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tacoma wheelmen's bicycle club newsletter

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**Next Meeting is June 18, 2002**  
**Election of new officers**  
**TWBC Picnic is July 21**  
**in beautiful downtown Orting**

### Important Fine Print...

Meetings are held at the South Park Community Center, 4851 S. Tacoma Way, in Tacoma at 7 PM. The business (old business, new business, reports, etc) part of the meeting comes first... then after a short break of food and socializing...the entertainment. *Please attend. All members or interested parties are welcome.*



All sizes of bicyclists turned out for this year's Daffodil Classic ride in Orting. Photo from Rich Walter's web collection.

## important news of interest by various contributors...

### 2002 Rides Off to a Good Start

by Ralph Wessels

The 2002 Daffodil Classic was an outstanding success this year! A big *THANK YOU* goes to all of you who made the event happen. We had 1352 riders who consumed 240 pounds of strawberries on their shortcake. After all of the expenses have been paid and the \$1 per rider contribution to the Bicycle Alliance has occurred, it appears that TWBC will clear approximately \$14,000. These funds will be used to continue our activities and donations to programs in our community that support bicycling.

Our next event, the Peninsula Metric, will be held June 2. Howie Kaplan and the core team have been doing a great job in organizing the ride. Now all we need is good weather and riders! Riders will see a difference on the 100-mile route, which now includes Key Center and avoids Fox Island. We may need to change the ride name next year as it has included a 100-mile route for quite a few years. Any suggestions?

The Headwaters Century will be held September 8. Linda Higgins has already made the logistical and most of the other arrangements. But there are still many details to be handled. Please give her a call and ask how you can be of assistance. I am sure that she would appreciate it.

Our next rides meeting are scheduled for Linda Higgins house in the North End. They will be on July 24 and August 28 from 6:30 to about 8:00. I will bring the pizza. Contact Linda at 759-

5480 for directions. If you would like to volunteer for the Headwaters, contact Carol Davis at 857-5396. Carol plans to be riding her bike a lot this summer so please contact her early.

### Bicycle Travel Case and Bob Trailer Available By Steve Brown

A bicycle travel case and Bob trailer are available to club members. The bicycle travel case is a hard shell with a hinged back. It can be shipped or taken on the plane. Some airlines will charge you extra for shipping the box. There are ways around the charge, but it involves some advanced planning.

The Bob trailer has a single wheel and can be attached to most newer bicycles with quick-release rear wheels. This is a great option if you haven't invested in panniers and front and rear racks.

The case or trailer is available to members for \$20 for the first week plus \$10 for each additional week. There is also a \$200 damage deposit. The trailer can be borrowed free of charge for weekend club camping trips or for club service activities (e.g. trail maintenance).

Call the Rideline at (253) 759-2800 to borrow the case or trailer.



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## from the president's handlebars



Have you ever grumbled about how the Tacoma Wheelmen's Bicycle Club operates? Have you ever had an idea to improve the Club or the rides, but didn't know where to take your idea to get it implemented? Are you looking for a way to give back to the community and the Club through a few hours of volunteering each month? Have I got an opportunity for you!

TWBC is looking for a few good wheelpersons for openings on **The Board**; there are several positions open including president and vice-president. If you, your spouse, your friend or your riding partner is interested in joining the Board of the Club, please call any Board member for information about what the job entails.

The election for Board positions will take place at the June 18 general meeting. The best part of this election is that no doorbelling, campaign literature or requests for donations are required. You won't have to file any paperwork with the Public Disclosure Commission. Instead you will have the opportunity to do something positive for the local cycling community.



**Richard Patrick**  
newsletter editor

### **Don't Vote for Me**

Bob Myrick's column will not be in this month's newsletter... and probably not in July's edition, either. Bob is on vacation riding his bicycle from St Louis, MO [really St Charles, MO] to Tacoma. Bob is following the Lewis and Clark Trail described in a book called "Bicycle Guide to the Lewis and Clark Trail" by Tod Rodger, Deerfoot Publications.

