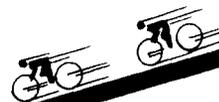


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# VELO VOICE

A Journal of Bicycle Racing in the Nation's Capital



## NORTH CAROLINA WEEKENDS

by Mike Butler

### NUTLEY-SOMERVILLE

#### A Memorial Weekend

The veterans shined again in the five races held over the Memorial Day weekend and our very strong Mary Pelz had her own holiday in the women's events. Saturday saw the start of the series in Allentown, Pa. on a course that included goat trails and an iron bridge. But the NCVC didn't see victory until Sunday morning at Nutley, when Jim Montgomery and Paul Didier took first and seventh for the Veterans. Paul had some practice chasing breakaways and Mary Pelz took twelfth in a field of strong women riders to start off her weekend winning streak.

At Warren County the next morning, Rob Lea pulled a lone breakaway to win his event. The race at Nutley warmed up Paul Didier to win third place in the veteran's category.

The highlight of the series was the Somerville race on Memorial Day, with a Senior I-II field of 185 riders. Crowds lined the course to see big guns like Eric Heiden and Wayne Stetina, but former National Midget Champion Gordy Holterman of NCVC captured second place in the Intermediate event. A hooking call relegated Gordy from his first place finish. Kaimi Niemann time trialed between the pack and the break to take fifteenth. **More on Somerville p. 6**

April 25, Tour de Moore, Southern Pines, N.C. Beautiful place Southern Pines, more so if you don't suffer from hay fever. Nevertheless, the races were quite a treat and the organization almost flawless. Forty women went off the line at 9:10 am racing from Southern Pines to a small town 35 miles away. Twenty-five minutes later over 180 men took to the streets of Moore County to ride 102 miles finishing back in Southern Pines in front of the railroad station. I took off to do my duty with the women's team, which was comprised of Mary Pelz and Julie Paul. It amazed me to discover that the race reports were broadcast on a local radio station every 20 minutes. I caught up with the women 12 miles into the race. The large pack was motoring together with the pink shirts of Paris Sport forcing the pace and appearing to make up 1/3 of the pack. Our duo were well-placed and looking strong. Thirteen miles down the road the pack was smaller, faces and legs much more tired and everyone asking how many more miles to go. With Mary and Julie still in the money, I ignored the pleas in case anyone had plans of attacking with 10 miles to go. Next time I caught the pack they were 5 miles from the finish with 4 away and the chase was on, both Mary and Julie jumping, attacking and mixing it up. But with Jolanta Goral away the pinkies kept every one in check. With 3 miles to go riders started to drop off. Betsy Davis dangled off the back, which excited me, but she soon caught up. The Julie, riding her first road race in a very aggressive manner, hit the dreaded wall and was off the back in frustration. As

## BACK IN THE PACK

### With Larry Black

Hi! You may not know me, so wherever I go I carry the USCF license. Even had it with me a couple of weeks ago at IBM. You remember, I nabbed the first points sprint in the A race, then went on to win the final, double-points sprint in a demanding flash of speed. My first IBM win in over 5 years and probable victory for the series. Well I returned the following week to find out I never got picked for all my efforts.

Fact is, that yellow plastic with the lucky "16" on it was on top of my Norge instead of on my shorts. And not even the officially recognized promoter of the race can get point one without a number. Tough lesson, so take it from me - don't leave home without it!

I'm excited about the upcoming State Championships. But at the same time I'm disappointed that the ones in Maryland may not happen if NCVC fails to provide 5 road guards for the Time Trial and Road Race. I have committed a member of my staff already so that leaves four. Step right up and cut it to 3. And so on.

Speaking of help, I haven't found an official Mr. Greenbelt. But I have been getting some remarkable help from the people of Greenbelt Park Staff. Especially the seasonal Assistant Ranger, Eddie. Each and every Wednesday he sets up all of the traffic control signs just for our bike races. And he even gives out real tickets to motorists and bikers who disobey the rules. So next time you see him tell him how much we appreciate his help - and we can help him by driving our cars at the speed limit in the right direction until all the signs are down for the evenings.

