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Spring Training Races Return! QCW Teams With Other Local Clubs to Produce Ten Training Races

For the first time since 1992, QCW's Spring Training Series is returning! This year's program features ten races, starting with the Crosby Township Road Race on February 25th. This is followed the next day by the Cincinnati Financial Criterium. Every Sunday in March features an event, starting with the South Lebanon Circuit Race on the 5th. The 12th brings the Maineville Circuit Race, the 19th the Riverfront Criterium, and the 26th the Eastside Circuit Race. April starts with the Butler County Road Race on the 2nd, followed by the Warren County Road Race on the 9th. April ends with two Northern Kentucky Criteriums on the 23rd and 30th. Greater Cincinnati has never seen such a concentrated period of racing before! To produce this expanded series QCW has teamed up with several other Greater Cincinnati racing teams. Race directors from QCW are promoting four of the races, while the Xavier University Racing Team, Cincinnati

Velo Club (Team Campus Cyclery), and Team Suburban Chevrolet are promoting two races each. Each race will feature A/B/C-type categorization, giving most riders some flexibility in determining which category they'd like to participate in. An overall series prize list will be offered. Each rider's five best finishes will count toward series placings.

Volunteers are needed to work at all races. If you don't plan to race on a specific day, please plan to help out. Each race typically needs from four to eight workers (in addition to officials). If you know ahead of time that you can help, please leave a message on the PELO line (677-7356) as soon as practical. However, even if you don't know ahead of time if you'll be available, please feel free to show up unannounced to help. Many of the details are still being worked out for all of these races, so it is too early to publish many specifics yet. Look for a race flyer in your mailbox soon!

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Annual Meeting and Banquet Celebrates 1994 Club Awards Still More Popular Than Reports

The largest QCW banquet crowd in four years gathered in Pleasant Ridge for our annual celebration. Mass quantities of food and drink disappeared as the many attendees swapped stories and lies of the '94 campaign, while a video of the '93 World's played in the background. Oh yeah, there was an official meeting, too.

The meeting was chaired by President Jim Flaherty. Dave Carr presented the Treasurer's report (see page 2), showing QCW still solidly in the black. Election of officers was once again one of the fastest events, as all candidates were unopposed. The 1995 officers will be: President: Jim Flaherty; Vice President: Chip Ellison; Secretary: Charly Gehling; and Treasurer: Dave Carr. At-large members of the Board of Directors include Kurt Etter, Scott Lyle, Jim Obert, Roy Roberts, Dan Roketenetz, Jeff Vaught, and Charley Wright.

The 1994 edition of the QCW Awards were

presented by Chip Ellison. The winners include: Most Competitive: Eugene Spiegel, Most Improved Woman: Stacy Kisker, Most Improved Man: Toby Costello, as well as best time awards to: Junior 14-15: Brad Davis, Master Women: Carolyn Wilk, Men 35+: Grant Wearne, Men 45+: Roger Macomber, Women: Sandy Schlosser, and Men: Jim Flaherty. The club's "USCF Racing Awards", recognizing results in sanctioned races, were presented to Colin Vogt and Jeff Vaught. Finally, QCW's highest honor, the Tim Gehling Award, recognizing dedicated service to QCW, was presented to Cyclebration Race Director Charley Wright.

The guest speaker was a special treat, as we were honored to listen to two time world champion Alexander "Sasha" Zinoviev. With the occasional help of an interpreter, Sasha offered us a rare glimpse into the world of the elite amateur and pro ranks of cycling.

**1995 QCW Membership Renewal forms enclosed.
Return yours today!**

**QCW Information
New Rides, Races,
and Events Updated
Continuously!
Line: 677-PELO**

QCW Treasurer's Report

Balance - January 1, 1994

\$2739.07

Income

Dues	\$1920.00
Interest	40.83
Annual Dinner	191.00
Stage Race	482.00
Credit from Cinti. Bell	7.72
	2641.55

Expense

Awards	\$301.43
Printing and Postage	229.52
Annual Dinner	613.34
Telephone	221.97
Insurance	227.00
Cyclebration	2036.48
Stage Race	452.23
Seminar	183.00
	4264.97

Balance - November 26, 1994

\$1115.65

Submitted by Dave Carr

The Cyclebration and QCW Club funds are maintained in separate accounts. Typically funds from the club account are used to cover early expenses of Cyclebration, before sponsorship funds have been received. As of this report date the financial report for Cyclebration had not been completed. When this is ready, we expect that these funds will be repaid to the club account, plus the club's share of race profits. These totals do not yet include amounts from the 1994 banquet or from the race fee reimbursement program.

As of November 25th, QCW had 175 members, including family members. Of these, approximately 26 are non-racing family members. Approximately 43 members hold USCF or NORBA racing licenses with QCW as their racing club. There are about 13 licensed racers from other teams who are members of QCW (most of these join to participate in time trials).

