



QUEEN CITY WHEELS

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NEWSLETTER

SANCTIONED BICYCLE RACING SINCE 1972

1. NEWSLETTER FREQUENCY (?) :

Once upon a time I asked Greg Hanfbauer, "Why don't we get more QCW newsletters?" Greg said, "Summer is for riding; Winter is for writing". I didn't think that way then; I do now. Hope you agree. Important news is shared during the Info Exchange after each Time Trial and one page of information is in the Cincinnati Cycle Club "Bikewriter" each month.

2. CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sept.12 (Sat. a'noon) 2 person Team Time Trial; 25 Mi; Louisville, Ky.
 Sept.13 (Sun. morn.) 4'person Team Time Trial; 25 Mi; (502) 458-2094
 Sept.27 (Sunday) Spencer County Road Race; 26Mi/lap; Taylorsville, Ky.
 Oct. 15/16 (Sat/Sun.) Hilly Hundred Tour; Bloomington, Ind. (Tour; Relax)
 Nov. 07 (Sat. eve) QCW ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET. Blue Ash Rec.Center

3. MEMBERSHIP:

QCW has over 180 members. (70 licensed racers; 36 on the QCW teams).

4. TIME TRIALS:

a. The final nite for Time Trials is SEPTEMBER 29. "Come on down" and get in at least one more ride before the season ends!! (LIMIT 50 RIDERS).

b. There have been two incidents at the course this season after an event that have been reported to the North Bend Police. One involved some unfavorable remarks made by an unidentified rider/s to some local children who, in fact, could have caused a pack crash. The father could accept the danger the kids caused but not the intensity of the reaction. I'm glad I was not the Timer he ventilated on. He was enraged. The other incident involved bikes in the roadway. The riders, who have been identified, blocked traffic. One refused to move even when asked by the Club.

THIS STUFF HAS GOT TO STOP. COURTESY IS A MUST!!

We all know the rules of life; what's acceptable and what's not. How can we go into another person's neighborhood as a guest on a regular basis, act like we are the owners and not expect a defensive reaction. We can't. You wouldn't if it were your neighborhood.

The following is applicable; hot off the press. Dayton Cycle Club has run a weekly series of road races and criteriums for the past several years. Each course was used every third week. In July the folks in Xenia, near the site of one of the courses, decided that they had had enuf of the same kinds of things reported above and took it to Xenia Town Council. It was an easy decision since the riders were effectively guests in the neighborhood. There are no more Tuesday nite races around Xenia.

QCW has used this Time Trial course for 17 years and has no intention of losing it due to thoughtlessness or arrogance. At a special meeting of th QCW Board of Trustees it was decided unanimously that any person who cannot abide by the few, simple, common sense rules that we have (and should apply in all cycling situations) will be DISQUALIFIED by the Timer for the following week. None of us ever want to use that rule.

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c. The Timers have been getting a number of drafting complaints. We would just as soon NEVER hear another. The Timers are not out on the course; there are no prizes; and despite USCF measurements, what is 'in the draft' to one rider may not be to another. Each person is expected to do their best not to draft. FORGET about any action by the Timer.

5. RACING:

a. Congrats to the members of the QCW teams who placed in the money at the end of the Queen City Securities/Oakley Cycles Ault Park Series:

40k Points Race:	3. Fred Steinbrecher	10. Ed Krause.
20k Sr.Mens Race:	2. Jim Flaherty	5. Ed Theuring
20k Jr.Mens Race:	2. Jeff Borisch	

Thank to all of the other riders who worked so well within the team.

b. The Spradling Memorial Team Time Trials in Louisville, Ky. on Sept. 12 & 13 are great fun. QCW would like to enter some 2 and 4 person teams. Get your own team together or, if you want to go and don't have a team, call me and I'll try to match up teams of equal ability. Teams may practice together on Tuesday nite, Sept. 8. 10.2 or 20.0 mile options.

c. Terri Haber, Pam Sisney and Tina Lipe each won another Triathlon and have qualified for the Hawaii Bud-Lite Ironman. They're going. YEAH!!

6. TEAMS:

a. 1987 Jersey reimbursement: If you have QCW on your license and you rode six sanctioned USCF events wearing the jersey you are entitled to a \$32 reimbursement. Also, QCW Juniors get back all USCF race entry fees. To claim your cash SEND me date, location, place & entry fee (if applic).