The reason I bring this up is because I was gonna go with Bob and play the part of Capt'n Lewis on this adventure ride of a lifetime. I had the time off (being unemployed), the cost was pretty reasonable (less than being at home), I am a history buff, and like adventures like this. I read the diaries of Lewis and Clark, checked out some books from the library, bought a couple hundred dollars of new stuff for my touring bike, and was getting pretty excited. My plan was to go to Missouri if I didn't have a job by May 9<sup>th</sup>. On April 23<sup>rd</sup> I had a job interview for a pretty good job. On April 29 I was back to work. It was a big dilemma deciding to accept the good job or go bicycling for 65 days and not have a job when I returned. Common sense won out.

After I chose not to go with Bob... It hit me... just how bad I wanted to go. I told Bob that even though I was not going with... I still wanted to play some part in the adventure. So, I volunteered to send Bob care packages to three post offices along the way. My offer to you is: If you have something small to send along to Capt'n Bob... let me know and I'll cram it into the box. If you wanna follow along with me on Bob's adventure... then check out this web site. It has the entire book on-line as a Adobe Acrobat Reader PDF file [www.deerfootpublications.com/book.html](http://www.deerfootpublications.com/book.html) and don't vote for me on June 18. Thanks for reading this far.

## opinions of the members

### Letter to Editor

To all TWBC members who were so offended by Dorian Smith's opinion-LIGHTEN UP!!! Whether Dorian intended to be serious or not (I believe not), I found his diatribe hilarious, although I do admit to having a warped sense of humor. I have never experienced any of the situations he described with TWBC but I have with other groups of riders unrelated to our club. I felt Dorian was accurately describing the "elite" subgroup of cyclists who insist on averaging 20 MPH and also poking fun at the "Posers" who have to buy all of the latest components and gadgets and look good wearing expensive bike clothing but end up riding 100 miles annually.

In my personal experiences with Dorian, he has demonstrated the utmost courtesy to a friend of mine who is a novice rider and showed interest in her bike as well as her own riding experiences. If this is all we have to complain about then we have it pretty good in our club.

Peg Winczewski

### The truth about the Wheelmen

The April issue of the Wheelmen's newsletter included a commentary by me praising the club for not encouraging new members who are slow, beginning or inexperienced cyclists.

The May newsletter featured a full page of responses which for the most part criticized my observations. One letter labeled the commentary as "vindictive" and a "diatribe" against members who "don't deserve the lambasting . . ." Another disagreed with the commentary and attested that the Wheelmen nurtured her own cycling over the past nine years.

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And another letter started by criticizing my article's "elitist, condescending attitude" but switched gears (indexed or friction?) and admitted to being confused by the true intention.

They doth protest too much, methinks.

The responses fail to acknowledge what many bikers suspect or know from their own experiences. That the Tacoma Wheelmen is a hardy band of premiere cyclists.

The accusation of "elitism" is especially amusing. Elitist?

Maybe using the word isn't politically correct, but the fact is cycling in every community needs elitists. Otherwise, cycling will devolve into a mish-mash of effortless and chaotic pedaling. There will be more people on mountain bikes rolling casually down sidewalks. There will be more people riding hybrid bikes because they won't try to go for a "personal best" in distance or speed.

Without elitist attitudes about cycling, there may even be more cyclists, but is that the kind of cycling we want to encourage?

The May newsletter calendar speaks for itself. There were 39 listings. Of that amount six didn't include a ride category and 10 weren't Tacoma Wheelmen ride events. There were only 8 classified 1A, 2A or 2B.

But a full 15 rides were classified for 2C, 3 or C rides. Certainly not rides that should be recommended for the faint-at-heart. They were rides that Lance Armstrong would be proud of. Likely the 8 slower trips would rev up to speedier or hillier rides than advertised.

As elitists we also filter out aberrant ideas or suggestions. We keep doing things the way we've always done them. For instance, a couple years ago several people demanded that the club change its name from the

so-called sexist "Wheelmen." Can you believe that? What does the Equal Rights Amendment have to do with cycling?

While on an errand the other day, I chatted with a woman on an old Schwinn 10 speed fitted with a pair of panniers. She and her husband each have two bikes, one for errands and one for recreation. They gave up their car a couple years ago to devote to a cycle-and-bus transportation lifestyle.

