

Oshawa Cycling Club The Outspoken

Physical Fitness In Cycling / Companionship On The Road



President's Message

Winter is upon us once again and, for most, cycling has taken a bit of a backseat to other activities. Rest assured, preparations are well under way for the upcoming cycling season. We have also been busy organizing our Annual WinterFest Dinner and Awards Night where I hope to see you all again for an afternoon and evening of fun and companionship.

I have been fortunate over the past year to have worked with so many dedicated club members who have given generously of their time and energy to continue to grow the Oshawa Cycling Club and its rides and activities. I personally want to thank everyone who has helped at events or in the planning of events such as the Scugog Century Circle Tour, the bi-weekly Time Trials, the social gatherings, and the many organized group rides. The Oshawa Cycling Club had a terrific year in 2002 due to the work and effort put in by so many dedicated people. We couldn't have been as successful without your help. Thank you all!

As I look forward to the 2003 cycling season, I am again excited by our increasing membership and the anticipation of next year's routes and events. I think you will be too. I am also pleased to say that a committee has been hard at work developing the new Calendar of Events for 2003 and it will be available at the Annual Winterfest Dinner and Awards Night!

If you have any suggestions for 2003 or would just like to talk about the Club or any of our activities, please do not hesitate to call me.

I hope that you and your families have a terrific winter. I also hope you will be able to join us on January 25th.

Jeanette Piercy
President, Oshawa Cycling Club

Scugog Circle Century Tour 2002

Another successful year for the Scugog Circle Century Tour!

The weather was ideal and all of the riders were able to enjoy a great day on the various routes. The number of riders increased slightly from the previous year and, with continuing focus on keeping our costs down, we were able to present checks in the amount of \$1000 to Hearsh Place, a cancer support center, and to the Charles H. Best Diabetes Center which provides education and support for families dealing with diabetes.

Thanks to all of the volunteers for giving generously of their time and energy. Without all of your help, we couldn't have been so successful and had so many happy participants.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!



Annual Winterfest Dinner and Awards Night

Another year has rolled by and it is time once again for the Annual WinterFest Dinner and Awards Night at Trillium Trails. The atmosphere at Trillium Trails is casual and relaxing, and the food is excellent (and plentiful). Please note that skiing is not available but everyone, young and old, should bring along their skates and sleds and partake in the outdoor activities.

All members and their families are welcome. The Club will again subsidize half of the cost for everyone who is attending. **Adults \$12. Kids (12 and under) \$6.** Prizes and awards will be handed out after dinner. Directions to Trillium Trails – ½ km north of Raglan on Simcoe Street North. Turn left onto Snow Ridge Road. Watch for signs.

Trillium Trails

Saturday, January 25th, 2003

Skating and games will start at 3:00pm

Dinner at 5:00pm

**Please RSVP by January 15th, 2003
to confirm your attendance
via e:mal: jeanette_piercy@hotmail.com**



Take Note

Insurance Alert

Have you read your most recent insurance policy? You should be aware that a number of insurance companies are now putting a limit on your policy which could reduce what they will pay in the event of damage to or loss of your bike. If you have this limit on your policy, you will need to contact your agent or broker and add an endorsement to your policy which will provide coverage for the full replacement cost of the bike (and attached parts) in the event of loss.

Membership Dues 2003

OCC membership dues for the 2003 season will remain unchanged from last year. If payment is received before May 1st (posted dated checks are accepted), there will continue to be a \$5 discount per membership (single, couple or family). Membership can be renewed at the Annual WinterFest Dinner and Awards Night or by mailing the membership registration (application form is enclosed) to:

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118 George Reynolds Drive
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Interested In The Rideau Lakes Cycle Tour 2003?

The Annual Rideau Lakes Cycle Tour to be held June 7th and 8th is a two-day tour with the option of four picturesque routes from Ottawa to Kingston and back. Rhonda Vanderlinde has kindly prepared a schedule of training rides specifically targeting those interested in readying themselves for this event. Details of these rides will be included in the Club's Calendar of Events 2003. Although the Club's official first ride of the season does not take place until April 5th, these training rides will start March 8th in order to allow sufficient time to attain an adequate level of fitness and endurance for the early season tour. For further information, visit www.ottawabicycleclub.ca/rideaulakes.shtml. Note that the entry form will not be made available on the Ottawa Bicycle Club website until February. If you have any other questions, please feel free to give Rhonda a call.

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