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Tour de Groundhog

Groundhog SUCCESS!

The 17th annual Groundhog race was a success both on the course and off. The course was difficult to ride with about 4 inches of crusty snow and ice. Our volunteers spent much time preparing a single track early in the morning. The weather was wonderful and by noon the course was perfect as the citizens race started. Many riders started the event maneuvering through the trail. The course offered everything a cross should have. Downhill, uphill, obstacles, plenty of passing possibilities and snow which later turned to mud as the day went on. Check out the results on page 2. Thanks you to everyone who made it happen by contributing to the course set-up, marshaling, rider registration, announcing, and tear down.

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2004 RACE SCHEDULE

The 2004 Team MACK race schedule has been updated through June. Please go to our web site, the schedule will continue to be updated throughout the year. The Team MACK Elite team events are still being finalized and will be highlighted in RED.

Teammackracing.org

The Team Mack web-site has been updated, however we would like to do more. We are still missing information for our Rider Profile page. Please email the below info to John Fleckenstein at: john@flecktech.biz.

- 1) Your Occupation
- 2) Your goals
- 3) Achievements for 1995-current

(Just one or two of your personal achievements in cycling or any other endeavor for each year beginning with 1995. i.e.; 1999 IL State Criterium Champ)

A BIG Thanks to John Fleckenstein for making needed updates to our team web-site. John is a real expert in this field, and is a valued member of Team Mack.

Thanks John!

TEAM CLOTHING

Team clothing has been delivered to most MACK members. Members with back ordered items will be contacted when we receive shipment. A second team clothing order is already in the works. A number of members have expressed an interest in additional items. Please look for ordering info soon.

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STEVE & GINA DRISCOLL

EDWARD JONES

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TUESDAY/THURSDAY NIGHT TRAINING RACES

Springfield: Tuesday, April 6 & Thursday April 8, mark the beginning of our weekly *FAST* training rides. We will be utilizing the same course as last year. We will again be departing from BikeTek promptly at 6:00 p.m. both nights through September.

Chicagoland Far Northwest: Rides start from Lundahl Jr. High in Crystal Lake weather permitting. Leaving promptly at 8:00 a.m. Saturday Ride time about 40 miles. Not too early to think about the summertime ride at 7:00 am going to Lake Geneva for about 70 miles. For information call Chuck @ 815-459-9313

Chicagoland Near Northwest: Winter "Harper ride" Rides start from Village Cyclery in Elk Grove Village at 9:00 am Sundays weather permitting. Ride times 1-2 1/2 hrs.

Upcoming Events

Please go to the Team MACK web site for upcoming races in your area. Most Midwest events are listed through June. The MACK race schedule should be fully updated in a week or so.



CLASSIFIEDS

Continental Supersonic tires
Excellent TT tire NEW pair \$50
Cinelli Solido Stem, 120 mm take off from new bike \$60
Airbabe@aol.com

Tires, 1 pr Vittoria Ultra-Speed, 700x20, brand new--\$50
Trainer, Minoura Inter-Rim--\$80
Wheelset, tubular, Mavic Reflex, 28h front radial, 32h rear 3X, Shimano hubs, with Conti Sprinter 250 700x 22 tires--\$170
Pedals & cleats, Speedplay X1, used only once--\$200
Call Brad, 309-452-7343

Tires -Matrix 700x20, new-- pair \$40
Trainer, Minoura Inter-Rim--\$80
Wheel, tubular, Matrix 700c, 32h rear 3X, Shimano 600 hub, with Conti LA tire -- \$60
8sp Shimano Hyperglide,12-26, 500mi \$20
8sp Shimano Dura-ace,12-23, new \$50
Call Marianne, 847-259-1201 or email airbabe@aol.com

Send classifieds to (RandRRemodeling@aol.com)

WATERFORD TEAM ISSUE FRAME

59 cm 2200 Team MACK issue. Raced partial season...New paint and absolutely mint. Fork not included. For more info call Gary @ 217-725-2320.



