

Chainwheel Chatter



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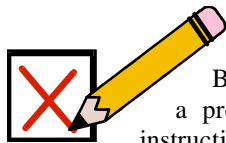
NEXT Meeting!!!

October 27, 2005 – 7:00 p.m.

*Foster Community Center
200 N. Foster St. – Lansing*

ANNUAL MEETING

Join us on October 27th for our Annual Membership Meeting. The program will include an “Open Mic Session,” reports of the past years club happenings, and an introduction of the 2006 TCBA officers. This is YOUR club, and a good time to come forward with constructive comments and ideas as we prepare to enter the Year 2006. Refreshments will be provided and we hope to see many of you there.



Under separate cover via First Class Mail you will receive the official Election Ballot. Also included with that ballot will be a profile of each candidate. Please read the instructions and descriptions carefully before completing the ballot. You can **bring your ballot to the Club Meeting on October 27, or mail it to TCBA “Ballot”, P.O. Box 22146, Lansing, MI 48909**, so that it is **received no later than October 27**. Ballots received after that date will not be counted. **Your vote is important – stand up and be counted! This is your chance to make a difference in the leadership of “your club.”** Please note that according to current Election Rules, **no blank ballots will be available at the October meeting – your vote can only be cast on the ballot that you receive in the mail.**

Christmas/Holiday Party

We’re going to try something different this year. . . On Thursday, December 8, 2005 you’re invited to celebrate the beginning of the Christmas/Holiday season at an exquisite Dinner Party for adult TCBA members at the English Inn in Eaton Rapids. Cocktails (cash bar) and hors d’oeuvres will be served from 6:00 to 7:00, with dinner at 7:00. The cost is \$10 per person.



Entertainment will be provided by the Water Wonderland Chorus (of which Rebecca Baughan is a member).

You can sign up at a club meeting or mail your check payable to TCBA to Sue Viele at 4985 Pares Rd., Dimondale, MI 48821.

Board Meeting

The Board of Directors will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 4, 2005 at the Foster Community Center.

Members are welcome to attend all board meetings to express their concerns. Due to time constraints, if you have a specific item to be brought before the board it is suggested that you contact the President one week prior to the meeting, and ask to have it added to the agenda.

Next meeting: November 1, 2005.

Newsletter/Ride Calendar Deadline

The **deadline for the next newsletter is Saturday, October 8, 2005**. Please send items to Charla Scheidler, 10384 Blackberry Ln., Haslett, MI 48840, email to: chainwheelchatter@biketcba.org or FAX to (517) 339-1758.

Ride calendar information should be sent to Ed Usewick, 590 Boutell Dr., Grand Blanc, and MI 48439 or emailed to rideschedule@biketcba.org. To be included in the newsletter this information must be received no later than the above-mentioned newsletter deadline.

Cycle Forum

Plan to join Alan Huber at **6:00 p.m.** immediately preceding the membership meeting on **Thursday, October 27, 2005**. Bring your experiences and stories to share with the group.

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Executive Board Report

Submitted by: Charla Scheidler

The TCBA Board of Directors met at the Foster Community Center on September 6, 2005. Board members present included Arnie Johnson, Ron Claflin, Charla Scheidler, Darryl Burris, Kori Sperling and Ed Usewick. Also present were club members Lee Adair, Katie Donnelly, Dick Janson, Val Riggs, Bill Savage, Dwayne Scheidler, and Al Simons.

Discussion Items/Announcements

Arnie reported for Sue Viele that plans for the Christmas/Holiday Party have been made. This will be an adult only event and be held at the English Inn in Eaton Rapids.

Arnie also reported that Doug Waldo from Boyne Falls road across the U.S. this year and has volunteered to make a presentation at our November club meeting. Roger Nelson was previous scheduled but has agreed to postpone his presentation on his trip to "Ride the Rockies."

Darryl provided a brief review of tentative plans for the 2006 DALMAC Bridge Crossing. While the crossing will still occur, it will be held on Sunday morning and the logistics of the ride will need to be modified to accommodate that time. A statement has been posted on the DALMAC web site and will also appear in the October Chainwheel Chatter.

