



SISKIYOU VELO



September 2008

NEWSLETTER

ASHLAND WELCOMES CUSTOM BICYCLE FRAME BUILDERS

United Bicycle Institute and the Oregon Bicycle Constructors Association present the first ever Southern Oregon Custom Bicycle Show, Saturday, September 13 from 9am to 4pm on the grounds of United Bicycle Institute, 401 Williamson Way, Ashland, Oregon.

The day headlines with a show of classy, creative custom bikes from Oregon, Washington and California frame builders. The West Coast, especially Oregon, is home to a large group of craftspeople who are leading a world-wide renaissance in hand-built custom bicycles. Jackson County alone can boast of five full-time custom builders. In a world of higher energy prices, many people are rediscovering the bicycle, and these custom builders are taking the bicycle to new heights of both beauty and function.

Participants include: United Bicycle Institute, DeSalvo Custom Cycles, Land Shark, Kish Fabrication, Keith Anderson Cycles, Wolfhound Cycles, Goodtimes Bicycles, Jeff Jones Custom Bicycles, Terra Nova/Strawberry Bicycles, Vertigo Cycles, Hufnagel Cycles, BellaDonna Bicycles, M.A.P.Cycles, Shimano, the Bear Creek Greenway, RVTD, United Bicycle Parts, Bike Tools, The Bicycle Transportation Alliance, Noble Coffee Roasting, Katrina's and more!

The show also includes an open house for Ashland's United Bicycle Institute (UBI). For nearly 30 years, UBI has trained bicycle mechanics and frame builders. The open house will offer tours, frame building demonstrations, and bicycle mechanics clinics for the general public. Admission is free.

Fourth Annual Velo Vino Ride

Join us in the Fourth (or is it the Fifth?) Annual Velo Vino ride on Saturday, September 27. We will meet at 9:30 at Hawthorne Park.

Sorry to say, but we don't have all the details finalized for the Velo Vino yet, but we're working on it furiously! What we do know is that after our two years in the Applegate, we'll be back in the Rogue Valley this year to try out some wineries a bit closer to home. Del Rio between Gold Hill and Rogue River and Agate Ridge out of Eagle Point are both on the tour. A third winery will likely be included.

A box lunch will be provided for a minimal cost. Of course, we will again have a SAG in case of mechanical difficulties – or for anyone who happens to taste a wee bit more than is appropriate. The sag will also gladly carry wine purchases back to the start point for you, so with a bit a discretion, perhaps save some of your tasting for later at home.

So that we can order lunches and drinks (think WATER, soda, iced tea here), we encourage you to RSVP. That way we can also fill you in on details otherwise missing here. Please call Nancy at 488-0330 or email Jodi at newsletter@siskiyouvelo.org.



NEW MEMBERS

Glenna Cresci
Stan Shulster & Katie McElrath

RENEWING MEMBERS

Lonny & Sue Slack
Sam Sampson
David Ingalls
Jim Matzger & Carole Smith
John Burns
Gary & Carol Klouda
James Daniels
Robert Seibert
Phil & Laura Benedetti
Jane Iwahashi & Sally Rogers
Alan Shorb
Buzz & Julie Skov
Joseph Kuo
John & Cheryl Colwell
John Baxter & Kelly Weisheipl
Jessica Jones
Aryn Duncan
Hobart & David Marlave

TIME TO RENEW

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Bob & Joy Grant



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<http://www.siskiyouvelo.org> Newsletter contributions accepted until the 15th of the month. Contact the editor for further information. Members are welcome submit letters, stories, opinions, cartoons, recipes, tips or other notices of interest to the club.

Next Velo Meeting: Wednesday, September 10

Siskiyou Velo club meetings are open to all members. Meetings are held each month at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at Angelo's Pizza in Phoenix. You are welcome to come and listen, eat pizza and add your two cents worth. Find out what's happening with cycling and advocacy in the area, share your expertise and join in!



Support Our Member Shops

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Trivia of the Month

Copenhagen, Denmark boasts 329 kilometers of on-road cycle tracks and 37 kilometers of green routes. Its inhabitants cycle 1.1 million kilometers each day. One third of the 2002 road construction budget was earmarked for improving cycling conditions.

