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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE QUEEN CITY WHEELMEN

THE RACER'S NEWS

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* MEETING!!!! *

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Hi, Folks,

So, the meeting at Phil Kennedy's on December 28th went off as planned; and nobody could be happier about it than Jon. Folks, in all the time that I've known him, the only time I've really seen him smile was when Dave Moore was elected president. Yes, you have elected new officers to run your club for in 1977. If, by some misfortune you were unable to attend and missed your chance to be in on the beginning of a big year for the Wheelmen, do not despair; there will be a meeting on (7:30) the 18th of January at PHIL KENNEDY'S to take care of all the business that wasn't taken care of last meeting. You can still take part in the decision making process by showing up and speaking up.

CHANGING OF THE GUARDS

The major issue of the last meeting of the year was the election of officers as previously stated. Here are the results:

President:	David Moore	721-6628
Vice-President:	Brian Jones	871-7094
Secretary:	John Montag	321-6803
Treasurer:	Greg Hanfbauer	921-3049
Editor:	Kent Frazier	579-0518

In addition to the above, a new post, that of Club Events Coordinator, was created. It will be the job of the Club Events Coordinator to coordinate the club's events, (match!) and provide info through the NEWSLETTER, over the phone, and at meetings. He is:

Club Events Coordinator Dell Williamson 861-9567

USE HIM!!

They seem to be a good crew. They are into it racers, and will work to make your club a better racing vehicle.

The QCV is a racing vehicle. Jon & Co. did a fine job last year of setting up the organization. Dan Humpert with his sponsorship gave the club some muscle. Several of the members had a good year last year so the club has the ability to race successfully. The club has indoor training programs (roller parties), outdoor training programs (morning and evening training rides), informal races to teach the fundamentals of racing (time trials and club road races), will pay for gas to and from out of town races and promotes two major races during the season. All this exists so that you the bikies and members of the club can enjoy. Use of the club will make you a stronger, faster and more sophisticated rider, more so than any Cr. Mo. steel or any other alloy you can buy.

MEMBERSHIP

It's 1977! HAPPY NEW YEAR!! Most of your memberships are kaput! Jon tells me that the following people joined late enough last year to be considered members for '77:

Thom. Burroughs	F. Scott Sommer	Judith Johnson
David Scheidt	Tom Jones	Mark Kaliski
Gayle M. Pille	Kevin Ryder	Bill Mann
Kent Frazier	Tom Rotroff	William Sheppard Jr.
G.W. Bill Barnard	Kliff Hodgkin	Gene & Carol Cornwell
	Walt N. Smith	

There may be some people who's names should be on this list that aren't. Don't worry about it, just let John Montag know.

Want to renew your membership? Why not come to the January 18th meeting? (7:30 at Phil Kennedy's) There can't be much going on on the third Tuesday of January. If you do it then, in person, you'll know that it has been done without any slip-ups. Besides, the meetings are a lot of laughs.

Five weeks ago I did not know how to spell editor and now I am one. I'm the new editor of this thing. I've been doing a lot of thinking about the reason for the Racing News. To clear things in my own mind I have come up with what I see to be the reasons for the existence of this thing:

- 1) To provide a forum for the discussion of all aspects of cycling by the members of the club.
- 2) To inform members of club events, both formal, (Time-Trials, club races), and informal (people looking for others to train)- with the help of Dell.
- 3) To let you all know about upcoming events outside of the club, mainly races, and to at least attempt to coordinate transportation to same (with the help of Brian).
- 4) Provide race results and recognition.

I welcome any and all help in the form of info, articles, ideas, anything. If you feel that anything is not getting into the R. N. that should, and you don't let me know, it will be your own fault.

geared to the spectators! There are few people in Cincinnati that want to come out in the first week of April to watch a bunch of idiots ride their bicycles around in 40° weather, we know this from past experience. If the race is held a couple of months later, the spectators won't realize that they're still watching a bunch of idiots that ride bicycles in freezing weather and perhaps that bicycle racing might even be a fun sport to actually participate in.