Bill Savage was introduced as the new volunteer to Chair the Safety & Education committee. Bill presented his outline of goals for the committee which will be on file with the minutes from the meeting and will also appear in the October Chainwheel Chatter.

Dick Jansen reported that all of the Crosstown Maps have been distributed and that he has requests that he can not fill. He will be contacting some of the other locations to see if they can return a few from their supply so he can fill more orders. A reprint is being planned but not before some corrections and changes are made.

Action items

Minutes of the July meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer, Ron Claflin, presented a financial report through Sept. 6, 2005. The report was approved.

Ron reported that a donation had been made to TCBA by Sue & Jack Davis in memory of Jim Davis. A letter acknowledging the donation will be sent to Jim's wife Maxine, and a Thank You will appear in the next Chainwheel Chatter.

Lee Adair made a request that \$1,000 be donated to the Pentwater and Montague schools and \$500 to the White Cloud school from the SummerTour proceeds. The request was approved.

Discussion took place regarding the Ride Coordinator position. Ed Usewick volunteered to serve as Ride Coordinator, and will accumulate the ride information and compile it in the format that is required for publication in the Chainwheel Chatter. It was decided that when the Chainwheel Chatter is ready for publication it will be forwarded to the webmaster for posting on the web site in the same .pdf format that we have been using. It was agreed that since the monthly recurring ride schedule is already included in the Chainwheel Chatter there is no need for the information to be posted elsewhere on the web site. A link from the Ridelist (daily rides) to the Chainwheel Chatter, or a statement on the Ridelist page directing members to the Chainwheel Chatter for a schedule of recurring rides should be adequate for members to obtain the information. This will eliminate a duplication of efforts, the chance for discrepancies in having the ride schedule in two different places and can be done without TCBA incurring additional costs.

A request for funding from Share-a-Bike was reviewed and it was determined that more information was needed before a decision could be made. Arnie will invite someone from Share-a-Bike to attend the next board meeting to provide the information.

Note: Information contained in this article is not the official record of the meeting. The minutes of this meeting will be submitted for approval at the next Board Meeting. Any corrections and/or amendments will be noted in next month's edition of the Chainwheel Chatter.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Sylvia Ryland
Joyce and John Wise
Catherine Stewart
Ann Stephens
Peg Whalen and Bev Henrichsen
Kristin Bott
Andrew Knight
Robert and Beronica Taylor and Family
Michael Overley
Richard and Diane Bedlek

CHANGE OF ADDRESS



If you move or have your mail forwarded, please notify us as soon as possible. The newsletters are sent bulk mail, and the post office does not forward bulk mail. The post office returns your newsletter to us (we have to pay to get it back), so your membership ends up in limbo until we hear from you. **Please send your change of address to: TCBA, P.O. Box 22146, Lansing, MI 48909, or email membership@biketcba.org.**

COMMITTEE & CLUB NEWS

Bicycle Safety & Education Committee

The Bicycle Safety and Education Committee is being reformed after a two year absence. The current committee members are Bob Barrie, Lenny Provencher, Jeff Short, Gary Riggs, Val Riggs and Bill Savage.

The goals of the committee are as follows:

1. Support the certification of League Cycling Instructors (LCI's). A three-day course is being held in Ann Arbor, September 9-11. Any League member who has taken "Road I" and is an experienced cyclist is eligible. LCI's can teach Road I, Road II, and other league courses.
2. Promote Bicycle Leagues "Road I" classes in the Lansing area.
3. School Programs – Visit classrooms (preferably 3rd Grade), show bicycle safety video, and discuss bicycle safety.
4. Promote walking and bicycle riding to school.
5. Produce weekly articles, during the spring and summer months, for area newspapers (preferably the Lansing State Journal), to promote bicycle riding and safe riding practices.

The committee will meet at 6:30 pm, just prior to every TCBA meeting, at the Foster Community Center. If you wish to help reestablish this committee, or have ideas to further the bicycle safety and education please come to the next meeting, or call Val Riggs (517-882-0903) or Bill Savage (517-339-3933).