Earth Policy Institute
http://www.earthpolicy.org/Indicators/Bike/Bike_data.htm#fig3

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Interested in local (and perhaps not so local) cycling news? Check out this site. <http://news.siskiyouvelo.org> If you come across a newsworthy article, send the link to our webmaster, Spencer Gray at: webmaster@siskiyouvelo.org

Ride the Rogue 2008

Palmerton Park, Rogue River

Saturday, September 20th, 2008

Riders across the region are gearing up for this year's Ride the Rogue Event! Take in the wonders that the Rogue Valley has to offer by participating in the century (100 mile), metric century (65 mile), quarter century (25 mile) rides or enjoy the historic nature hike through the Valley of the Rogue State Park or a Family/Kids Ride. The metric and century rides takes cyclers along the Rogue and Applegate rivers, past vineyards, through rolling foothills and the historic towns of Rogue River, Gold Hill, Jacksonville, Ruch and Grants Pass. The quarter century ride gently winds through the scenic Evans Creek Valley, past majestic fir and pine, alluring farms, homesteads and vineyards.

The event is limited to the first 1,200 participants so those interested are encouraged to register as soon as possible. You can register online at www.ridetherogue.org. Late registration is also available the day before the event, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., at Palmerton Park in Rogue River, and on event day at the same location starting at 7 a.m. The century starts at 7:30 a.m., the metric at 9:00 a.m., and the quarter century ride and nature hike both start at 10:30.

The post-ride celebration and feast will feature gourmet seafood and tri-tip entrees. A live band will also be performing. In addition to the festivities, a Landshark custom built bike frame and two sets of Rolf Prima wheels will be raffled off. The bike will be hand built for the raffle winner to their specifications.

Proceeds benefit the Rogue River Recreational Corridor and Greenway connecting five cities and two counties with a 50-mile multi-use trail through Southern Oregon. Once completed, the 30-mile Rogue River Greenway will connect to the existing Bear Creek Greenway and provide over 50 miles of public access and recreational opportunities spanning Jackson and Josephine counties. For more information on the Rogue River Greenway and the Ride the Rogue event visit www.ridetherogue.org or call 541-582-1112.



Editor's Note: The following is a letter copied to the Siskiyou Velo. While the incident happened about a year ago, the letter was just recently sent when the writer heard about the incident in Los Angeles. He has chosen not to pursue the issue, but this is offered here as an example of what is *not* acceptable and what we *should* do in such situations.

Dear Sheriff Winters,

I am writing to express my concern over threatening and dangerous behavior directed toward cyclists in Jackson County and the apparent indifference of the Sheriff's office. The following link <<http://www.cnn.com/video/#/video/us/2008/08/16/rowlands.bike.clash.crash.cnn>> details a criminal case in Los Angeles where two cyclists were severely injured when a driver intentionally swerved in front of cyclists and slammed on his brakes.

Several months ago I had this exact sort of behaviour directed towards me on Griffin Creek Road. Fortunately, I narrowly avoided a collision but was then followed by the driver who angrily demanded that cyclists stay off the road.

Given the near collision and the driver's ongoing verbal abuse, I called 911. The sheriff's deputy who contacted me said there was nothing he could do, despite the fact that I was still at the scene and I had the car license number and a detailed description of the vehicle. Your deputy refused to file a report, claiming he "had no way of finding the driver". You and I both know that your deputy could have easily located the driver w/ the computer resources at his disposal.

I believe that had that driver run a car off the road your deputies would have been on scene immediately, but given a mere cyclist was involved it wasn't a situation worth your office's time. I am going on public record on this matter to ensure you are aware that this type of behaviour is happening in your community and that your staff appears indifferent to helping stop it.

The news article referenced above and my similar experience have spurred me to contact you because the LA driver had a history of abusing cyclists and in earlier cases was not cited by the authorities; the police couldn't have been bothered, just as your deputy could not have been bothered in my case.

