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THE ULTIMATE WHEEL



RALPH STOCK

FELLOW UNICYCLISTS: Another National Unicycle Meet is now history and all seem to agree that each year the NUM's get better and better. This years meet in Marion, Ohio was no exception. A number of readers have written in to say how much they enjoyed it, what fine people they met, and how many new ideas they picked up to take home. Your Editor shares the same feeling but wishes there were some way attendance at the annual business meetings could be upped. With a current membership of over 600 some two dozen remained for the annual business meeting on Sunday Aug.22 Reason for such small attendance is probably two-fold. First, it is the end of the weekend and many out-of-towners have long trips ahead of them, the boys and girls are tired, and the adults have to be back on their jobs Monday morning. Secondly, after two days of such fun and fairly smoothly conducted activities most feel quite satisfied with the way things are being run and are willing to "Leave It To Charley" when it comes to the actual running of the U-S-A Inc. Although only a couple dozen attended the meeting considerable dust was kicked up before the election of officers for 1977 was completed. The officers elected for next year are: President Paul Fox, Vice President Roberto Tschudin, and Sec'y Treas. Dick Haines. Fox and Haines were incumbents so the only new officer is Roberto Tschudin, an attorney of Washington D.C. Introductions to officers for 1977 will be included in Jan. '77 newsletter. In regard to activities for 1977 - a President's committee will look into and decide the best time and place to hold the 1977 Meet, and it too will be published in the Jan. '77 issue. President Fox is mailing a copy of Rules and Regulations used in past meets, to clubs attending this year, and will ask for constructive criticism on them. He then plans to call a special business meeting the first weekend in March, for those interested, and at that time will go over all suggestions and formulate a revised set of regulations for the 1977 Meet. For some further information on organization business please turn to FROM YOUR ED. on Pg 22.

In place of the regular Feature Write-up of a personality this issue we are devoting that space to photos of ULTIMATE WHEEL RIDERS and '76 NUM.

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5. Stud Cycles - Joe & Nick from Texas
St. Helen's, Newbury, Ohio, Larry Evans
6. Paul Fox Unicyclists, Marion, Ohio
7. Pontiac Unicyclists, Pontiac, Michigan
8. Kokomo Roadrunners - Kokomo, Indiana
9. Paul Fox Unicyclists, Marion, Ohio
10. Uniques, Barberton, Ohio
11. SHIVO THE CLOWN, Hopewell, Ohio

THE RACES:

12. Shaping Up for the races
13. Tracy Wilson "When you win you smile"
14. Al Whittemore, Pontiac, Michigan
15. "Over 30 Group" Ready for the gun
16. "They're Off"
17. Carol Haines, Marion, Leading the Pack
18. Penny Elliott, Pontiac "Pouring it On"
19. Kathy Skinner, Pontiac - Cathy Fox, Marion
20. V.P. John White & former Pres. B. Crandall
21. Amy Vorndran, Uniques, Barberton, Ohio
22. First Aid - Kim Douglas, Robt. Solinger

ACTION PHOTOS:

23. Nan Layne, Bruce Bibler, Findlay, Ohio
24. "Four On One" Floyd and Clyde Crandall,
Karen Hill, & Jeaneen Whittemore, Pontiac
25. Greg Kirk of Uniques Performs on High
26. Larry Evans, St. Helens, Newbury, Ohio
27. "A Helping Hand" Kim Fitch aboard with
Larry Evans and Regina Wertz assisting
28. Steven Smock "Master Of The Wheels"
29. "El Ropo" Dr. Reynolds, Marquette, Mich.
30. Dick Hammel, Huntington, Indiana
31. Paul Pratt, Marion, Ohio "Strongman"
32. John Jenack performs with Diabolo
33. Butch Balmain & Sousaphone, Las Vega, Nev.
34. Al Hemminger, Redford, Mich. & Swingbike

NOVEL CYCLES:

35. Tom Miller, Roberto Tschudin, and
former Sec'y Gordon Kruse
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47. John Foreman, Marion, being interviewed
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49. Sharon Novik - Gal Friday of Fox Cyclists
50. A few of Pontiac's unicycles
51. Eileen Whittemore, Kathy Skinner - Pontiac
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53. Trophies awaiting winners of races
54. Pixie Teresa Hemminger of Redford, Mich.
55. Nancy Whittemore, Pontiac, gives little
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64. Setting up ramps - Uniques, Ohio
65. Lisa Gamble and Dad - from ?
66. How to Relax on your Uni - Theresa Morris
67. Kokomo Road Runner Tom Miller
68. First Aid for Unis - Bud Lux

MISC:

The Officers of the Unicycling Society of America, Inc. would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make this great meet possible. Special thanks go to the following hard workers who did so much in so many ways to make the meet such a success:

Nancy & Cathy Fox and Sharon Novik for helping with registration and paperwork

Cathy Rowe for helping organize the Pot Luck Supper

The following men: Douglas, Poindexter, Rowe, Foreman, Crandall, Grogg, and Lux Bros. for assisting in the races as Line-up Men, timers, starters, etc.