2005 DALMAC A Success Thanks To The Volunteers

With the hot and dry weather of this past summer, I was grateful for a cool and dry DALMAC. Headwinds made the ride challenging but the ride came off safely and with extremely few problems. Again we got rave reviews from riders that have done many other tours. Our organized execution makes finding what the riders need simple.

As we wrap up the 2005 DALMAC tour I want to thank all the volunteers who made the 35th annual tour a success. It amazes me how well all the volunteers pull together throughout the year and especially while the ride is going. We truly are a team committed to promoting cycling and providing a challenging and rewarding tour for all the participants.

Required changes will make the 2006 tour challenging to plan and execute. Many have already been working to develop a plan. Many small details remain to be settled. Let's make DALMAC 2006 another great tour.

Darryl Burris
Events Director

DALMAC LOST & FOUND

Keys, helmet, cell phone, camp chair,
one jacket sleeve, one tent fly,
Rx sunglasses, men's riding shoes
and assorted clothes
contact by phone
517-882-3700 ext 2 or
e-mail, dalmac@biketcba.org

DALMAC 2006

DALMAC only crosses the Mackinac Bridge with the approval and support of the Mackinac Bridge Authority and the help of the staff at the bridge. The Bridge Authority has ruled that all Special Events including DALMAC must occur only at low traffic times.

The DALMAC committee has been working for some months on the best way to accommodate the changes required for the 2006 tour. At the present time it appears that the 2006 DALMAC crossing of the Mackinac Bridge will be on Sunday morning and will be completed by 11:00 am. The committee will not have completed route and crossing information until December 2005. Information about the 2006 tour will be posted at www.DALMAC.org as it is available.

We should thank the Bridge Authority and staff for their flexibility in supporting the 2005 crossing to proceed as in the past. We should also be grateful to all the 107 volunteers of The Tri-County Bicycle Association for their efforts in making the 2005 tour a success.

Darryl Burris
Events Director

CLASSIFIED



This section of the Chainwheel Chatter is published as a service for **TCBA members only**, to advertise cycling equipment free of charge. To place an ad, send an email to chainwheelchatter@biketcba.org, FAX to (517) 339-1758, or mail to Charla Scheidler, 10384 Blackberry Ln., Haslett, MI 48840.

FOR SALE: Graber two bike carrier. Will fit most cars. Call Mike Payne @ (517)349-2441. Asking \$25.00.

FOR SALE: BLACKBURN; Trakstand- DEFENDER, Mag Trainer Still in the box, not used- great condition. Price new \$220, Asking \$125.00. Call Kim @ (517) 242-2178

FOR SALE: Contact Mark (517) 719-8321.

1. Kid stoker kit for tandem. Includes child seat, Control Stem extendable stoker stem, padded drop handlebar, sealed bearing axle which attaches to the seat tube, chain, chainring, chainring bolts and extended axle sealed bearing bottom bracket to accommodate extra chainring. Was on a Cannondale tandem. Photo available upon request \$250.
2. Yakima Rack System, classic raingutter towers four (4) and two (2) 66" crossbars. Was on a conversion van. \$50.

GIVE OR TAKE. . . Cleaning out your closets or garage? Please consider recycling items you no longer need...biking gear and/or clothing in good condition will be passed on to new riders who need like items. Please call if you have things to donate, or if you wish to be donated to. Overflow will be donated to a charitable bike tour going to the Ukraine for the purpose of donating bikes, etc. Thank you very much to those who have already donated. Call Sheri. (517) 323-7487.

OLD BIKES/TOOLS HANGING AROUND? The MSU Bike Project (grateful recipient of \$ from the DALMAC fund in '04) is looking for old bikes in working or restorable condition. Ideal bikes are 1 ~ 5 spd. with fenders/ chain guards, baskets, etc. but newer are great! Tools & parts for all types of bikes much needed. Full details on donating: www.msu.edu/~bikes/donations.html.

MEMBER SPECIALS



Mike's Firehouse Grill would like to invite the Tri-County Bicycle Association members to come join us for lunch or dinner! We are extending a 10% discount to all TCBA members.

