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Please let us know what you think this newsletter needs. After all, it's your newsletter!



BIGGER EVERY YEAR! by Earl Jones, LBC President

The LBC Annual Awards Banquet keeps getting bigger every year. More than 155 club members gathered at Big Spring Country Club on January 27, 2007 to celebrate the highlights of the 2006 season, recognize the individual accomplishments of top riders and express gratitude to the volunteers who made it all happen. (*See pages 8-15 for details and pictures.*)



The evening's top award — Club Volunteer of the Year — went to Sara Ferebee, VP Communications. Sara's contributions to LBC went far beyond the Communications position. Before being

elected to head the club's total communications strategy Sara was editor of this Newsletter for three years. She was also the club's graphic designer: jerseys for Old Kentucky Home Tour (OKHT) and Mad Dogs, OKHT websites and a cleaner Newsletter. Sara also worked with Louisville Metro to design materials for the 2005 Bike Summit and the city's bicycle plan, published in 2006.

Nine members were recognized as for their special contributions to LBC programs: Barry Zalph for advocacy; Connie Guild and Lori Boone for new-rider education; Jamie Gordon and Deb Sexton for the Old Kentucky Home Tour; Craig Dooley for racing; AB Sandefur and Joe Thomas for touring and Larry Preble was chosen as ride captain of the year. Every club member should make a special effort to congratulate and thank them.

LBC mugs, the traditional volunteer recognition, were awarded to 41 members and LBC socks to 72.

The club organized a total of 881 rides during the 2006 season, a near record. (*See p.6 for a 2006 season statistical report.*) It takes a lot of volunteers to lead that many rides, some going many miles from the metro area. In 2006 thirty-three members organized 10 or more rides each. Every LBC program is important but without a strong touring program and a vital core of ride captains we wouldn't have a bike club.

Individual accomplishment was also recognized. The racers of the year were Don Loescher and Amy Clark. Kerry Herbine was selected as the rookie racer of the year. The touring program's yellow jersey award for highest club mileage during the season went to Bobbie Leslie and Steve Sarson. The blue masters jersey winners were Bernice McGill and Steve Sexton. Two touring members were recognized as most improved: Bobbie Leslie and Kelly Flowers, and five for reaching lifetime mileage benchmarks: Steve Sarson at 25,000, Bernice McGill and Bill Pustow at 50,000 and Alan Darby and Jim Tretter at 75,000.

The awards banquet is also the club's annual business meeting, which, since we are a corporation operating under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, we must hold. Election of officers was one of the first action items on the agenda. Two members of the 2006 executive committee did not seek re-election. Stewart Prather, who served 2 terms as VP Advocacy and Sara Ferebee, VP Communications, were thanked for their service.

YOUR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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BIGGER EVERY YEAR! by Earl Jones, LBC President

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Steve Anderson, chair of the nominating committee, then announced the slate of officers for 2007. When no nominations were made from the floor, the members elected by acclamation Ed Tonini VP Advocacy and David "Packman" Ryan VP Communications and re-elected Steve Sarson VP Education, Mark Luking VP Racing, Chad Green VP Touring, Barbara Tretter, Secretary, Jim Tretter, Treasurer and yours truly as President.

In addition to electing officers, the members approved revisions to our bylaws. (Go to the club's website at http://louisvillebicycleclub.org/misc/bylaws.htm to review.)

In my President's Report to the annual meeting I compared LBC to the "average" club described by the League of American Bicyclists in its January 2007 newsletter, the Cue Sheet, based on the responses of 130 clubs to the League's survey.

It has 325 members who pay \$17 a year to enjoy a ride schedule of close to 250 rides in the year, including one major ride that has 600 participants...[At the] end-of-year...banquet, the board of eight directors thanks the 25 or so active volunteers and ride leaders for their time and makes a heartfelt plea for more people to step forward to help. The club's membership is holding steady and even increasing a little, and it looks decidedly older each year.

If that article had profiled LBC it would have cited the 972 members who pay the bargain price of \$15 for a single membership (\$20 for family) and have 881 rides to choose from. It would have mentioned that our premier ride is the OKHT, which had 1200 riders in 2006, and that our year-end banquet had 155 registered participants who honored 33 ride leaders who sponsored 10 or more rides each. And yes, our success at retaining members means we're aging but the significant increase in membership over the last five years has kept us vital. (The proliferation of Mad Dogs is ample evidence against ossification.)

