

**June 2011** 

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### **Celebrating 60 years...**

### and still riding strong!

This season is the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Lehigh Wheelmen Association, and we are celebrating!

Mark Saturday July 16 on your\_calendar, because you'll want to commemorate this milestone. The festivities will begin early with several rides, followed by a picnic at Upper Saucon Township Community Park. In addition to a 60 mile B paced ride and a 60 kilometer (approx 36 miles) C paced ride, we are planning a social paced ice cream ride of about 20 miles, and a mountain bike ride using the trails at Lehigh University. Check the ride calendar for details. The recently opened Lower Saucon Rail Trail begins right behind the pavilion, and will be perfect for anyone who just wants to do a flat trail ride or perhaps simply take a nice There is something for everyone.

This is a member's only event. However, if you know someone who isn't a member they are still welcome and can join that day. We really want to а special celebration.

The club is going to supply burgers, hot dogs and beverages. Please bring something to share. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed in the park. To help us plan for food, please RSVP your intention to come to Geoff Rogers at ganddpa@verizon.net

One of the things we wouldd like to do during the picnic is recognize as many of the club's past presidents as we can. Unfortunately, we don't know how to contact everyone, or in some cases don't really have good records of who some of the former presidents are. So, if you were a past president, or if you know someone who was who may no longer be active in the club, please pass that info along to Geoff\_Rogers. Please include any contact info you may have as well.

To commemorate the anniversary, the club has designed a really cool tee shirt with the original club logo embroidered on the front.

Polar Bottles with the 1951 patch and the current patch have been ordered and should be arriving soon. Members (with a current membership card) can purchase them for \$6, non-members \$10. Email Sallie Urffer to reserve your bottle: Sallie.Pedals@gmail .com.

You will be able to pick up both the tee and bottle at the picnic and at most LWA events this year.

We will be holding a drawing for a SL Carbon Bike customized to fit the winner and will be equipped with SRAM Red or DuraAce components. Tickets will be on sale shortly.

The LWA advertising board at Valley Preferred Cycling Center is up between turn 1 and 2. Along with that board we receive a couple of Season Passes to Friday night races. We will be doing a drawing to give them to members.

Sallie Urffer, Editor

### LWA Meetings

Held the 3rd Monday of every month.

Next meeting is:

June 20, 2011 **Business Mtg 7:30 PM MEETING LOCATION: Valley Preferred Cycling Center Plaza** 

### **Happy Riding!**

Hey everyone, here comes summer. Do you have a favorite route you like to ride? Would you like to share it with others? Post a ride this coming month. If it's your first ride, contact me and we can discuss any questions you might have and can arrange for a mentor if you'd like. Let's get the ride calendar filled out nicely for June.

If you're on Facebook, Like LWA and have another place to interact with club members and friends. Just type Lehigh Wheelmen into your Facebook search bar.

The following people have earned ride leader gift certificates for leading 5 or more rides:

| <u>Leader Name</u> | Gift Certificate Level |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Bryan George       | \$50                   |
| Jack Helffrich     | \$25                   |
| Terry Terfinko     | \$25                   |
| Doug Leavitt       | \$25                   |
| Art Hunsberger     | \$25                   |

### Recurring Weekly Rides:

Monday: 5:30pm - VPCC- A,B & C Rides

Tuesday: 10:00am - Preston Lane Park Coopersburg - C ride

Tuesday: 5:40pm - LLBean - B ride

Wednesday: 9:00am - Various - Check website - B & C rides

Wednesday: 5:45pm – SL Bike Shop - B ride Thursday: 5:30pm – Stabler – B & C rides Thursday: 6:00pm – Eagles Nest Park – C ride Friday: 9:00am – Various – Check website – B ride

Saturday: 10:00am - VPCC - D Ride

Sunday: 10:00am - Rodale Fitness Park - A,B & C rides-check web

See you on the road.

Geoff Rogers, Vice President Touring

### Junior Update:

Congrats to Phil Esempio our new junior development coordinator. As always we are here to assist kids with the different aspects of cycling. Equipment, rides, safety, touring and racing. Phil brings an excellent background in cyclocross and mountain bike that complements our existing strength in road and track. To get started, feel free to email Phil (phil.esempio@gmail.com) or Gwen (<a href="mailto:qhoover@ptd.net">qhoover@ptd.net</a>).

New riders, kids and families check calendar for our Smoothie rides Saturdays at 10am 20 miles. Stop half way @ Topton cafe. 10-12 mph. No one dropped. Also review basic road safety.

**Hold the dates** - Nicole Reinhart memorial Tour de FCCC. Great first race with three stage. Time Trial, road Race and crit. Sponsored by Berks Lehigh Optimists Bicycling. Racers (boys and girls) ages 10-18 Volunteers (any age, no experience necessary.

July 16: 8am-3pm @ Rodale Institute, Maxatawny July 17: 9am-2pm @ Rodale Park, Trexlertown

Gwen Hoover, Jr Coordinator

**THE DONUT DERBY**—a 36-mile bike race held this Labor Day celebrates both calorie junkies and road-bike warriors across the Lehigh Valley in an epic elbows up, knock down hunger fest where only the strong survive. The rules are simple; eat donuts (each krispily, kreamily krueller takes 3 min. off racer's final time)and ride hard!!!! Race starts from the Valley Preferred Cycling Center and loops around Topton, Bowers, and Fleetwood. See the sights, live the dream.