Did they belong to the Wheelmen? I asked. On face value they seemed to be prime candidates for Tacoma's only road-riding bicycle club. No, she said, she and her husband tried but couldn't keep up with the Wheelmen.

A commitment to cycling doesn't guarantee acceptance in the club.

And there you have the truth — which is what the critics of my first article on this subject should seek. But that might be too difficult.

You want the truth? You can't handle the truth.

Dorian Smith



Pres Anne at Daffodill Classic Ride. Eat first... then ride. Doughnuts? Original photo by Rich Walter.

**b i k e t e c h**  
**b y E d d y J o h n s o n**

The sun has arrived and it's time to scrub the winter muck that has kept my trusty ride hidden all these months. I can't speak for all bicyclers, but I surely enjoy the results of rescuing my bike from the gloom and gray of winter with a good ole' fashioned spit and polish job. Okay, I don't really spit on my bike to clean it; I ain't got enough to do the whole darn thang.

The first step is to remove the wheels. Next, I take automotive brake cleaner (in an aerosol can) and spray the heck out of my cassette. I use a Shimano, Deore, 9 speed. Its cogs are not very deep and are attached to an aluminum spider so the crud doesn't build up in between cogs like the standard Cassette/freewheels. If there is a bunch of goo in between your cogs, dig it out with a thin, flat blade screwdriver or a chopstick or a thin scrap of wood or whatever you can fit between 'em.

**Fast acting formula  
 in fresh scents... for removing  
 bicycle grease!**



Fill a bucket with soapy water. I use Dawn dishwashing soap because it cuts grease and my bike is really filthy. According to all those companies that make vehicle soaps, dish soap will dull your paint. I can't say that's happened to me but if you're worried about it, use automotive car wash instead.

I have what they call a "truck brush". It's about a foot long and 4 inches wide and has very soft bristles. Soak the brush in suds and scrub that wheel and hub and cassette. The brush works great for cleaning around spokes and axels and wherever it's tough to poke a rag or sponge. Hose off without a nozzle. A nice low pressure, open-ended hose will do. You don't want to force water and crud into your hubs now, does you?

Do the front wheel next. I only use the brake cleaner on drive train parts and it's usually not needed for the frame or front wheel. Once both wheels are done, bounce them on the ground a few times tonock off some water and dry them off. Buff those shiny parts till they blind you, yeah.

I put the frame in this cheesy, tripod style bike stand that I got cheap at a garage sale. If you have a trunk rack for your bike you can put it on there. If you don't want to get your car wet, hang the rack off a deck railing. If you don't have a trunk rack then tie it to a tree or get someone to hold it for you (good luck with that one). If you're desperate, you can put the wheels back on and lean it somewhere. Take the

brake cleaner and spray the derailleurs, the chain rings and the chain. I don't recommend breaking your chain to clean it unless you have a re-usable master link or some other manufacturer approved method of connecting it back together. I've had a chain come apart on me because I just pushed the pin back in with a chain tool. It was not a fun encounter.



**Rubbermaid Rubber Truck Brush with nylon bumpers to prevent scratching. p/n RCP6513GRE**

Scrub your frame with the soapy truck brush. Remember to get the underside of your fork crown and bottom bracket. Scrub every part but your seat and handlebars and brake/shift levers. Hose it off and dry and buff. Ooh, what a sight.

I use car wax to shine up the frame. I don't know about you, but I ride a lot faster on a shiny bike freshly lubed and purring. Your bike will love you for it too.

Eddy (eddyj@galaxy-7.net)

A couple of happy cyclists at the finish of the Daffodil Classic. Strawberry shortcake was the reward to finish.



Another couple of happy cyclists. Jan and Bob, T W B C members and volunteers, celebrate the Daffodil's success at the volunteer's pizza and favorite beverage party.