An article about LBC would go on to describe a growing relationship with local government and increasing influence on transportation and public policy matters affecting cyclists and their rights.

The officers appreciate your confidence in our leadership and pledge to continue the work to keep the Louisville Bicycle Club in the ranks of top cycling clubs in the U.S.

We look forward to seeing you on the road in 2007. And, since Daylight Saving Time will start three weeks earlier this year, my chances of meeting my mileage goal have certainly increased. More on that later.

NEW MEMBERS

Clifford, Bob & Dena Klarer, Joe Lauer, Bob Murphy, Andrew Pfeiffer, George Redella, Steven Steimel, Jerry 9112 Geneva Circle 9304 Trentham Lane 4200 Stone Lakes Dr 4708 Kiefer Blvd 1605 Parkshire Lane 810 Brookhill Rd 27 Munroe Street

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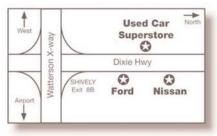
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TRAINING IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY CAN BE TOUGH by Mark Luking, LBC VP Racing

With the unpredictable, cold weather and limited amount of winter daylight, it is a challenge for any cyclist to maintain fitness. However, for the LBC racing team, this is the time of year when we begin seriously to prepare for the upcoming racing season. The Spring Training Series kicks off on the 3rd of March with our own club's L'Esprit Road Race and we not only have to build fitness, we must also assimilate the many new members that have joined the team. Here are some of the things that Team Louisville has been doing to prepare.

Starting on Saturdays in January we began what have become known as the "PB&J rides". This is a ride that was started last year by Joe Collins, Phil Patterson and a few others on the team. The group meets at 9:00 a.m. at Charlie Vettiner Park and from there they wind their way over to a loop that includes 4 or 5 of the longest climbs in the Jefferson Forest before heading back to J-town. This usually ends up being about an 80-mile ride. About half way everyone stops for a short food break, hence the name PB&J ride, (Joe's favorite power lunch). This year there have been a couple options regularly added. David Berman, Perry Finley and Bob Zeman have started their ride from the Highlands. From there they ride out to Iroquois Park where they pick up a few more riders before heading out to the forest and meeting up with the rest of the group. These are great endurance workouts and provide some good base miles for the upcoming season.



At left, Mary Glover, co-owner of Time Out Fitness Photo: Craig Dooley, Ky. Backroads Photography

On Sundays at noon, we have been meeting for two hours at a wonderful new fitness facility, Time Out Fitness, located in the Eastpointe Business Park just east of Anchorage. Co-owner Mary Glover, a certified fitness trainer, has not only graciously arranged to make this 3000 square foot fitness facility available to members of Team Louisville, but she has also worked with us to make sure we understand how to use the equipment and get the most from our workout sessions. Time Out

Fitness has a full range of state-of-the-art Cybex strength training equipment as well as treadmills, ellipticals and stationary bikes. This has allowed team members to work on building core strength and conditioning and, almost as importantly, provided a place to meet and workout regardless of weather. If you are near the Eastpointe Business Park and looking for a nice place to workout, give Mary Glover a call.



Winners of this years Roller Race Championship: Phil Patterson, 2nd place and Walter Lay, 1st place fixed gear; Clayton Omer, 1st place and Mike Kennedy, 2nd place multi-gear.

Finally, on each of the five Wednesday evenings in January, we held Roller Races at Luking Cycling Center/Greenhouses. What are roller races? Basically this is a competition between two or more riders, each on a set of rollers that uses a cable to drive the hands on a large clock. The clock, instead of being marked off in hours and minutes, represents a distance of 500 meters marked in 100-meter increments. The goal is to beat your opponent's hand around the clock by pedaling faster. Racers are limited to one gear combination that allows the bike to roll up to 25'3" with one full revolution of the crank (53x15 for most road bikes.) The races are short and very intense, usually lasting less than a minute for two laps or 1000 meters. Riders reach virtual speeds of nearly 50mph and a cadence of 180 rpm. Curtis Tolson holds the local record for this type of racing, approaching 60mph and a cadence of almost 200 rpm!

These races provide an enjoyable break from the usual drudgery of indoor training. This season we had an average of 16 riders per evening, spectators cheering them on.