Kaimi Niemann, a very energetic and outspoken intermediate who you may have seen at the front of the pack at Somerville, would like very much to hold a Rock Creek road race or series. If you'd like to see it happen, call him at 281-5493

Want to get to more out-of-town races? Contact your rider rep. NOW! Also we all know that training is more fun and efficient in groups. Please let Velo Voice know of any training rides in your area. You are welcome to join us most mornings from the College Park area and go through the rural areas and farms of Prince

Georges coun: Starting about 8:30 we go from 20-50 miled at erratic pace through varied loops. Or, you may want to try one of the 9:30 rides from Georgetown Cycle in Wildwood.

And last but certainly not least a hearty thanks to Mr. Pete Swan & Family - on behalf of the entire membership of the club. The Swans have led us over many peaks and through many a tight turn. We've enjoyed the wit, the gossip, the banquets, the special awards, the NCO's, the newsletters, and the diplomacy, liaison, and leadership these people have donated and the sacrifices they've made. Pete and family -- good luck in Europe -- and as you pedal down the bike path of life, may the wind be eternally at your back.

## CANCELLATION ON RICHMOND

The Richmond Mohawk Carpet Cycling Classic has been tentatively rescheduled for July 19th. More information next month.....

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## GREENBELT and I B M SERIES

The evening criterium series got off to a flying start with the May IBM and Greenbelt races. Many new faces, dozens of new club members, new licensed riders and some of the fastest action we've seen in the area. Races will continue through the end of September. Starting time is 6:30 pm for both races. Roadguarding is mandatory for all classes. Riders must sign up to roadguard at least once each month or they will be ineligible to race. Points will be awarded to roadguards.

The following rules will apply: Winners of B, C, and D Classes will be moved up each month. Unattached licensed riders will pay double entry fees. Riders using tubular tires in Class D may be subject to a handicap. Prizes will be distributed monthly at the races and are for merchandise at Georgetown Cycle Sport for IBM and College Park Bicycles for the Greenbelt series. Be sure to thank the proprietors for their support.

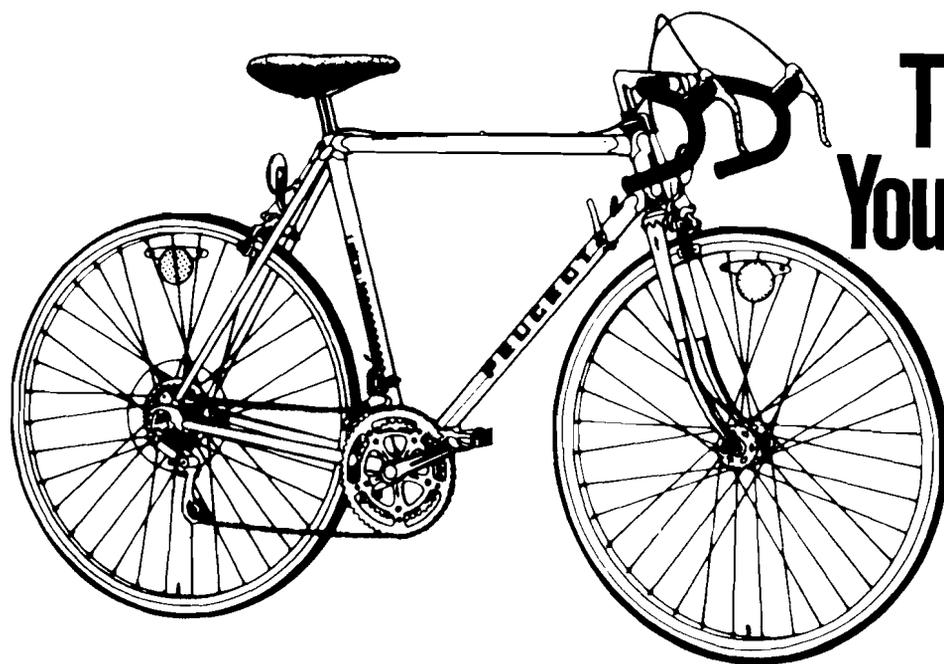
## GREENBELT PARK SERIES RESULTS MAY 1981

Place	Name	Prize	Place	Name	Prize
A			B		
1.	Kraig Klinke	\$ 14	1.	J. Holland	\$ 12
2.	M. Kennedy	11	2.	Rich Groome	10
3.	Larry Black	8	3.	Andy Perrone	7
4.	Reno Rashid	6		Kelvin Minor	7
	J. Montgomery	6	5.	Mike Bilhartz	4

