

# Saddle Post

# Intelligence

The Voice of the Skagit Bicycle Club Skagit County Washington

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## SKAGIT BICYCLE CLUB ANNUAL DINNER MEETING OCTOBER 17, 2012

The annual Skagit Bicycle Club (SBC) dinner meeting was attended with good participation from club members. After a Mexican dinner, which was coordinated by Bill Thayer, Bill announced the names of the 18 people who won Ride Leader Awards this year. A Ride Leader Jersey will be ordered for each of them. He also gave a shout out to Dan Sandstrom, Steve Jahn, and Janice Lisherness for their dedication and perseverance to leading year round Monday and Thursday rides. Our President Jim Finch, also expressed appreciation with a gift to exceptional volunteers and board members this year. After the 2013 nominated board was introduced, a motion was made by Jane Monroe, and seconded by Jean Sattler-Will to accept the board as nominated. All approved the following 2013 nominated board members:

President (2013): Gordon Odegaard  
Vice President (2013): Dan Sandstrom  
Secretary (2013): Marci Maulden  
Board Member (3 year term- thru the end of 2015): Colby Plagge  
Board Member (3 year term- thru the end of 2015): Shaun Bridge  
Board Member (2 year term- thru the end of 2014): Mike Tallering (replacing Dan Sandstrom)

Other board members who served in 2012 and will remain on the board for 2013 to serve out their terms are as follows:

Treasurer (2 year term- thru the end of 2013): Marshall Will  
Board Member (3 year term- thru the end of 2013): Chris Hanson  
Board Member (3 year term- thru the end of 2013): Dian Jahn  
Board Member (3 year term- thru the end of 2014): Justin Dahl

The remaining positions are very important and will be filled by the following volunteers:

Newsletter Editor: Rose Ploeg  
Spring Classic Coordinator: Marshall Will and Jill Langley  
Bridge Sweep Coordinator: Steve Jahn

The Ride Coordinator position is not filled and a volunteer is urgently needed.

Members also voted on organizations to which SBC donations will be made. Jim Finch will tally the ballots to determine which of the following organizations will receive our donations: Bakerview BMX; Bicycle Alliance of Washington; Special Olympics- Skagit County Branch; Skagit County Medic One Bicycle Helmet Program; Skagit County Active Community Taskforce. The SBC Board will determine the amount to be distributed among these worthy organizations.

Mike McQuaide, author and avid biker, was our guest speaker for the evening. His presentation followed several rides from his book, "75 Classic Rides- Washington."

Our next board meeting will be on Tuesday, November 6, 2012 at Washington Federal Savings Bank in Burlington.

Respectfully submitted by Marci Maulden



# Out of The Saddle



By Jim Finch

## ACTIVE COMMUNITY TASK FORCE (ACT) Skagit Council of Governments (SKOG) Monthly meeting of: Sept 11, 2012

SBC members in attendance: Liz McNett-Crowl; John Pope; Steve Jahn; Cindy McGuiness  
Note: Skagit Bicycle Club(SBC) supports ACT activities to improve bicycling in Skagit County. This SBC Newsletter brief is to keep SBC members informed of such activities. You may direct inquiries to: Steve Jahn- stevedianjahn@gmail.com

### SUMMARY-Meeting Minutes

Anacortes Bikes and Walks Bicycle Friendly Plan & Update – John Pope: The Anacortes BFC plan was approved and adopted into the city’s comprehensive transportation plan. The League of American Bicyclists recognized Anacortes with an “Honorable mention” in ranking among new Bike Friendly programs.

Bike Mount Vernon – Liz : City of MV Mayor Jill Boudreau has given permission for the city to apply to become a Bicycle Friendly Community through their advisory committee, Bike Mount Vernon.

Burlington NM Planning Committee : Liz  
City of Burlington Planning Director Margaret Fleek has adopted and moved the non-motorized plan into the city council . A local cyclist representative is being sought for this council. BURLINGTON RESIDENTS- PLEASE CONTACT MARGARET FLEEK OR LIX McNETT-CROWL

### Non-Motorized Plan Update – Gabe

The Skagit Non-Motorized Plan has its own website and blog at [www.skagitnonmotorized.org](http://www.skagitnonmotorized.org). The public can make comments after reviewing the plan. Flyers describing this web site were distributed at the SBC meeting.  
Update: Safe Routes to School Grants – Liz McNett-Crowl -Exciting news: Five Skagit County schools received visitations recently by WSDOT staff for project grant money. Concrete, MV, Sedro- Woolley, La Conner, and Anacortes. Award announcements are expected by June 2013.

