



## DELAWARE VALLEY BICYCLE CLUB

P.O. BOX 497, MEDIA, PA. 19063

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## MARCH 1989



## THEY DON'T CALL 'EM DUES FOR NOTHIN'

Yes, it's that time of year again...time to be counted, heads above the crowd...time to send in your \$10 and ensure your self of receiving the monthly newsletter, as well as discounts from most local bike shops.

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## INTRODUCING...

...our new officers for 1989:

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# HAV-NOONIAN WILL TRAVEL

Actually, Frank has already completed his tour of Italy by now, and he is willing to share his experiences with us at the next D.V.B.C. meeting, March 6th, at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Delaware County in Media. I really do love this headline and I promised Frank I would use it some day. Of course, those of you who never saw the old Richard Boone TV series of the early '60s, where he played a roving, hired gun named Paladin, don't think this headline is such an inspired work of imagination. (\*I've yet to lose a game of Trivial Pursuit.)

## CYCLISTS HAVE FRIEND IN PENNSYLVANIA

Two FREE publications are now available to area cyclists through the office of State Rep. Steven F. Friend. The Pennsylvania Bicycling Guide is a basic guide to bike safety and maintenance. The Bicyclist Safety Manual is perfect for children to read before riding off on that bike they found beneath the Christmas tree. Both publications are available simply by calling Friend's office at 789-0300, or by stopping by to pick them up at 2 Brookline Blvd., Havertown. Try to take advantage of this opportunity to see your tax dollars at work.

## EDITORIAL HELP WANTED

Have at least one night each month that you could devote to the advancement of bicycling in the Delaware Valley? Do you need some journalistic experience to add to your resume? Have you ever dreamed of writing your own monthly column? Don't sell Amway, call Greg Fox at 586-9085.

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Letters to the Editor must be signed to  
be considered for publication.

## Club Merchandise

Club T-Shirts . . . . . \$6.00

Club Car Decals . . . . . .50

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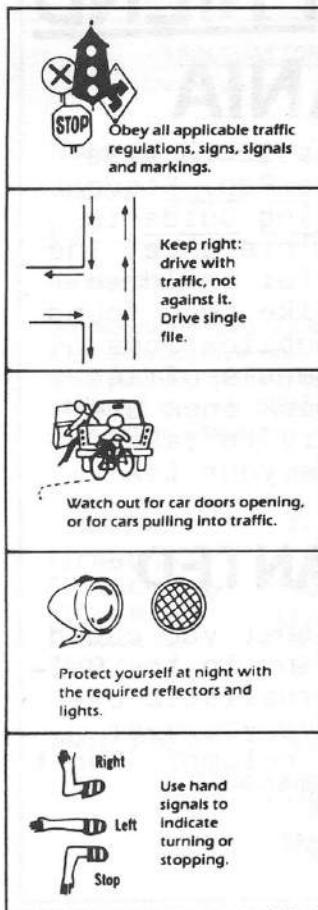
## DVBC Meeting Place

Unitarian Universalist Church of Delaware  
County, 145 W. Rose Tree Road (near Rt.  
252 & Rose Tree Park). First Monday of  
each month. Doors open at 7:00 P.M. Public  
is welcome.

## Ride Guidelines

1. Arrive 10 to 15 minutes early and be **READY TO LEAVE ON TIME!** Rides will start no more than 5 to 7 minutes late!
2. Make sure your bike is in proper working order **BEFORE** you arrive.
3. Carry a spare tube, patch kit, pump and water bottle.
4. Practice safety and obey *all* traffic laws.
5. Wearing a helmet is usually not mandatory, but is encouraged. (A helmet is mandatory for all time trials and some Class A rides.)
6. Do not "bike off" more than you can do. Go on rides within your ability, interest and experience.
7. **RIDE CLASSIFICATIONS:**
  - CLASS D:** For new, inexperienced riders or families: speed 5 – 7 mph, frequent stops, as few hills as possible. Group will wait for all riders. Mileage usually less than 10 miles, but longer distances permissible.
  - CLASS C –:** For average riders: 7 – 8 mph, rest stops as needed. Group will wait for stragglers. Distance recommended: 10 – 30 miles.
  - CLASS C +:** Also average riders: 9 – 10 mph, rest stops every 45 – 60 minutes. No obligation to wait for stragglers if cue sheets or maps are provided by the ride leader.
  - CLASS B –:** For more experienced riders: 11 – 12 mph, stops every 15 – 20 miles. No obligation to wait for stragglers if cue sheets or maps are provided.
  - CLASS B +:** For strong riders: 13 – 15 mph, stops every 20 – 30 miles. No obligation to wait for stragglers if cue sheets or maps are provided.
  - CLASS A:** For very strong riders: 16 – 20 mph, stops every 30 – 50 miles. No obligation to wait for stragglers if cue sheets or maps are provided.
- TIME TRIAL:** Timed event. Again, you must obey all traffic laws. A hard helmet is mandatory. You must yield the right of way at all times. Club time trials should not be regarded as races, but as training rides.
8. Each rider assumes his/her own risk on all time trials *and* touring rides.
9. Those who ride ahead of the group are on their own ride.
10. Always notify the ride leader before leaving the group.
11. Ride leaders should adhere to the advertised speed of the ride.
12. Ride leaders are not expected to be bike mechanics.

