

"The Colorado Springs Cycling Club is a recreational bicycling club which promotes safe and fun cycling for all ages and abilities."

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Prez Sez:

By: Joe Vaccaro

Another year has gone by along with the end of the millenium! What awaits bicycling in the years ahead is, of course, uncertain. As more and more motor vehicles congest our roadways, the past time of road biking might become less attractive to cyclists. This negative aspect of the sport might be somewhat balanced by the continued success of American professional cyclists in European racing venues. If Lance Armstrong can win the Tour De France again in 2000, the resulting notoriety will undoubtedly increase the number of recreational riders. If an inflated cycling community can be united behind the need for safer cycling conditions on our roads, paved alternatives where practical, and the growth of this mode of transportation in general, then a significant impact can be made on the laws and development plans in the future. This could result in a return to the hay days of the bicycle about 100 years ago. Might as well think positive!

This is usually the newsletter issue that features a farewell to the membership by the outgoing President, and/or a greeting from the

RIDE WITH CSCC INTO THE NEW MILLENIUM AS A RIDE LEADER OR COMMITTEE MEMBER THIS YEAR.

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Club Hotline (719) 594-6354

Many thanks to the contributors to this issue, may there be more in the future.

new President. That will not be the case this year. Due to the fact that no one was willing to be nominated for this office at this time, and pursuant to a little read ("I swear I never knew it existed!") clause in the club bylaws, I will be continuing on as the Club Prez. Apparently, according to the cited bylaws' clause, I will remain President until that time another person in the club steps forward to assume that office. Does this mean that I could be President for life? Shudder to think! I just hope there isn't some other clause that says, "upon the death of the club President, and in the absence of a replacement, his responsibilities pass on to his offspring." Maybe I better alert my kids to move closer to Colorado Springs for club meetings. Seriously, though, I will be proud to continue as your club President.

During the months ahead I hope to be part of (to borrow a tired phrase) a process in which the Colorado Springs Cycling Club reinvents itself. This might well mean that instead of two major events being sponsored by the club during the year, we only have one, that Hardscrabble would be retired, with more volunteer energy and attention being paid to the Buena Vista Bike Festival. It could also mean the introduction of more novelty rides, such as the Progressive Dinner Ride. Another direction for the club would be in the provision of basic bike mainte-



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nance and riding instruction to novice riders. Whatever we do as a club, it must be aimed at increasing club membership and volunteer involvement in club activities. This will not be easy to do (that's one thing I learned the hard way this past year), but it is a dilemma we must resolve if our club is to flourish in the future.

Hola a tu Editorodor

By: Panama Jak

As you may or may not know, I am continuing my search for a Latin America retirement paradise. I am seeking a place with year around spring time weather. I hope to find a pretty casa by the sea with mountain views and beautiful gardens complete with a maid and gardener to do all the work. I will dine on exotic foods and pursue a life of adventure.

Until I get all this arranged, I am pleased be your newsletter editor and webmaster for the coming year. If anyone is interested in working on this aspect of the cycling club, please contact me.

Doyle Dikes
doyle@baltoro.com

AWARDS GO UNCLAIMED!

by: Joe Vaccaro

The annual club party and volunteer award pot luck dinner was held on December 5, 1999 on the Air Force Academy grounds. It

was nicely attended and everyone appeared to have a good time. It was also a night in which the Colorado Springs Cycling Club recognized those members who gave of their time to assist the club and bicycling in general. Along with the thanks of the club, each of these individuals received an award gift. The gifts were, in large part, made possible through the continuing support of Ted's Bike Shop and Old Town Bike Shop. Since each award ranges in value from about \$10 up to \$35, and many were not claimed due to the absence of the recipient at the party, I am providing a listing of all recognition winners. If your name appears there, and you have not received your volunteer recognition award yet, please contact me by either telephone (522-1975) or e-mail (JVac982501@aol.com) so that I can make arrangements to give it to you. You could also just show up at the next club meeting as I will have the awards with me.

Those recognized for their contributions in 1999 are as follows:

Club Officers

- President: **Joe Vaccaro**
- Vice President: **Jack Lundberg**
- Treasurer: **Mark Rowe**
- Secretary: **Janet Rose**
- Newsletter Editor: **Kim Makower**
- Past President: **Hal Church**

Volunteers of the Year

- **Aaron Rosenthal:** Accomplishments: Buena Vista Bicycle Festival, Hardscrabble Century, Club Meeting Presentation, integral part of the planning and execution of many Club events.

- **Chris Davenport:** Accomplishments: Buena Vista Bicycle Festival, Hardscrabble Century, Annual Dinner, years of rest stop duty.