Located at 447 S. Jefferson St., Mason, in the former building of the City of Mason Firehouse.

For directions, menus, and the history of our unique and exciting atmosphere visit our website www.mikesfirehousegrill.com.

We hope that you will take advantage of this offer and we look forward to seeing you at Mike's Firehouse Grill!

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Cycling wear: jerseys, cycling shorts, tights, and cycling shells. Reasonable prices. Custom fit. Gift certificates.

For more information call Sue at (517) 627-1411.

TCBA Club Jerseys

Show your colors! We have a supply of short sleeve Louis Garneau jerseys with "loose fit" sizing (meaning that you should generally order one size smaller than your regular bike clothing). We also have some "snugger fitting" sizes available if you want a more tailored look. They are the traditional yellow and red brick pattern and are priced at \$45 each. To view the design, visit the TCBA web site www.biketcba.org. At this time sizes are limited (XL in "loose fit" and XS, S, M in "pro fit"). To order by mail send your check with your size to: TCBA Jersey, P.O. Box 1628, East Lansing, MI 48826. Please include an additional \$5 if you would like your jersey mailed to you and also indicate "loose fit" or "snug fit." Jerseys will also be available for purchase at TCBA club meetings.

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To order contact: D-K Engraving, Inc., Leslie Lee – (517) 243-2227. Or visit the web site, www.biketcba.org for an order form. Allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

October Ride Calendar

Recurring Rides

Day/Date	Time	Miles	Class	Start Location	Other Info	Ride Leader
Sundays	10:00 AM	40 - 45	Z	Holt Junior High School	Ride will go to Country Mill. No ride if road wet or below 50 degrees at 10 AM. For more information on the mill see countrymill.com .	Pete Derkos 517-694-3024
Saturdays	8:30 AM	40 - 60	Z	Sawdon School		Dale Stairs 517-627-4211

Other Rides

Day/Date	Time	Miles	Class	Start Location	Other Info	Ride Leader
Wednesday, Oct. 5	5:45 PM	21	B	MSU Pavilion		Katie Donnelly 517-349-5564
Wednesday, Oct. 12	5:45 PM	18	B	MSU Pavilion		Katie Donnelly 517-349-5564

FOR MORE RIDES CALL:

517-882-3700 - or visit the Web Site: www.biketcba.org

Also check this number for updates-changes on rides listed in this Chainwheel Chatter.

To receive the Ride Line Transcript by email send your email address to: donnell13@msu.edu

HELMETS ARE REQUIRED ON ALL TCBA RIDES!!!

Ride Starting Point Descriptions

Holt Junior High (Former Holt High School)
 Aurelius Rd, 1/2 mi south of Holt Rd, Holt
 MSU PavilionForest Rd., East Lansing
 Sawdon School Lamson Rd., Grand Ledge

RIDE CLASSIFICATIONS

A+19+ MPH
 A17-19 MPH
 B14-17 MPH
 C12-14 MPH
 D Under 12 MPH Fun and Social Group Ride
 F Family Fun & First-Timers Ride
 M Mountain BikeN/A
 ZRides over 40 miles in length to be ridden at the rider's own pace without on the road ride leader supervision. Leader must have detailed map of the ride for all riders.

SUNRISES & SUNSETS FOR OCTOBER, 2005

Date	Rise	Set	Date	Rise	Set
1	7:36	7:19	17	7:54	6:52
2	7:37	7:17	18	7:55	6:51
3	7:38	7:16	19	7:56	6:49
4	7:39	7:14	20	7:58	6:48
5	7:40	7:12	21	7:59	6:46
6	7:41	7:11	22	8:00	6:45
7	7:42	7:09	23	8:01	6:43
8	7:44	7:07	24	8:03	6:42
9	7:45	7:05	25	8:04	6:40
10	7:46	7:04	26	8:05	6:39
11	7:47	7:02	27	8:06	6:37
12	7:48	7:00	28	8:07	6:36
13	7:49	6:59	29	8:09	6:35
14	7:51	6:57	30*	7:10	5:33
15	7:52	6:56	31	7:11	5:32
16	7:53	6:54			

*Daylight saving time ends at 2 a.m.