**NOTE:** In the case of questionable weather or road conditions, the Ride Leader may decide to cancel the event. Call the Ride Leader if in doubt. All Club rides are rated according to degree of difficulty. If you're in doubt about your cycling ability, try out a ride one class below the one you're not sure about and then work your way up. The general public is invited to all events organized and conducted by Delaware Valley Bicycle Club. A program is presented by the Club for bicyclists of *all* ages, *all* abilities, and *all* interests. Except for the Freedom Tour, Brandywine Tour and Club picnic, all club events are *free* to the general public. The general public is *welcome!!!*





# Ride Calendar

March 4 • 1:00 P.M. Miles: 15-25 • Class C <i>South Jersey Ride</i>	Leave from Bridgeport School in New Jersey. (Cross the Commodore Barry Bridge and take Rt. 130 North, make first right onto Barker Ave., make next right onto Crown Point Rd. - Rt.44 and there's the school. Various flat rides. Call Rich Patterson at 622-2954 for more details.
March 5 • 10:00 A.M. Miles: 30 • Class C <i>Early Spring</i>	Meet at Great Valley High School (Phoenixville Pk. near Rt. 401 exit of Rt. 202) in East Whiteland Township. Come out for this hilly ride and look for some early signs of spring. Call Rich Bernhard (284-2019) for more details.
March 5 • 1:00 P.M. Miles: 5 • Class: All <i>Goshen Time Trial</i>	Meet (1:00 SHARP) at Providence Rd. just north of Goshen Rd. near the Radnor Hunt Club. This is a good regular event for anyone wishing to improve their bike handling skills. For more information call Rollin' Rich Patterson at 622-2954.
March 5 • 1:00 P.M. Miles: 20 • Class C <i>Brandywine Valley</i>	Meet in the Museum parking lot at the Brandywine Battlefield Park on Baltimore Pike, just east of the Rts. 1 & 100 intersection in Chadds Ford. Enjoy this leisurely (8-10 m.p.h.) tour of the Brandywine Valley. Call if the weather is at all questionable. Fran DeMillion: 431-2675.
March 6 • 7:30 P.M. <i>DVBC Meeting</i>	Doors open at 7:00, meeting begins at 7:30. SPECIAL TOPIC: Frank Havnoonian will present a slide show of his tour of Italy. Don't miss it! Unitarian Church, Rose Tree Rd., Media.
March 12 • 9:00 A.M. Miles: 35 • Class C+ <i>Two Seats Ride</i>	County Seats! Leave from the Media Courthouse (corner of Front St. & Veteran's Sq.) and ride to West Chester. There will be a snack stop on the way back. For more information call ride leader Doug Kennedy at 543-4664.
March 12 • 2:00 P.M. Miles: 25-30 • Class C+ <i>Cheyney and Westtown</i>	Meet at the Media Courthouse (corner of Front St. & Veteran's Sq.) for this ride out to the Cheyney and Westtown area. The route includes some great scenery along the way. Call ride leader Don Ashbrook at 566-9142 for more details.
March 18 • 1:00 P.M. Miles: 21 • Class C <i>Chateau Country "Special"</i>	Roz and Dave Chasin celebrate 25 years of wedded biking with—you guessed it—another "Chateau Country" ride and a get-together after the ride with two other bike clubs. Meet at the Cigna Corp. parking lot at the corner of Rts. 202 & 92 across from the Best Store, just north of the Concord Mall. Pace will be 8 to 9 m.p.h. Bring a dish of food for the party. Phone Roz to let her know you're coming and what you're bringing. Space is limited to the first 50 to phone Roz at 302-478-1610. No presents please.
March 18 • 1:00 P.M. Miles: 10+ • Class C— <i>Swarthmore Tour</i>	Meet behind the College Theater in Swarthmore at Fairview and Chester Roads (Rt. 320). This will be an easy-paced tour around Swarthmore with a few hills, but mostly flat. Call ride leader Ron Bowden at 543-3408 for more info.
March 19 • 10:00 A.M. Miles: 30-35 • Class C <i>Marsh Creek/French Creek</i>	Leave from the main parking lot (near boat rentals) of Marsh Creek State Park (north of Downingtown). Enjoy a scenic ride to French Creek State Park and back. Bring lunch or buy it along the way for a picnic in French Creek Park. Call Rich Bernhard for details: 284-2019.
April 2 • 11:30 A.M. Miles: 5 • Class D <i>For Beginners Only</i>	Meet at the Moylan-Rose Valley train station (Manchester & Woodward Rds.) near Media. This will be a slow, easy ride for new or unsure riders, including children with adults. Helmets are strongly recommended. Ira Josephs: 565-4058. NOTE: Daylight Savings Time has begun!
April 2 • 1:00 P.M. Miles: 20-25 • Class C <i>Media Local</i>	Leave from the Media Courthouse (corner of Front St. & Veterans' Sq.) for this enjoyable early spring ride through the scenic countryside around Media. Call Frank Havnoonian (459-6154) Saturday night if you plan to go on the ride.
April 2 • 2:00 P.M. Miles: 2 • Class All <i>Bikeway/Walkway Walk</i>	Join the Nether Providence Walkways & Bikeways Committee for a 2-hour walk along the Blue Route right-of-way to see the status of the Blue Route Bikeway/Walkway. Meet at Callender La. near the pumping station. Joy Klaus: 566-6089. \$1.00 donation. Rain date: April 9.
April 8 • 10:00 A.M. Miles: 20-30 • Class C <i>South Jersey Ride</i>	Leave from Bridgeport School in New Jersey. (Cross the Commodore Barry Bridge and take Rt. 130 North, make first right onto Barker Ave., make next right onto Crown Point Rd. - Rt.44 and there's the school. Various flat rides. Call Rich Patterson at 622-2954 for more details.
April 9 • 9:15 A.M. Miles: 5 • Class: All <i>Goshen Time Trial</i>	Meet (9:15 SHARP) at Providence Rd. just north of Goshen Rd. near the Radnor Hunt Club. This is a good regular event for anyone wishing to improve their bike handling skills. For more information call Rollin' Rich Patterson at 622-2954.
April 16 • 10:00 A.M. Miles: 30-35 • Class C <i>North Country</i>	Leave from the main parking lot (closest to the ranger's office) in French Creek State Park. The ride will head north out of French Creek State Park. For more information about the ride or for directions to the park, call Rich Bernhard at 284-2019.
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Sale Dates: Friday, March 17th 9-9; Saturday, March 18th 9-5; Sunday, March 19th 11-4