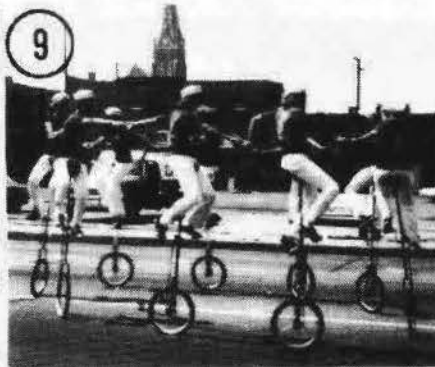
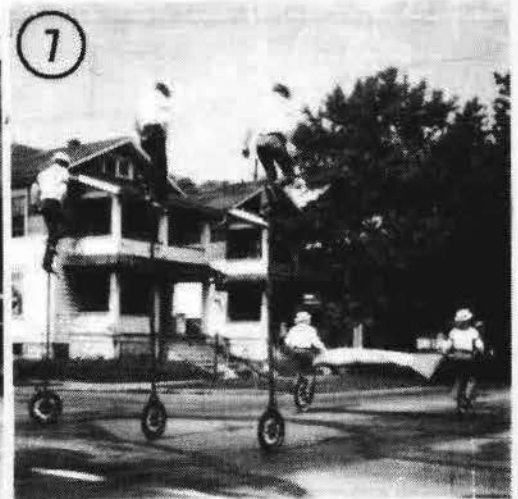
Del Gittenger for providing such wonderful organ music for the performers on Sunday
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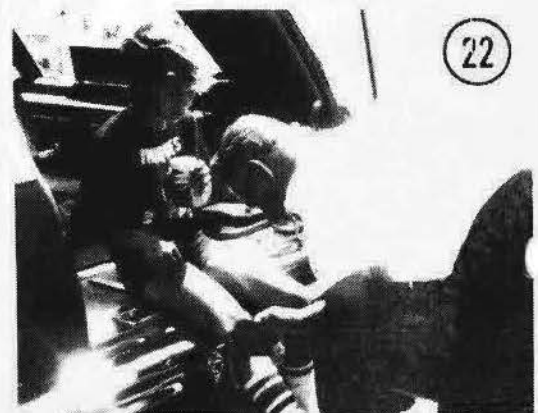
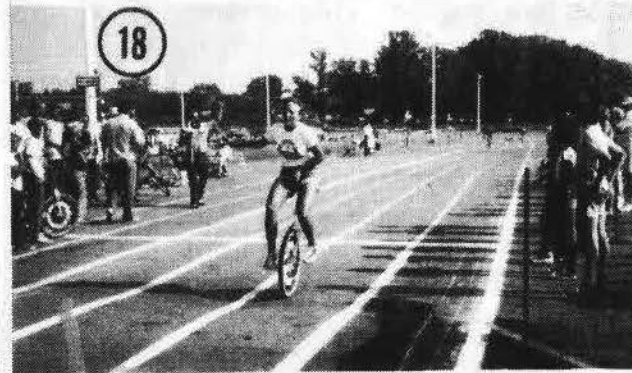
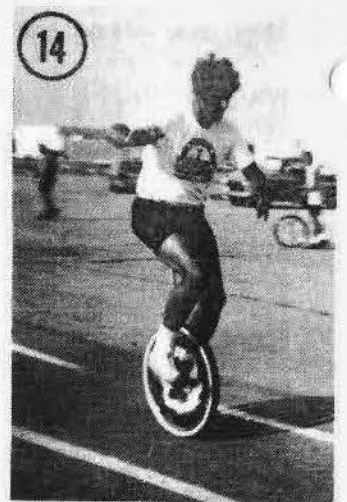
Ed Meeks, Mr. & Mrs. Mike Draper, Terry Storcher, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Solinger of the Marion County Disaster Service for providing first aid to contestants suffering cuts and bruises.

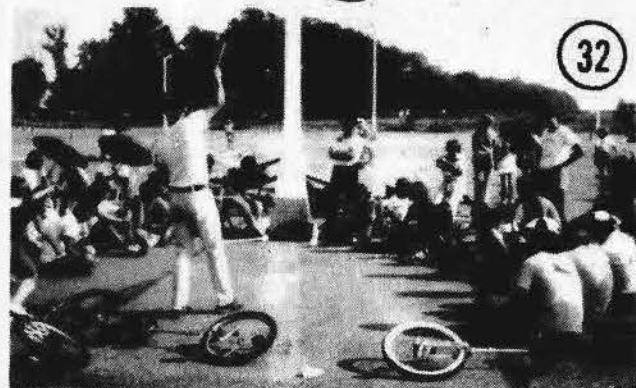
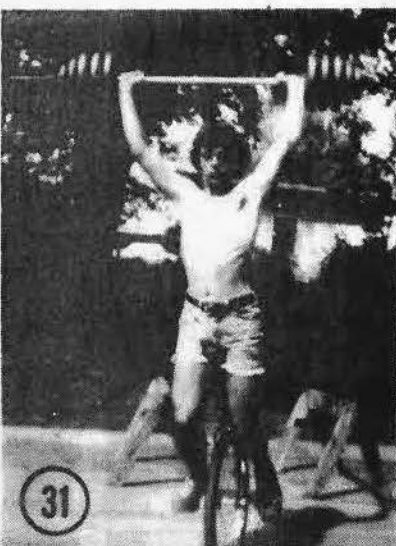
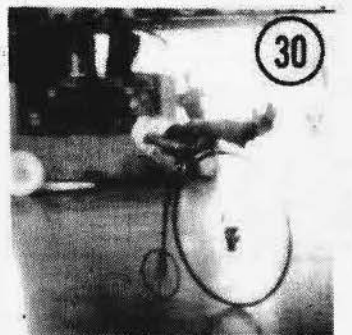
SHIVO the clown, for coming all the way from Hopewell O. to brighten up our parade.

