smoothie masters, blending the perfect mix of content that keeps the membership coming back for more.

As JBC turns the page on its 50th year, it stands as a testament to the club's enduring legacy—a legacy punctuated by the click-clack of shifting gears and the laughter of friends sharing the road. Here's to the JBC newsletter, the chronicle of camaraderie, the journal of journeys, and the diary of a darn good time!

Now, as the leaves turn and the air chills, I'm ready to hand over the handlebars to a new navigator of narratives. It's not just a transition; it's a relay race of recounting the club's chronicles. So here's to the next wordsmith gearing up to continue the legacy. May they ride the wordy winds with as much passion and dedication as I have. And fear not, for your digital legacy shall be passed on like a well-oiled machine, ready for the next journey down the newsletter trail. Bon voyage, and hoping my next adventure will be as fulfilling as my time with the JBC Newsletter.

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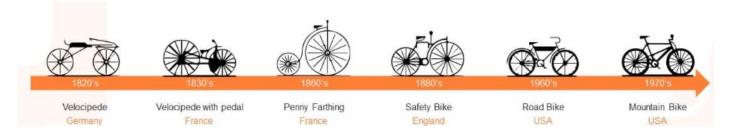
Membership Corner

By Steve Geary

Welcome New Members Aldrin Calma



JBC Ride List





Submitted by Justin Whitney: "Rob Weiss and I were traveling back from Port Washington and we were on the fox river trail near McHenry when we spotted a bicyclist with a flat tire. Well Rob didn't waste anytime and jumped in to save the day."





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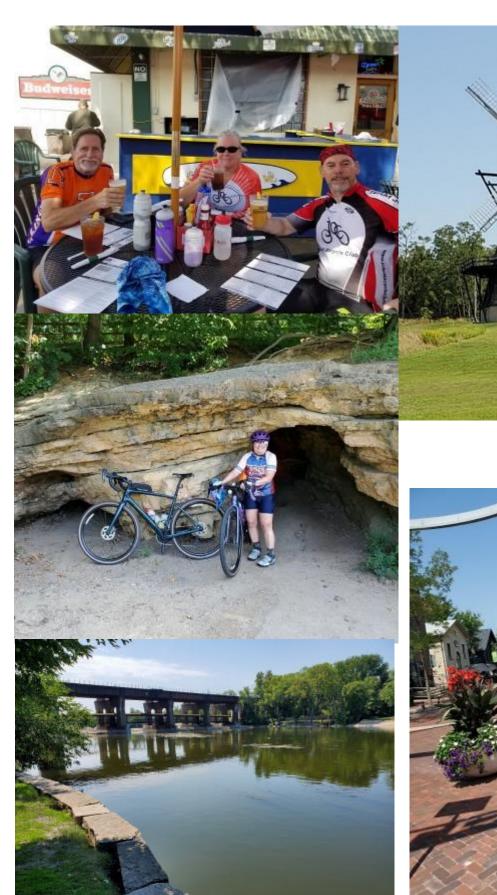








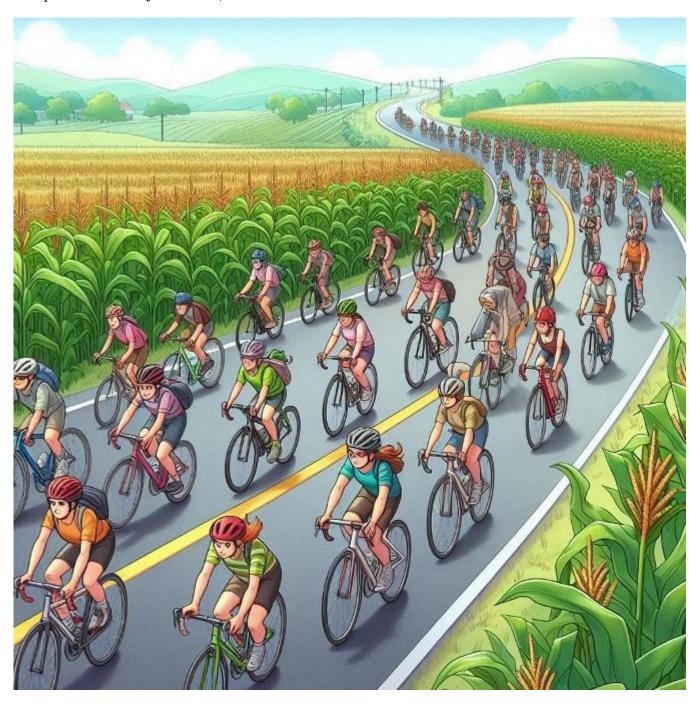
7th Annual
Fox River Ride





Pedal forth, pedal true, under skies of endless blue, The wind whispers secrets, its breath cool and light, With each push forward, the world's a wondrous sight. The journey's long, the path is free, Keep riding the bicycle, be wild, be free.

With the wind at your back, it's a friend, not a foe, It carries you forward, to places unknown. So ride on, brave cyclist, with the breeze as your track, Keep the wind at your back, and never look back.



JBC Ride Definitions / Rules / Etiquette

SG - Show & Go - ride leaders, and distances can be decided at the ride

S - Social - Group stays together, rides at posted level, has ride leader.

Ride contacts are to be called for information about the ride.

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: miles@jolietbicycleclub.com

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

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

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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@jolietbicvcleclub.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. General meeting—October 5 @ 7:00 PM.

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JBC Ride List