Outstanding Volunteers

- **Barb Butler:** BVBF, Hardscrabble Annual Dinner.
- **Doyle Dikes:** Club Web Master, BVBF, Hardscrabble.
- **Sue Martin:** BVBF, Hardscrabble
- **Connie Neuteboom:** Hardscrabble, Progressive Dinner Ride, Newsletter Publication Annual Dinner.
- **J.P. Neuteboom:** Hardscrabble, Newsletter Publication, Spynergy Wheel Coordination, Annual Dinner.
- **Shay Nolan:** BVBF, Hardscrabble, Nominating Committee.
- **Fawn Remington:** BVBF, Hardscrabble.
- **Mike Remington:** BVBF, Hardscrabble.
- **Bob Smith:** BVBF, Hardscrabble, Kinder-Gentler Ride leader, Ride Calendar Coordinator, etc., etc.
- **Ann Smith:** BVBF, Hardscrabble, Kinder-Gentler Ride, Annual Dinner, Member Services Coordinator, Social Events, etc., etc.
- **Ed Terhune:** BVBF, Hardscrabble, Progressive Dinner Ride, Annual Dinner.

Volunteer Recognition

- **Don Allred:** BVBF
- **Brenda Anderson:** Hardscrabble
- **Tim Anderson:** Hardscrabble
- **Bill Bailey:** BVBF
- **David Barnes:** BVBF
- **Janina Barnes:** BVBF

- Warren Barta: Hardscrabble
- Jay Burns: Hardscrabble
- Evelyn Church: Hardscrabble
- Kathleen Desmond: BVBF
- Patty Eddy: BVBF
- Diane Edmonds: Hardscrabble
- Ray Edmonds: Hardscrabble
- Carmen Gaudeau: BVBF
- Sharon Hamilton: BVBF
- Gail Harris: Hardscrabble
- Norm Howard: Progressive Dinner Ride
- Ellwood Johnson: BVBF
- Lynn Johnson: BVBF
- Tim Lopez: BVBF, Hardscrabble
- Doug Luttrell: BVBF
- Paula Markara: BVBF
- Jim McCreary: BVBF
- John McLain: State Bicycle Advocacy
- Connie Miller: BVBF
- Rob Miskowitch: Ride Leader
- Sue Miskowitch: Ride Leader
- Bob Moore: Hardscrabble
- Janet Oliver: BVBF
- Jimmy Osborne: BVBF, Hardscrabble
- Vern Picher: Bicycle Advocacy
- Bill Ryan: BVBF
- Carol Sanford: BVBF
- Jim Sanford: BVBF
- Alan Severn: Hardscrabble, Ride Leader
- Andy Skuntz: Hardscrabble
- Dave Thompson: BVBF
- Eileen Towne: BVBF
- Henry Towne: BVBF
- Fran Vaccaro: Hardscrabble, Progressive Dinner Ride, Annual Dinner.
- Barry Wick: BVBF, Hardscrabble

Adopt a Family

- Brenda Anderson

Bent Fork Award

- Tim & Brenda Anderson

Officers for the year 2000

- Newsletter Editor: Doyle Dikes
- Secretary: Janet Rose
- Treasurer: Mark Rowe
- Vice President: Hal Church
- President: Joe Vaccaro

HARDSCRABBLE 2000

By Doyle Dikes

Since the Club Prez has suggested that CSCC not conduct the Hardscrabble event in the future, it seems that other bicycling organizations should be advised of this situation so that they will have an opportunity to take over Hardscrabble. I suggest that CSCC finally decide on this matter and proceed to notify others in the state who might be interested. This item should be on the agenda of the next club meeting.

BUENA VISTA BICYCLE FESTIVAL - 2000

The festival committee has been busy working with plans for the BVBF Millennium tour on May 20 and 21. Mark this date on your new calendar. Also, start thinking about where you would like to volunteer. Remember, with the festival you can volunteer and ride. We also could use more committee members. If you are interested, please call Aaron Rosenthal at 594-5655 or Anne Smith at 528-6834.