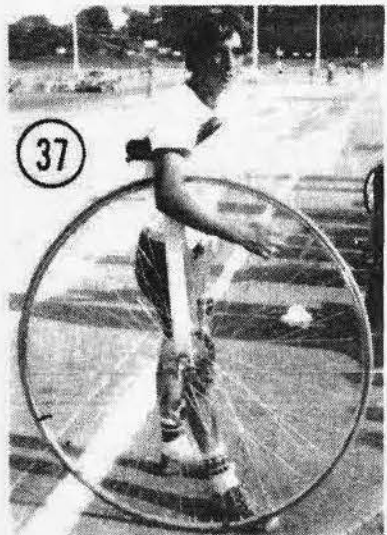
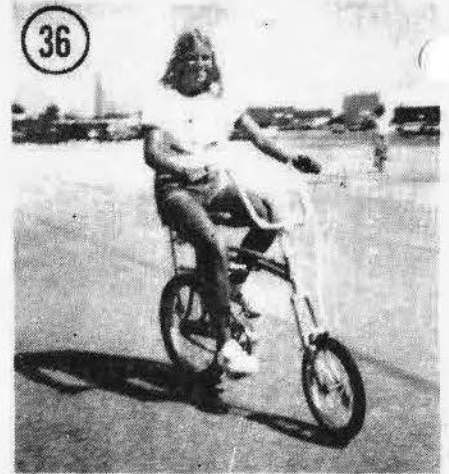
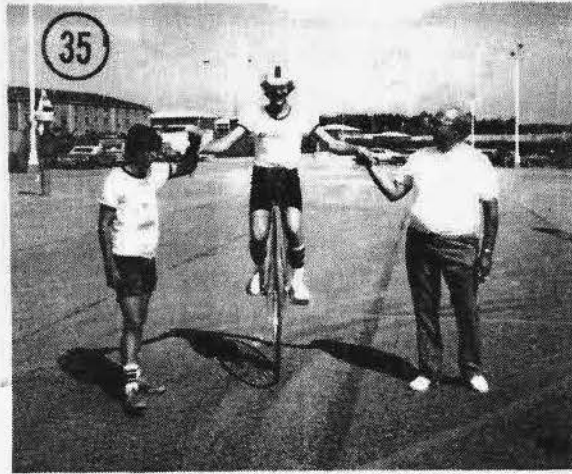
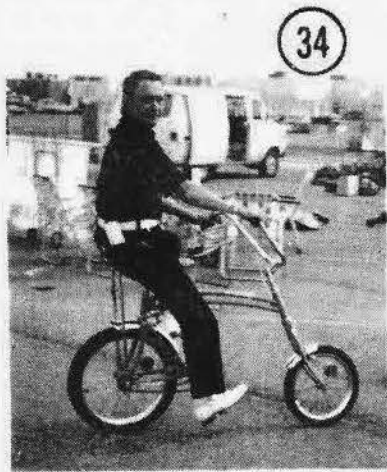
Dick Hammel & daughter, Steve and Gelaine Smock, Dr. Orland Reynolds, and John Jenack for providing entertainment during the Sunday show in the coliseum - and

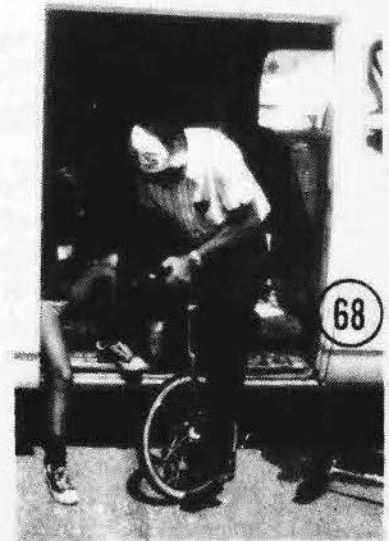
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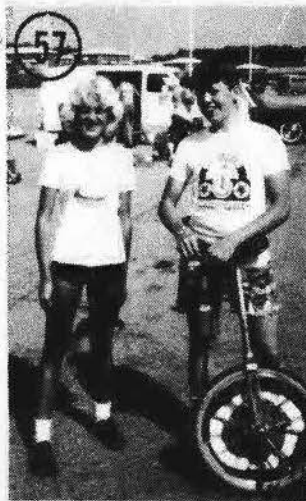
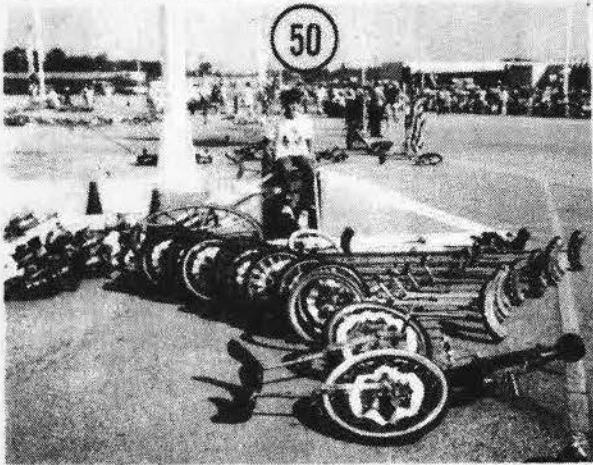
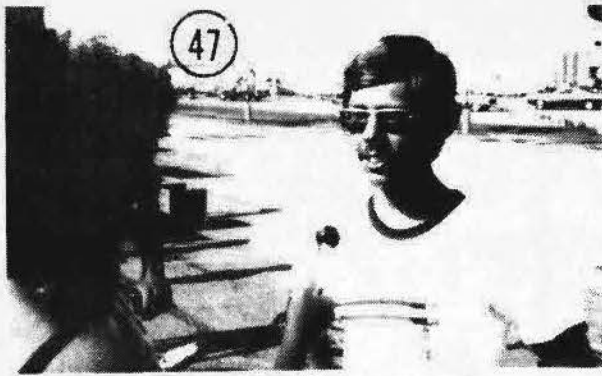