C			D		
1.	J. Simpson	\$ 11	1.	J. Haddock-License	
2.	Rolf Hammerer	8	2.	Jim Thiel	\$ 7
3.	Eric Stuyck	6	3.	Tony Brown	5
4.	Steve Wilson	5	4.	Brad Eaton	4
5.	William Shenk	4	5.	D. Fotas	3
				A. Nehemias	3

## IBM SERIES - BETHESDA, MD. MAY 1981

A		B	
1.	Joe Deaton	1.	Joe Hager
2.	Bobby Phillips	2.	Vincent Clark
	Paul Pearson		Eric Stuyck
4.	Kevin Lee	4.	Greg Nan
5.	Larry Black		Ken Lander
C		D	
1.	Vic Nauman	1.	Steve Linqvist
2.	Vincent Clark	2.	James Haddock
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# RAMBLIN WITH THE WHEELIE

by Mike Butler

Have you called Ken Gyory, his number is (301) 239-7295? If you live in Maryland and are not riding the districts or are riding and are lucky enough to have a friend, cousin, brother, sister, mother, or father it will be a big help to your clubmates if you call Ken and volunteer your/their services to assist in the running of the District Championships. After all these years I can't understand why 80% of our club members do not want to contribute and wonder why our sport is still struggling. If you are not part of the 20% helping, you are part of the reason. Bicycle racing is still struggling as a sport. Do you know Rebecca Montgomery called 65 members to help safeguard the racers at the Mohawk Classic? Guess how many said yes? Guess again, 4. Guess how many showed up... UNREAL...If you stayed away you missed some real excitement. Motoring Mary Pelz, after one day of lessons with "the Mont," outsprinted the pack, to give Georgetown/Peugeot their best finish with an exciting 2nd. And a 5th by our teenage Wonder Woman, Cynthia Paul - Martha Rainey finishing 12th. Montgomery once again showed he's as good as any Senior I racer by outsprinting the pack for 7th. Alpine's Eddy rode to an exciting 4th with Meerman looking very good also. In the III-IV joke between the overambitious and bystanders everyone is all upset about a move by Kelley bringing the rest of NCVC riders to the front failed. Klinke, who was away for several laps thanks to Kelley, was caught when Fred went for and won a \$20 prime while towing the NCVC riders to the front. In the sprint, Kelley and Klinke were boxed in and Mike Kennedy took third. Fred was 6th, Dave Edinburg 7th, Cottrell 8th, and Klinke was missed by the pickers...Discounts - everyone's asking which bike store gives what discount?? I'd then ask which Dept. store gives what discount? I think its up to the bicycle store to give \$9.00 or \$.95, the store has the right to give discounts, special prices or extra special deals to whoever they want...all the discounts I've received were because

of my charming personality, how much money I was spending and if the sales person thought I was too poor to buy a particular item...Oh! at the Mohawk Classic, May 17th, if you weren't there you missed the life membership award presented to P.E. Swan before the start of the III-IV race - we decided to keep him in the club forever. Don't wait until it's too late - next time you see him, thank him for all he's done for your club...While giving thanks, also thank Motoring Mary and Cynthia Paul for their contribution of \$225 and \$54 to the club's treasury. They are still on cloud 52x15 over their prizes of \$450 and \$260. After a four or five year absence NCVC Women's Team is back, Ya All! Danny Clark, the Aussie professional who holds the record for the fastest 1 lap rider on every track in Europe, the World Kilometer Sprint Champ and one of the best 6 day racers ever, impressed me a few years back at Trexlertown. But on May 3rd in North Carolina he showed me what a professional bicycle racer is all about when he took the longest and fastest pull I've ever seen. Three laps non-stop towing the pack to the lead break away gaining 33 seconds in about 3½ miles...try that at IBM some time... Speaking of showing me stuff, a lot of people said, "that Tour de Moore weekend I rode my buns off," ...A certain A team member went as far as showing his buns out the window of a VW bus - talk about moonshine. My salute this month goes to Jubilant Julie Paul. While at a meeting of the Rock Creek Advisory Board, of which I'm a member you know, I met the founder of Washington Women Outdoors who explained to me and then to the Board that, thanks to Julie, her organization now has all women instructors. It seems that the founder was all set to get some male instructors but after seeing how the women responded to a knowledgeable female (cross country ski) instructor, she decided that female instructors were the way to go...There are still a lot of people wearing our jersey who are not in the club. If your buddy is one of them,

