



MONTHLY MEANDERS

ST PATRICK'S DAY RIDE

FEB 2018

Dear Fellow Wheelmen,

Happy St. Pat's Ride. This year's invitational will be on Sunday, March 18 at Wauconda High School and I can almost promise it will be warmer than Toan's ride to Wauconda last month. But then "what the heck ... anyone can ride when it's warm!"

The St. Pat's Ride is more a public service for area cyclists than a club fundraiser. It also serves as good publicity for the club. Over the years, our efforts are always appreciated and it is amazing what we can accomplish when we work together.

My thanks to those who have already signed up to volunteer, but there are still a number of "opportunities" to be filled.

Riders can start at 8am, but the first shift of volunteers start at 7am. As I write this

column, we only have 1 person for food service (7-9:30am shift) and 8 people for the 9:30 -11am shift. It would help if some folks on the later shift could transfer to the early shift. Also, we need 2 more SAG people - 2 to a vehicle.



Acoustic Soul Generation, a popular local band, will be back to entertain everyone in the high school cafeteria. Working Bikes donations of clothing, bikes, and cycling equipment can be donated at Village Cyclesport or to Gary Gilbert. Refurbished bicycles are sent to Africa and South America.

So come out on March 18 for the St Pat's ride to see your friends and help out with this great event. If you have any questions or suggestions, contact me at (847)398-1376 or alang.bikes@gmail.com.

See ya there,
Al Gibbs

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2017
Income
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Expenses

Income		Expenses	
Membership Dues	\$3,615	Donations	\$5,150
St. Pats Ride	\$3,407	St. Pats Ride	\$2,412
Harmon Hundred	\$16,800	Harmon Hundred	\$9,752
		Banquiday	\$1,264
		Club Insurance	\$1,650
		Volunteer T-Shirts	\$848
		Newsletter	\$668
		Picnic	\$278
		Club Meetings	\$283
		Storage	\$313
		Mailing	\$176
		Other expenses	\$800
Total	\$23,822	Total	\$23,594



February 14

Club Officials

Elected Officers

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Newsletter Policy

We can always use information for the newsletter. I'd love to hear from you. E-mail your ride notes, stories or articles for the newsletter to me by the 10th of the preceding month
Ella Shields
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(Please include your name and phone number in case I have any questions)



Don't miss an issue of Monthly Meanders!! Contact Mitch Rosset with your new address or e-mail address at rrkite99@aol.com

WHEELING WHEELMEN FIRST MEMBER MEETING OF 2018

We are scheduling our first member meeting of 2018 on Thursday, February 1 at 7:00 PM at Bowlero. This event combines our regular club meeting with a social event. The club will pay for snacks and soft drinks and we will have a cash bar.

While our rides are now few and far between, it will be good to get to-

gether and indulge in some friendly conversation.

Bowlero is located in the Brunswick Bowling facility. It's located at:

350 McHenry Road
Buffalo Grove
(In the shopping mall behind Deerfield Bakery)
Hope you can make it!

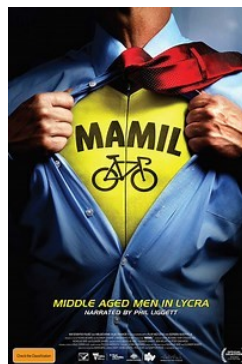
NEW DOCUMENTARY EXPLORES WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A MAMIL

Showing one day in Illinois, Wednesday, February 21, at select theaters,

The film shows how "middle-aged men in Lycra" get into cycling, and why they would embrace the label. Whether you're a seasoned cyclist or you're new to the sport, there's a good chance you've come across MAMILs.

The term, short for "middle-aged men in Lycra," doesn't refer to career cyclists; rather, it refers to men of various skill and experience levels who *seem* like career cyclists. They have all the top gear, the flashiest

clothes, and fully loaded bikes. They're out early in the morning and late at night. Some fly solo while others ride in large groups. And they all tend to don the eye-catching elastic uniform behind the acronym.



Countless films have explored cycling as a professional sport, and the athletes that excel within it. But *MAMIL*, a new documentary out of Australia, offers a fresh perspective by introducing us to the everyday dads (and other men) who happen to be cycling diehards.

In the process, it examines masculinity and male bonding in the context of the sport, and shows why people may come together to proudly embrace the label. From; bicycling.com

Visit website for locations
<https://us.demand.film/mamil/>



EXCITING NEWS FOR 2018!