1976 NATIONAL UNICYCLE MEET - LIST OF WINNERS - RACES

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>WINNER</u>	<u>TIME</u>
UNDER 12 yrs. 20" 100 yds.	1st	Amy Vorndran, Uniques	21.4
	2nd	Cindy Fox, Marion, O.	21.5
	3rd	Denny Young, Redford, Mich.	21.6
UNDER 12 yrs. 24" 100 yds.	1st	Nancy Whittemore, Pontiac, Mich.	16.7
	2nd	Bill Brichford, Redford, Mich.	17.4
	3rd	Doreen Breckenridge, Uniques	17.5
UNDER 12 yrs. 20" Girls 220 yds.	1st	Laura Donovan, Pontiac, Mich.	48.6
	2nd	Amy Vorndran, Uniques	49.0
	3rd	Cindy Fox, Marion, O.	50.3
UNDER 12 yrs. 20" Boys 220 yds.	1st	Paul Donovan, Pontiac, Mich.	44.2
	2nd	Wayne Haines, Marion, O.	45.2
	3rd	Darold Edwards, Cleveland, O.	45.7
UNDER 12 yrs. 24" Girls 220 yds.	1st	Doreen Breckenridge, Uniques	40.0
	2nd	Tracy Wilson, Redford, Mich.	41.0
	3rd	Chris Browning, Marion, O.	41.1
UNDER 12 yrs. 24" Boys 220 yds.	1st	Bill Brichford, Redford, Mich.	39.6
	2nd	Tim Kirk, Uniques	40.6
	3rd	Phil Dersden, Uniques	45.6
GIRLS 20" 100 yds.	1st	Carol Haines, Marion, O.	17.6
	2nd	Dawn Merchant, Marion, O.	19.0
	3rd	Nancy Whittemore, Pontiac, Mich.	19.1
BOYS 20" 100 yds.	1st	Clyde Crandall, Pontiac, Mich.	17.5
	2nd	Ralph Stock, Marion, O.	18.3
	3rd	Ronald Reynolds, Mich.	18.5
GIRLS 24" 100 yds.	1st	Penny Elliott, Pontiac, Mich.	14.8
	2nd	Kathy Skinner, Pontiac, Mich.	15.5
	3rd	Sharon Novik, Marion, O.	16.0
BOYS 24" 100 yds.	1st	Floyd Crandall, Pontiac, Mich.	13.7
	2nd	John Kruse, Pontiac, Mich.	14.0
	3rd	Mike Wilson, Uniques	15.0
GIRLS 20" 220 yds.	1st	Carol Haines, Marion, O.	41.5
	2nd	Dawn Merchant, Marion, O.	42.9
	3rd	Cathy Fox, Marion, O.	43.4
BOYS 20" 220 yds.	1st	Clyde Crandall, Pontiac, Mich.	40.3
	2nd	Ralph Stock, Marion, O.	42.6
	3rd	Wayne Haines, Marion, O.	47.7
GIRLS 24" 220 yds.	1st	Penny Elliott, Pontiac, Mich.	35.7
	2nd	Kathy Skinner, Pontiac, Mich.	36.0
	3rd	Sharon Novik, Marion, O.	37.0
BOYS 24" 220 yds.	1st	Danny Miller, Uniques	34.0
	2nd	Raymond Bouyer, Cleveland, O.	34.4
	3rd	No Finisher	-
GIRLS 20" 440 yds.	1st	Carol Haines, Marion, O.	1:29.6
	2nd	Dawn Merchant, Marion, O.	1:31.0
	3rd	Cathy Fox, Marion, O.	1:32.6
BOYS 20" 440 yds.	1st	Clyde Crandall, Pontiac, Mich.	1:24.6
	2nd	Paul Pratt, Marion, O.	1:26.8
	3rd	Ralph Stock, Marion, O.	1:27.3
GIRLS 24" 440 yds.	1st	Penny Elliott, Pontiac, Mich.	1:13.2
	2nd	Kathy Skinner, Pontiac, Mich.	1:15.9
	3rd	Sharon Novik, Marion, O.	1:18.2

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>WINNERS</u>	<u>TIME</u>
BOYS 24" 440 yds.	1st	Floyd Crandall, Pontiac, Mich.	1:07.6
	2nd	Mike Wilson, Redford, Mich.	1:09.4
	3rd	Jim Kruse, Pontiac, Mich.	1:11.5
GIRLS 20" 880 yds.	1st	Dawn Merchant, Marion, O.	3:15.0
	2nd	Nancy Whittemore, Pontiac, Mich.	3:20.3
	3rd	Karin Hill, Pontiac, Mich.	3:38.9
BOYS 20" 880 yds.	1st	Clyde Crandall, Pontiac Mich.	2:58.9
	2nd	Ralph Stock, Marion, O.	3:08.2
	3rd	Jeff Harding, Pontiac, Mich.	
GIRLS 24" 880 yds.	1st	Carol Haines, Marion, O.	2:41.6
	1st	Penny Elliott, Pontiac, Mich.	2:41.6
	2nd	Cathy Fox, Marion, O.	2:44.4
	3rd	Kathy Skinner, Pontiac, Mich.	2:44.6
BOYS 24" 880 yds.	1st	Floyd Crandall, Pontiac, Mich.	2:20.0
	2nd	Steven Bicknell, Redford, Mich.	2:20.6
	3rd	Mike Wilson, Redford, Mich.	2:26.6
GIRLS - Backwards	1st	Kathy Skinner, Pontiac, Mich.	11.5
	2nd	Sally White, Whirl Wheels	13.2
	3rd	Penny Elliott, Pontiac, Mich.	13.3
BOYS - Backwards	1st	Floyd Crandall, Pontiac Mich.	10.6
	2nd	Clyde Crandall, Pontiac, Mich.	11.9
	3rd	Mike Wilson, Redford, Mich.	12.3
GIRLS - One Footed	1st	Kathy Skinner, Pontiac, Mich.	10.6
	2nd	Penny Elliott, Pontiac, Mich.	10.9
	3rd	Tracy Wilson, Redford, Mich.	12.7
BOYS - One Footed	1st	Floyd Crandall, Pontiac, Mich.	10.0
	1st	Steve Bicknell, Redford, Mich.	10.0
	2nd	Fred Miller, Marion, O.	11.1
	3rd	Roy Bouyer, Cleveland, O.	11.2
GIRLS RELAY	1st	FOX: Carol Haines, Sharon Novik, Connie Fox, Cathy Fox.	1:12.6
	2nd	PONTIAC: Kathy Skinner, Nancy Whittemore, Penny Elliott, Eileen Whittemore.	1:15.2
	3rd	UNIQUES: Deb Vorndran, Lenny Breckenridge, Kathy Poindexter, Doreen Breckenridge.	1:25.4
BOYS RELAY	1st	PONTIAC: Floyd Crandall, Jim Kruse, John Kruse, Clyde Crandall.	1:05.4
	2nd	REDFORD: Dave Brichford, Tom Voiles, Mike Wilson, Steve Bicknell.	1:09.2
	3rd	UNIQUES: Mark Douglas, Steve Poindexter Mark McEwen, Dan Miller.	1:11.7
GIRLS MILE	1st	Carol Haines, Marion, O.	5:35.7
	2nd	Cathy Fox, Marion, O.	5:40.4
	3rd	Kathy, Skinner, Pontiac, Mich.	5:48.6
BOYS MILE	1st	Floyd Crandall, Pontiac, Mich.	5:01.4
	2nd	Steve Bicknell, Redford, Mich.	5:01.9
	3rd	Mike Wilson, Redford, Mich.	5:08.0
UNDER 30 yrs. Race	1st	Dave Brichford, Redford, Mich.	5:36.7
	2nd	Eugene Balmain, Nevada	5:39.0
	3rd	Dave Marty, Tiffin, O.	5:39.6
OVER 30 yrs. Race	1st	Orland Reynolds, Marquette, Mich.	6:06.2
	2nd	Dick Haines, Marion, Ohio	6:07.5
	3rd	Ray Broughton, Uniques	6:50.6