EASYSPOKEN

History Repeats Itself

It's been several months since my last column. I have believed I should only have a column when I have something to say. Now I believe there are enough new members that I can draw from past articles and still be helpful.

DALMAC is over. Some of you rode up the Wall, others were pedestrians. I've done it both ways.

Officially, the "Wall" is a two-mile stretch going north out of East Jordan. Some may want to only include the last quarter mile, but I don't, and here is why. Using an Inclinometer, I measured the percent of grade along the way.

In town, you start a gentle 2% climb. Less than a half mile later, you have ridden an S-curve and the climb is twice as steep. In the next third of a mile, it looks like there is a slight downhill. If you stop pedaling, you can't coast; you are still on a 1% upgrade, then get back up to 4%.

Finally, there is visible relief ahead - a good half mile of downhill is in sight. Gotsha again. It is still 4% going up. No coasting allowed.

You see the "Steep Hill" sign ahead with the road going down (not). It is just not as steep at 3.5%.

Now, you're trying to get over your shock at seeing the start of the last quarter mile, and have made it half way to where it climbs to the clouds. Although it looks relatively level, you are already climbing an 8% grade.

Just before you notice a need for a large increase in effort, the road is already 10%. The steepest grade in the Tri-County area is a block-long 10% hill in Mason. You haven't started the tougher part yet, and the worst is still out of sight around the curve.

The measurements, in 100-foot (5 car length) increments are: 13%, 15%, 16%, starting curve, 17%, 18%, 17%, 15%, 10%, 0%.

During this stretch, I stopped riding at each point before the last quarter mile to take a reading, and pushed Sarah up the remainder.

Here is a reprint from my July 1988 column:

Many runners set goals for themselves. Very few (and none of them sane) expect to cover ten feet with each step or maintain a pace of 160 steps a minute. For a runner, this is only expected from a cartoon character. Yet, put them on a bicycle and they can do it sitting down!

Ride a 1-mile race with yourself where only one factor is different: You put two 5-inch pencil-horns on your helmet. The devil in you would finish more than 10 feet behind. Without getting windy about it, imagine what a drag it is to be sitting up or wearing a baggy jacket!

The nose of the saddle is a handy place to store a cover in case of rain. It will keep the cover dry.

One effective trick to control vibration on fast downhills is to hold a thigh against the top tube. This damps the vibration, effectively diminishing the tendency of the frame to resonate out of control.

Half of all the parts of a typical bicycle are in the chain.

The most efficient animal on earth in terms of weight transported over distance for energy expended is a human on a bicycle. The most efficient machine on earth in terms of weight transported over distance for energy expended is a human on a bicycle.

The tension-spoked "wire" wheel, usually called a bicycle wheel, was actually invented for aircraft, around 1850, on the premise that making them lighter would help them to eventually fly. And then, those bike guys, the Wrights, used a sled!

On another note --- over the years you have read stories of my bicycle trips here in the Chainwheel Chatter. I now have seven of them on my website, and have added a lot of pictures. You can find them at:

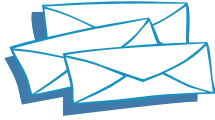
<http://www.reallite.com/AdvHome.htm>

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FROM THE TCBA MAIL BAG

Join the Vintage Bikers in the MSU Sesquicentennial Parade!

On October 8th, the MSU Bike Project/Cycling Club has an official entry into the Sesquicentennial Parade, which is to celebrate the 150 year history of MSU & has a theme of The Spirit of MSU: "A Parade of Memories."



We're inviting any MSU related cyclists (or MSU friends & community supporters) to join us on their oldest bike. Hopefully we'll have a great selection of vintage bicycles spanning the 150 years of the University. If you would like to participate please email me at: bikes@msu.edu.

The parade begins at 12:00 noon at the Frandor Shopping Center in East Lansing, and will travel east on Michigan Avenue to Grand River Avenue and the city of East Lansing before entering campus at the Collingwood entrance.

