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OKHT38 Recap

by Andy Murphy, LBC President



The 2015 Old Kentucky Home Tour went really well! I mean really, really well! First, we started and ended at a new location, Baptist Eastpoint. We would like to thank the folks at Baptist Healthcare for their support of not only the OKHT, but of the LBC New Rider Clinic! THANK YOU! This spot was excellent!

Attendance was down slightly, but we still had well over 900 riders who enjoyed an absolutely spectacular weekend!

The biggest news; WE HAD NO REPORTABLE INCIDENTS! This means we had no hospital visits or ambulance runs! I can't remember an OKHT where there were no reportable injuries.

BIG THANKS to the over 200 volunteers who make it all happen! THANK YOU!

Our sponsors for the 2015 OKHT:

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| Bardstown-Nelson County Tourist and Convention Commission | |

To our sponsors and volunteers, THANK YOU! Without your help and support, we couldn't make the OKHT happen!

SAVE THE DATE: OKHT39, September 10 & 11, 2016!
We're pretty sure the weather will be perfect!

Life is good
Murphy



Team Haswell, with Jim Haswell on point gets ready to head to Bardstown. Hammertime, Jim! (photo courtesy Andy Murphy)

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or 574-5000

It's been brought to our attention that not all cell phones recognize 311 as a legitimate phone number. If you have a problem on a bike path, bike lane or in a park you can report the problem to MetroCall at 311 or 574-5000. When you report a problem, you'll be given a tracking number so you can follow-up to make sure the problem has been addressed.

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I'm sure that everyone has noticed that our club patch gives the date of the founding of the club as 1897. On our website under "history", Gil Morris says that the date was chosen randomly as a way to give the club a sense of tradition. Having searched four of Louisville's newspapers from that period, I have not come across the name Louisville Wheelmen or any name remotely familiar.

Now new evidence sheds new light on the origin of our name. In the December 2, 1935 edition of the Courier-Journal the name Louisville Wheelmen appears for the first time. The Louisville Wheelmen were the sponsors of a pre-Olympic race was to be held at Shawnee Park on December 8 and this race would be the nineteenth in a series of races to pick our Olympic team for the Berlin Olympics. The new "Louisville Wheelmen" club was formed for local riders to prepare for this race. Members listed in the newspaper were: Sylvan Wolder, Elmer Littrel, Russel Wilson, Joe Maurer, Robert Stober and Edward Gregory.



Russel Wilson.

Entered In Bike Meet

Wilson, a 16-year-old bicycle racer, is entered in the senior events, which will be held at the State Fair starting at 3:15 p.m. today. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy M. Wilson, 3135 Del Park Terrace.

Russel Wilson, mentioned as one of the Louisville Wheelmen of 1935.

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(An interesting note: a rider from Atlanta, Joe Gluck, failed to make the team because of a flat tire in the final selection. He later would marry a woman from Cumberland, Ky. and move there. He then became the Kentucky State Representative of the Amateur Bicycle League of America. When his sons were old enough, they both raced and took several Kentucky Championships. Joe was the rep when I started racing in 1973.)

The name "Louisville Wheelmen" appears a few more times and then no more. The world war took precedent. The name did not appear again until January 28, 1964 when the local cyclists decided to organize. This is the beginning of the present day Louisville Wheelmen/Louisville Bicycle Club. The first president of the club was E.J. Robitaille. Robitaille, by the way, placed second in the Kentucky State Championships in 1927 at the old state fairgrounds.

Cyclists Organize

A cycling group to be known as the Louisville Wheelmen has been organized here as a form of physical fitness.

An invitation to others interested in joining the group was issued by Dr. John H. Langston, 982 Eastern Parkway. He may be contacted at 637 7616 after 5 p.m.

Jan, 28, 1964 article that mentions the new club.

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Later in 1964, the newly formed Louisville Wheelmen, sponsored a road race of national importance, the Tour of Kentucky. The route, beginning in Jeffersontown, going out to Elks Creek, Taylorsville, and Finchville before returning to Jeffersontown, would become part of several future state championship road races. Entered in the race were club members: Eddie Smith of Pleasure Ridge Park, Dr. John Langston, Kentucky's 1963 champion, and junior, Joe Gluck Jr. of Cumberland, Ky. The club got a lot of publicity for their racing events the club mentioned that it had bicycle tours every weekend from March through November.