Photos above by Rich Walter



# twbc monthly event schedule

call the ride line for the latest additions and corrections...253-759-2800

Day	Date	Time	Distance	Ride Code	Leader	Call me at	Ride or Activity Page 1
Sun	6/2	7 AM-11 AM	50K 100K 100M	??C	TWBC <a href="http://www.twbc.org/pmc.htm">www.twbc.org/pmc.htm</a>	253-759-2800	<b>Peninsula Metric</b> : Take Hiway 16 west, to Willochet Dr exit, Go R at stoplight onto Kimbal. Go approx 1/2 mile, GH Medical Center is on the left.
Tues	6/4	Call	Call	Call	Call Ride Line	253-759-2800	<b>Tuesday Morning Ride.</b> Call Ride Line for details
Wed	6/5	5:50 pm	30 M	2+	Joyce Clifford	253-759-2393	<b>Wednesday evening training</b> ride. Meet at the Starbucks @ N26th and Proctor
Friday	6/7	9am-noon	30-40	3B	Various	253-759-2800	<b>Faaast Friday</b> Decide to Ride. Call Rideline for start location and other details
Sat+ Sun	6/8+ 6/9	8 AM	80+ 80	2C	Carla Gramlich STP Training Riechmaster	253-752-4038	<b>STP Training Ride Weekend.</b> Meet at UPS Field House, N 11th@Union, Tacoma. Ride to Pt Townsend, camp at Ft Worden, ride back to Tac. Sag will carry camping stuff and your cooler of drinks.
Sun	6/9	8:30 AM	75+ miles	2A+ some 2C	Joyce Clifford	253-759-2393	<b>Ride around Lk Washington</b> , figure 8 style. Meet at Gene Coulon Park. I-5 N to I-405 N to exit 5. Go L under freeway on NE Park Dr. Go R on Lk Wash Blvd N. You are there.
Tues	6/11	Call	Call	Call	Call Ride Line	253-759-2800	<b>Tuesday Morning Ride.</b> Call Ride Line for details
Wed	6/12	5:50 pm	30 M	2+	Joyce Clifford	253-759-2393	<b>Wednesday evening training</b> ride. Meet at the Starbucks @ N26th and Proctor,.
Friday	6/14	9am-noon	30-40	3B	Various	253-759-2800	<b>Faaast Friday</b> Decide to Ride. Call Rideline for start location and other details
Sat	6/15	8:15 AM	35	2C	Bob Vogel	253-756-9984	Three Sisters-White River Tree Farm <b>Mountain Bike Ride.</b> Meet at Freighthouse Square, Door #3, to carpool.
Sat	6/15	9:30 AM	40	2C	Carla Gramlich	253-752-4038	<b>Ride Around Vashon Island.</b> Meet at the Starbucks @N26th / Proctor, Tacoma. Bring money for ferry and lunch.
Sun	6/16	10 AM	60	2A	Carla Gramlich	253-752-4038	<b>Burke-Gillman &amp; Sammish River Trails</b> ride. Meet at Gasworks Park in Seattle. Lunch will be in Redmond. A nice flat paved trail ride
Tues	6/18	Call	Call	Call	Call Ride Line	253-759-2800	<b>Tuesday Morning Ride.</b> Call Ride Line for details.
Wed	6/19	5:50 pm	30 miles	2+	Joyce Clifford	253-759-2393	<b>Wednesday evening training</b> ride. Meet at the Starbucks @ N26th and Proctor,.
Wed	6/19	7pm	12 miles	1A	Carla Gramlich	253-752-4038	<b>Tour de Pierce</b> short route pre ride course painting . Meet at Puyallup Fair Blue Parking lot, Meridian and 10th in Puyallup.

**RIDE CODE CHART**  
helmets are required on all rides!

1. Easy, frequent stops & regroup, 9-12 mph
  2. Moderate, occasional stops, 12-15 mph
  3. Steady, limited stops, maps, 13-16 mph
  4. Fast pace, very limited stops, 16+ mph
- \* Speeds are average on the flat surfaces

- A-Mostly flat, like Inter-Urban Trail
- B-Gently rolling, one or two steep hills
- C-Many rolling steeper hills (Kitsap Peninsula)
- D-Difficult terrain, longer steeper hills (Vashon)