Many had never ridden on rollers before and were surprised how quickly they picked it up. Others had been riding rollers for awhile. And a few, like Phil Patterson, are now comfortable enough to ride with no hands and with only one foot clipped in while they warm up!

There were many heated competitions throughout the month, especially in the last championship races. Some very fast times were regularly posted by veterans Sean Steele, Phil Paterson, Walter Lay, Joe Collins and by newcomers like Clayton Omer, Chris Muller and Jonathan Kindig.

We had a lot of fun this season, and I plan to offer it again next year. It is free and open to any and all that would like to give it a try. So dust off those rollers and start practicing!

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2006 Financial Report by Jim Tretter, Treasurer

Club by-laws require that the treasurer file "a written Annual Financial Report for each fiscal year outlining the financial condition of the Club and summarizing the previous year's transactions and events, said Annual Financial Report to be published in the Newsletter." Key points relating to the 2006 Financial Report (*facing page*) are as follows:

- The OKHT in 2006 netted nearly \$17,000 vs. a budgeted \$7,500. Great weather brought a late rush of registrations.
- We received \$9,900 from Louisville Metro Government for the Bicycle Education Program we held over the summer.
- The Annual Awards Banquet for 2006 was pushed into January 2007 along with the costs for awards and the banquet.
- LBC Membership is at an all-time high

New Ride Captain Certification Program by Chad Green, VP Touring

Starting with the 2007 Touring Season, we will introduce a new ride captain certification program. With the introduction of this new program, we will implement three levels of ride captains:

Ride Captain

The Ride Captain title will remain much as it does now. In order to obtain this title one must meet the following requirements:

- Be a current member of the Louisville Bicycle Club
- Participate in at least 5 LBC rides where you haven't been the ride captain
- Read and become acquainted with the Ride Captain Guidelines
- Ride Captain at least 1 ride

Certified Ride Captain

The Certified Ride Captain takes the ride captain title a bit further. These club members will be the backbone of the ride schedule. To earn this title, one must complete the following requirements:

- Complete the requirements of a Ride Captain
- Additionally, Ride Captain at least 10 rides in one year
- Attend Ride Captain training
- Complete the LAB Road 1 Course

Certified Master Ride Captain

Those who succeed in earning this title would be the cream of the crop and would make up the backbone of the Touring program. To earn this prestigious title, one must complete the following requirements:

- Have been a Certified Ride Captain for 3 years
- Have been a "Top Ride Captain" for the past 3 years
- Successfully complete the LAB LCI course

2006 Ride Statistics Summary compiled by Carl Davis, LBC Statistician

| Record Ridership | | | | |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 |
| Riders | 712 | 638 | 613 | 506 |
| Rides | 12,990 | 11,883 | 12,531 | 8,786 |
| Total Miles | 483,183 | 454,239 | 487,263 | 321,665 |
| Miles/Ride | 37 | 38 | 39 | 36 |
| Miles/Rider | 679 | 712 | 795 | 636 |
| Riders/Ride | 16 | 19 | 20 | 17 |
| Riders 4000+ mi | 25 | 21 | 28 | 15 |
| Riders 3000+ mi | 9 | 16 | 7 | 4 |
| Riders 2000+ mi | 24 | 26 | 31 | 17 |
| Riders 1000+ mi | 77 | 63 | 63 | 60 |
| Century Club* | 58 | 48 | 47 | 14 |
| TMD Participants | 80M 19W | 57M 12W | 46M 13W | - |
| Completed TMD | 22M 8W | 25M 4W | 18M 4W | - |

*Riders completing 5 centuries in the year

A World Class Schedule

| Ride Lengths | 20 | 2006 2005 2004 | | 2005 | |)04 |
|--------------|-------|----------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
| (miles) | Count | %Total | Count | %Total | Count | %Total |
| 0-14 | 123 | 14% | 52 | 6% | 54 | 7% |
| 15-24 | 145 | 16% | 150 | 17% | 151 | 19% |
| 25-34 | 320 | 36% | 413 | 46% | 319 | 40% |
| 35-44 | 67 | 8% | 46 | 5% | 38 | 6% |
| 45-54 | 75 | 9% | 51 | 6% | 67 | 8% |
| 55-64 | 77 | 9% | 103 | 12% | 105 | 13% |
| 65-74 | 11 | 1.25% | 29 | 3% | 16 | 2% |
| 75-84 | 2 | 0.2% | 5 | 0.6% | 5 | 1% |
| 85-94 | 2 | 0.2% | 1 | 0.1% | 1 | 0.1% |
| 95-104 | 37 | 4% | 38 | 4% | 31 | 4% |
| 105+ | 22 | 3% | 7 | 1% | 12 | 1.5% |
| | 881 | | 895 | | 799 | |