HOW MANY DONUTS CAN YOU EAT!!!

### **Board Member Profile:**

#### **Maureen Porter-Secretary**

I've ridden a bike since I was about 6. Riding a bike was my way of getting to friends houses before I could drive. I started 'serious' road cycling in my mid 20's until I had my daughter. After a bit of a hiatus I got back into cycling in 2003 after recovering from an ankle fracture I received while doing a early morning run in the dark. I joined the LWA in 2008. I have learned so much about cycling and have improved my abilities because of the wonderful people I have had the opportunity to ride with. I am currently the club Secretary. My favorite ride was the Philly Livestrong ride. It was also my first century ride. I am looking forward to doing that ride again in August. I ride a Trek Madone 5.2. I currently work as a Certified School Nurse in the Palmerton Junior and Senior High Schools. I've worked in many areas of Nursing prior to this. I have my Master's Degree in Physical Education with an Exercise Physiology concentration. For 10 years I had my own Personal Training business. I also worked for the Lehigh Valley Hospital as an Exercise Physiologist for 4 years. I am married with a 17 year old daughter. Last summer my daughter started doing some rides to Topton with me. I can't wait for summer vacation so we can do our motherdaughter lunch rides again. I ride to stay fit and because it's an amazing stress management tool. I sign up for duathlons (run-bike-run) to keep me motivated to get on the bike and run consistently. The vision of being the last one across the finish line keeps me consistent with my workouts.

### **Classified Ads for Members Only**

### ARTICLES FOR SALE

**Trek 7600FX Hybrid** in excellent condition. Size 15" or small. Contact Kathy 610-351-3968 or email <a href="mailto:kcm631@yahoo.com">kcm631@yahoo.com</a> Pictures are available.

2 pair of **Pearl Izumi winter womens cycling tights** no chamois size small \$40 Email Laurie at laurie4550@yahoo.com

**Fuji Track,** 57c w/brakes, 2 sets clincher wheels. Excellent condition. Contact Tom 717-330-3552 or <a href="mailto:tombenn24@yahoo.com">tombenn24@yahoo.com</a>

#### **FOR RENT**

**2 HARD-SIDED BICYCLE TRAVEL CASES,** Club owned, for rent to members for up to 4 weeks. \$25 for 1 or 2 weeks, \$50 for 3 or 4 weeks. Plus \$25 security deposit required for any rental. Contact Dick McCreight @dick.mccreight@juno.com

### WANTED

Ads must be private buy/sell/wanted/etc. having to do with bicycling and/or other sports. *Ads must be submitted by the 20th of the month to appear in the following month's newsletter.* Send ads to Sallie @ sallie.pedals@gmail.com

# Reminder

# Check your membership card for your renewal date - Renew On-line NOW!



# **LWA Discount Sponsors**

# **Action Wheels** \*

530 W. Broad St. #1 Bethlehem, PA 18018 610-866-1113 www.action-wheels.com

### **BikeLine Allentown \***

1728 Tilghman St. Allentown, PA 18104 610-437-6100 www.bikeline.com

### **BikeLine Bethlehem** \*

2112 Schoenersville Rd. Bethlehem, PA 18018 610-691-0943 www.bikeline.com

### **Cycledrome** \*

8150 Hamilton Boulevard Trexlertown, PA 18087 610-398-6631 www.cycledromebikes.com

### Cutters Bike Shop \*

418 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Bethlehem, PA 18015 610-419-4207 www.cuttersbikeshop.com Eric J. Loch Diamonds & Fine Jewelry\*\*

3370 Lehigh St. Allentown, PA 18103 610-967-3479 www.lochsjewelers.com \*\*Free Lithium battery

#### **Keswick Cycle Co.\***

408 N. Easton Road Glenside, PA 19038 215-885-7433 www.keswickcycle.com

### **Longswamp Bed & Breakfast**

1605 State Street Mertztown, PA 19539 610-682-6197 www.longswamp.com

### Saucon Valley Bikes \*

824 Main St. Hellertown, PA 18055 610-838-1500 www.sauconvalleybikes.com

### Sleeping Dog Professional Cycles\*

330 W. Weis St. Topton, PA 19562 610-682-1000 www.sleepingdogprocycles.com

#### **SL Bikes**\*

Receive a 10% discount with your LWA membership card! (unless otherwise noted)

23 W. Fourth St. Bethlehem, PA 570-380-4793 www.slbikes.com

### South Mountain Cycles & Coffee Bar \*

303 Main St. Lower Level Emmaus, PA 18049 610-967-4490 email: smcbikes@ptd.net

### **Spokes Bike Shop \***

16590 Route 61 Hamburg, PA 19526 610-562-8900 www.spokesbikeshop.com

#### **Therapeutic & Sports Massage**

1744 Elmwood Drive Whitehall, PA 18052 610-774-0426

### Weaver's Bike Shop \*

729 Park Rd. Fleetwood, PA 19522 610-944-9565 www.weaversbikeshop.com

\*10% off parts and accessories