If you have any questions visit the web page www.s150.msu.edu/ or email me at bikes@msu.edu.

Tim Potter

MSU Cycling Club over 100 years old!

Students and faculty formed the M.A.C. Cycling Club in 1894. This rich history of the Cycling Club makes it one of the oldest student clubs at MSU if not the oldest. To read more visit: <http://www.bikes.msu.edu/history/index.html> where the MSU Bike Project has assembled a page of cycling history at MSU on their web site.

MSU's Sesquicentennial Exhibit - Bikes Rule!

The MSU Museum has a spectacular Sesquicentennial exhibit to commemorate the 150 years of MSU which features three bikes covering the late 1880's, early 1900's and current cycling. The exhibit will be open at the Main and Heritage Galleries through December 30, 2005. For more information, including photos visit the following site: <http://www.bikes.msu.edu/history/index.html>.

Blood Donors Needed

John Stroup over at IRMC's Oncology Team would like to ask TCBA members to donate blood. For additional information visit - www.givelife.org or call **1-800-GIVE-LIFE** (1-800-448-3543).

Hoffer and DALMAC Pave Shoulders

In June of 1997 at long-time TCBA member Hermon Hoffer's funeral Bob Gibbs, Tom Hardenbergh, Dick Allen and others discussed a fitting memorial to this extraordinary cyclist who was still riding 20 to 40 miles a day, even in the winter, at age 92. An annual ride, the Hermon Hoffer Harvest Adventure! (HHHA!) was begun as a fund raiser and the DALMAC Fund pledged a matching grant of \$5,000. As money slowly accumulated various projects were discussed. The first thought was a bronze sculpture of Hermon on a bicycle as a work of art and inspiration for all older cyclists. As time passed more practical projects were debated such as an interpretive rest stop on the Fred Meier Heartland Trail.

Early this summer an opportunity arose that struck the committee as a better idea. There has never (as DALMAC riders can attest) been a good cycle route between Ithaca and Alma, two communities in Hermon's home area. The two main paved roads, Luce and Alger, were both busy and lacked adequate shoulders. The Gratiot County Road Commission was planning its biggest project in recent history, the repaving of 15 miles of Ely Highway (including three miles of Luce) from Alma to Middleton. Local cyclists discussed including shoulders with Road Commission representatives but the additional cost was not in the county budget. After discussion a modified plan emerged. The county would pay for two miles and the Hoffer/DALMAC Funds for one and Luce could have shoulders from Alma to Tyler Rd which, with its lower traffic, is quite bikeable east for four miles to State Rd which has good shoulders to Ithaca. Current plans are to name this "Hermon's Way" with appropriate signage.

Dick Allen

DALMAC Photos



DALMAC Photos taken by Kirt D Livernois are available for viewing at:

<http://www.dotphoto.com/go.asp?l=kdlservices>.

Until the first week of November.

We Give Thanks

The Tri-County Bicycle Association acknowledges and thanks Sue and Jack Davis for the generous contribution they have made to the club in memory of Jim Davis. For those that do not know Jim he was an outstanding lawyer, neighbor and friend, in addition to a very enthusiastic cyclist. He will be deeply missed by the community.

FROM THE TCBA MAIL BAG

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CPSC, World Wide Cycle Supply Inc. Announce Recall of Bicycles Sold at Toys "R" Us

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Harley-Davidson 16-inch BMX Bicycles

Units: About 25,000

Distributor: World Wide Cycle Supply Inc., of Islandia, N.Y.

Hazard: The fork that holds the front wheel can separate at the weld, causing the rider to fall and suffer injuries.

Incidents/Injuries: World Wide Cycle Supply Inc. has received 15 reports of fork welds breaking on these bicycles. There have been reports of six riders suffering injuries including injuries to the face, hands and mouth such as bruises, lacerations and lost teeth.