They had never raced or trained that hard before. At about the halfway mark, four women were off the front and moving, again with a Puch rider away. The rest of her team took care of the pack and several half-hearted attempts failed. So, once again at the bell, Mary Pelz was in the remaining pack of 35 going for 5th. Karen Strong made history winning her 3rd Somerville in a row. Of the six women's races ever held at Somerville, She's won 4. In the home stretch an unusual sight was wall-to-wall women sprinting to the line, and in her now familiar style, Mary powered her way up the left side for 10th. The Men's race, the 2nd in the Lowenbrau Gran Prix had the best of fields ever

assembled in recent years. From the gun the attacks were on and it stayed that way throughout the race. Our guys rode gallantly but between flats, exhaustion, and pressure they dropped out except for "Pres Torpedo" Black who seemed to get stronger as the race progressed. Off the front Wayne Stetina and Tom Schuler left their breakaway partners, then moved on to finish in that order in a long hard sprint. Dan Clark won the pack sprint for third and the Torpedo was up front in the very large pack at the end.

Central Park, New York - Tuesday, May 26

Motoring Mary Outdid herself. In a pack that stayed together, she stayed up front until the end, sprinting to 7th. Connie Carpenter won. Mary's place made her one of the top finishers from the East Coast overall, unofficially in the top 5 and in the top 15 for all women. Julie Paul, riding her favorite race, finished right in the large pack. Steve Bauer of Canada won the Man's race and Matt McGoey and Mike McConnell were NCVC Finishers

Trexlerstown, Pennsylvania - Tuesday May 26

After a year's vacation from the concrete banks, the Torpedo returned to Lehigh County to win the senior scratch race, followed by Reeves Taylor in an exciting NCVC 1-2 punch. The duo returned in the 12-lap point to point race where Taylor took 3rd and Black 4th. In his track debut. NCVC's Jim Miekeljohn rode off the front several times and stayed in to place 5th in the Senior apprentice event.

TOUR OF WARREN

A View Off the Back in the Veterans Race

On Monday morning, May 25, a 39 mile road race was held near Somerville for Sr. III-IV and Veterans, categories excluded from the program at Somerville. The course was three loops of bumpy back roads, smooth down hills and a few short steep climbs along with one long uphill section. Traffic control was excel-

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IN THE NEXT ISSUE.....  
of VeloVoice catch the complete results of the District Championships for D.C. Virginia and Maryland/Delaware.

All material, ads, or photos must be in the Editors' hands by June 25, Thursday at the IBM Races. Or send in by that date.

# SOMERVILLE WEEKEND

## 1981

by Mike Butler

Motoring Mary motored on to place in 3 of the 4 "SELF" races. Jim Montgomery, Gord Holterman, and Rob Lea scored a victory each, and Paul Didier placed 3d and 8th making it a very good weekend for NCVC.

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### Allentown, Pennsylvania - Saturday

The least favorite road course on the East Coast where most racers do battle with the course more than each other elicits phrases such as "All I want to do is finish with the pack" or "At least I rode farther than last year". This year the only finisher from this area was The Pelz, 28th place from a field of 80 of the best women on the Continent, brought together to compete in a series of four races promoted by SELF magazine with the overall winner receiving a new Datsun 210 car.

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### Nutley, New Jersey - Sunday

The usual hot weather greeted the riders on the 1-mile downtown loop. After the stock bike sprints and midget events where Jimmy Pedersen, Brenden Clark and Melinda James rode gallantly, 85 women lined up. World & National Clamps, US & Canadian teams generated excitement not usually seen at too many US Races. After the intros, the race was on. The powerhouse Puch team were on the attack from the gun. Every time the pack came around a green and black jersey would be off the front hammering. Then young Sarah Docter (AMF) and Cindy Olivarri (Puch) took off. Several attacks were brought back by the power of Puch. Finally the 16-year old National Speed Skating team member dropped Olivarri and took off as though she were starting a new race. In the meantime the main pack of about 30 were lapping and eliminating the rest of the field. Mary Pelz was obviously happy to just be there for this race has always demoralized her. At the bell Docter was out of sight and Olivarri was fading but far enough ahead to get 2nd. In the home stretch Mary decided to sprint for it at powered herself all the way up to 13th in the classiest field ever assembled outside the Zinger.

