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## Desert Bicycle Club Newsletter

### Tourist Season Is Here

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### Big Group Rides

#### Guest riders are here

It's season and we have lots of guest riders with us, especially on Saturdays. Please introduce yourselves to them. I for one enjoy the company of guests and their input on our group. The groups are getting bigger, so let's be sure to point out the road debris sooner so we can all avoid it. This is a problem especially toward the back of the group. Also, I've seen several times lately where the group made an "automatic" turn and some guest riders narrowly missed the turns. Remember, not everyone knows the route. Let's signal the turns so everyone is aware. With big groups comes an increase in our intersection problems. If you are in front going through a light, pay attention to see if the back of the group made the green light. If not, slow down a little, so the back group can close the gap. If you are in the back, don't try to beat the red light. Please signal before stopping. Even if the back group doesn't close the gap right away it will still be big enough to enjoy the ride. Besides, you might catch the front group at another light up the road. Just remember that showing a little courtesy can go a long way in a large group of riders and keep us all safe.

Enjoy the ride,  
*Doug Winters*

### Membership Renewal

#### Annual Club Party

Membership renewal packets have been mailed. If you have not yet received yours, please email ( [cycleclub@yahoo.com](mailto:cycleclub@yahoo.com) ) or call the club (861-7472) so we can get you one right away. Please return the signed waiver with your dues as soon as possible. Ideally we would like to have all dues paid by January 1<sup>st</sup>.

The annual club dinner/dance party information is also

included in the packet. Judy Tiano is doing a great job heading the party committee. This is always an enjoyable evening. Let us know if you will be attending, so we can get an accurate count for dinner.

## "C" Ride

### More Riders Needed

The "C" ride has had a poor turnout. Only a couple of riders are coming regularly. We need to increase the number of riders, so if some riders can't make it, there will still be enough for a good group ride anyway. If you know anyone interested in the "C" ride, please let them know it is going on every Saturday.

## New Members

### November's New Members:

Joan Sugino  
Jacqueline Poppers  
Jeffrey Foote  
Jerry Harrington  
Ian Whalley  
Neil Peterson

## Member Would Like Your Help

### Deidre York's school project

Hello Everyone!

I hope you are all doing well and riding as much as you can! I am in need of help, and I figured I could turn to my fellow bikers to get it. Since I am in the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program at La Quinta High School, I must do an Internal Assessment project that is required for IB. Yes, it is as stressful as it sounds. For my Assessment in my IB Math Studies class, I have chosen to find if there is a correlation between a cyclist's weight and his or her tire pressure. As most rider's seem to use this method, I'm investigating if there is a relationship between the data.

What I am in need of, is getting the data. If you, the club members, could e-mail me with the following information it would help me so much. I need your weight and your tire pressure (mountain or road tire pressure). Your name, telephone number, address, etc. is not needed for the project; just your weight and tire pressure.

You can e-mail me at [XcMTBracer515@aol.com](mailto:XcMTBracer515@aol.com). Please e-mail me as soon as possible.

Thank you so very much, your help is appreciated. I am looking forward to being back on the bike soon, and seeing

you all.  
Deidre York

## Memorial Ride

### Honoring Bob Gaddini

Dec 15th will be our annual Bob Gaddini memorial ride. We will leave the park at 7:30 with a police escort to the memorial site on Hwy 111 in Rancho Mirage. We will have a short service there and then continue with our regular ride.

Wear your club jerseys as there will be pictures taken this day for a media presentation at the club party.

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