LOUISVILLE BICYCLE CLUB Statement of Operations and Changes in Fund Balances For the year ended December 31, 2006

| | 2006 | | | | 2005 |
|--|------------|-------------|----------|------------|------------|
| <u>Receipts</u> | Total | General | Summit | Racing | Total |
| Memberships | 11,125.00 | 11,125.00 | - | - | 10,950.00 |
| Sponsorships | 25,900.00 | 23,400.00 | - | 2,500.00 | 34,400.00 |
| Receipts from Programs | 49,231.00 | 44,122.00 | - | 5,109.00 | 48,852.90 |
| Advertising | 250.00 | 250.00 | - | - | 50.00 |
| Interest from Investments | 1,306.22 | 892.73 | - | 413.49 | 329.92 |
| Other Receipts | 9,349.00 | 960.00 | - | 8,389.00 | 13,268.00 |
| Gross Sale of Items | 13,251.00 | 12,471.00 | - | 780.00 | 7,593.00 |
| Cost of Goods Sold | (7,950.90) | (6,880.90) | - | (1,070.00) | (8,404.29) |
| Total Receipts | 102,461.32 | 86,339.83 | - | 16,121.49 | 107,039.53 |
| Expenditures | | | | | |
| Contractor Fees/Speaker Fees | 530.00 | 480.00 | | 50.00 | 4,480.00 |
| Advertising | - | - | | 00.00 | - |
| Accounting/Banking/Legal/Incorp. Fees | 46.80 | 46.80 | | | 1,331.50 |
| Supplies (computer supplies, envelopes, | 1,356.69 | 1,356.69 | | | 2,307.03 |
| Telephone/Internet Expense | 344.22 | 344.22 | | | 329.50 |
| Postage & Shipping | 3,429.66 | 3,429.66 | | | 2,824.04 |
| Occupancy/Rental | 2,929.50 | 2,704.50 | | 225.00 | 3,956.81 |
| Equipment Rental & Maintenance | 6,895.17 | 6,476.77 | | 418.40 | 6,847.69 |
| Printing, Publications, Film/Development | 4,192.11 | 4,192.11 | | | 4,777.08 |
| Seminars, Classes, Travel & Living | 2,385.13 | 2,385.13 | | | 1,340.29 |
| Jerseys, T-shirts, Clothing | 14,056.79 | 4,076.34 | | 9,980.45 | 25,933.05 |
| Refreshments/food at meetings | 16,705.51 | 15,885.51 | 820.00 | | 31,621.72 |
| Sympathy / Bereavement | 279.39 | 279.39 | | | 246.52 |
| Entertainment | 1,800.00 | 1,700.00 | | 100.00 | 3,061.65 |
| Awards, Patches, Door Prizes | 1,231.73 | 1,231.73 | | | 6,035.72 |
| Affiliations (LAB, USCF,) | 150.00 | - | | 150.00 | 225.00 |
| Insurance | 5,243.20 | 3,813.20 | | 1,430.00 | 3,654.15 |
| Donations to charitable organizations | 7,871.00 | 7,400.00 | | 471.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Entry Fees | 2,952.80 | - | | 2,952.80 | 3,993.00 |
| Other Expenses/Program Expenses | 5,879.85 | 5,069.85 | | 810.00 | 8,321.10 |
| Sales & Usage Tax | 1,056.06 | 1,056.06 | - | - | 607.96 |
| Total Expenditures | 79,335.61 | 61,927.96 | 820.00 | 16,587.65 | 116,893.81 |
| Excess of Receipts over Expenditures | 23,125.71 | 24,411.87 | (820.00) | (466.16) | (9,854.28) |
| | | _ 1, 111.07 | (020.00) | (100.10) | (0,004.20) |
| Fund Balances at Jan 01 | 39,405.38 | 21,783.37 | 1,785.16 | 15,836.85 | 49,259.66 |
| Fund Balances at Dec 31 | 62,531.09 | 46,195.24 | 965.16 | 15,370.69 | 39,405.38 |
| | Total | Individual | Family | | Total |
| Memberships at Jan 01 | 922 | 477 | 178 | | 825 |
| Memberships at Dec 31 | 972 | 472 | 200 | | 922 |

