



B.C. RANDONNEUR

Marathon Bicycling



Founding Member 1983

AWARDS AND SOCIAL NIGHT

This annual event heralds the beginning of another Randonneur season. The ritual is known to cause the juices to flow. Bikes are disconnected from basement trainers the very next day. Every weekend thereafter, Randonneurs are seen putting in hours in the saddle on the highways and byways. Visions of the 200, 400, the Ramrod and PBP begin to dance in the heads of these maniacal cyclists. Yes, Virginia, you can come to love cycling again even though after last year's 600 you promised never again.

And what better way to start off the historic season of the 100th anniversary of the Paris-Brest-Paris than to socialize with your fellow masochists at the ANZA Club at 3 West 8th Avenue, Vancouver on Thursday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$5.00 per person at the door. For the price of admission there will be snack food (most of it is even healthy) but you have to buy your own beer from the bar.

There will be an entertaining program that I am yet to be told about. I suspect there will be a video. Since the planning is already underway for PBP there is sure to be a presentation and plenty of information. You may have guessed by the title that there will be awards.

If you have participated in Randonneur rides but not attended the social night, you will finally see how Randonneurs can get to actually know one another. Long lonely rides thinking only of your sore butt and the distance to the next check point can hardly be described as socially rewarding. The pleasure comes at the social night when you can share your experiences with those who know and care - unlike non-Randonneur family and friends who may consider you a bit of a bore.

It is sure to be a lot of fun. Bring a friend with the warning however that once started, Randonneuring can be addictive.

PARIS BREST PARIS

Four years in the waiting, another PBP year has finally arrived. If you are planning to join what appears to be 20 or more others from B.C. Randonneurs in going to Paris, you should make your intentions known. A committee organizing reduced fare travel, accommodation and other logistics is now in the formation stages. Any arrangements made will obviously be affected by the number of riders going.

Once you have identified yourself to the committee, your input will be sought on various matters. Besides the event itself we will likely be doing some cycling around Europe. Meetings will be held from time to time to provide information. If you haven't filled out the form that appeared in the last newsletter, could you call Dave Johnston at 291-5055 (days) and 521-2628 (eves) and let him know that you are interested.

PACIFIC POPULAIRE

This event is sometimes known as the 100. It is to be held Sunday, April 7. It is a route around Vancouver and Richmond that many Randonneurs use as their regular weekend training route. Please see attached material for more information.

If you are inclined toward heeding advice, submit your entry contained in this newsletter. You will be guaranteed a water bottle. It also makes it much easier for the organizers to anticipate food requirements. The weather for April 7 is presently anticipated to be sunny and warm.

WE NEED PHONES

The Pacific Populaire will be using a system of cellular phones to monitor routes for safety. Only problem is, we don't have any cellular phones. If you could lend your cellular phone to the organizers for the day

of Sunday, April 7, please call Mark Wintjes at 738-7340 or Dave Charnock at 433-7549. All time charges will be covered by the Pacific Populaire. The phones will be used only in emergencies and hopefully not at all.

CAN YOU MEET THE CHALLENGE?

The Ultra Marathon Cycling Association (sponsor of RACE ACROSS AMERICA) offers a National Points Challenge to its members. As of November 9, 1990, in the Standard Division, the top mileage was 5366; in the Open Division, 13,549; in the Combined Division, 15,732; and one fellow had done 87 centuries! Among the 214 participants, there were only 9 Canadians (8 from Alberta and 1 from Ontario). I recognized the names of Bill Donner, Jeff Shmoorkoff, and David Oliphant from the "Canadian Mountain Challenge" article in the December BC RANDONNEUR NEWSLETTER. (Bill was 4th in the Standard Division and 27th in the Combined Division!)

Why not join the UMBCA and be part of their 1991 National Points Challenge? or maybe "The Transcontinental" articles in this newsletter will encourage you to join one of the 1991 PAC Tours?

Verni Brown (275-9055)

VOLUNTEERS

Our Randonneur organization is as good as its volunteers. Help us improve by donating some of your skill and time. If you fancy yourself the executive type you may want to join us for our monthly executive meetings. Call Dave Johnston (see handy list attached) to find out the time and date of next meeting. You wouldn't believe it if you attended, but supposedly this group is the brains of the organization.

You, or someone you know, may be more inclined to assist with rides. There is a great need for volunteers to man check-points, handle food and generally keep some semblance of order during official rides. Please refer to the schedule of rides and select one or more for which you or a friend would volunteer then refer to the handy list and call the appropriate ride coordinator. These coordinators are now standing by to take your call.

**B.C. RANDONNEURS - 1991 SEASON
RIDE SCHEDULE**

	200	300	400	600	1000
Greater Vancouver	April 14	April 28	May 18	June 8	June 29
Fraser Valley	April 20	May 4	May 25	June 15	July 19 Aug 3
Vancouver Island	April 6	April 20	May 4	June 1	July 12
Kamloops	April 21	April 27	May 11		

NOTE: The 1000 is not required to qualify for Paris-Brest-Paris. PARIS-BREST-PARIS starts August 26, 1991. Choice of time limits: 78, 84, 90 hours total

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