

Hello,

Boy it's been HOT! But, I hope that a little heat hasn't kept you off the bike. I have to admit that I'm not quite as energetic when it's a hundred out but it's still better than not riding. There's not a lot to report this month other than to be sure and check the website regularly for any new rides that come up. The club is probably going to sponsor a MS training ride on either August 12th or 26th. This is a great time to show the biking community that we're willing to give of our time to support our favorite sport. If you would be willing to man a rest stop, sag, or do registration please let me know.

I also want to acknowledge the excellence of the riders that live in our area. Recently we've had some local riders do some exceptional things in competition. Brad Huff has done some incredible racing this year with his name popping up in magazines like Velonews. Team Dynamic Earth just competed in Primal Quest against world class competition. Several riders competed in the Seniors games and came home with a truckload of medals. Just remember next time your riding on a Springbike ride that the biker that your talking to may have raced in the desert for 6 straight day or may be the state time trial or road race champion for their age group.

See ya on the road,

Tim Weston

As most of you have already heard, Kevin Umlauf, owner of Sunshine Bike Shop passed away on July 20. Kevin was more than just the owner of a local bike shop, he provided many services for all kinds of local events. His jeep and trailer were a familiar sight at all MS150 training rides as well as many other charity happenings in the area. You could always count on Kevin's crew to lend a helping hand and Kevin was more than generous in donating bikes, funds and other items for these special activities. He will be greatly missed by riders across the Ozarks. Thank you Kevin for all you did for the biking community!

On Saturday, September 9 there will be a memorial ride to honor Kevin. Details are yet to be determined but make plans now to attend. Check www.springbike.org for more details as they are posted and more information will be available in the next Tube. The proceeds will be used to buy bikes for children in need. Come out and support this even and show your appreciate for what Kevin did in our community.

Bridge Fundraiser

Polk County Bike Club Fundraising Ride

Saturday August 5 8:00 am

The Polk County Bike Club is hosting this fundraising ride for the Little Sac River Bridge that burned on the Frisco Highline Trail at MM23. There will be two ride options on the trail, one from Bolivar and one from Wishart.

For more information as it develops, go to www.polkcountybikeclub.org