Description: The bicycle has a yellow and red painted flame pattern with a yellow fork and a sticker containing the words "Harley-Davidson" on the fork leg. Only bicycles with the following serial numbers are being recalled:

02F0026155 through 02F0032454
03A0007772 through 03A0013271
03A0018849 through 03A0027348
03B0004011 through 03B0007460
03C0019597 through 03C0023496
03D0006431 through 03D0008030
03E0022835 through 03E0023134
03F0027500 through 03F0031059
03F0037194 through 03F0040493
03F0026276 through 03F0033275
03F0040194 through 03F0045493



The serial number can be found on the bottom bracket shell, which is located underneath the pedals and can be viewed by turning the bicycle upside down.

Sold at: Toys "R" Us

stores nationwide from July 2002 through June 2005 for about \$80.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Consumers should stop riding the bicycle immediately and return it to a Toys "R" Us store for store credit in the amount of the purchase price.

Consumer Contact: Call World Wide Cycle Supply at (800) 944-9951 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the Toys R Us Web site at www.toysrus.com. These bicycles were sold through a licensing arrangement with Harley-Davidson and were not manufactured by Harley-Davidson. Consumers should not contact Harley-Davidson.

To view this recall online, please visit our website at: <https://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml05/05256.html>.

CPSC, Target Announce Recall of Back Trails Jr. Bicycle Helmets

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Back Trails Jr. Toddler, Youth and Child Bicycle Helmets

Units: About 494,000

Importer/Retailer: Target, of Minneapolis, MN

Manufacturer: UNA International Limited, of China

Distributor: Dynacraft BSC Inc., of San Rafael, CA

Hazard: Some of these helmets do not meet CPSC safety standards for bicycle helmets, which poses a risk of riders suffering head injuries.

Incidents/Injuries: None reported.

Description: The recall includes Target's "Back Trails Jr." brand toddler, youth and child bicycle helmets sold in various colors. They were manufactured after January 1, 2004. Helmet model numbers: 89888 or 88003 (toddler), 89951 or 88001 (girl's 8-vent youth), 89952 or 88002 (boy's 8-vent youth), or 89917 (14-vent child's) appear on a white label inside the helmets, along with date of manufacture (YYYY/MM/DD) and the words "Made in China." Target product identification numbers: 082-01-0520 (toddler), 082-01-0149 (girl's 8-vent youth), 082-01-0189 (boy's 8 vent youth), and 082-01-0334 (14-vent child's) and the brand name "back trails jr.," appear on the product packaging.

Sold at: Target stores nationwide from April 2004 through July 2005 for about \$13.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Consumers should take the helmets away from children and return them to the nearest Target Store for a gift card in the amount of a full refund.

Consumer Contact: For more information, consumers can contact Target at (800) 440-0680 between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or log on to the firm's Web site at www.target.com

To see this recall on CPSC's web site, including a picture of the recalled product, please go to: <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml05/05252.html>

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CPSC, Torelli Imports Announce Recall of Bicycle Tires

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission announces the following recall in voluntary cooperation with the firm below. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Bicycle Tires

Units: About 1,100

Manufacturer: Torelli Imports, of Camarillo, Calif.

Hazard: The tire can separate from the wheel, resulting in a flat tire. This can cause the rider to lose control and fall.

Incidents/Injuries: No incidents or injuries have been reported.



Description: This recall involves Torelli Verona and Lugano Open Tubular bicycle tires with folding Kevlar beads, used to hold the tire to the rim. A red and white label on the sidewall of the Verona model has "Torelli Verona 700 X 23 100-130 psi Handmade Open Tubular" printed on it. A green and white label on the lower edge of the Lugano model has "Torelli Lugano 700 X 23 100-130 psi Handmade Open Tubular" printed on it. The tires are packaged in red and white boxes with the Torelli logo on the front.

Sold at: Bicycle specialty stores nationwide from February 2005 through July 2005 for between \$30 to \$60.

Manufactured in: Thailand

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the tires immediately and contact their local bicycle retailer or Torelli Imports to receive a free replacement tire.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Torelli Imports at (800) 523-6604 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. PT Monday through Friday or visit the firm's Web site at www.torelli.com

To view this recall online, please visit our website at: <https://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml05/05243.html>

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