







" Life is a daring adventure or nothing at all."

Helen Keller

R+E Cycles News

The newsletter of cycling values!

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Howdy folks,

The ride from Seattle to Portland rolled around and I finally got my opportunity to ride in it this year. The chance came about, with my urging, when I suggested to Dan that we do roving, mechanical support for the ride. Dan thought it would be a great thing to do. He is a veteran of numerous STPs and was anxious to do it again.

The planning was set. We were to ride a Rodriguez tandem with a Burley trailer in tow; it was filled with a lot of tools and parts. (See weight

guessing contest on page 7.) I had a great deal of confidence in Dan's word when he told me that we wouldn't notice the weight. I appreciated his vote of confidence in my legs and lungs.

overhauling of a hub." When we arrived at the Kingdome on Saturday morning I felt excited at the prospect of participating in an event of such a magnitude. People were smiling and laughing. It was great to see cycling in such a social environment. So many times I see cyclists on the road that look like they would rather be cleaning the toilet than being on their bikes. I was also aware of the influence that this event brought. Never before had I been waved though a busy intersection by a police officer. I thought I was in heaven.

Dan and I were very busy with mechanical work. I believe the tone of the whole weekend was set when we did our first repair after only fifty feet of riding. I was confident that our efforts would

be appreciated.

The repairs we performed ran the gamut of possibilities. Of course,

we fixed dozens of flats; but we also did some work that was more involved. These included: the replacement of a rear wheel, the reinstallation of a bottom bracket

(long story) and the overhauling of a hub. The oddest problem that we came upon was a broken rear rack. However, it was at that time when I witnessed Dan at his best. On the spot, he fabricated a replacement mounting bracket out of a reflector mount. I was there and I'm not quite certain how he did it, but it worked!

Overall, I really enjoyed the ride. However, I must confess that there were times when I was not having fun and I believe I personally experienced a whole new level of suffering. It wouldn't surprise you to know that this enlightenment (if you will) oc-

curred on the big hill climbing out of Puyallup. Not only was the hill difficult, as those of you who rode it would know, but we had our only mechanical breakdown of the trip when we were about half way up that thing. Nothing is more disconcerting than getting up a good climbing

rhythm and then getting a flat. For a split second, I actually thought about insisting that we continue up the hill, flat and all, because I knew it would be difficult to start again. But that was short lived and we

The best part of the ride came when it was over. I know Dan's saddle really started gnawing at his rear end when we hit Scappoose and I was beginning to bonk (not a good thing to do if you are captaining a tandem with a motherlode of equipment.) The cheers of the crowd really lifted my spirits.

My STP experience was really satisfying. I met a lot of really great people; those included not only the riders, but the support staff and the local people who allowed us to invade their roads for the weekend. One thing is for sure, I picked a heck of a way to participate in my first STP.

See ya on the road,

Scott Schrum, R+E staff member

R+E Roadside Repair Tandem

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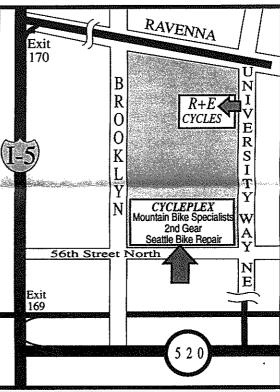
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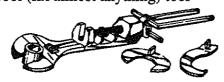
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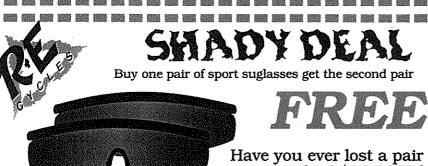


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The Well-Tuned Bicycle- 3 evenings per session Aug 2,4,9 Sept 6,8,13 Oct 4,6,11 Nov 1,3,8 7-9PM Course fee: \$40

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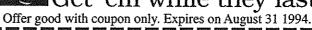
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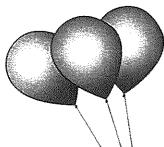
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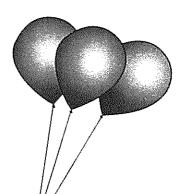