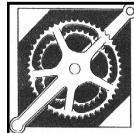
Cyclists are taxpayers and voters and we deserve to be able to safely share the road. I encourage you to ensure your staff sees to the safety and rights of all of Jackson County residents, cyclists included. If the driver who threatened me, or others like him, kills or severely injures a cyclist in the future, it will be in part because of your office's failure to enforce the rules of the road and protect the rights of cyclists.

Sincerely,
Richard Boucher
Jacksonville

P.S. Hi SV gang,

I received a call from the Sheriff's department today and was told the deputy should have responded, contacted the other party to obtain a statement, and submit a report. I should have pursued this at the time and can no longer remember the deputy's name, but lesson here is that if we get a non-responsive deputy when an cycling related incident arises we should 1)demand that the deputy respond and if that fails 2) pursue it immediately w/ the Sheriff's office, after having first recorded the deputy's name, time, place, etc.

Regards,
Richard Boucher



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Anyone Riding **cervélo**

Fork recall: Cervelo is recalling about 5,800 **Wolf SL carbon forks** manufactured by True Temper in China. The steerer tube can break during normal use, causing the rider to lose control and crash. Cervelo has received 12 reports of these forks failing, resulting in one rider suffering a broken wrist and another receiving abrasions. The recalled forks have the words "Wolf Superlite" and a related logo just below the crown on each leg, and the letters "SL" above each dropout. The recalled forks may be on Cervelo bicycle models R3, R3 SL, Soloist Carbon, Soloist Carbon SL and some P3 Carbon framesets and bikes. Also, some shops sold these forks for about \$475 from November 2005 through July 2007. If your bike has a Wolf SL fork, stop riding it and contact a Cervelo dealer to have a replacement fork installed without charge. More info and ID photos are on the Cervelo website at <http://tinyurl.com/63h5j4>

The Art of Street Cycling

If you are thinking of buying a new bike or just getting back on your bicycle after years of watching it gather dust in your garage, this course will give you the knowledge to make a good decisions.

You will learn the laws, your rights as a cyclist and what you can do to reduce your chance of becoming a statistic.

This eight-hour course includes on-bike skill drills and a supervised ride in traffic. Each participant that scores a passing grade on the ride and a written test will be awarded a Road I Certificate by the League of American Bicyclists.

You will have a chance to practice the skills and safe decision making you need.



After completing this course you will want to use the mindset and practice these techniques that can save your life. Safety is largely a process of making safe decisions on the road. This on-bike clinic gives you the knowledge to make good decisions and the skills to avoid the mistakes of other road users.

For More Information Contact:
Bill Heimann @ (541) 482-1497

Class is open to all riders 16 years or older.
Helmets and personal bike are required.

Morning session includes strategy for riding in traffic, general safety issues, bike selection and maintenance.

Afternoon session includes hazard avoidance practice, a supervised road ride and certificate exam.

Your instructors are:

Bill Heimann: LAB certified instructor

Kat Smith: LAB certified instructor

John Colwell: LAB certified instructor

Quote of the Month

"The way you learn is you go around a corner and crash. Then you know that's too fast so the next time you go a little slower."

Ron Kiefel, U.S. racer, *Giro d'Italia*
stage winner 1986

Exercise the Mind

I decided to sign up for a ride that was called "The Four North American Cities Ride." It went through _ _ L _ A _ K _ , _ Y _ C _ S _ , _ _ F _ A _ _ , M _ T _ E _ _ .

Answer? See next month!

August question: At the local crit, Sebastian beat Fabian. Stefan beat Heinrich. Bernard finished behind Heinrich. Sven finished behind Bernard but better than Sebastian. What was the finishing order first to last? Answer: Stefan, Heinrich, Bernard, Sven, Sebastian, Fabian