Chip Seal Next Steps – Steve Jahn/John Pope- ACT expressed commitment to improving Skagit County road surface conditions. ACT will create an ‘A to F’ grade system and review, by next ACT meeting, the roads that were chip sealed this summer. This will be an initial step in ACT actions to develop a goal and plan to accomplish improvement.



Boy, is this a happy group or what! This photo was taken at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting and provided by Mike McQuaide. Mike McQuaide was our speaker and the author of 75 classic Rides Washington. Mike was engaging and kept us entertained the entire time. His quest for scenic vistas as seen in his presentation meant a lot of climbing on gravel roads, a lot of work, but worth the views. Mike also brought copies of his book 75 Classic Rides - Washington, and sold them all and at \$22.00 that was a great deal. Thanks Mike for a fun evening. We also had slide shows from club members Steve Jahn, Jennifer McCoy and Jane Monroe of their recent bike trips. I would like to thank everyone who attended the Annual Meeting. It is a really good time to see your fellow cyclists and see who is working hard for the club. We are still in need of a Ride Coordinator, if you are interested shoot me an e-mail. jimf@wabulb.com

The votes have been counted and the members have been heard. The results are as follow:

1. Special Olympics – Skagit County Branch
2. Skagit County Active Task Force (ACT)  
The Skagit Land Trust purchase 35 acres which will secure the future of Centennial Trail section North of Big Rock and West of Hwy 9
3. Skagit County Medic One Helmet Program
4. Bicycle Alliance of Washington
5. Bakerview BMX

Thank you to all who voted and we will work on donations at the next meeting. The cool thing is we only have to wait until December 2nd before we get together again for our Christmas party at Skagit Valley Gardens. Put the date on your calendar and hope to see you there.

*Ride Safe.....Jim Finch*

### In Memorium

Bill Snow, 83, a former SBC member and La-Conner resident passed away October 12 after many health battles. He was the founder of Bike and Barge Holland Tours. He is survived by his wife Iris, 4 children and spouses and an extended family in the Netherlands.

## “Duarte -- Serialized Cycling Fiction, Part Fourteen

By Ken Rasmussen

“Let me show you the course,” said Duarte.

“OK,” said Emily.

“This is the map,” said Duarte, spreading it out. “Here is where we are. We climb almost imperceptibly for 50 miles as we follow the river. The group will be large and fast. There is a park here, with a rest stop. Angela, from my gallery, will hand us water and food so we won’t need to stop. At that point we cross the river and climb a few hundred feet. After that the road rolls up and down until we come to a stream. We’ll follow the stream back until it joins the river. We’ll follow the road on the opposite side of the river until we come to a bridge and cross back to the start/finish area. The most difficult part will be the climb after we leave the rest stop at the park. There’s always someone who can climb faster. We’ll try to limit the time lost on the climb, and go fast on the descent, using the advantage of the aero helmets to try to rejoin the leaders.”

“I didn’t realize this was a race,” said Emily.

“It isn’t, but some of the riders are quite competitive. It is a lot of fun because it isn’t cutthroat like real racing, but the speed is high. It’s a great opportunity to post a good time.”

“It sounds alright to me. The climb can’t be as bad as Gavia pass in the Dolomites.”

“I haven’t been on the Gavia, but I’m sure this isn’t in the same league as that,” said Duarte. “Let’s get over to the starting area. We can start anytime. Lots of people are on the course already, but there will be a mass start at 8:00 that will include most of the fast riders. We want to be near the front of that.”

Duarte put his helmet on and pushed the tandem into place among the other riders who were queuing up.

“There go Dimitri and Gigi. They’re starting,” said Emily.

It was getting warmer. She decided that she could do without her jacket, and took it off. She had to rearrange the food in her pockets to make room for it.

“Have you begun to paint Gigi yet?” Duarte asked.

“Yes I have.”

“Do you need any help with the lighting? I have plenty of equipment if you need any.”

“I think not. You just want to see Gigi with her clothes off. I understand why you’re interested, though. I fantasize about running my hands over her body. She brings out my lesbian tendencies.”

“Oh no!” said Duarte. “I was just trying to tease you, don’t dump me for Gigi.”

“Can’t you tell when you’re being teased, Duarte? I’ve wanted to get you alone all week, and haven’t had a moment. Will you take me to dinner tonight?”