THE 2006 LBC AWARDS BANQUET #1 - THE VOLUNTEERS

"mugged" (41)

AB Sandefur Barbara Tretter - Secretary Barry Zalph Carl Davis Cathy Kinberger - OKHT Director Chad Green - VP Touring Cherry Baker Connie Guild Craig Dooley Dave Wittry **Deb** Sexton **Dick Williams** Duc Do - Webmaster Earl Jones - President Gary Price Glenn Todd Jamie Gordon Jerry Gordon Jim Tretter - Treasurer John Samways Leslie Marlin Lewis Miller Lisa Weisert Lori Boone Lynn Luking Marilee Martin Marion Van Ingen Mark Luking - VP Racing Maureen Samuels Mike Pitt Phil Patterson **Richard Gilliam** Rita Sarson Sandy Davis Sara Ferebee - VP Comm. Sarah Price





President Earl Jones presents Sara Ferebee, outgoing VP Communications, with the Club Volunteer of the Year award. (photo and information courtesy Jim Tretter)

LBC Program Volunteers

| A.B. Sandefur Joe Thomas Craig Dooley Barry Zalph | Touring Touring Racing Advocacy |
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| Joe Thomas | Touring |
| Craig Dooley | Racing |
| Barry Zalph | Advocacy |
| Connie Guild | Education |
| Lori Boone | Education |
| Duc Do | Communications |
| Deb Sexton | OKHT |
| Jamie Gordon | OKHT |
| | |

"mugged" (cont.)

Steve Anderson Steve Rice Steven Sarson - VP Education Stewart Prather - VP Advocacy Tracy Barnes

socks (cont.)

Mark Luking Matt Staub Maureen Samuels Michael Seiler Michelle Sarson Mike Pitt Nancy McElwain Paula Do Phil Patterson **Richard Gilliam** Rita Sarson Sandy Davis Sara Ferebee Sarah Price Scott Whitehair Sonny Neurath Steve Anderson Steve Anderson Steve Rice Steve Sexton Steven Sarson Stewart Prather Tracy Barnes Walter Lay

AB Sandefur Barbara Tretter Barry Zalph **Bill Pustow** Boyd Bosse Brad Wunderlich Carl Davis Cathy Hill Cathy Kinberger Chad Green Cherry Baker Connie Guild Craig Dooley Dan Hall Darrell Edwards Dave Wittry David Burry David King Deb Sexton Dick Williams Duc Do Earl Jones Gary Price Glenn Todd James Rockhold Jamie Gordon Jerry Gordon Jim Tretter Jim Tretter Joe Collins Joe Thomas Joe Ward John Samways Jon Wheat Kevin Williams Kirk Roggenkamp Larry Preble Leslie Marlin Leslie Neidig Lewis Miller Linda Burry Lisa Todd Lisa Weisert Lori Boone Lynn Luking Marilee Martin Marilyn Minnick Marion Van Ingen

socks (72)

LAB Road 1 Adult Bicycling Skills Course Offered Again

As we did last spring, the LBC Education Program will collaborate with **Bicycling for Louisville** to offer the Road 1 adult bicycling skills course of the **League of American Bicyclists**. Road 1 covers basic bicycle selection and fitting, fixing flat tires, inspecting a bicycle for safety, understanding traffic laws, communicating with motorists, riding safely through traffic on various types of streets and intersections, selecting gear for foul weather and night riding, and avoiding crashes using emergency maneuvers. Even experienced bicyclists will learn something from this course. If you would like to feel more safe and comfortable riding in motor vehicle traffic, you will find this course especially helpful. Road 1 is a 10-hour course divided into four sessions. Most of the class is hands-on, including bicycling on a parking lot and on neighborhood streets. Anyone who registers should plan to attend all four sessions. Participation is by registration only. This is not a drop-in class. This spring, we are offering the course twice to fit a wider variety of schedules:

Schedule 1: Classes will take place at the Air Pollution Control District Board Room, 850 Barret Ave., corner of Barret Ave. & Breckinridge St.

