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Newsletter of the Pedalers Bicycle Club, Bartlesville, Oklahoma ''...to promote bicycling in all its forms''

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New Club Officers

New club officers were elected at the annual Pedalers Christmas dinner. Shirley Martin replaces Bob as Club President. Jack Tatum will take over from John Cary as one of the Directors at Large. The rest of the officers remain the same.

New Position Added to Club Officers

Amendments to the club By -Laws were approved and the club Christmas dinner. The amendments made it easier to amend the By -laws in the future and added the position of Mountain Biking Director to the club officers.

Club Officers are required to appoint a Mountain Biking Director until one can be elected the club members at the next Christmas meeting. Please contact any of the club officers if you have ideas on a suitable candidate or wish to volunteer for the position.

Bike Riding All Time Low

December weather has drastically reduced the participation in club rides. Cold mornings have limited Saturday riders to the most hardy. Sunday mountain bike rides have been plagued with rain or snow.

The exception was the Fantasyland Forest and Christmas Lights ride hoisted by Rod and Joyce. Bob, Walt and Jack have been doing a valiant job of continuing the Fair Weather Friends ride on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Fair Weather Friends Ride

The Tuesday-Thursday mid-day Fair Weather Friends Ride will continue, weather Permitting. The ride meets at 2:30 by the playground at Sooner Park on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call Bob Lummis, 333-4374; Walter Bohn, 333-5904; or Jack Tatum, 333-9423 to find out if the ride is on for any particular day.

New Years Day Ride

Meet at Johnston Park at 9:00 am January 1, 2001 and we will start out the year with a tailwind ride. Bring your biking Christmas presents and New Years Resolutions

2001 Membership

It is time to renew your Pedalers membership.

Do it now and avoid the embarrassment and hassling at the hands of those who have already paid. Also please complete the membership release form, even if you have done it in the past.

If you haven't been a member in the past, the membership is only \$16 per year. We are a fun club that get together to enjoys bicycling. We are easy going with member of different riding abilities and preferences. A membership form is attached to the end of the printed newsletter.

Weekend Rides

Road Rides: (Leaving Johnston Park at 9:00am Saturday mornings) - All Saturday morning road rides will be "Tailwind Rides" until daylight saving time returns. Weather permitting all Tailwind Rides will depart Johnston Park at 9:00am. Those in attendance will be determined the distance and direction for each ride.

Sunday Afternoon "Cross Country" TIME - 2:00 pm, PLACE – Osage Hills

January has been designated Osage Hills month. We have found another way to the top of the hill. Now all we have to do is develop a loop trail through the meadow on top. We have also found one of the regular hiking trails that is fun to ride. It is less technical than our single track trail and can be ridden a little faster. There are enough ledges, sharp turns and short steep ups and downs to mak e it interesting.

"The world lies right beyond the handlebars of any bicycle."

- **Daniel Behraman**, The Man Who Loved Bicycles

President's Letter

The club had their annual meeting and club elections on December 5. I hope that I can do as good a job at presidents as Bob. Bob is still going to be an active member and has already volunteered to represent us on the Freewheel Committee for 2001. I know I will also be asking him for advice throughout the year.

At the meeting Brad Cobb spoke a few minutes on the Paraplegic Olympics. We all found that quite inspiring - especially for anyone who has ever thought of representing your country at the Olympics.

Brad Cobb volunteered to organize the 4 trash pick -ups for 2001. I hope

everyone can come out and help him with our service project for the local community. It is always nice not to see our favorite hill cluttered with trash - HILL 44. In the year 2000 we picked up a total of 121 bags of trash plus 1 box and pail full of trash. We had a total of 28 people help with the project. If we have 8 people there to work, it takes about 2 hours. to complete the job (this includes time to org anize.) If at all possible, please plan to help Brad with the trash pick -ups.

Our annual Christmas ride was great as usual. The weather was crisp but not too cold. We had great refreshments afterwards. We owe a special thanks to Rod and Joyce for host ing this event again this year.

Also as an additional reminder it would help George if he received newsletter messages by the 19th day of the month. He will then have time to organize the newsletter, print, and send it in to be put on the Web site before the first of the following month. We need to note this on our calendars as the deadline. If you want the newsletter mailed to your house, please let George know this.

Joel Martin hopes to see you on the New Year's Day Ride weather permitting that is no s now or ice. It will help you can keep that New Year's Resolution to set a new mileage record for the year.

Keep on pedaling! Shirley



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Membership Application / Renewal

I accept with pleasure this invitation to join the Bartlesville Pedalers. I agree to observe all traffic laws and to comply with the suggestions of the ride leaders about the safety and decorum of the club.

I understand that my particip ation in club activities and rides is solely at participant's own risk. The Bartlesville Pedalers cannot be held responsible for any accidents that may occur during or as a result of their activities. Helmets are required on all club rides .

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NAME: _____

SPOUSE & OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS:

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE - home:_____work:_____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

OK to publish this info in club directory? Yes No

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

All memberships are \$16 per year. Anyone joining in the last quarter of the year is also paid up for the following year. Please return application to: Bartlesville Pedalers, P.O. Box 793, Bartlesville, OK 74003