I know a lot of you people think that we get a lot of riders at the Criterium because it is the first race of the year in this area, and you may be right, but any of you that rode the senior III & IV race last year with 85 other riders, or the junior race with 70 other riders, will have to admit that even if we do lose a few riders, it will be a welcomed sight. Turning away many, many spectators because of cold weather certainly isn't worth the prestige, and I question that there is any prestige in holding the first race of the season in this area. When was the last time an out of town racer came up to you and said, "Gosh, gee, you guys are really great for putting on the first race of the season in this area"?

ROLLER RIDING AT CONVENTION CENTER Jan. 22-30 by Glen Wolf

Yes, friends, it's going to be another nine days of riding rollers down at Convention Center in the Bob Hart Sport Show this year. As you know, the last year's showing gave us quite a lot of exposure to the general public. I think this was good for the club in that it showed the people of Cincinnati what bicycle racing is really about and that people participate in this ever-growing sport in the U.S.A. We also picked up a couple of new members last year. Most of all it provides a good winter activity in which the Queen City Wheelmen can participate. Enough about last year.

Thank to Dan Humpert (our sponsor), who is procuring a Weyless competition clock. There will be races all day. For you distance men and women there will be one-hour distance attempts that will be posted as they are made and broken.

Admission to the Convention Center will probably be by means of a list of members given to the guard at the front door. You must have your bike to get in.

DATES AND TIMES:

Saturday 22	1 pm - 11 pm
Sunday 23	1 pm - 8 pm
Mon.-Fri, 24-28	6 pm - 11 pm
Saturday 29	1 pm - 11 pm
Sunday 30	1 pm - 7 pm

for more info- Call Glen Wolf at 871-3511

GREETINGS FROM YOUR NEW PRESIDENT

Having been elected to this exalt high office, more or less by default, I find myself in the somewhat confusing position as leader of an athletic club of approximately 85 people. My initial reaction upon accepting this office was one of fear and uncertainty; where do these people want me to lead them? Just what makes them think I know where I'm going? Visions of me riding lead on a pace line 85 riders long down a road marked NO OUTLET flashed through my mind. (I have very poor vision).

A meeting with our former president, Jon Spicker, soon put my fears to rest. The club records and other information were put in my trust and a clearer definition of the office of president has begun to form in my mind. It would seem that the less I get near a bicycle the better and that I should act more as a "go between". Go between what? Well, there are various groups out there competing for our attention, (mostly monetarily), such as the U.S.C.F. I see my job as attempting to create an atmosphere where competitive cycling can occur and still be fun while keeping these groups at bay.

As far as changes from last year are concerned, I propose to delegate much of the authority given me and utilize those other club offices fully. In this way, a climate for the free exchange of ideas and harmonious action within the club will hopefully be created. At this time I think it appropriate to acknowledge the tremendous efforts by our past president, Jon Spicker. He seemingly single-handedly organized all of our club records, making the transition much easier for me. He also was able to keep the organization going through the August to December doldrums. This period really sets the stage for the coming year and his effort with the club jerseys should be loudly applauded. He is, by the way, still retaining control of the acquisition and distribution of these items and any problems along these lines should be directed to him. (See what I mean by delegation of authority). Use your other club offices this year too! One person should not have to do everything. If you have problems or questions, call the appropriate club officer or if you don't know who that is, call the new club office. Where's that?

HERE:

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241 West McMillan St.
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tele# 721-6628

If a weird voice answers and says, "Montgomery Cyclery, Clifton," or, "Campus Cyclery," just ask for the president and failing in that call me at home:

228 West McMillan St.
tele# 381-5433

In closing, I would like to say that I am honored to have been elected president of this organization. Hopefully I will be able to maintain the level of performance that past presidents have attained, and accept those duties which they have fulfilled. I am also looking

forward to a great year of racing and hope to be seeing a veritable mob
of orange and yellow coming over that finish line, 1st!

Dare to be great
Your President,

David K. Moore
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