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WAYNE  
165 W. Lancaster Ave.  
687-1110

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356-3022

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967-1029

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595 N. Dupont Hwy.  
302-678-1772

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# 14th ANNUAL FREEDOM "Mega" TOUR!



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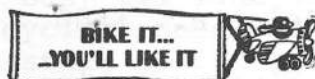


*...accept the challenge!*



**Sunday, May 7, 1989**

**5-7-89**



A RECORD-BREAKING ATTENDANCE IS EXPECTED ONCE AGAIN! PART OF FUNDS TO BENEFIT THE BLUE ROUTE BIKEWAY/WALKWAY PROJECT!



**TIME:** 8-9 AM for 65 milers; 9-10 AM for 35 milers; 10-11 AM for 18 milers; 11-12 AM for 8 milers. (There is some flexibility in the starting times.)

**PLACE:** Ridley Creek State Park near Media, Pa. (PICNIC AREA #15)

**COST:** Just \$8 at the gate (or \$5.50 by pre-registering below!) (Children under age 17 are half-price if accompanied by an adult.)

**EXPECTED ATTENDANCE:** Possibly 900-1200 riders. (1000+ riders came to the '86 Tour!)

**SERVICES BY DVBC:** Food Stop, map or cue sheet, sags for bike mishaps, award patch, & marked route at each intersection of the routes.

**ROUTES:**

- The 65 mile route features a ride through the historic Brandywine River Valley, a covered bridge, and farm territory.
- The 35 mile route will also pass through the Brandywine River Valley which was the setting for Revolutionary conflict.
- The 18 and 8 mile routes include the scenic Chester Creek River Valleys and the beautiful Sweetwater Farm in Glen Mills. Roads are lightly traveled with rolling hills. (VERY POPULAR ROUTES!)

**DESCRIPTION:** You travel at your own pace, with family or friends, or better yet make new cycling friends. All ages, all abilities, and all types of bikes are welcomed!!

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** Use safe cycling habits! Helmet use is recommended but not required. Each rider must assume his own responsibility, and make sure their bicycle is in proper working order.