The Men race was typical for Nutley, one break after another with the possibility of another one staying away. Alan Rashid went out, Co-chise was out, Chris Cressy Alpine, still recovering, came out. Finally the racers were able to be fed and thanks to the area's #1 pit crew, local Georgetown/Peugeot and Alpine riders were fed and sprayed, 50 miles covered with the pace and temperature hot. Schuette dropped out, still looking quite fresh. Talk was that he was lost without Chris. Then came the final break. Fast Eddy Slaughter, NCVC Grad, took off with Irish Charm Alan McCormick leaving the rest of the break to be swallowed up by the pack. After a refill of Coke and water and cussing out a bystander for an unwanted spray, Ed & Alan pulled further away. At the finish it was ex-pro McCormick nipping Ed at the line. Ironman Kelley trying to be Camel Kelley, rode the entire 100k with one bottle. Thank's to Reno Rashid's generosity, he survived complaining about the different color stars that shone that afternoon. The Junior race was a Zero except for Dave Pedersen's blazing sprint for 14th. Earlier that morning at different locations Dyno Vet Montgomery won the Veterans race which, I was told, was a chore, having to chase every break and looking like the Pied Piper. Luxembourg two-time Jr. Nat'l Champ, our own Paul Didier, took 3rd. The intermediate race was won by Gordy Holterman but he was relegated to 2nd for hooking.

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### Somerville, New Jersey - Monday May 25

The BIG One. In my mind, THE Criterium Championships of North America. Every racer has dreamed of winning or placing at this race. Gordy Holterman can stop dreaming now. He Blew away the intermediate pack to pick up his 2nd Somerville victory. In the Junior event, David James suffered a broken nose, Colin Clark tore up his leg, and Dave Pedersen tore up his front wheel. The two Erics worked together to win the lap prize, and Jim Capra was the other finisher.

The Womens race was as expected. From the gun the attacks were on. To make things harder, there were primes for the first four laps. This was the race everyone wanted to do well in, so every lap someone was off the front. The pack stretched out and divided from the second lap on. All the women were riding the race of their life. It was so with our women.

get on his case... and besides, don't let him read the exclusive Velo Voice ...Also what's to stop someone from claiming club affiliation on the USCF license and not be a member of the club?...Need somewhere to train? or someone to train with? try Hains Point on East Potomac Park...there's always someone training on the 3.2 mile loop - if not, there are always a lot of hot shot tourists and street riders who like to try to prove a point and can give you a good 1 or 2 lap workout. Have you read "Inside the Cyclist?" Try it , you might like it. I found a lot of stuff that I knew about but had no source and you know how folks are, it's not what's said but who said it...also take a look at Jan 81 issue of "Cycle Sports International" - there's a very good picture of associate member Tommy Prehn...until next month, see you at Greenbelt or IBM. Don't forget to call KEN.

Cheers,  
Mike



The Wheelie Cup Standings (thru Mohawk)

1.	Fred Kelley	71
2.	Jim Montgomery	66
3.	Rob Lea	40
4.	Mary Pelz	36
5.	Ed Cottrell	32
6.	Dave Pedersen	21
7.	B. Clark	17
8.	Cynthia Paul	16
9.	Jim Pedersen	13
10.	Julie Paul	11½
11.	Colin Clark	9½
12.	Mike Kennedy	8
13.	Kraig Klinke	8
14.	Jerry Nugent	6
15.	M. Schaaf	6
16.	Matt McGoey	6
17.	Dave Edinburg	4
18.	Mike McConnell	½
19.	Martha Rainey	½

Points System:

- 12-10-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1  
 11-20 place, ½ point (when prizes given)  
 6-10 place, ½ point (when prizes given)

## VIRGINIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The state championships will be run in a similar format as last year. If you need a place to stay the night before the road race, try the Surrey House on Rt. 10. Phone (804)294-3191. Call about a week in advance for reservations, and be diplomatic with the lady who runs the house. She doesn't like bicycles in the rooms.