Amishland & Lakes Return to a Two-day Ride
July 28 & 29

Two days of riding, with the traditional routes on Saturday (22-100 miles) and on Sunday all new routes (23-50 miles) with more Amish country and lakes as well as the Pigeon River nature area. Visit amishlandlakes.com for details

Show N Go Rides

Day	Time	Ride Name	Miles	Location and Directions	Ride Host
Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday	10:00 AM	Show N Go Rides	25+	Willow Stream Park On Old Checker Rd, a mile west of the bakery. Turn west on Old Checker Rd. to parking on the right.	n/a

Be sure to be on the Yahoo group and/or Facebook for last minute changes

2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It's time to renew your membership.

Please renew on line. Send your renewal in as soon as possible so you won't miss a single issue of the Monthly Meanders or the 2018 Ride Schedule. You can also download an application from the website at wheelmen.com/membership_registration.asp

Due date for renewals is **March 1, 2018.**

Membership Renewal is now available using either your PayPal account, or by using the following Credit Cards:



Visit our website wheelmen.com to sign up

If you have any questions contact Mitch Rosset at rrkite99@aol.com

The **Wheeling Wheelmen Bicycle Club** has an active Yahoo Group available on the Internet. The group works like a bulletin board and allows us to exchange email with other club members without having to know everyone's individual email address. You must subscribe to the group before you can send a message. Follow the instructions required by Yahoo to complete your registration.

NOTE: Due to spam and email address hijacking concerns, subscription to the Yahoo Group is limited to current members of the Wheeling Wheelmen Bicycle Club only. If you have questions about club membership, rides or events, please send an email to: wheeling@wheelmen.com

To Subscribe send an email message to:

wheelingwheelmen-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

To Unsubscribe send an email message to:

wheelingwheelmen-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

To post a message send your message in an email to:

wheelingwheelmen@yahoogroups.com

The group name is: **wheelingwheelmen** and is available at: pgroups.yahoo.com-group-wheelingwheelmen



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SAVE THE DATE
 Feb club meeting—Feb 1
 St Pat's Ride—March 18
 Harmon 100—Sept 9



Happy Valentines Day

CLUB DISCOUNTS

The following local shops offer a 10% discount on parts and accessories to all Wheeling Wheelmen with a valid membership card shown at time of purchase.

AMLINGS CYCLE
 8140 N Milwaukee Ave.
 Niles 847-692-4240
amlingscycle.com

B&G CYCLERY
 131 E. Rollins Rd,
 Round Lake Beach,
 847-740-0007
bgcyclery.com

BICYCLE CONNECTION OF SCHAUMBURG
 1226 N Roselle Rd.
 Schaumburg
 847-882-7728
bikeconnection.com

GEORGE GARNER CYCLERY
 1111 Waukegan Rd.
 Northbrook 847-272-2100
 740 N. Milwaukee Ave,
 Libertyville, 847-362-6030
 575 Ela Road, Lake Zurich
 847-438-9600
georgegarnercyclery.com

MIKES BIKES
 155 N Northwest Hwy,
 Palatine, 847-358-0948
mikesbikeshoppalatine.com

RUNNER'S HIGH & TRI
 121 W. Campbell,
 Arlington Hts., 847-670-9255
runnershigh-n-tri.com

7 MIILE CYCLES
 45 Arlington Hts Rd
 Elk Grove Village
 847-439-3340
7milecycles.com

SPOKES
 69 Danada Square E,
 Wheaton 630-690-2050
 1807 S. Washington, #112
 Naperville, 630-961-8222
spokesbikes.com

TREK BICYCLE STORE – HIGHLAND PARK
 1925 Skokie Hwy
 Highland Park
 847-433-8735
trekhp.com

VILLAGE CYCLESPORT
 1326 N. Rand Rd.
 Arlington Hts.
 847-398-1650
 234 W. Northwest Hwy
 Barrington 847-382-9200
villagecyclesport.com

WHEEL & SPROCKET
 1027 Davis Street
 Evanston 847-864-7660
wheelandsprocket.com

We support:
 *The League of American Bicyclists
 * Ride Illinois
 *Active Transportation Alliance
 *Buffalo Grove Bike Rodeo
 *Bicycle Federation of Wisconsin

JOIN THE LEAGUE!
 The League of American Bicyclists promotes cycling through safety and represents us in the decision making process in Washington D.C. A yearly membership is \$35 and should be sent to:

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In addition to government relations, they also organize many great cycling rides and rallies around the country. For information on these events call (800)288-BIKE