TROPHY AND PRIZE WINNERS:

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| BEST IN PARADE | 1st Paul Fox Unicycle Club |
| | 2nd Pontiac Unicyclists |
| | 3rd Uniques |
| GROUP TRICK RIDING | 1st Pontiac Unicyclists |
| | 2nd Paul Fox Unicycle Club |
| | 3rd Uniques |
| COUPLE RIDING | 1st Cathy Fox & Sharon Novik, Marion, Ohio |
| | 2nd Kathy Skinner & Clyde Crandall, Pontiac, Mich. |
| GIRLS STANDARD TRICK RIDING | 1st Sharon Novik, Marion, Ohio |
| | 2nd Kathy Skinner, Pontiac, Mich. |
| BOYS STANDARD TRICK RIDING | 1st Mike Wilson, Redford, Mich. |
| | 2nd Steve Bicknell, Redford, Mich. |
| BOYS CHAIN DRIVEN | 1st Tom Miller, Kokomo Road Runners Kokomo, Indiana |
| | 2nd Larry Evans, St. Helens, Newbury, Ohio |
| | Mark Douglas, Uniques, Barberton, Ohio |
| GIRLS CHAIN DRIVEN | 1st Carol Haines, Marion, Ohio |
| | 2nd Penny Elliott, Pontiac, Mich. |
| OBSTACLE COURSE | GIRLS 1st Kathy Skinner, 2nd Penny Elliott |
| | BOYS 1st Floyd Crandall, 2nd Clyde Crandall |
| KING | - Mike Wilson, Redford, Mich. |
| QUEEN | - Sharon Novik, Marion, Ohio |

- DOOR PRIZE (\$300) Linda Platt
 8' CRANDALL GIRAFFE Teri Grogg
 6' JENACK CYCLES OXFORD Mike Douglas
 GIANT TEDDY BEAR Holly Baker
 R-R-R-Raw POWER Ray Broughton

NOTE: There were many other smaller prizes awarded such as copies of Dr. Wiley's THE UNICYCLE BOOK etc. but they are too numerous to mention in our limited space this issue.

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If you failed to obtain one of the neat Organization or Meet buttons at the 1976 National Unicycle Meet there are some still available by mail from Pres. Paul Fox. Simply send a self addressed stamped envelope and 50¢ for each button, specifying which you desire and how many to: Paul Fox, 983 E. Center St., Marion, Ohio 43302
 Full size sketches of the Organization and Meet buttons appear below.



MEET BUTTON



ORGANIZATION BUTTON

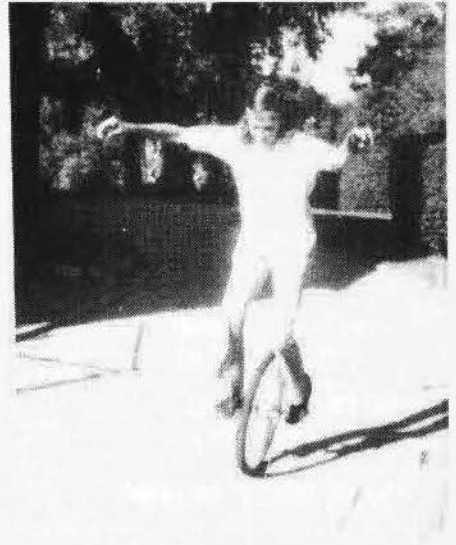
Paul also has a few of the 1975 National Unicycle Meet Tee Shirts. They are a nice collectors item @ \$3.50 ea. postpaid. See pg 12 of the Oct. 1975 newsletter for a sketch depicting them. Your Ed. suggests you check with Paul first on sizes as there are no large adult sizes in the batch.