“I’d love to. I was planning to ask. Uh, oh, they’re about to start us,” Duarte said.

A few seconds later the pistol went off. Emily and Duarte shoved off, and the ride was under way.

As the riders came up to speed there was a sound unlike any Emily had ever heard. It was like being inside of a machine. There was the hiss of hundreds of tires, the rattling of chains, and the hoarse breathing of riders. She was glad Duarte was steering. The pace was constantly surging and slowing, and it must have required all Duarte’s concentration to maintain the gap in front of his wheel. The pace was fast, but it wasn’t hard to maintain due to the draft from the riders ahead. Every few seconds fresh riders took their place at the front, eager to demonstrate their strength, and as soon as they slowed slightly others replaced them. Eventually Duarte and Emily reached the front and took their turn as they started up a rise.

“Look!” said Emily, “there are Gigi and Dimitri. Allez, Gigi,

Allez!”

“Emily!” said Gigi, “Knock ‘em on the head!”

“What?” asked Duarte.

“She’s learning slang,” said Emily. “She hasn’t got it right yet.”

Gigi appeared to be pedaling easily. Dimitri was a few lengths ahead, pedaling slowly in a much larger gear.

“Dimitri!” Emily yelled as they swept by at the head of the pack.

“Wha. . .” Emily heard him say. She laughed to herself. It was perfect. It served Dimitri right for calling Duarte old.

“Dimitri needs to shift down,” said Duarte.

“He’s a smart man,” said Emily. “He’ll figure it out soon.”

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Dimitri was enjoying himself. He could afford most things he could think of, but he couldn’t remember owning anything more thrilling than his new bicycle. It was amazing to think that this machine could bear ten times its weight, and was so efficient that rides of one hundred miles and more were feasible. He felt like a kid again. This was fun! There were hundreds of brightly dressed riders on glittering bikes here. Everyone seemed so expert. He felt like a rookie in his new clothing, with his new bicycle. He didn’t mind. It was exciting to have a fresh challenge in front of him, with everything to learn. It made the world seem new again.

As he started up a small rise he heard a whooshing sound from behind. He started to turn. He heard his name. Emily and Duarte sped past with one hundred cyclists in tow. How could they go so fast? He knew Emily was fit, but he had thought Duarte was too old for fast riding. Apparently not.

Everyone seemed to be pedaling faster than he was. He had supposed that the bike would go faster in a higher gear, but maybe that wasn’t true. He tried shifting down. It felt better, and his speed hadn’t dropped. He decided to experiment with different gears to see which seemed more efficient.

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Emily was getting tired. She put a power bar into her mouth and tried to chew. Her mouth was dry so it took a long time. There was still half of a bottle of water mixed with electrolyte. She drank it. She was looking forward to getting two more bottles soon. She checked her cycle computer. Forty-seven miles had passed beneath their wheels. The average speed was 25.1 mph. Goodness! No wonder she was tired. The pack was down to about 20 riders. Most would stop at the rest stop, and the hills would begin soon. She was fatigued, and the tough part was still ahead. Ugh.

She sat up and rode no hands for awhile. She did a few stretches, and then relaxed back onto the bars.

“How are you doing?” asked Duarte.

“I’m a little tired,” said Emily.

“We all are,” said Duarte. “We’ve been going well though. We’ll have 50 miles in a little less than two hours. That’s rare. It would take a lot of training to manage this speed by ourselves. That’s what’s great about century rides. We have an opportunity to go faster than we ever could otherwise. It’s fun to see all the riders and unusual bicycles too.”

“It is fun,” said Emily, “but I’m feeling daunted at the thought of what lies ahead.”

“Just focus on the next 25 miles,” said Duarte. “Let that be the ride. Just twenty-five miles. You can do that.”

# Rides & More

Every Monday, March Point Park & Ride; 10 AM, Moderate Pace. Riders who show up to determine route and distance. Bad weather cancels. Question-Contact Steve Jahn 425.830.4981

The Joy Rides are social rides on Thursdays - this month out of the Farmhouse on Hwy 20 starting at 11:00 am.

We mostly like to stay together or regroup as much as possible. We often stop for coffee or lunch. A cell phone is recommended. Rain cancels. Thanks, Janice



## EXPLORING BELLINGHAM'S BACKYARD: URBAN MOUNTAIN BIKING

We plan to lead an urban mountain bike ride on the Greenways trails in Bellingham on Saturday, November 10th, beginning at Fairhaven Park at 10:00. The ride will not be particularly technical or fast, and will include parks, trails and streets. This is a great opportunity to see the backyards and lesser known parts of Bellingham.