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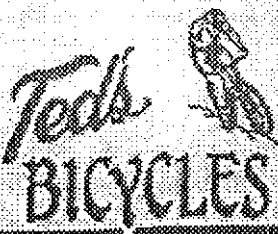
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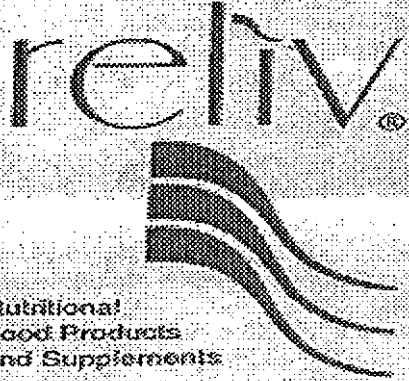
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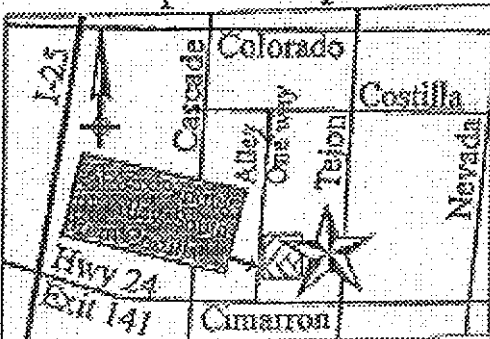
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January & February 2000 - Ride and Event Schedule Details

Club Meeting

Tuesday - January 4th

Altamira Apartment Complex at 7:00 PM

Altamira Clubhouse - 2210 Skyview Lane off 21st Street south of US 24 near Sky Way.

January - Regularly Scheduled Rides

Saturday Morning - Road Race Training - 719-548-8667

This ride begins at 10 AM at TPI at 1605 South Tejon Street. This is race training ride of about 4 hours. During the winter months the focus is on building base miles at lower heart. Contact Rob Miskowitch for details.

Saturday Kinder & Gentler Road Ride - 719-593-528-6834

This ride starts from the new Cub Foods on Constitution and Powers at 10:00 AM. This is a moderately paced ride of 30-40 miles. Expect to average about 14 MPH with some hills. No maps are provided. If you ride ahead of the leader, expect to ride alone.

Sunday Morning - MTB Race Training - 719-548-8667

This ride begins at 10 AM at TPI at 1605 South Tejon Street. During the winter months the focus is on building base miles at lower heart. Contact Rob Miskowitch for details.

Sunday Acacia Park Social Ride - 719-594-6354

This ride meets at Acacia at 1:00 PM every Sunday afternoon. This ride 15-25 mile casual ride is a great ride for new riders and those wanting to chat while riding. No maps are provided and if you ride off the front expect to ride alone.

Special Rides for January

Annual Frozen H2O Ride - 719-528-6834

Saturday January 1 - 1:00 PM

New location - CUB Foods - Constitution & Powers

Come join us for the first ride of the new millennium. Mapped routes of 10 and 25 miles. This ride is the longest running club ride with the same ride leader. Come ride with the founder of the original Frozen H2O. The ride has never failed to go in the past 13 years. Contact ride leader Bob Smith for details.

Note: Rides during the winter months may be cancelled due to cold temperature (below 40 degrees), rain, or snow. When in doubt call the ride leader. If there is no ride leader indicated on the calendar (Show'n Go Rides), then use your good judgement.

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Club Meeting

Tuesday - February 1st

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February - Regularly Scheduled Rides

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Saturday Kinder & Gentler Road Ride - 719-593-6453

This ride starts from the new Safeway on Academy Blvd South and Highway 115 at 10:00 AM. This is a moderately paced ride of 30-40 miles. Expect to average about 14 MPH with some hills. No maps are provided. If you ride ahead of the leader, expect to ride alone.

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Special Rides for February

Annual St Valentines Ride - 719-528-6834

Sunday, February 13 - 1:00 PM - Acacia Park

Ride leaders need to lead mountain bike and road bike rides of all types. Send email to bobsmith@bikerider.com or phone him at 719-528-6834.

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HARDSCRABBLE KUDOS

This is a letter from L. J. Spilka

Thank you for a terrific Hardscrabble 99 Century Ride. What a gorgeous route. It was well supported which is such a relief when climbing 6000 feet and 100 miles in a day. I very much appreciated seeing sags throughout the whole day and knew if I got in trouble I would receive some assistance. The folks at the aid stations were terrific. Kudos to the person who made peanut butter and banana bagel sandwiches!

I had lots of gear to keep me warm, but it was good to see your organization "call off" the tour when it got very cold and take people down to Florence.

(For club members' information, the peanut butter and banana bagel sandwich queen was Shay Nolan.)