Siskiyou Velo Minutes

August 13, 2008

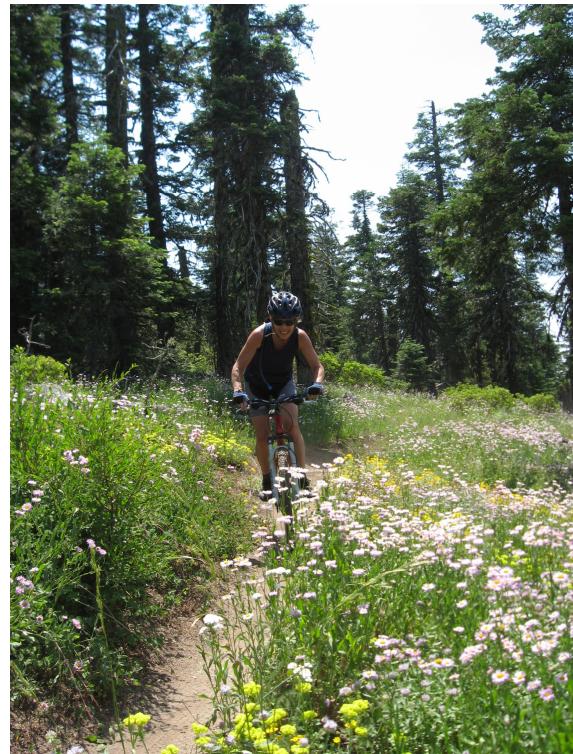
17 members present

- 1.New Business: Elizabeth Zell, Bobbie Plummer and Cheryl French talked of holding our annual December Elections Party at Standing Stone Brewery as a change of pace from the usual setting of Pioneer Hall. There was some discussion regarding the cost and attendance but a motion was made and a majority voted in favor of the change. Details and final costs will be determined later.
- 2.Touring: The ride calendar is wide open for September, so contact Dan Wooton with offers. The Velo Vino will be held Saturday, September 27.
- 3.Membership: The count is at 296 members, down 5 from last month but with an overall gain of 10 for the year.
- 4.Treasurer: The account balance is \$17,434.
- 5.Advocacy: Jenna Stanke, the Jackson County Greenway Program Coordinator, said she would check with the Roads Department regarding the chip seal application and forward information to Spencer Gray and Jodi Weber for publication to our website and newsletter. She said the Old Siskiyou Highway will be repaved soon but she wasn't sure about the size of the rock to be used. She said the 3/8 size rock was in short supply for now.
- 6.MLC: The Zell's will not be leading the MLC for 2009 and the need for volunteers to run and coordinate the ride is great.
- 7.Bill Heimann and John Colwell, League of American Bicyclist certified instructors, spoke on an upcoming class they will be teaching called "The Art of Street Cycling" on August 24 and again on September 27 from 8:00 AM until 4:30 PM. The class will emphasize laws, rights and safety and will include practicing the skills and safe decision making one needs. The cost for the class will be \$40. For more information, contact Bill Heimann at 541-482-1497.
- 8.The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.



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Huh? You mean you can ride where there's no pavement?

SISKIYOU VELO RIDE SCHEDULE – September 2008

 Approved helmets required on all club

 Unless other wise noted, rain/wet pavement cancels ride

Date	Time	Start Location	Route	Pace/ Rating	Miles	Ride Leader/ Contact
Sept. 6 Saturday	9:00 AM	Hawthorne Park	Shady Cove & Re- turn	15-17	60	Dan Wooton 779-9248
Sept. 7 Sunday	9:00 AM	Colver Park	Show N Go	TBD	TBD	No Ride Leader
Sept. 13 Saturday	9:30 10:15	J'Ville Library Ruch	To Dam & Back	TBD	50+/-	Jack Buster 664-2870
Sept. 14 Sunday	11:00 AM	Hawthorne Park	Tamdems +	TBD	20-30	Dan Wooton 779-9248
Sept. 20 Saturday	****	Rogue River	RIDE THE ROGUE	****	****	see p. 3
Sept. 21 Sunday	9:00 AM	Colver Park	Show N Go	TBD	TBD	No Ride Leader
Sept. 27 Saturday	9:00 AM	Colver Park	Sams Valley	Brisk	50	Jerry Rhodes 512-2155
Sept 27 Sat	9:30	Hawthorne Park	Velo Vino Ride	Social	40-45	see p. 1
Sept. 28 Sunday	11:00 AM	Hawthorne Park	Tandems +	TBD	20-30	Dan Wooton 779-9248
Every Saturday	10:00 AM	Medford Cycle Sport	TBD	Race Pace	Varies <20	Alex Hayes 857-0819
Every Saturday	10:00 AM	Varies	TBD	Mellow	20 +/_	Phil Gagnon 488-4289
Every Sunday	9:00 AM	behind Bad Ass Coffee Co	Determined by Group	Race Pace Training	Varied >20	Glen Gann 779-6986
Every Monday	9:30AM	Colver Park	Jacksonville coffee ride	Group B4	25	No Ride Leader
Tue, Thur, Friday	Call	Colver Park	Show & Go	Group B4	Varied	Rick Berlet 488-0036
Every Wed	10:00 AM	Roasting Co Ashland	Show & Go	Regroup C4	25-40	No Ride Leader