**ABOUT DVBC:** DVBC promotes all forms of cycling! Total membership exceeds 600 paid memberships. The club is affiliated with Bicycle USA (LAW), PA Bike Federation, USCF, Bicycle Coalition of Delaware Valley, & 5 County Coalition. DVBC is the premier bike club in Delaware County & is a non-profit corporation. This event is open to all bicyclists! Enjoy the early Spring Bicycling Season with DVBC.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Please call Doug at (215) 543-4664 or Rollin' Rich at (215) 622-2954.

(TOUR WILL BE HELD RAIN OR SHINE!!)



## PARKING

Do **NOT** park your car on the grass in the park!!! Parking tickets will be issued by the park rangers.



**Sign up here.**



## FOURTEENTH ANNUAL (1989) DVBC FREEDOM MEGA TOUR PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ 65 miles: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ 35 miles: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ 18 miles: \_\_\_\_\_  
 How did you hear of the FREEDOM MEGA TOUR? \_\_\_\_\_ 8 miles: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SEND THIS FORM WITH A CHECK OR MONEY ORDER FOR \$5.50 TO:

Delaware Valley Bicycle Club (If you are under 18, then your parent's or  
 c/o Freedom Mega Tour guardian's signature is required on a  
 P.O. Box 497 waiver/release form.)  
 Media, PA 19063

**SAVE** by \$2.50 by pre-registering above! All pre-registration forms should be postmarked no later than April 29. Come on out to another DVBC Spectacular Event!! (Part of proceeds may go towards funding the Blue Route Bikeway.)





### BIKES FOR SALE

Atalia; 56 cm, SL tubing, Campy and Shimano components, excellent condition... \$650.00 call Paul, 336-4669.

Raliegh Gran Prix; made in England. QR wheels, \$100 or B.O. call 449-3117.

Vitus Grand Record; 721 bouble-butted tubing, Suntour Cyclone, Maillard hubs, call 353-2044.

Bianchi Vittoria, 49 cm, Campy Victory groupo, Dura-Ace derailler Columbus tubing, Celeste...\$500. call 836-5854.

Bianchi Tipo-Corsa, Columbus tubing, 57 cm, Campi Record groupo, red...\$500. call 836-5854.

Raliegh Sportif, 21", dark blue, like new...\$80. call 789-2324.

### HELP WANTED

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## LETTERS

The following is a letter from one of our clubmembers - Joe Pless:

Dear Public Official:

I have been an avid bicyclist for the past ten years. I enjoy the sport and lifestyle that is associated with bicycling. Among the health benefits to myself, I believe I am contributing to society by reducing air and noise pollution as well as congestion. Many motorists take for granted that when on a busy two lane shoulderless roadway, traffic is uninterrupted when a cyclist needs to make a left turn. Think about this the next time you're stuck behind another motorist who is waiting for oncoming traffic to clear so he can make the left turn.

Unfortunately, the efforts of bicyclists to improve our environment are thwarted by the careless, irresponsible, and self-righteous drivers who harass, and deliverately force us off the road. Every time I seek help from the local police, they respond with, "nothing happened to you so what do you want us to do about it?" If a person threatens another person with a gun, he gets five years in jail no questions asked, but when a motorist threatens another with a two-ton four-wheeled weapon, nothing can be done. It's no wonder to me that tens of thousands more deaths occur on our roadways than by guns. Luckily, I once made a complaint about an abusive drive to a much more professional Radnor Police force. The driver was contacted and informed that a grievance of his behavior was on file and that legal action would be taken should his name turn up again. I know this worked, because the same person passed me again while I was going home from work the same time as before and he was much more respectful.

It's disheartening to think there are still thousands of motorists in our state who are in dire need of an education. This is why I am writing you. I plan to get together an organization that will receive complaints about questionable motorists and then forward a standard warning letter to the person involved, but I need your help. I would appreciate any advice you could offer me and my soon-to-be organization that will allow us, maybe through the state police, to issue these letters.

Remember, the best friend in Pennsylvania anyone can have is a friendly motorist.

Joe Pless

(Anyone interested in joining Joe in this effort can contact him through the club post office box.)



# Tea Burner Century Bicycle Ride

Sponsored by: Temple Beth Hillel

Place: Starts and finishes at Carmel Fire Hall, Route 552, East Carmel, NJ

Date: Sunday, April 30, 1989

Time: 8:30 am

Distance: 35, 50, 100 miles

Cost: \$9 Pre-registration, \$10 day of ride

Includes: Lunch, sag wagon, specially designed patch, cue sheet, and map. Roads will be marked with arrows. Lunch will be served at the Carmel Fire Hall. Lunch consists of peanut butter and jelly, fruit, and cakes and breads baked by our congregants.