There will be a shorter distance group led by Kathea and a longer distance group led by Ken. The groups will stay together. Moderately fast riders should do the longer course, slightly slower riders should choose the shorter option. Groups of extremely fast or slow riders can have the option of creating even longer or shorter courses. We have Greenways Maps available. We will all regroup for lunch. Poor weather will cause us to reschedule the ride. Please phone us between 8 and 9 am on Saturday if the weather is questionable.

Kathea and Ken Rasmussen  
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## Apple Valley Kiwanis Wine Country Trek 2013!! Don't miss the Bike Ride of the year!!

On this fully-supported ride you will tour the sunny Yakima Valley and visit delicious Wineries and many Fresh-Fruit stands along the way. This is by far the best-supported ride ever with 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, a great dinner and more break stops in between! Best of all is the wonderful people that you will meet along the way. Most of the participants are "repeat" riders as they have such a great time! This year the dates will be September 28th and 29th. Register for this ride at <http://www.active.com/cycling/moxee-wa/apple-valley-kiwanis-wine-country-trek-2013>

Read some of their personal reviews and experience this for yourself.

You'll be glad you did!!

"The food was plentiful and tasty; the route was very scenic; the c.b. radio club members and motorcyclists kept very close tabs on us; the wineries and farms that we stopped at were very welcoming – In short the Apple Valley Kiwanis Wine Country Trek 2012 was superb!"

"This ride was the finest one so far. Your people were magnificent and very helpful and supportive. My wife and I are really grateful for all you have done for us and our fellow riders. We appreciate that this ride is totally planned and supported by volunteers and you are all fantastic! What a wonderful thing you all do to help the community while, providing us with a very memorable ride. We will definitely be back next year."

"This bike ride is the best organized and supported ride we have ever been on, and we have been on several. The New route is FABULOUS, so scenic. The support team was right on target with everything. The food was great and most of all the whole atmosphere of the event was one of support and much joy expressed by all. Thank you again. I will let several of my bike rider friends know about this event next year."

# FreeWheeling

Jim Finch's October 20th Ride  
By Ken Rasmussen

Jim had scheduled himself to be in two places at once, so he was unable to attend his ride. Everyone else seemed to have scheduled him or herself to be somewhere else also. I had scheduled myself to be at the Oregon Framebuilder's Handmade Bicycle Show in Portland, but hadn't been well enough to drive down the evening before. Twelve hours of sleep made a big difference though, so I decided to do Jim's ride, except of course, that it wasn't Jim's ride anymore because Jim wasn't there. I was. So since it was my ride, and no one else was there, I guess I have a perfect right to say anything I want about it.

I got a little grumpy with myself for being several minutes late. I had to stand impatiently while I waited for myself to get my shoes on, decide which gloves to wear, fill my pockets with ballast and so on. Finally I was ready, and shoved off. I was uncertain where the ride was supposed to go, so I went left. Then I went left some more. By this time I was on Penn road. When I went left again onto Kamb road I realized that I must be on my way to Rexville. The sky was an interesting mix of sun and clouds, but it looked reliable for the next couple of hours. I was able to shed my jacket after four miles of warming up. The pavement was wet, and my bike was getting filthy, but that's how it is at this time of year. The rides are colder, shorter, slower and dirtier, but still worth doing.

There's very little to tell about this ride, really. It crossed Fir Island, taking all the right turn options until it reached Conway. Then it went to Stanwood, where I realized that the museum is open on Sunday, not Saturday. This is the 3rd time that I've realized that. I have never been in the museum although I've often gone there. I cycled back toward Mount Vernon. There was a big black cloud above Mount Vernon. As I reached the outskirts a tornado reached down from the cloud and picked me and my bicycle up and whirled us around and around.

We never used to get tornadoes in Skagit County, but we've had all sorts of crazy weather since climate change began to be noticeable. It doesn't bother Republicans though, so I decided to become one. I was fine with that until I realized that I was going to have to vote for Mitt Romney. Then I changed my mind and decided to vote for Jill Stein. The Green Party is the only one that is apt to tackle climate change anyway.