Session 1: Mon. 3/19 6:30 - 8:30 PM Session 2: Sat. 3/24 9 AM - noon Session 3: Mon. 3/26 6:30 - 8:30 PM Session 4: Sat. 3/31 9 AM - noon

Schedule 2: Classes will take place at New Directions Housing Corporation, 1000 E. Liberty Street, at the eastern end of E. Liberty Street

Session 1: Thurs. 3/22 6:30 - 8:30 PM Session 2: Sun. 3/25 2 - 5 PM Session 3: Thurs. 3/29 6:30 - 8:30 PM Session 4: Sun. 4/1 2 - 5 PM

By prior arrangement with the instructors, a participant may complete the course by attending the four sessions in a combination of these two schedules.

The course costs \$20, which includes materials. If you can't afford the \$20 fee, please contact us for scholarship assistance. To register, contact Bicycling for Louisville at info@bicyclingforlouisville.org or 582-1814. Mention that you want to sign up for Road 1 and give your name, daytime telephone number, e-mail address (if available), and the Road 1 class schedule that you choose.

If you have any questions about the course, contact Steve Sarson at ssarson@bellsouth.net or 499-7089 or Barry Zalph at info@bicyclingforlouisville.org or 582-1814.

EMAIL NEWSLETTER DELIVERY

The LBC 2006 budget for newsletter costs is \$5,000, which represents nearly 25% of our total program costs. In an attempt to reduce this cost so monies can be used by other programs, the Executive Committee has introduced email newsletter delivery. This optional service began with the newsletter for May/June 2006. The newsletter is sent in PDF format to those who have signed up for this service. Each delivery saves the club \$1.25 in printing and mailing costs per issue per membership. Those who choose email delivery will typically receive their newsletter 4-7 days before those who receive their newsletters via regular mail.

Club membership applications and membership reminder postcards will be modified to include this option. If, after trying email delivery, you find you prefer the paper copy, you can revert back to regular mail delivery. More than 200 LBC members have already signed up to receive the e-newsletter.

To sign up for this option please go to http://www. louisvillebicycleclub.org/forms/enewsletter.htm.

Thanks for your cooperation. LBC Executive Committee

Also, beginning with March/April 2007: The electronic newsletter will contain **COLOR** PICTURES!

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THE 2006 LBC AWARDS BANQUET #2 - THE RIDE CAPTAINS

Ride Captain of the Year Larry Preble



Chad Green (L), VP Touring, presents Larry Preble (R) with Ride Captain of the Year award (photo and information courtesy Jim Tretter)

Top Ride Captains



Top Ride Captains (led 10 or more rides in 2006) (photo and information courtesy Jim Tretter)

Top Ride Captains (10 or more rides)

| (10 or more rides) | |
|--------------------|----|
| Williams, Dick | 47 |
| Tretter, Jim | 46 |
| Green, Chad | 43 |
| Sandefur, AB | 39 |
| Guild, Connie | 28 |
| Anderson, Steve | 27 |
| Sarson, Steve | 26 |
| Rice, Steve | 25 |
| Samways, John | 22 |
| Preble, Larry | 20 |
| Pustow, Bill | 18 |
| Hopperton, Angie | 16 |
| Armstrong, Tom | 15 |
| Donovan, Linda | 15 |
| Donovan, Terry | 15 |
| Jones, Kevin | 15 |
| Rauh, Dick | 15 |
| Chilton, Tim | 13 |
| Dobbs, Vicky | 13 |
| Howell, Susan | 13 |
| Luckett, Barry | 13 |
| Prather, Stewart | 13 |
| Hall, Meilssa | 12 |
| Kuchenbrod, Scott | 12 |
| Luking, Lynn | 12 |
| Connell, Donna | 11 |
| Ewart, Alison | 11 |
| Krakowski, Dick | 11 |
| Luking, Mark | 11 |
| Kamenish, Mike | 10 |
| Klus, Marcie | 10 |
| Pitt, Mike | 10 |
| Whitehair, Scott | 10 |
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THE 2006 LBC AWARDS BANQUET #3 - THE TOURING JERSEY WINNERS