QCWR (Racing) account is a stand alone account, separate from the QCW account. The QCWR treasury would appreciate it if you would consider one of these alternate reimbursement methods since we are low on cash at the end of this first year. 1. Request another jersey in lieu of cash. 2. Defer the payment date until 5/1/88. Don't worry the Club is solvent.

b. 1988 QCW Teams: If any of your friends plan to race with the QCW teams next year remember that it is not too early to begin to remind them to put Queen City Wheels on the license application. Can't be unattached.

c. The Holidays are right around the corner -- especially if you want to treat yourself (or other) to a custom made skinsuit, etc.. Delivery is about 7 weeks. I have forms. Don't forget to patronize the QCW sponsors.

7. TOURING:

In October the racing season will be wound down. I hope you will all take a little time to lay back, relax and take in at least one of the great fall tours. You really owe it to yourself to try CCC's Riverboat Rendezvous, The Hilly Hundred or one of the other Centuries.

8. 1988 USCF RACES:

- There is some interest within the club to promote the following events
- Spring Time Trial (as in 5/87) to fulfill minimum USCF requirement.
 - Blue Ash Criterium. Move toward National level race. More later.
 - Time Trial; with Union Terminal Races for Cincinnati Bicentennial.
 - No.Ky.Road Race; Convenient Food Marts has expressed some interest.

The list is in the Board's perceived order of priority. There is much work ahead and all jobs are open. If you see something you'd like to work on or manage please call me before I call you. (No-one is safe). No experience is required for most positions. This is good winter work.

9. QCW ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET:

And now, finally, the part you've all been waiting for -- having FUN!!

This event has been missing for several years but it is returning on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7 with a new and enlarged format. Everyone who has paid the Individual or Family dues is invited to this party -- even if you race for another Club. If your name is on this mailing you are an equal QCW member. We want everyone to be there. IT'S A FREEBIE - just call and make a reservation. If you are an Individual member and want to bring other member/s of YOUR family the charge at the door will be: adult \$4 and child (over 5) \$2. Juniors may bring one adult free.

The day will include A, B & C rides; continuous refreshments; Annual Meeting, election of Officers, dinner, awards, door prizes and raffle.

Each of the rides will leave the Blue Ash Recreation Center on Cooper Rd. just east of Reed Hartman Highway at 3:30 PM. The rides will go 40, 30, & 20 miles and be led by folks familiar with the roads in the area. Shower facilities will be available in the Rec. Center after the ride.

QCW has the Rec.Center meeting room for 200 reserved 6:00 - 10:00 PM. There will definitely be plenty of food, beer and soft drinks, door prizes and larger raffle items. Plenty of awards will be given. If there is someone that YOU would personally like to make an award for and give it to - just let the emcee of the awards ceremony know. These special awards for dubious personal achievement can be serious or HUMOROUS.

The details of the Meeting and Election are still being worked. We are seeking Agenda items for the meeting. The Board requests that Agenda items be submitted as soon as possible and prior to Oct.15.

To make the Awards Banquet go we need VOLUNTEERS to do the following: Registration; Set-up; Food Planning; Drinks; Door Prizes & Raffle; Ride Leaders; Awards Emcee; Nominating Committee; and Clean-up Crew!!! Give us your support on this and it will be a super event. Again please call.

Make reservations NOW, pick a job and mark your calendar.

Door prizes and raffle items are still being accepted. If you or your business has an item to donate we'd be glad to have it. (Thanx).

10. COMMENTS SUBMITTED:

- It sounds like the Club really needs two things (at least) in 1988.
- a. A good Juniors coach.
 - b. A Thursday nite training ride/s - after the racing season begins. (the Saturday morning rides seem to be okay during late March & April).
- Give us your feedback.

11. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Thanx to all the volunteers who are helping at the Time Trials.
- b. There will be meetings of the Board and the Awards Banquet Committee in October. Currently there is no-one on the second Committee.

Tim Gehling 793-0800
(for the Officers &
Directors of QCW)

P.S. BEFORE YOU SET THIS DOWN CALL 793-0800 about Team Time Trialing; Awards Banquet Reservations, Volunteering, Door Prizes or Agenda Items; Reimbursement; USCF Race Volunteer; Holiday Gifts or General Feedback.