Terrain: Flat to rolling on the 35 and first 50 mile loops; mostly flat on the second 50 to complete the century.

About the area: You will be riding mostly in the southwest corner of Cumberland County and small sections of Salem County. This is an out and back ride with everyone riding together at least the first 15 miles. We will ride through historic Greenwich, NJ, where shortly before the Boston Tea Party took place, a small band of patriots seized and burned a cargo of tea just after it was unloaded from a British merchant ship anchored on the Cohansey River.

Information: Mel Kornbluh, 33 Arcadia Place, Vineland, NJ 08360 or call 609-691-8779 after 6 pm

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## Tea Burner Century Bicycle Ride Entry Form

Waiver of liability: I, hereby for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, release and forever discharge Temple Beth Hillel, its members, agents, servants, representatives, successors and assignees and any other bodies, corporations, firms, associations or persons from any claim for damages resulting in injury either to myself, my family or to my equipment during the Tea Burner Century Bicycle Ride being held on the 30th of April 1989.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ Club (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (Parent or Guardian if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Temple Beth Hillel and send to Mel Kornbluh, 33 Arcadia Place, Vineland, NJ 08360.



## BALTIMORE BICYCLING CLUB SPECIAL EVENTS

**April 9--Bicycle Festival--Includes Workshops and displays by representatives from touring companies, bike and components manufacturers, swap and sales of used equipment and clothing, 10 mile instructional ride, plus a 30 and 50 mile ride. Also classes of how to buy a bike and proper fitting. FREE! Contact Merle Kaplan, 100 Spectator Lane, Owings Mills, Md 21117, 301 363 6877.**

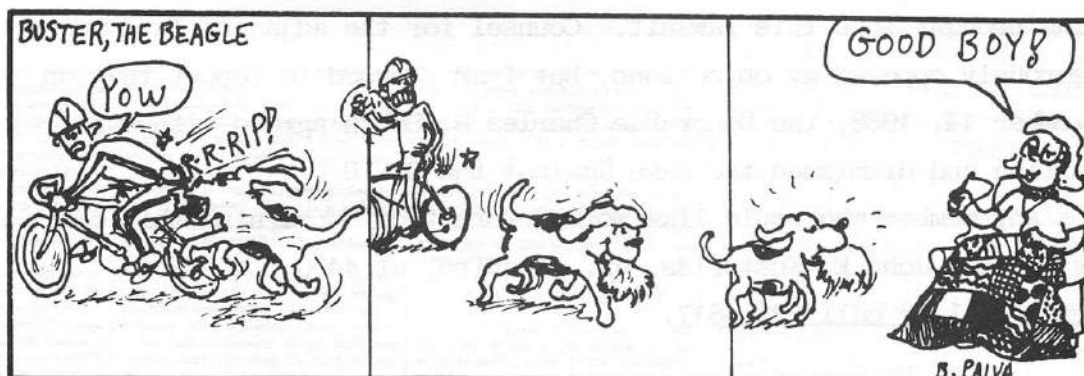
**May 7--Police Chase--26K bicycle tour by Lake Montebello and Fort McHenry for the benefit of the Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Foundation. Food and beverages provided. First 500 entrants will be treated to a 1 1/2 hour harbor cruise on the Bay Lady. Free t-shirt and random prize drawing. Fee \$10. Contact Bob Moore, 216 Longwood Rd, Baltimore, Md 21210, 301 435 6623.**

**May 21--Bicycling for Bicyclists--15 mile tour starting in Columbia. Congressman Ben Cardin and other legislators will be participating. Ride will be for the benefit of the League of American Wheelman. Fee \$10. Contact Bob Moore. See above for phone and address.**

**May 26-29--Kent County Spring Fling--A fun filled long weekend of riding, socializing, and gourmet food based at Washington College in Chestertown, Md. Contact Joyce Keating, 7020 Wallis Ave, Baltimore, Md 21215, 301 358 5477.**

**June 2 - 4--Tour Up to the Farm--A 130 mile roundtrip ride from Barnesville to Beaver Creek, Md. Contact Bob Moore. See above for address and phone.**

**June 10--Maryland and Delaware Flatlands--Choice of 25, 50, 75, and 100 mile flat rides starting from Chesapeake City, Md. Contact Mary Gordon, 1519 Shadyside, Baltimore, Md 21218, 301 235 9156.**



# FREEDOM "Mega" TOUR!

## PATCH DESIGNS NEEDED

### ADVANCE PATCH DESIGN CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENT!

As you know the DVBC Freedom Mega Tour will be here in only 3 months, so all you DVBC artists, get your pens going, it's contest time again!