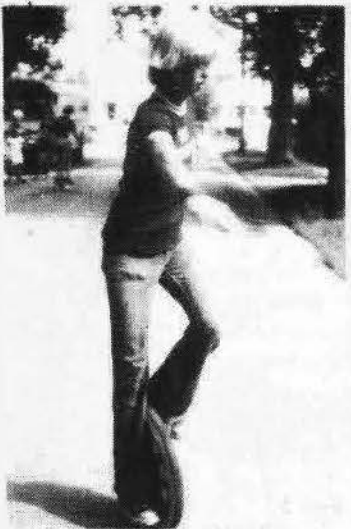
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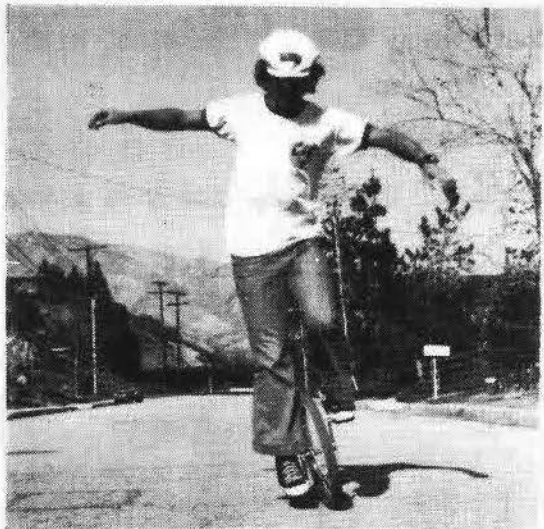
TANIA HAYNES, RON MARLER, Sacramento



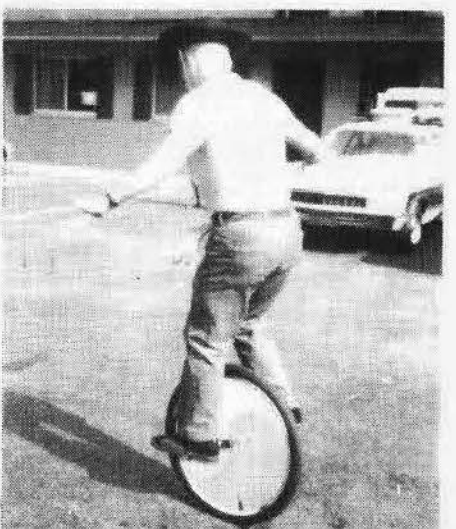
JOHN WELLS, San Diego



RALPH STOCK, Marion, O.



STEVE GORDON, Tujunga, Calif.



ORLAND REYNOLDS, Marquette.



SALLY WHITE, St. Col. Pa



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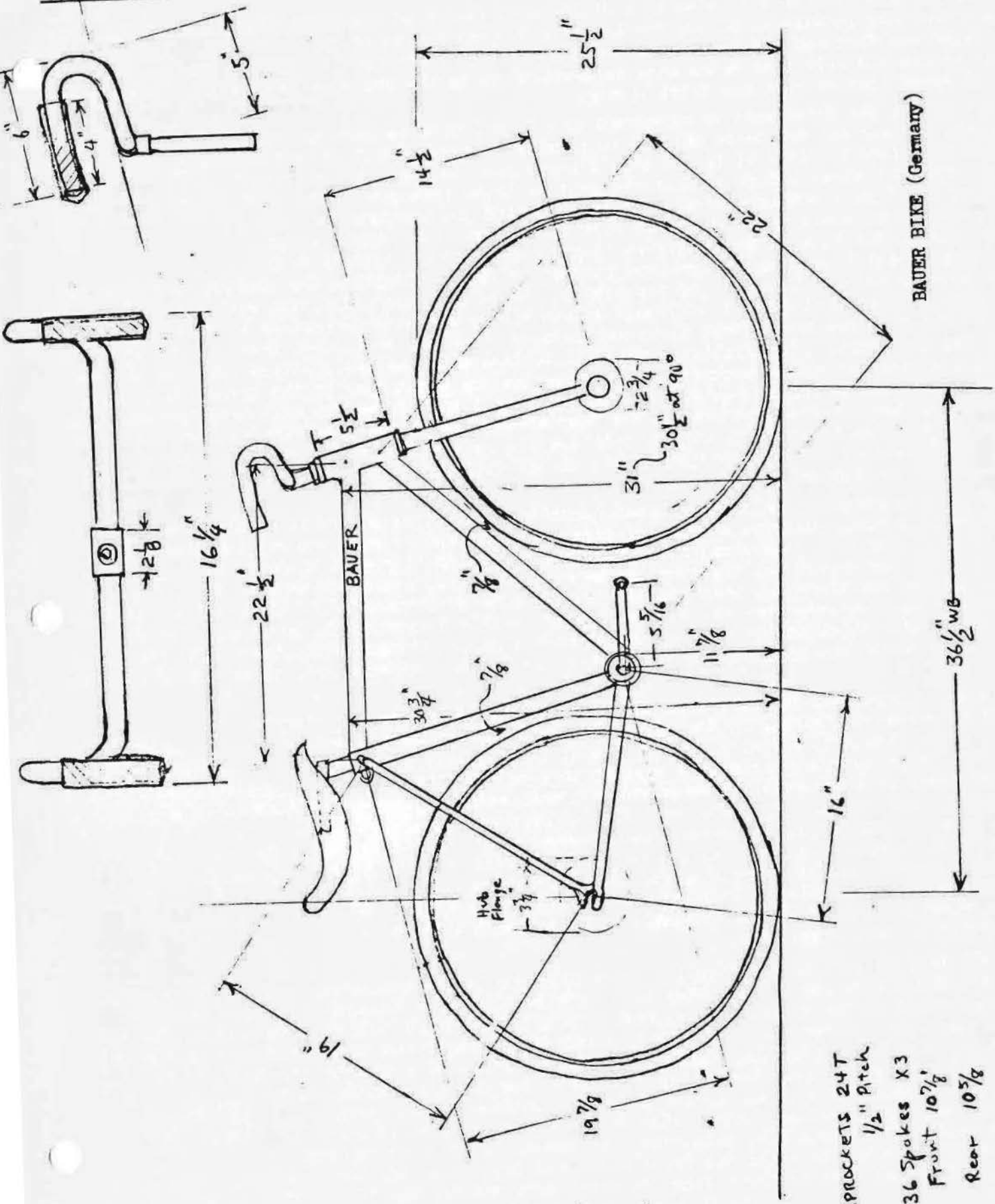