Team in Training Summer Season

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Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team in Training hosting info sessions in January

December 28, 2015 - Since 1988, more than 600,000 participants have teamed up with Team in Training (TNT) and The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) to raise funds for cancer research and patient services while training for endurance events. LLS has invested more than \$1 billion to advance cutting-edge research and cures. The mission of LLS is to cure leukemia, lymphoma, myeloma, Hodgkin's disease, and to improve the lives of patients and their families.

Meeting dates, times, and locations:

January 17, 2016 - Coffee with a Coach, 9AM, Starbucks, Paddock Shops, 4001 Summit Plaza Drive, Louisville, KY 40241

January 20, 2016 – Info Meeting & Kickoff, 6PM, Flanagan's Ale House, 934 Baxter Ave, Louisville, KY 40204

Resources: Additional information about Team in Training can be found at www.teamintraining.org/ky. Details about The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society are available at www.lls.org or 502-584-8490



LBC New Rider Clinic Continues Amazing Growth

by Andy Murphy

To call the New Rider Clinic growth amazing is an understatement. In 2015, we had 155 students complete the League of American Bicyclists, Traffic Skills 101 course. In 2014, we had 120 graduates. In 2013, we had 98 graduates. In 2012, 62 graduates and in 2011, 48 graduates. To go from 48 graduates in 2011 to 155 graduates in 2015--well, I guess it's absolutely amazing!

These classes are offered FREE to anyone! Complete the class and receive a one-year membership to the LBC and an LBC jersey. These classes are brought to you courtesy of the Mayor's Healthy Hometown Movement and Baptist Health Sports Medicine. Thanks to our sponsors and the many volunteers!



The 2015 Iroquois Park, New Rider Clinic graduating class.
 (photo courtesy Andy Murphy)

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Riders prepare to depart from Baptist Eastpoint.
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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 by email only. Please keep your address up-to-date online or advise the club secretary of changes.

President

Andrew Murphy: Another year has passed and I want to thank you all for your continued support. We have made great progress the past few years and I'd like to ask for your support to continue this progress. I'll do my best to continue to represent the Louisville Bicycle Club with integrity. Let's keep pedaling! Thank you again for your support!

Secretary

Bekki Livingston: I have completed one year as club secretary (2015) and am willing to continue for another year if re-elected. I learned a great deal about our club this year and appreciate all the volunteer hours from so many of you that go into running and maintaining such a diverse and successful club. I would appreciate your support for another year.

Treasurer

Mark Rougeux: I am willing to continue as treasurer of the club.

VP Advocacy

Doug Brent: I am happy to continue.

VP Communications

David Ryan (PaCkMaN): As the current longest continually serving member of the Executive Committee, I thank you for your past support and ask you to return me for a 10th year. I appreciate your confidence in my representation of your cycling interests on the board over the past 9 years.

VP Education

David Wittry: I am writing to indicate my intention to run for the position of VP of Education. It is my desire to continue to teach the Bike Handling Classes and to continue to try to improve our outreach.

VP Racing

Kevin Williams: I'm a graphic designer and have lived in Louisville my entire life. I've been riding and racing since the 80's but have only been active in the LBC since 2002 and racing with Team Louisville since 2005 – minus a couple of years racing with Twinspires. I will be glad to continue as VP Racing for the 2016 season.

VP Touring

Steve Rice: I respectfully submit my candidacy for Vice President of Touring. 2015 was my second year as Vice President of Touring and I would like to continue in that role for 2016. I believe that the Louisville Bicycle Club should be very proud of the size and diversity of its touring schedule, and I hope to see it continue to grow in the future for all of our members, not only for beginners but also for the short and medium distance aficionados, as well as for veteran long distance cyclists and racers who compete on and off road. Our club has one of the most prolific touring schedules in the United States year round, and my hope is that we can continue this great legacy for all LBC members to participate in for years to come. Thank you for your consideration.

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