Ride Rating:

- A- Basically flat with no steep hills.
- B- Gently rolling terrain with one or two short steep hills
- C- Moderate terrain, with rolling short, steep hills or moderate sustained climbs.
- D- Difficult terrain with longer, steeper hills.
- E- Extreme terrain with steep sustained climbs.

Ride Pace: (average range on level ground)

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| 1- Slow | < 10 mph |
| 2-Leisurely | 10—12 mph |
| 3-Moderate | 12- 15 mph |
| 4-Brisk | 15 -17 mph |
| 5-Hammer | 18+ MPH |

Group - Riders will stay together.

Regroup - Riders will spread out and regroup along the route.



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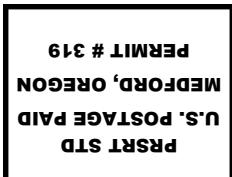
Siskiyou Velo Membership Application

Name			Age <input type="checkbox"/> 18-35 <input type="checkbox"/> 36-45 <input type="checkbox"/> 46-55 <input type="checkbox"/> 56-65 <input type="checkbox"/> 66+	Type of Membership (check one box in each cell below)	
Street Address			<input type="checkbox"/> Individual – \$15/year <input type="checkbox"/> Family – \$20/year <input type="checkbox"/> Business – \$25/year		<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal
City	State	Zip			
E-Mail Address			Phone		Any new information included? (e.g., street address, e-mail address, phone, NL distribution) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Information Blocking Options (items checked will <u>not</u> be available on the secure pages of the web site)* <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Number <input type="checkbox"/> E-mail Address <input type="checkbox"/> Residence Address <input type="checkbox"/> All			Newsletter Distribution Election <input type="checkbox"/> Snail mail (cost borne by Club) <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic (via web site – notification by e-mail)		
<small>* Access to roster on web will require member ID and password</small>					
Make Checks Payable to: Siskiyou Velo P.O. Box 974 Ashland, OR 97520		Volunteering <input type="checkbox"/> Committees (MLC, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter <input type="checkbox"/> Ride Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Officer position <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____			
Waiver In consideration of my participation in Siskiyou Velo, I hereby waive, release, and discharge any and all claims for damages, death, personal injury, or property damage which I may have, or which hereafter accrue to me, as a result of my participation in said organization or their activities such as club organized rides and events. This release is intended to discharge in advance, the Siskiyou Velo organization or officers, and any involved municipalities or other public agencies, from and against any and all liabilities arising out of, or connected in any way with, my participation in said organization. I further understand that serious accidents occasionally occur during bicycle riding, and that participants occasionally sustain mortal or serious personal injuries and/or property damage as a consequence thereof. Knowing the risks of bicycle riding, nevertheless, I hereby assume those risks and do hold harmless all persons or entities related to the Siskiyou Velo Bicycle Club who (through negligence or carelessness) might otherwise be liable to me (or my heirs or assigns) for damages. It is further understood and agreed that this waiver, release and assumption of risk, is to be binding on my heirs and assigns. I acknowledge that an ANSI certified helmet is required to be worn by me at all times while riding a bicycle in any Siskiyou Velo event. By signing this release, I hereby agree to the terms of this release.					
Signature(s) Applicant _____ Date _____ Parent or Guardian of Minor _____ Date _____					

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