Day	Date	Time	Distance	Ride Code	Leader	Call me at	Ride or Activity Page 2
Thurs	6/20	6:30 pm	30 miles	2B	Carla Gramlich	253-752-4038	<b>Tour de Pierce pre ride</b> course painting . Meet at Puyallup Fair Blue Parking lot, Meridian and 10th in Puyallup.
Friday	6/21	9am-noon	30-40	3B	Various	253-759-2800	<b>Faaast Friday</b> Decide to Ride. Call Rideline for start location and other details
Saturday	6/22	9 AM	50 miles	2C	Carla Gramlich	253-752-4038	<b>Tour de Pierce pre ride.</b> Meet at Puyallup Fair Blue Parking lot, Meridian and 10th in Puyallup.
Saturday	6/22	8:45 socialize 9:05 start	60 to 70	3B 16 mph on flat surfaces	Richard and Pat Map provided	253-274-8657	<b>Roy Tandem Rally.</b> Meet at Skyline Park n Ride, N 6th Ave @ Skyline, Tacoma. At 8:45 grab some doughnuts [2 blocks east] then ride at 9:05am. Round-a-bout route to Roy via Nisqually and Yelm. Break at Dupont, Late Lunch at Roy Saloon. <b>All types of bikes are welcome.</b> Evergreen Tandem Club is invited to this ride.
Sun	6/23	8 AM-Noon	15 30 50	A B C	Pierce County Parks-Sheila	253-798-6678	<b>Tour de Pierce, The Ride.</b> Meet at Puyallup Fair Blue Parking lot, Meridian and 10th in Puyallup.
Tues	6/25	Call	Call	Call	Call Ride Line	253-759-2800	<b>Tuesday Morning Ride..</b> Call Ride Line for details.
Wed	6/26	5:50 pm	30 miles	2+	Joyce Clifford	253-759-2393	<b>Wednesday evening training</b> ride. Meet at the Starbucks @ N26th and Proctor,.
Friday	6/28	9am-noon	30-40	3B	Various	253-759-2800	<b>Faaast Friday</b> Decide to Ride. Call Rideline for start location and other details
Sat	6/29	9 AM	70	2B	Peggy Fjetland	253-841-4458	Rolling Ride thru parts of Thurston and Lewis Counties. Meet at Millersvania St Park.
Sun	6/30	7 AM	100 miles	2+ B	Ralph Wessells	253-857-5658	<b>Ride Around the Sound</b> via Olympia and Shelton. Meet at Gig Harbor Park n Ride.



This rider is gettin' ready to ride in Orting at the Daffodil Classic. Photo from Dorian Smith's montage of Daffodil photos on TWBC's website. [www.twbc.org/daff2002.htm](http://www.twbc.org/daff2002.htm). Check it out....it's pretty neat.



Picture above shows that there really are daffodils for the riders to view.

Center photo shows Ralph Wessells, TWBC's Director of Special Events, enjoying some pancake breakfast, which was served right next door at the start of the Daffodil Classic. Vote for Ralph on June 18.

These two photos are by Rich Walter.

**the book report...  
books about bicycling**



**der Radfahrer Al  
TWBC Book  
Reporter**

Author, Greg Moody, has written four murder mystery novels (with a 5<sup>th</sup> one on the way) that centers on professional bicycling. In the first two books- "Two

Wheels: A Cycling Murder Mystery" and "Perfect Circles", take place in the arena of European professional bicycle racing- which is like baseball to Americans. In the first book, our sort of bumbling hero, Will Ross, is hired back into Team Haven after the team captain is blown to bits by plastic explosives in his toaster. This crime is investigated by seemingly bumbling police detective, Inspector Godot whose crime-solving motto is, "Follow the money". Godot is a combination of Lt Columbo and Inspector Jacques Clouseau, the Pink Panther.

In the second book, main character, Will wins the grueling Paris-Roubaix race and competes in the Tour de France. In this book, the fictional subject of performance enhancing drugs and doping are introduced and are killing riders instead of bombs. Our hapless hero falls in love with Team Haven's domestique, Cheryl, crashes and breaks both legs, and has to drop out of Le Tour. Both of these books give the reader a lot of facts and insight on European bicycle racing- how it works and who is in it. This information helped me to understand the 2001 Tour de France- I never missed any leg's broadcast last year.

