

# Slow Spokes Spokin' Times



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Next newsletter deadline:** Please send any rides you are planning to lead in the month of **NOVEMBER** to:

Mary Stoolmiller  
 6143 Walker  
 Troy, MI 48098

**By 10/10/00**

Other articles please send to:

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**By 10/15/00**

## REFRESHMENTS

Four members have stepped forward and agreed to jointly provide and prepare the refreshments at the meetings for the remainder of the calendar year. They are:

Tom Paonessa: Hot beverages  
 Rita Zupan: Cold beverages  
 Evelyn Bires: Goodies  
 Marie Clifford: Goodies

Thank you for your participation.  
 Tom Miller

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

Club meetings are held the first Friday of the month at the Owen Jax Activities Center in Warren at 8:00 p.m. The center is located on 9 Mile just east of Van Dyke. Refreshments follow the meeting.

The **October** meeting will be on **Friday, October 6, 2000.**

The **November** meeting will be on **Friday, November 4, 2000.**

## ELECTIONS

It is that time of year when we have to start thinking about the upcoming election of our club officers.

At the October 6, 2000 meeting, nominations for the positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Ride Chairperson, Membership, and Newsletter Editor will be needed. If asked, please give serious consideration to accepting the nomination. All of the positions are important to keep our club running successfully.

Thanks,  
 Tom Miller

**Many thanks to the Macomb Daily for the following article that appeared on Tuesday, September 12, 2000.**

**Showers don't dampen Peach of a Ride**  
By Philip Van Hulle, Senior Managing Editor

Mother Nature didn't cooperate, but that didn't stop 471 bicyclists from enjoying the 28<sup>th</sup> annual Peach of a Ride in the Armada area Sunday. The ride, sponsored by the Slow Spokes of Macomb bicycling club, featured 25- and 31-mile dirt road routes for mountain bikers and 45- and 62-mile paved road rides for road bicyclists. The routes began at Armada High School and wound through rural north Macomb County and south St. Clair County. "Most people were happy go-lucky and had a good time despite the rain," said ride chairwoman Rose Marie Jacobs. "Some people asked us to serve lunch early and waited out the rain that way." The ride got under way at 7 a.m., with riders taking off from the high school. The early morning skies threatened rain, but the downpour held off for a few hours, allowing some riders to log as many as 30 miles on their odometers before the clouds opened up. "This is our third (Peach) ride. It's very good," said Barry Lowler, 60, between bites of a bagel. Lowler and his wife Regina sought shelter from the rain under a pavilion in Smith's Creek, the second of two rest stops on the route. The Lowlers, of Rochester Hills, were using the 45-mile route, along with the upcoming Blue Water Ramble ride sponsored by the Clinton River Riders club, as tune-up rides before a 250-mile, eight-day cycling trip through Austria.

Some riders, Jacobs said, switched to shorter routes once the rain began, but many toughed out their original mileage goal. "You have to go with the flow when it comes to the weather," Jacobs said. "Some of the guys were so muddy they jumped into the showers with their clothes on. We took some pictures of that for our newsletter."

The Slow Spokes' 230 members spend nearly nine months planning the Peach of a Ride. Riders range in age from 8 to 80. This year the event also featured a family ride. "We hope to use the ride as a way to teach younger riders about bicycling safety," Jacobs said. "We want everyone to have a good time, but we want them to do it safely." The club donates a portion of entry fees to the League of Michigan Bicyclists and the League of American Bicyclists to support bicycling safety and advocacy on state and national levels.

@TL: For more information on the Slow Spokes of Macomb, call (810) 819-0187, or visit their Web site at [www.lmb.org/clubs/spokes.htm](http://www.lmb.org/clubs/spokes.htm).



**Saturday, October 21**

**The Pierogi Pedal**

**10:30 A.M.**

Meet at the Veteran's Memorial Park (Warren City Pool) 27400 Campbell, Warren. From Westbound I-696, exit at Hoover, continue on service drive ½ mile, turn right on Campbell. From Eastbound I-696, exit at Van Dyke, continue on service drive, turn left on Campbell. Ride will be about 4 hours, 27 miles on flat terrain, except for a short distance on Mount Elliot which will also be flat. We will visit Hamtramck, "A touch of Europe in America", site of the memorial to Pope John Paul II's historic 1988 visit, and The New Palace Bakery, home of World Famous Paczki. There will be a restaurant stop at the Polonia Jaworwka Restaurant, 2934 Yemans, (313) 873-8432 during the ride.