Team Time Trial

Anyone interested in competing in 2004 TTT events please contact Robert Kron at RandRRemodeling@aol.com We will be compiling a database and trying to assemble respective teams. Please provide racing category and age.

RACE RESULTS

It is very important that members call or e-mail race results to Gary by the Tuesday after events. The format he needs is as follows:
Date, Name of event, Location, Category raced, Finishing position (if you DNF, Crash out, etc., I need to know for our records)
Thanks! 217-787-5460
gsdoer@aol.com

16th Tour de Groundhog

Citizen 4th Jeff Tripp
7th Ronda Schappaugh

Cat 1/2 1st Wes Hartman
2nd James Holmes
5th Darrell Bratton
8th Jeff Williams

30+ 1st Michael Zellmann
2nd Chad Martell
3rd Steve Driscoll
4th George Gannas

40+ 1st Darrel Bratton
3rd Chris Eckels
4th Charles Hill

Senior Open
3rd James Holmes
4th Wes Hartman





Parkside Training Race #1 03/14/2004

Masters 50+

1st Richard Adamczyk
10th Brad Reid
13th Steve Derenne
15th Mike Rummelhart
19th Steven Presti

Masters 40+

5th Richard Adamczyk
17th Paul Warloski
23rd Brian Van
25th Mike Rummelhart
26th Chris Wilson

Masters 30+

4th Mike Zellmann
26th Jaime Lopez
30th Paul Warloski

Parkside Training Race #2 03/21/2004

Masters 50+

1st Richard Adamczyk
9th Steven Presti
10th Mike Rummelhart
11th Brad Reid

Masters 40+

3rd Richard Adamczyk
13th Paul Ring
18th Paul Warloski
22nd Aaron Shepley
27th Brian Van

Masters 30+

4th Mike Zellmann
21st Paul Warloski

Category 3

7th Robert Kron
23rd Paul Warloski

Category 1/2

2nd James Holmes
6th Mike Zellmann

An Endless Cycle

Whistling is not a hobby. All necessary equipment comes pre-installed on the whist list. A hobby requires parts. Lots of parts. Parts that take time to find and order and adjust. Because finding and ordering and assembling and adjusting are a hobby's true pleasures. The hobbyist in my household spends a lot of time cleated onto a fancy bike, sweating up and down the lakefront. This seems to amuse him several hours a day. But that's only a minor distraction from his actual hobby: bike maintenance.

Which offers consolation for having abandoned an even more compelling hobby: bike acquisition. That hobby required searing research as well as daily conversations with a bike connoisseur in San Francisco, whose convoluted family history led him to seek solace in frame construction.

When the bike finally arrived- a glistening skeleton taut with black cable sinews and decorated with a hardened twig of a seat- it was something of a letdown. The hobbyist did have to spend a few days finding a place to store it, settling on our most crowded room, at an angle that blocks doorway, filing cabinet and closet. After which he seems deflated. No more bike shopping.

That problem was resolved by the discovery that the stem- apparently a piece of the bike- came up short. This allowed for renewed finding ordering, and assembling and adjusting. The biker whistled.

The hobby provides hobbyists with mental focus for all his waking hours. And some of his sleeping ones. Mine is given to jolting from bed at an hour when even Lance Armstrong takes it easy, muttering " Switch to Mich- elins?"

The hobby has positive side effects, including enhancing conversation. Say hobbyist and non-hobbyist are sitting down to a Caesar salad and grilled chicken. The hobbyist may mention that the knee to pedal cant is misaligned.

The non-hobbyist can nod with concern and go on sponging up anchovy dressing without the slightest need to know. That look might be mistaken for comprehension or even interest. In which case the non-hobbyist might find herself attempting to steady a pair of titanium handlebars while the hobbyist, dressed in pale blue button-down shirt and bright blue cycling shoes, affixes a piece of masking tape to his bare knee, a string to the tape, and a picture hook to the string then perches on the twig. "See?" he enthuses. "The plum line doesn't drop square with the axle!"

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