All QCW Board meetings are open to all members. Meetings are generally held on the second or third Monday of each month, but the schedule is highly variable. Call the PELO line to confirm meeting dates and times. You can call any Board member with your comments or questions at any time.

1995 QCW Board of Directors:

President:	Jim Flaherty	489-0833
Vice-President:	Chip Ellison	831-4381
Secretary:	Charly Gehling	793-0800
Treasurer:	Dave Carr	677-2911

At-Large Directors:

Kurt Etter	459-1588
Scott Lyle	731-9675
Jim Obert	683-7295
Roy Roberts	781-2884
Dan Roketenetz	684-6000
Jeff Vaught	921-6412
Charly Wright	489-2222

Events

First Wednesday of each month: Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BIKE/PAC) meeting, 7:00, Centennial Plaza, 805 Central Ave
May 2 QCW Time Trials begin 6:30 PM

QCW Mountain Bike Race Finally Gets Good Weather!

The third annual QCW MTB Race was once again held at the Hook Scout Camp, located just north of Cincinnati. The four mile loop trail was composed of tight-fast singletrack, three quick-steep climbs, and a difficult log section.

Jenn Dial (Miami Flyers), in her third attempt at Hook, rode a strong race to place first in the women's Expert category. Meanwhile, Ted Jackson was turning successive 16 minute lap times to capture the men's top spot in the 24 mile Expert race. Jackson, a former bunny hop champion (>36"), easily cleared the log sections enroute to victory over cross-town rival Walter Tate. Sixteen year old Junior sensation Shaun Miller also spared the chainrings in his rout of the Junior field.

Earlier in the day, Miller handily defeated OT-Pro Toby Tetzl in the Expert Stock Observed Trials competition. The modified competition followed with Tetzl winning by the narrowest of margins. However, it was Miller's death-defying "clean" of section three, a complicated bridge crossing with a ten foot ravine drop, that made the event highlight film. - *Jeff Vaught*

Calendar

Races (OH, KY, IN, WV)

Feb 25 Crosby Township RR QCW 677-PELO
Feb 26 Cincinnati Financial Crit QCW 677-PELO
Mar 5 South Lebanon CR QCW 677-PELO
Mar 12 Maineville CR QCW 677-PELO
Mar 19 Riverfront Criterium, Cincinnati QCW 677-PELO
Mar 26 Eastside CR QCW 677-PELO
Apr 1-2 Mudfest IV Carrollton, KY Richard Matthews 502/484-2998
Apr 2 Butler County RR, Ross OH QCW 677-PELO
Apr 9 Warren County RR QCW 677-PELO
Apr 23 Northern Kentucky Criterium QCW 677-PELO
Apr 30 Northern Kentucky Criterium QCW 677-PELO

Rides

All QCW rides are limited to QCW members only. New riders are always welcome, but must become members before riding. (Ride leaders will have membership forms.) Helmets are mandatory. If you are leading a ride that is not currently listed here, please call the PELO line (677-7356) and leave a message with the details. Thanks!

Rides are ranked on a scale of 1 to 5, according to the typical speed and group composition. A "1" is an easy, teaching ride, average speed 14-16 mph on the flats, "2" is basic paceline, 16-20 mph, "3" is moderate to fast paceline, 18-25 mph, "4" means many will be dropped, 22-30 mph, and "5" is an all-out ride harder than many races. For rides of "3" or higher you should not expect the group to wait for you if you get dropped. Rides with two or more numbers listed are typically large groups that break up as the speed picks up. All rides are led on a volunteer basis. Due to the vagaries of personal schedules, weather, etc., we cannot provide a guarantee that any given ride will always take place as scheduled here. Please call the ride coordinator listed for details or possible changes. Changes and new rides may be detailed on the QCWPELO line before listed here.

Saturday Jan 14-Apr 1 10:00 Riverfront Stadium, 2-3 hr ride Paul Eddleston 531-923
Saturday and Sunday 8:30 Mountain bike ride, Mason/Loveland area, Dan Roketenetz: 684-6000 (2,3,4)

Sunday Jan 8-Apr 2 10:00 Hyde Park Square 3-5 hr ride Paul Eddleston 531-9232
Tuesday Jan 3-Mar 28 5:30-7:00 PM Riverfront Stadium Paul Eddleston 531-9232
Tuesday and Thursday 6:00 Mountain bike ride, lights required, Loveland at the bike trail, Doug Pendery or Tom Cross 791-9292 daytime (4)

Results

When you call in results, please include your category!

Nov 19: **QCW Mountain Bike Race**, Middletown, OH:
Beginner: Jim Brown 4th

Please call your results in to the QCW PELOton line (677-PELO) within one week after each race. Please give your name, the race name and date, category, and place. Please speak slowly and clearly, as many messages have been difficult to understand. Thanks!