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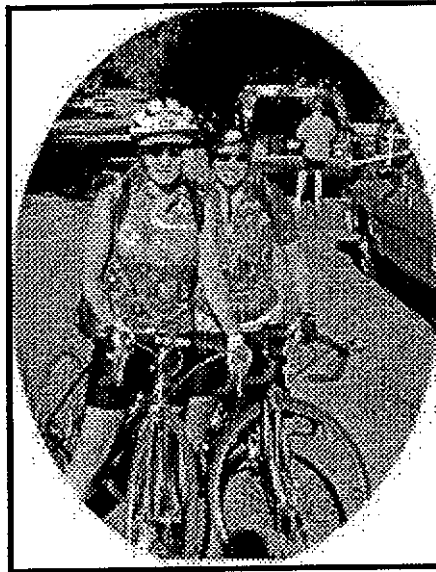
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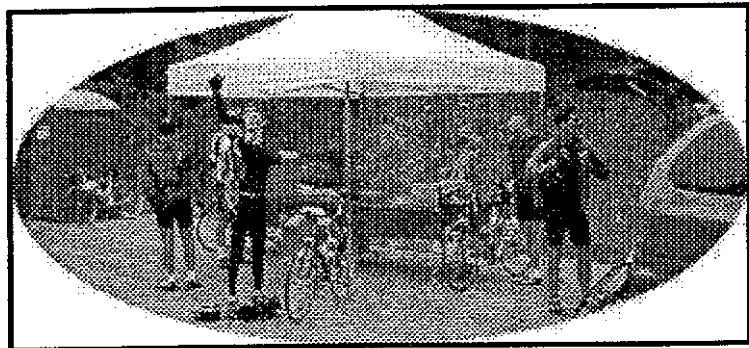
The following photos and captions were provided by Hal Church.



"Roadie Babes" Chris Davenport (L) and Barb Butler (R) prior to Volunteer ride. Ev Church in background preparing for tandem ascent of Hardscrabble Pass.



This guy rode a 5-speed (shifter on top tube) Schwinn Stingray with banana seat on the Bishop Castle Route - 72 miles of very steep hills and Hardscrabble Pass.



Rest stop at Bishop's Castle.
Riders are PUTTING ON jackets and tights!

HARDSCRABBLE 1999

These photos by Doyle Dikes can also be viewed on the CSCC web site at www.bikesprings.com.



Above is a rest stop on the Volunteers Ride, Dirt Option. Above l to r are Ed, Fawn, and Mike. At the right, top is Ed. At the right, bottom is Doyle.



At left is a beautiful tricycle at the Westcliffe Rest Stop.

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

WELCOME NEW CSCC

MEMBERS: Tom Allen; Steve Boggs; Nancy Bowers; Tim Eccles; Bill & Diana Leake; Chuck Noon; Ed Quesada & Family; John Richardson; Ann Marie & Bill Sutter; Angela & Joe White;

WELCOME AGAIN RE- TURNING MEMBERS:

Mike & Pia Ballmes; Warren Barta & Family; Bill Baughman; Terre Cavalier; Doyle Dikes; Ray & Diane Edmonds; Robert Hansen; Alfred Hiltbrunner; Donald & Cathy Kipp; Paula Makara; Larry Marr; Susan Martin; Larry & Kristal McGee; Shay Nolan; Bill Simmons; Dave Thomson; John Wieting; Mike Wiater; Jerry & Cathy White;

Ride Leaders:

Mail your ride sheets to Jane Rose, 1309 Wynkoop Dr., Colorado Springs, CO. 80909. Janet is the 2000 Club secretary. Thanks, Janet!!!

speaking of Ride Leaders.... We need some ... yes, there is some responsibility but you can take the edge off with the following:

>> don't tell them where you are going

>> you pick the speed you are most comfortable with

Call Bob Smith with your ideas at (719) 528-6834.

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CLUB DISCOUNTS

As a CSCC member, you are entitled to a 10% discount on the purchase of cycling accessories from the following bike shops. In order to get your club discount at bike shops, you must take your newsletter with the mailing label attached. Your label will indicate your new or renewal membership is up to date.

Colorado Springs Bike Shops (719) 634-4915. Two Colorado Springs Locations.

Ted's Bicycles (719) 473-6915

LOOK AT YOUR NEWSLETTER MAILING LABEL – DOES IT SAY

“Final Issue - Renew Now”? Renew before you miss one of our wonderful newsletters - Also, send changes of address and phone number to the club PO Box or call the Hot Line at 594-6354 or email Anne Smith at: annesmith@bikerider.com

DOES IT HAVE YOUR OLD ADDRESS?

When your newsletter has to be forwarded, it is an additional expense for the club treasury. **Please get those changes in as soon as possible.**

Remember, the newsletters are usually mailed the last week of the month, so try to get changes and renewals in early. Also, if you have a new phone number, let us know so we can keep our roster up to date. You can leave any address or phone changes on the hot line @594-6354 or call Anne Smith @528-6834

Newsletter Submissions

Due by the 10th. E-mail is preferred in a word document attached. Art work preferred in JPEG or GIF files.
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