Ride Leaders: Tom Miller (810) 573-4754

Marie Clifford (810) 463-6647

**Sunday, October 22**

**Tour De City-Dual Pace**

**8:30 and 10:00 AM**

**Long Tour:** Meet at 8:30 AM at Macomb Community College, corner of 12 mile and Hayes. We will ride to Belle Isle where we will meet the folks doing the short tour. Along the way we will travel through the Grosse Pointes, stop at the Fisher mansion, ride by the Manoogian mansion, and pass through Indian Village. The pace will be 14-16 MPH. At Belle Isle we will meet up with the group doing the short tour and will ride at a slower pace as we tour downtown Detroit with a lunch stop in Greek Town or Mexican Town. After our lunch and Tour of Downtown, the short tour will return to Belle Isle and the long tour will return to the starting location by way of Hamtramck. Total distance: 55-60 miles.

**Short Tour:** Meet at 10:00AM at the Belle Isle Casino. We will ride around Belle Isle until the long tour meets us at approx. 10:30-11:00 AM. After returning to Belle Isle you can add additional miles if you wish. Total distance: 15 miles plus whatever you wish to ride on Belle Isle.

**Ride Leaders:** Kathy & Bob George (810)-463-6058.

**Wednesday, October 25**

**Metroparkway Ride**

**10:00 A.M.**

Meet at Freedom Hill Park on Metroparkway (16 Mile) between Schoenherr and Utica Rd. Bring a snack to eat in the park. Ride will be 24 miles on flat terrain. We will have a restaurant stop for lunch during or after the ride.

Ride Leader: Aloys Turck (248) 362-4031

**Saturday, October 28**

**Three Ferries Ride**

**10:00 A.M.**

Meet behind McDonalds on M-29 in Algonac. Ride to Marine City, cross to Canada on the ferry, ride down the river to Walpole Island and take the ferry back to Algonac. Rest stop at McDonalds, then on to the ferry to Harsen's Island, out to the point and back. Do half or all of the ride. (Thanks to Alex Schneider for inventing this ride). Ride will be 24-46 miles on flat terrain. Bring I.D. for Canada entry.

Ride Leader: Dick Barry (810) 329-9331

**Sunday, October 29**

**"END OF DAYLIGHT-SAVING TIME" Ride**

**10:00 A.M.**

Pat & Shirley will lead a dual-paced and dual-distance ride. Hilly terrain through lovely neighborhoods, Oakland Technology Park, and Oakland University. Meet at NW corner of Adams Rd. & Walton Blvd., across from Oakland University and Meadow Brook. Enter parking lot near Boston Market and park by the mailboxes in the center of the lot (facing NBD). Bring a small snack for during the ride. Lunch afterwards at Boston Market. Be sure to set your clocks back Saturday night.

Ride Leaders: Shirley & Pat Mullin (248) 656-2187

These fine Bicycle Stores offer "Spokes" members a discount on bicycle supplies. You must show your membership card when making a purchase using this discount

<p><b>Adventure Cycle &amp; Sport</b>  <b>Lapeer</b>            454 W. Nepessing            810-664-1313</p> <p><b>Allied Cycle</b>  <b>Eastpointe</b>            23101 Gratiot            810-772-3411</p> <p><b>American Cycle &amp; Fitness</b>  <b>Walled Lake</b>            39600 W. 14 Mile Rd.            248-960-1371</p> <p><b>Royal Oak</b>            1109 S. Washington            248-542-7182</p> <p><b>Sterling Heights</b>            2169 Metroparkway            810-979-7570</p> <p><b>Grosse Pointe</b>            20343 Mack Ave.            313-886-1968</p> <p><b>Anchor Bay Bicycle &amp; Fitness</b>  <b>New Baltimore</b>            35214 23 Mile Rd.            810-725-2878</p> <p><b>Bicycle &amp; Fitness Barn</b>  <b>Port Huron</b>            1604 Stone St.            810-987-2523</p> <p><b>Continental Bike Shop</b>  <b>Hazel Park</b>            24436 John R            248-545-1255</p>	<p><b>D &amp; D Bicycles</b>  <b>Berkley</b>            4141 W. 12 Mile Rd.            248-547-0770</p> <p><b>Northville</b>            121 North Center            248-347-1511</p> <p><b>Westland</b>            8383 Middlebelt            313-522-9410</p> <p><b>Fraser Schwinn</b>  <b>Fraser</b>            32064 Utica            810-294-4070</p> <p><b>Clinton Twp.</b>            42201 Garfield            810-412-0500</p> <p><b>Jerry's Bicycles of Birmingham</b>  <b>Birmingham</b>            33502 S. Woodward            248-645-2453</p> <p><b>Macomb Schwinn Cyclery</b>  <b>Warren</b>            28411 Schoenherr            810-756-5400</p> <p><b>Prestige Cycles</b>  <b>Clinton Twp.</b>            36558 Moravian            810-792-4040</p>
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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Check one please: New Membership  Renewal

Please make your \$10.00 check payable to Slow Spokes.  
 Mail this application and your check to:  
 Slow Spokes, P.O. Box 792, Sterling Heights, MI 48311-0792



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