The third and fourth books, "Derailleur: A Cycling Murder Mystery" and "Deadroll: A Cycling Murder Mystery" are not as good, in my opinion. Book three delves into professional mountain bike racing where

Will Ross hasn't recovered from his book two injuries and his main squeeze Cheryl manages a pro mountain bike team in Vail. This book introduces us to the team's mechanic, Hootie, who is a hoot.

Book four takes us to Boulder where Will and Cheryl are bicycle sales people in the bicycle factory that Hootie started up with the millions of dollars of mob money that he stole in book three. Will is fired (downsized) for not making his quota, bumbles his way into a TV sports announcer job, and now wife- Cheryl is expecting a child. Interesting and exciting situations.

The first two Greg Moody books are a good read before Le Tour starts in July. Moving along to "Urban Bikes- Tricks and Tips"... the low-tech and no-tech ways to find, ride, and keep a bicycle in a metropolitan city... Say Seattle. This book appealed to me because I worked in the core area of Seattle for 5 years. I used my bike to ride to and from the Sound Transit bus and to do errands while on the job.

When I first opened this book and thumbed through the pages... I felt chaos. There are lots of diagrams on how to ride in busy traffic, how to deal with busses and pedestrians. How to make your nice bike unattractive to bicycle thieves by adding duct tape and dirt. How to choose an "urban bike". One of my favorite sections is about how to choose a bike lock. Like I said... lots of chaos, just like downtown Seattle traffic. I think that every bicyclist should open this book and page through. Some will probably react with, "Wow, I can use that tip!"... or, "Good grief!... I am sure glad I don't have to go there very often". There's always "two kinds of people".

Your Cog newsletter editor has collected all of these books and is willing to loan them out if any club member is interested.. Email: newsletter@twbc.org.

**membership report  
reported by Phyllis Lay**

**New Members...**

Kelly O'Donnell, Rod & Justin Cory, Herb & Sherry Brooks, Dean Jones, and Gus Fant.

**Renewed Members...**

Jack Leiman, Dalene Moore, Toni Matson, Robert Beezer, Stan & Joan Sanders, Kirby & Daisy Sanders, Philip Blenkush, Jodi Coy, Lynn Lasky, Brenda Geyer, Janes Howe, Fred & Margaret Swift, Rick Olexick & Nancy Block-Olexick, Greg Grenier & Family, John Peranzi, John O Morgan, and Dave Tullis.

**m e m b e r  
d e c l a r a t i o n s**



**For Sale...Bike Friday Pocket Llama Touring Bike.** 2 years old, ridden 4 times. Has Shimano Rapid-Fire shifting, H-Bars, and softride suspension, shocks front and rear, color is Merlot. Call Joy at 253-847-1843 or email jroelofsz@email.msn.com

**Want to Buy... RAMROD ticket for 2002.** If you signed up for RAMROD on July 25... and can't make it to the ride... then please contact me and I'll purchase your ride ticket. Call Bruce Pyrah at 253-564-8421.

**The fine print:** Members can submit bicycling related items for the Member's Declaration column. The ads run for three newsletter issues. Also, this newsletter will provide a 3" X 3" advertisement, twice per year, to bicycle shops who give TWBC members the 10 percent discount.



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Hey Web Readers.....

If you are not a member... then fill out the form and send it into become a member.

If you *are* a TWBC member... then please give this page to an interested person who might want to join.

Thank Ya Very Much... the Editor

Please note: You can become a member at [www.twbc.org](http://www.twbc.org). Click on 'Online' under the Join heading.

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Check Box:  New Member  Renew  Addr Chg

Individual person membership \$15 \_\_\_\_\_

Family membership \$20 \_\_\_\_\_

One-time initiation Fee for new members \$ 5 \_\_\_\_\_

Optional subscription to Sports Etc \$18 \_\_\_\_\_

Optional subscription to The Bicycle Paper \$12 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Membership Fee: . . . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_



Send this form and a check for the total \$ amount to:

**TWBC Membership  
PO Box 112078  
Tacoma, WA 98411**

Check box if you **do not** want your phone # or address in the membership listings.

Also...Check boxes if you are interested in volunteering for:

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Events

Newsletter

Club Meeting Programs

Becoming a club officer