Deadline for entries is April 15, 1987. All entries will be judged by the DVBC Board of Directors. Send your entry to:  
"FREEDOM MEGATOUR PATCH ENTRY"  
527 Gainsboro Road  
Drexel Hill, PA 19026

To assure fairness, write your name on the back of your design with phone #.

### REQUIREMENTS:

1. Patch must contain the following: the words "Freedom Tour '87" and "Delaware Valley Bicycle Club" or "DVBC".
2. All patch designs must not exceed 3-1/2" in diameter or 12" circumference.
3. Colors: Any, limit is 4, including patch background color.
4. All entries must include a finished patch in full color (not fabric), and a duplicate black & white copy.
5. Contest is open to all DVBC members.

### LEGAL REPORT

As many of you are aware, an individual by the name of Richard Sowell was injured during our 1985 Freedom Tour.

Mr. Sowell did not register for the ride or pay the required fee but nevertheless was riding on the public streets that were marked for our route. As fate would have it, while racing down a hill, Mr. Sowell fell and broke his leg.

A law suit was filed on behalf of Mr. Sowell against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, owner of the road, and the adjacent landowners where he fell. This suit was filed on January 2, 1987.

On August 25, 1988, the D.V.B.C. was joined as an additional defendant by the adjacent landowners claiming negligence on our part.

On behalf of the D.V.B.C., I filed Preliminary Objections to our being brought into this lawsuit. Counsel for the adjacent landowners vigorously opposed my objections, but I am pleased to report that on November 14, 1988, the Honorable Charles B. Smith agreed with our position and dismissed the case against the D.V.B.C.

Any member who would like more information concerning this case may contact John E. Kusturiss, Jr., Esquire, at 4450 State Road, Drexel Hill or call 622-4817.

# Tandems — Bikes Built for Two



**FOR SALE:** Ciera Tandem Tig welded, Mountain Cruiser style Tandem, 10 Speed, Red, 26 X 19.5. Asking \$450.00. A good entry level bike. Contact Mel Kornbluh, 33 Arcadia Place, Vineland, NJ - (609) 691-8779.

**FOR SALE:** Santana Tandem, 1986 Soverign. 21 X 19 M X M, Direct lateral touring tandem, Silver, Strong light cranks, two cateye mate computers 48° 27 X 1 Brake. In excellent condition. Asking \$2,200. Contact Mel or Barbara Kornbluh, 33 Arcadia Place, Vineland, NJ 08360 - (609) 691-8779

**FOR SALE:** Tandems - East -- touring and sport tandems available for test rides -- child stoker conversions-- trailers -- juvenile ten speed style bicycles -- Tandem accessories and repairs. Mel Kornbluh, 33 Arcadia Place, Vineland, NJ 08360 (609) 691-8779.

## BICYCLES IN AMERICA



## World Triplet Model 29

by J. L. Hurd and T. A. Gordon

**D**uring the Gay Nineties, bicycle racing enjoyed great popularity around the country. The general public was fascinated by speed, and major events were attended by crowds numbering more than 25,000. As "speed-mania" grew and young cyclists aspired to be racers, some practiced their skill on public streets, bringing about the need for cycling police to apprehend the "scorchers."

Bicycle manufacturers sponsored teams and national and international events. By the late 1890s the World racing team, sponsored by Arnold, Schwinn and Co., was enjoying great acclaim. (Arnold, incidentally, was bought out by Schwinn in 1907.) Under the management of Tom Eck they set record after record.

The theory behind the use of pacing

vehicles is simply to tuck the racer behind the pacing bicycle to lessen wind resistance and essentially pull the racer into the partial vacuum created by the pacer, in the same manner that a large truck passing a small car will momentarily pull the car along.

Paced races were great crowd pleasers due to the speed of the race and the suspense of the switches of the pacing teams, which occasionally resulted in spectacular spills.

The companies produced ever lighter, faster bicycles and more efficient pacing machines and teams. Various pacing vehicles have included trains, motorcycles, and variations on the multiseat pacing units, including the tandem, the triplet, the quad, the quint, and the sextet models.

Featured here is the widely used

"World" triplet model 29. It came in Brewster green and had a frame height of 23 inches. This machine had one-piece 61/2 inch cranks and used a special center driving chain. The seat posts were the one inch style with "rubber neck" or Muller saddles. The rims used on this model were Kundts laminated wood rims, with the choice of Vim, M. & W., or Chase tires. These tires were similar to the sew-up tires of today except they were sturdier.