There was a lot of junk whirling around in the volcano, including a Midwestern farmhouse that looked like it must have been one hundred years old. Eventually the tornado wore itself out and dumped me, the house, and all the junk onto the ground. The area did not look familiar. All the plants and animals were different. I noticed that the house had a pair of really muscular legs sticking out from beneath it. The legs thrashed around alarmingly for awhile, and then lay still. It was regrettable, but there wasn't anything I could do about it. I noticed that there was a pair of really nice cycling shoes with SPD cleats on the feet. I use SPD cleats. The shoes looked like my size. The legs didn't look like they would care who had the shoes, so I took them and put 'em on.

I was cycling around with the new shoes on, going really well. A lot of little munchkins were scrambling to get out of the way. I did lap after lap, each faster than the last. The shoes were really something! I went so fast that I created a whirlwind that picked me up and dumped me in a pumpkin patch near Mount Vernon. That's how Jim's ride went. It's too bad no one else was there to verify what I've told you about it.

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"But there are 25 more after that," said Emily.

"The miles between 50 and 75 are the tough ones," said Duarte. "You're tired, and there is a long way to go, and you've been a long way. That's always tough. Just focus on getting to mile 75. After that it's slightly downhill and you can smell the barn. As soon as we get in we'll have lunch at the Mexican restaurant. Think about that."

"OK," said Emily. "25 more miles."

They pedaled steadily. She felt as if they were part of a machine, or perhaps like a flock of birds that wheels and pivots as one. Every rider understood the unspoken conventions that made it possible to ride so closely and so fast. The unsteady surging Emily had noticed previously vanished as the less experienced riders were dropped by the pack. The remaining riders had become familiar. Emily had names for some of them. "Trispoke" had carbon fiber wheels with three spokes, "Robin Hood" was wearing a green jersey, "Mork" looked like Robin Williams, in fact, Emily thought, it probably was Robin Williams. Wow! That was exciting—cycling next to a movie star!

"Excuse me," she said. "Are you Robin Williams?"

He looked at her through a large pair of sunglasses.

"No," he said.

"You look like him, and I've heard that he's a cyclist."

"I'm not him."

Emily shrugged, "I don't watch a lot of movies. I just think it's cool that with all his money and fame, what he really wants to do is ride bicycles."

"You said the right thing," he said. "All right. I'll be Robin Williams."

He pulled off the sunglasses and slipped them into the chest pocket of an ancient wool jersey. His face shifted through a familiar series of comedic expressions. "How was that?" he asked.

"Perfect," she said. "I knew that's who you were."

"I'd rather be known as a cyclist," he said. "This movie stuff gets tiresome."

"We're going to lunch at the Mexican place afterwards. You're welcome to join us," Emily said.

"We'll see how it goes."



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## Board Briefs

SKAGIT BICYCLE CLUB  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 2, 2012

Present: Jim Finch, Marshall & Jean Sattler-Will, Dan Sandstrom, Colby Plagge, Shaun Bridge, Justin Dahl, Steve Jahn, Bill Thayer, Chris Hanson, Mike Tallering, and Marci Maulden

Welcome to new members Richard & Gloria Weiman from Oak Harbor.

### Old Business:

Jim Finch reported that the nomination committee has made recommendations for all electable positions. We still need a Ride Coordinator for 2013. Steve Jahn suggested that the position be shared among several people doing 2 or 3 months at a time but there was a concern that the logistics of the job was such that it could become too burdensome for a sharing opportunity.

Justin Dahl did some research on Strava which is a social network that could be used to track, record, and map club rides. It requires a Garmin device or a iPhone/Android to upload data to Strava. Justin's plan recommends the use of a club owned Garmin to be used by ride leaders to upload group ride data to a SBC Strava Account for one year as a trial. Steve said he had a Garmin that he would donate for the trial.

Colby Plagge is working on putting some SBC sponsored bike maintenance classes together. The first class will be held in November or December and will include simple maintenance such as cleaning your bike and maybe pre-ride inspections.

Marshall had the design of the new club jerseys ready for review. The new jerseys will be provided by Vomox, with options of short sleeve versus long sleeve. Although they won't be available by the time of the annual meeting, they will be presented free of charge as 2012 ride leader awards to those who qualify and available to other club riders at a subsidized cost of \$40 for short sleeves and \$50 for long sleeves.

As our liaison to Active Community Taskforce (ACT), Steve reported that the Skagit Council of Governments is beginning to work on a regional non-motorized plan which has its own website at [www.skagitnonmotorized.org](http://www.skagitnonmotorized.org). Skagit County Residents can track the progress of the plan as well as provide input. Steve also related that ACT has not given up working the county's chip seal problem.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted by Marci Maulden

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