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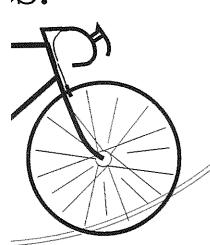
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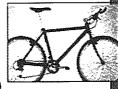
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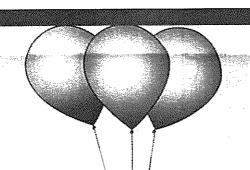
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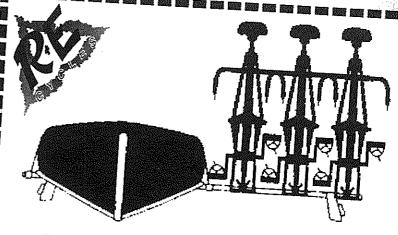
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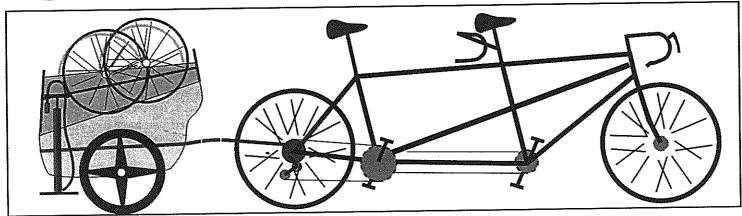
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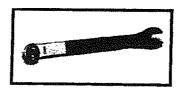


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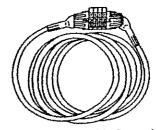
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To All Northwest Cyclists;

When you say the name R+E CYCLES it brings up different images for different people. Some cyclists picture the store at which they bought their bike. Others may think of a teacher from one of the repair classes. Some may conjure up the image of a friendly mechanic performing Bicycle Saturday or Sunday safety checks on Lake Washington Blvd.

R+E's philosophy is that we support cycling beyond the sale of a bicycle. The Northwest is a wonderful place to ride bikes and we want to share that with as many people as we can. We do free mechanical support for all levels of rides including Cub Scout rodeos, fund raisers, and cross the state social rides. And we do every kind of repair imaginable. R+E mechanics fixed 22 flat tires in the Kingdome parking lot at the start of STP, fashioned custom spokes and even did some minor frame repairs.

The folks that you see who are out there working these rides instead of riding them are usually employees of R+E CYCLES who are donating their time as a way of supporting the cycling community. You'll also

Dear R+E Cycles:

I would like to formally thank the R+E "Free Repair on Wheels" team for rescuing me during last month's STP.

On Sunday, just before the left turn for the Longview bridge, I heard a snap. I stopped in a parking lot to inspect it, and found that the bracket connecting my rear rack to my bicycle had broken, and the rack was teetering dangerously, ready to fall back and hit my rear tire at any

As I was attempting to jury rig it back together with a spare bungy cord, a voice from the road asked "Mechanical trouble?" The R+E mechanics on the tandem towing a Burley full of parts and tools could not have been a more welcome sight. Thanks to their courteous, competent (and free!) help, I was back on the road within fifteen minutes, and I completed the ride without mishap.

Judging from the enthusiastic applause for the photos of your R+E repair team during the STP slide show, I was not the only cyclist in distress to be aided by these able repair experts. The service they provided during the STP was excellent and I hope that you gave them a big, fat bonus.

Thanks again for saving me on the STP!

Best regards,

Michelle Noland

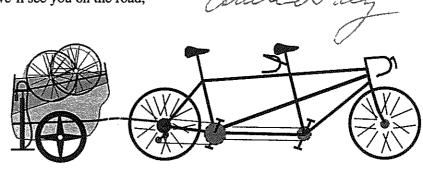
see team members from the Rain City Racing Team generously lending a hand. Sometimes you'll even see some of our customers who just appreciate this service and want to help out themselves.

The staff at R+E CYCLES is also very familiar with bike touring in Washington. We often help people map out good tours. When we are able to we even provide personal escorts to help riders find their way out of the city.

We love providing these free services. It gives us a chance to get to know our customers in a most fun setting. When you have a cycling event and you need some help, please feel free to call on us. If we can fit it into our schedule, we'll be there.

I'd also like to publicly thank the mechanics from R+E who worked until midnight the night before STP and then showed up at 5 AM for its start. Their loyal friends who graciously accompanied them deserve an extra big thank you. And of equal importance I would like to thank all of of the cyclists who give a cheerful friendly thank you to our mechanics when they see them on the road.

We'll see you on the road,



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