If there is a special bicycle readers would like to see featured in this column, feel free to let the authors know. Please contact them at the Antique & Classic Bicycle Museum of America, 213 1/2 South Main Street, P.O. Box 1049, Ann Arbor, MI 48106.

Tandem Bicycle

1890s

24.1

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### Stamps for Cyclists

The Postal Service has come through for us again. This time they're winning cyclists' hearts with an 1890s Columbia-style tandem bicycle stamp. The stamp is the 43rd in the transportation series, which a few years ago included the 5.9-cent high wheeler.

The 24.1-cent tandem stamp is perfectly usable on domestic mail; just add a 1-cent stamp or the complementary decimal of your choice. Don't use the stamp on foreign mail; it will be returned.

Designed for business mail, the 24.1-cent tandem bicycle stamp is available in rolls of 500 or 3000. To use this new first class stamp, businesses need only to fill out a postal form and include at least 250 letters in each mailing. The condition is that the addresses must be clearly typed and must include the nine-digit zip code.

The savings of \$2.50 for every 278 letters could mean a lot for struggling businesses, manufacturers of tandems among them.

The 24.1-cent tandem is one of more than 1000 bicycle stamps that have been issued worldwide in the last 100 years. For a complete listing of existing bicycle stamps, send \$6 postpaid to the Bicycle Stamps Club, c/o Norman Batho, Secretary, 358 Iverson Place E., Windsor, NJ 08520. The League's Publications Committee, in cooperation with the Bicycle Stamps Club, is researching the possibility of co-publishing a bicycle stamp album. If you are interested in a bicycle stamp album, send a postcard to John Dowlin, Director, Region 3, 102 North 35th St., Philadelphia, PA 19104.

If any DVBC member would like their own tandem postage stamp, send a SASE to Rich Patterson, 527 Gainsboro Rd., Drexel Hill, PA. 19026. FREE for DVBC tandem division members, non-tandem division members should send check for 24¢.

Stay tuned... details next month on an April 15th evening video viewing at the Pattersons. Subject: Tandem X-country Record by Haldeman-Pensayres.



# TEAM Casual

## Challenges Competitors to "Follow The Leader"

### TEAM DVBC'S (TEAM Casual's) January FIVE MILE TIME TRIAL RESULTS:

NAME	TIME	AGE	PTS.	TP
Ed Silcox.....	13:51	41	08	18
Bud Gerhab.....	14:23	45	06	06
Matt Hogan.....	13:52	30	07	07
Joe Farber.....	DNF	17	04	04
Steve Saukaitis.	13:30	15	09	09
Chris Hepp.....	13:20	35	10	10
Bob Gallen.....	15:13	27	05	05

Timekeeper: Rollin' Rich  
Patterson (215) 622-2954

Course: Goshen, Sugartown,  
and Providence RDs.

NOTE: Not all entrants were  
TEAM Casual members.

TP: Total Points for TEAM Casual's  
Winter/Spring TT Series.

### TEAM DVBC's (TEAM Casual's) DECEMBER FIVE MILE TIME TRIAL RESULTS:

Ed Silcox ....., 14:11

Picking up 10 uncontested  
points on a frigid (extremely  
frigid) December day.

Timekeeping: Rich Patterson

Spectators: Jim and Tom  
Nyborg

Course: Goshen, Sugartown, &  
Providence Rds.

Call Rollin' Rich Patterson  
if you need directions to  
the starting location or have  
any questions regarding  
TEAM Casual. Call Rich at  
215-622-2954.

The  
competition  
hates our  
guts.

EXPERIENCE RACING  
LIKE NEVER BEFORE

TENTATIVE TEAM DELAWARE VALLEY BICYCLE CLUB TIME TRIAL SCHEDULE
OCT 30, 9:15 AM
NOV 24- Glasgow, Del. 8:30 AM
DEC 18, 10:15 AM
JAN 29, 1:00 PM
FEB: NO TT!
MAR 5, 1:00 PM
APR 9, 9:15 AM
MAY 14, 9:15 AM
JUN 18, 9:15 AM
WEAR A HELMET!!
WITHSTAND THE TOUGHEST TEST OF ALL- THE TEST OF TIME!

WITHSTAND THE TOUGHEST  
TEST OF ALL -  
THE TEST OF TIME

YOUR ONLY SURE  
WAY TO THE TOP IS ONE  
STEP AT A TIME.

### WHAT'S DOING, SPORTS FANS

Keeping fit continues to be a top priority for  
the "Baby Boomer" or "Yuppie" set. (Yes, Jack  
Haughn is an honorary member of that elite group.)

According to the National Sporting Goods Association,  
swimming was the Number One activity for  
people in the 25-34 age group, followed by  
exercise walking and camping. Cycling was fourth,  
bowling #5, and running/jogging a distant #10.