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CONSTRUCTION: Circus Bike

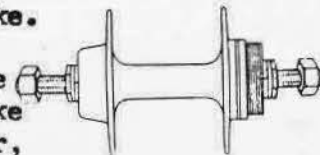


BAUER BIKE (Germany)

SPROCKETS 24T
 1/2" Pitch
 36 Spokes X3
 Front 10 7/8"
 Rear 10 5/8"

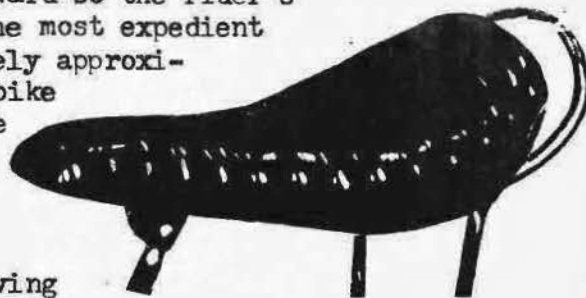
On the reverse side of this page is a dimensioned sketch of the Bauer Bicycle which for many years has been popular in Europe for Artistic Bicycle Riding (Kunstradfahren). It is no longer being manufactured and because of the high cost of other such bikes your Ed. has included this sketch and will list below some suggestions as to how one might rework or adapt a 3 speed or 10 speed regular bike for trick riding.

First of all the drive must be converted to a 1 to 1 with no coaster brake. Perhaps the easiest way to do this is to purchase a track hub from your local bike shop and lace it to the type rim you wish to use. If you have never spoked a wheel before it might be well to leave that job to the bike shop or purchase a complete wheel. It is suggested you purchase an older, less expensive, steel type hub rather than the latest light weight metal type. Reason for this is that later on if you encounter any trouble with the chain wheel loosening you can have it spot welded to eliminate the problem. Rim size and type depends on your interest and pocketbook. While the Bauer Bike came with lightweight rims and sew-up tires that made it extremely smooth riding and easy to perform on a standard 26 x 1-3/8" rim with low cost street tires may be used. Your Ed. recommends these if you are just starting the sport. The psychic trauma will be less when, as you practice spinning the handlebars around and riding backwards, you visualize the rapid wear on the tires (which on a macadam road can be really rapid). To complete the 1 to 1 drive you must have the same size sprocket on the crank as you have on the rear wheel. It is not necessary to have the exact diameter shown on sketch - as long as both are the same size. For some it may be easier to find two larger or two smaller sprockets - either will suffice as long as you can get them fastened on the hub and on the crank.



The forks are probably the next important consideration. They should be straightened by clamping in a vise, slipping a piece of pipe over each end in turn and pulling little by little until you have them straight. After straightening they will be found to be slightly longer than they should be. The ends can be hacksawed off, squeezed somewhat flat, and new holes drilled for the axle. When you squeeze the ends do it carefully, preferably in a vise, and rather than squeeze them all the way (which usually causes cracks to appear) insert a shim about 1/8" thick and 4" long in end of each tine to strengthen it. Then drill the holes. Don't worry about the shim falling out - when you tighten the axle nuts it will hold them in place.

Next comes the saddle. The saddle should be located rearward so the rider's weight is nearer to being over the rear axle. Probably the most expedient way to accomplish this and wind up with a seat that closely approximates the shape necessary to enable cyclist to ride the bike on back wheel as a unicycle, is to purchase a polo saddle as shown at the right. These are used on some current youth bikes. With the extra length, the upturned rear end, and the braces to go down to the rear axle it will be fairly easy to meet the requirements mentioned above namely: having the saddle further back than usual and having proper curve at rear of saddle to enable rider to stick with it when riding on rear wheel only.



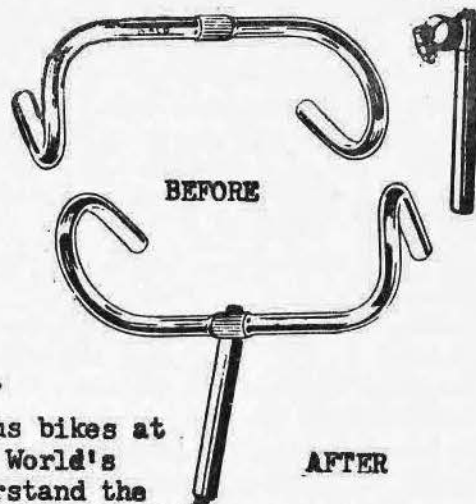
About all that is left to complete the trick bike now is the handlebars and the Dorns. The dorns are the extensions on the axles that provide rider with something to step on while climbing around on the cycle. For the rear axle a couple Right Hand Nuts that cover the indicator chain on a three speed hub such as shown at the right can be screwed on in place of, or in addition to, the regular axle nuts. A short piece of garden or air hose can be forced on over them or they can be taped to make them non slip to the foot.



For the front wheel it will be necessary to have similar pieces machined to order unless you utilize a wheel with the same size axle as rear and use the easily obtainable R.H. nuts mentioned above. If you wish you may use another track hub to build the front wheel and just leave off the sprocket. This might be easier for some than to try having the parts machined for the job. It will be stronger too.