June 13 Track Trexlertown, Pa.  
 Register 8:00am  
 Start 9:00am

Events will run alternately with the MD-Del. district events.

June 20 Time Trial  
 Ruritan Hall, Shellelagh Road,  
 Chesapeake, Virginia

Register 6:00am  
 Start 7:00am

June 21 Road Race Surrey, Va.  
 Pepsico Boy Scout Camp (off Rt.10)

Register 7:00am  
 Start 8:00am

## 1981 NCO A Great Success

Despite a shaky start, due to the total failure of the National Park Service to provide support, the NCO came off without a hitch and played to an estimated crowd of 7-8 thousand spectators.

Great weather and the presence of superstar Eric Heiden put the icing on a lot of hard work by NCO Committee Members Rebecca Montgomery, Paul Lenz, Pete Stevens, Larry Black, Wesley Van Ness, Pete Rusk, Gordie Holterman, Ben & Emma Williams, Ken McCormick, Nick Freer, Carole Reffell, Dr. Ron Rae, Harley Sheffield and Pete Swan. Special thanks also go to the 231st Combat Communications Squadron - D.C. National Guard for the public address system; Tom McGraw of Kustom Electronics for the speed gun system; the American Red Cross Ambulance crews who whisked numerous crash victims to the nearest hospitals; and to the host of race supporters who kicked in on race day to provide road guarding and the set up work not provided by the National Park Service.

The National Capital Velo Club is once again indebted to "Mr. NCO" Mel Pinto for his undivided time, international expertise and over \$7500 in prizes and other support to race operations.

On the financial end (see below) we had a poorer showing than 1980, but still had a net profit of \$500. Notable cost increases were evident in the program and poster line items.

the finish line came in sight Mary was boxed in a pack of 11 sprinting for 3rd (one of the women was caught) and with an exciting display of bike handling and hustle, the Pelz sprinted in 4th placing her 7th overall. Jolanta Goran was the victoress. Eighteen minutes later, the men came by with 2 away, a huge pack and numerous little packs with 67 miles to the finish and 15 miles to the first feeding area. After a shower, a meal, some TV and a snack we went to the finish line. There was a big band playing music for everyones taste, a bike show and a lot of excited locals. Word came that the pack was near. Four were away and four were chasing. In the chase group was the Ironman F. C. Kelley. Excitement was in the air. The next word was "They're 5 miles out and all together." People were now really excited, very reminiscent of Guyana for point to point road races were all we saw. So, 4 hours and 5 minutes after the start of the race, three riders came racing across the line. A Canadian (for the 2nd year), a midwesterner, and Capt. Ed Slaughter. Eight seconds later the first bunch with Art Brown, 13th, finished followed in 5 seconds by NCV's first finisher, F.C. Kelley in 28th and Andres "Cochise" Villada in 35th. Then for the next 10 minutes little packs came by followed by stragglers completing the famous Tour de Moore.

Southern Pines Criterium, April 26, 1981. The day after the Tour de Moore and everyone reflected it. Tired legs, tired minds and the late start times didn't excite too many riders. The women's race was one of constant attacks by Carole Vanier and Sue Leggett countered by the pink shirt mob. Julie was up front mixing it up and Mary was off the back dangling (she didn't want to race anyway). At the bell both women were in there and sprinted for 10th (Mary) and 13th (Julie). The Hero of the Senior III-IV race was none other than the P. E. Swan who seemed to be the strongest NCVC rider in the race. Ironman Fred was making me nervous as hell as he stayed to the back spinning for all but two laps of the race, when within a half lap he was in front moving from 40th position. With one lap to go excitement replaced nervousness for it seemed like Fred and Pete would be in the money. As the large pack came

around the final turn it seemed impossible to pick a winner. In the end, Pete ran into some trouble in the turn and Fred was edged at the line for 2nd. In the Senior I-II race we were shut out but some aggressive strong riding was displayed by Matt McGoey and Mike McConnell

Winston Salem, N.C. May 2, 1981.