NSGA also took a look at what Americans in  
general are doing these days and how many are  
doing it. They compiled this Top Ten list of the  
most popular participation sports for 1987:

	(Millions)
#1 Swimming	66.1
#2 Exercise Walking	58.1
#3 Bicycle Riding	53.2
#4 Fishing	45.8
#5 Camping	44.2
#6 Bowling	40.1
#7 Exercising/Equipment	34.8
#8 Boating (motor)	30.9
#9 Billiards/Pool	29.3
#10 Basketball	25.1
Running came in #11. Calisthenics #20.	

Editors' Note: Thanks to member George Willis of  
the Bergen County Medical Society for the above.



# SPRING BLOWOUT SALE



**MOUNTAIN BIKES!**

March  
10-18



**RACING BICYCLES!**

**Fuji.**

**HARO**  
DESIGNS

**GIANT**

**Bianchi**



**Mongoose**

**\$25 to \$50 off every Bicycle**

**FREE waterbottle with \$10 purchase**

WHILE SUPPLY LASTS

**SPECIAL DISCOUNTS to bike club members**

## **PENNY FARTHING**

26 South Sproul Road  
Broomall, Pa. 19008

**356-2280**

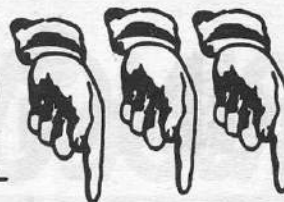
Tuesday & Thursday 10-6  
Wednesday & Friday 10-9  
Saturday 10-5

**Open Sun., March 12, noon - 5pm.**

**DELAWARE VALLEY BICYCLE CLUB**

P.O. Box 497  
Media, PA 19063

**FIRST CLASS MAIL**



**PLEASE  
AFFIX  
POSTAGE**

(NEW SUPPLY OF CLUB T-SHIRTS IS IN!)

**Please Label Here**

The above mailing label constitutes a DVBC membership card expiring 60 days past postmark.

**MEETING NOTICE: DO NOT DELAY DELIVERY**



The DVBC is a non-profit corporation formed to educate the public as to the safe use of the bicycle through lectures, seminars, planned rides, and other activities promoting the bicycle as an efficient and enjoyable means of exercise, recreation, and transportation.

Non-members are welcome on rides, but are urged to consider their ability and experience when selecting a ride. (See Ride Guidelines.) All rides are subject to cancellation due to weather. If in doubt about the weather or level of difficulty of the ride, please call the ride leader. Though the use of safety equipment, particularly helmets, is strongly urged, the club cannot accept responsibility for accidents or injury while participating in a DVBC event.

**APPLICATION FOR 1989 DVBC MEMBERSHIP**

\*\*\*\*\* (EXPIRES 2/28/90) \*\*\*\*\*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type: ☐ Individual - \$10 ☐ Family - \$14

Membership includes: *DVBC Newsletter Magazine*, discounts at most Club sponsors, Club subsidized events, and free *Bicycle Touring Newsletter* published quarterly (\$3 value). Family membership includes two adults and up to two children. Your membership attracts advertisers and helps influence local government decisions concerning bicycle issues.

**INTEREST SURVEY**

**Ride Pace**

**I'll volunteer for:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Class D: <i>slow</i>    | <input type="checkbox"/> Ride Leader       | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Collator     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class C: <i>average</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Sag Wagon Driver  | <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising Coordinator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class B: <i>brisk</i>   | <input type="checkbox"/> Tour Food Stop    | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Co-editor    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class A: <i>fast</i>    | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Editor | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Delivery     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Off-Road                | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Typist | <input type="checkbox"/> Triathlon Editor        |

Please send your check or money order to:

**Delaware Valley Bicycle Club**  
P.O. Box 497  
Media, PA 19063

*The DVBC Safety Foundation is established to promote bicycle safety in the Delaware Valley using posters, flyers, bumper stickers and rewards.*

I wish to donate to the DVBC Safety Foundation:

☐ \$1 ☐ \$2 ☐ \$5 ☐ \$10 ☐ \$15 ☐ \$20 ☐ \$25

**Membership to DVBC Subdivisions**

You must join the main organization (left half of this form) in order to be able to join a DVBC subdivision.

☐ \$7.00 DVBC-Team Drexel Hill (Road Racing)  
Drexel Hill Cyclery

☐ \$5.00 Team Delaware Valley Bicycle Club  
Team Casual! (Road Racing)

☐ \$5.00 DVBC Triathlon Div.

☐ \$5.00 DVBC Tandem Div.

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Total Amount Enclosed