The 2006 Yellow Jersey Winners Steven Sarson & Bobbie Leslie



VP Touring Chad Green (R) presents yellow jerseys to Overall Touring Champions Steven Sarson & Bobbie Leslie (photo and information courtesy Jim Tretter)

Masters Touring Champions Bernice McGill & Steve Sexton



VP Touring Chad Green (L) congratulates Masters Touring Champions Bernice McGill and Steve Sexton (photo and information courtesy Jim Tretter)

75,000 Lifetime Club Miles

Tretter, Jim Darby, Alan

50,000 Lifetime Club Miles McGill, Bernice Pustow, Bill

25,000 Lifetime Club Miles Sarson, Steven

<u>Yellow Jersey</u> Leslie, Bobbie 6744 miles Sarson, Steven 6411 miles

<u>Blue Jersey</u> McGill, Bernice 8274 miles Sexton, Steve 5626 miles

THE 2006 LBC AWARDS BANQUET #4 - RACING AND COMMUNITY

Racers of the Year Dan Loescher & Amy Clark



VP Racing, Mark Luking (R) presents Dan Loescher with Racer of the Year award (photo and information courtesy Jim Tretter)

Certified League Cycling Instructors



Education Program LCI's: L-R: Steven Sarson, A.B. Sandefur, Steve Anderson, Glenn Todd, Scott Whitehair. Joe Ward and Barry Zalph not pictured. (photo and information courtesy Jim Tretter)

Racer of the Year

Dan Loescher Amy Clark

Rookie Racer of the Year Kerry Herbine

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Tour de Mad Dog winners: L-R front: Melissa Hall^{1st}, Bernice McGill^{3rd}, Vicky Dobbs^{2nd}; L-R back: Kelly Flowers^{1st}, Steve Sexton^{3rd}, Scott Kuchenbrod^{2nd} (photo and information courtesy Jim Tretter)

Most Improved Kelly Flowers & Bobbie Leslie



VP Touring, Chad Green (R) presents Most Improved Rider awards to Kelly Flowers & Bobbie Leslie (photo and information courtesy Jim Tretter)

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Do you have something you want to share with your fellow club members?

Send us an article and photos for the newsletter! We can accept hand-written manuscripts, hardcopy print-outs or articles on disk (Word documents preferred), or e-mail.

Send them to David Ryan (Packman), VP Communications (see cover for addresses) or hand them to any club officer.

The Louisville Bicycle Club reserves the right to edit all submitted articles.

See cover for deadlines.

The newsletter is sent third class. The post office will not forward to your new address. Please notify Barbara Tretter, club secretary, of any address changes. As I put this, my first ever newsletter, to bed, I want to reflect on the exercise. When I accepted the suggestion that I should run for LBC Communications I figured with my background as a computer programmer, I could put it together one way or the other. Against that, I have to confess an aversion to word processors, spreadsheets and almost every other kind of office productivity aid. I have almost never put together anything on paper that was not just a flat text document unless it was the batch output from a relational database driven program.

Nevertheless, I figured from the start that I could do it if I approached it as a programming exercise. As they say, when you are a hammer, every problem looks like a nail. So I planned right away to put the newsletter together in HTML and convert it to PDF, something I also had never done but knew it was possible. I spoke to Joe Ward, a person who knows a fair bit about publishing, via e-mail mentioning my plan. He said he didn't know that desktop publishing could be done in HTML. Being halfway into it, I told him that it was probably a lot like taking a

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mountain bike on club road rides, something I had a fair bit of experience doing before I knew any better.

As the submission date approached, I worked at figuring out how to massage web pages into PDFs that looked as closely as possible to the excellent product produced by our recent editor, Sara Ferebee. But I had no content besides the regular ads etc. Then with two days before the printer's deadline the material flooded in, articles, spreadsheets, banquet photos etc. When I found that the absolute minimum would run 13 pages, I had to expand it to 16 due to the printing requirement of four page increments. I was once an ultramarathon cyclist, so I put it together almost in one marathon session with a couple cat naps thrown in and have now just about finished, only a few hours late.

I ask you to bear with the flaws. With more experience I hope to do better. And I hope that I will get content earlier next time. The deadline for May/June submissions, as noted on the front cover, is April 1. No fooling :-)

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