For the second weekend in a row NCV sent a team south. The money was good, the course was challenging but with the exception of the Senior I-II, little could be said about the races. To be in the top placings you had to hit the last turn just right for little changed by the finish line due to a curve in the final sprint. NCVC riders didn't and ended up with Colin Clark in 5th, Dave Pedersen in 6th, Ed Cottrell in 7th, Mary Pelz in 5th and Julie Paul in 7th in their respective races. In the final event, Aussie Pro and World Sprint Champ Danny Clark went off the front with 5 laps to go and stayed away to win by a large margin. But the heroes of the day were Rob Lea and Jim Montgomery. The pace was hot from the start, constant attacks made a lot of riders drop off the back and the strong wind on the backstretch did not make things easier. At the bell, the Dynamic Duo were at the back of a very large pack and all their fans figured at least a top 20 finish was still in the money. But as they came to the line to everyone's amazement there was the ole stars and stripes right up front. How did this happen? Rob Lea, with no regards for personal placing, spun out towing Jim to the front and thus gave NCV and Jim Montgomery an exciting 4th place finish.

### Reminder to the winners...

Rebecca Montgomery has been our volunteer for keeping records of all the winnings but she needs your help. Call her Monday morning with your standings in the weekend races. If you see her at the races and wish to tell her then, be specific that you are reporting your standings. The number to call is (703) 471-7656.



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May 11, 1981

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Dear Members:

Thanks so much for co-sponsoring the Spring Criterium Bike Races on Sunday, April 26. But more than this I very much appreciated you actually running the races and participating in them. There were actually ninety riders in the races making it one of our more successful biking events.

I have set the date of Sunday, October 18, for the Fall Criterium Races with the National Capital Velo Club once again co-sponsoring this event. If this is not a suitable date, or if there should be other problems, please contact me at 468-4217.

Thank you once again for helping to promote cycling in Montgomery County.

Sincerely,

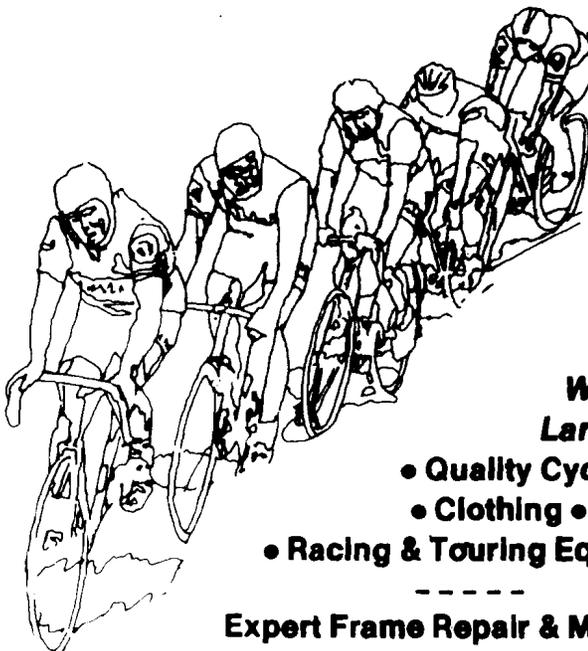
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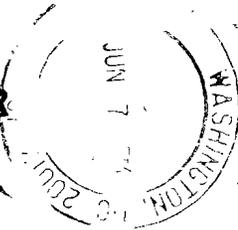
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lent. The field was limited to 70 riders in each category, and several 3-4's were disappointed at being unable to obtain post entries. In the Vet division, the pace of the first lap was generally docile with only a few forays off the front. An excruciating fall occurred on a fast downhill area of the second round, however, requiring the tail-enders to push their 100 inch gears like hummingbirds to regain contact with the pack. Approaching the uphill section, Rob Lea then took off on his own. The pack responded with an accelerated pace and this led to the dropping of a dozen or more riders. But no one from the field chased Rob in earnest, apparently because of disbelief that anyone from Tidewater Maryland could climb hills. This was the pattern that held until the finish. Paul Didier, finding water from the Fountain of Youth in his bottle unleashed a mighty sprint to finish third. Of the two NCVC Masters, Jerry Nugent was further back but still in contact with the main field, while Frank Pedersen was among the stragglers. Frank's consolation was the riders were still finishing when he drove back to Somerville and he had time to compose this report.

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