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The type handlebars that seem most preferred and lend themselves best to standing and climbing around on while riding look like 10 speed bike handlebars turned upside down and with the post welded directly to their center. Suitable design handlebars such as pictured at right may be found in most any bike shop. The top of a standard handlebar post may be cut off, shaped to fit the center of the inverted handlebars, and brazed or welded in place as shown at the right. While the European Artistic Bikes usually have a recessed hole on top to get the bolt head out of the way one will probably have to compromise here and settle for a washer and as flat a bolt head as possible.



Members who saw Steve Smock and John Jenack ride their circus bikes at the National Meet, or saw the films John showed of the 1971 World's Championship Kunstradfahren in Switzerland, can easily understand the natural transition from unicycling to artistic bike riding. So much of it is pure unicycling and the sequence of movements so challenging that there is little wonder so many cyclists would like to have a circus bike of their own. In future issues if interest shown warrants it we will include sketches and suggestions on the basic figures.

Ed's note: If you have a choice of frames to use in constructing a circus bike try to select a lightweight one that is as short hauled as possible. This means the clearance between the rear tire and the seat tube of the frame and the clearance between the front tire and the down tube of the frame will be minimum. By having short chain stays (part of frame extending from rear axle to crank) it is easier to ride the bike on just the rear wheel because it puts the crank more nearly in line with the saddle and the rear axle. Frames can be cut, bent, and rebrazed for more optimum shape but the general suggestions offered in this article should enable interested members to construct a usable circus bike without going into the mechanics of 'head angles' and technical considerations of frame building. In general the lighter the frame and the front wheel the easier it will be to perform some of the maneuvers in which the bike is ridden on just the rear wheel. The standard parts mentioned in this article can be put together as described however and will result in a good beginners circus bike that can be the source of much pleasure.

DATES TO REMEMBER:



Both RED and BLUE units of RINGLING BROS. BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS FEATURE UNICYCLISTS THIS SEASON. Following is a continuation of schedules of each to end of season

The RED UNIT features BARRY LAPPY, the outstanding young cyclist from England who performs on both bicycles and unicycles. The BLUE UNIT has the KING CHARLES CYCLISTS who put on a whirlwind game of basketball while riding unicycles.

BLUE UNIT

- Sept. 1-6 San Francisco, Calif.
- Sept. 8-12 Fresno, Calif.
- Sept. 15-19 Seattle, Washington
- Sept. 21-22 Spokane, Washington
- Sept. 24-26 Billings, Montana
- Sept 29-Oct 3 Denver, Colorado
- Oct 6 Nov 7 Chicago, Illinois
- Nov 10-21 Nassau, L.I., New York
- Nov. 24-28 New Haven, Conn.
- Nov. 30-Dec 5 Springfield, Mass.

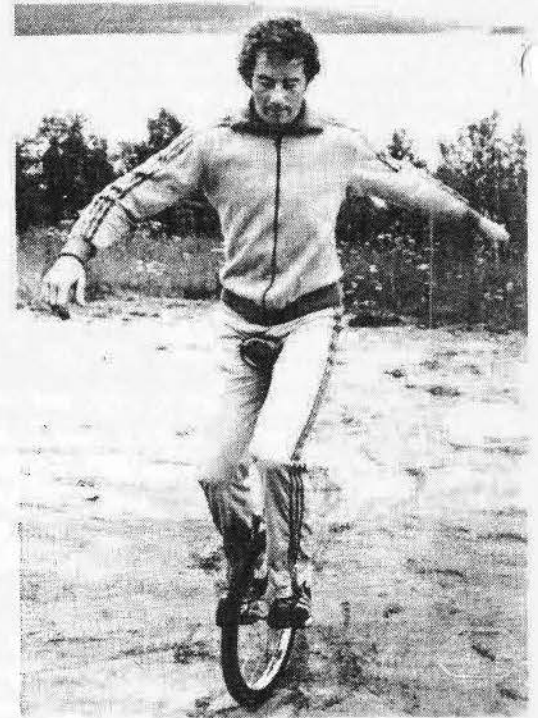
RED UNIT

- Sept. 1-6 St. Louis, Mo.
- Sept. 9-12 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
- Sept. 14-19 Indianapolis, Ind.
- Sept 21-Oct 3 Detroit, Mich.
- Oct. 6-17 Largo, Md
- Oct 20-Nov 1 Boston, Mass.
- Nov. 4-7 Pittsburgh, Pa
- Nov. 9-21 Cleveland, Ohio

HALLENRADSPORT-WELTMEISTERSCHAFTEN - WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OF INDOOR CYCLING
Kunstradfahren (Artistic Cycling) Munster, Germany November 4-6, 1976

In the photo at right is INGEMAR STENMARK, world champion downhill skier training on his unicycle in Swedish Alps near his home during summer of 1976. There is an interesting story connected with Ingemar and his unicycle. The Sunday, Aug. 15, 1976 edition of DAGENS NYHETER carried a full page story, with pictures, of Ingemar and his unicycle. Seems that some time back a reporter from the above mentioned newspaper was contacted by Ingemar's father who wanted to get a unicycle for his son. The reporter informed his friends. One friend remembered seeing a unicycle in the back of a car in a small boatyard. They contacted and asked the owner about it. The owner happened to be one of our members GORAN LUNDSTROM who gave them a list of addresses of unicycle manufacturers and distributors your Ed. sent him about that time. The reporter happened to have a friend in Colorado who was on his way home to Sweden and brought one home for Ingemar. When Goran saw the terrific newspaper write-up on Ingemar he asked the reporter for a photo that he might send to America for publication in the USA Inc. newsletter. The result was the photo at right which shows Ingemar pretty much at home on the uni, excellent riding posture, and a beautiful background of mountains and lake.

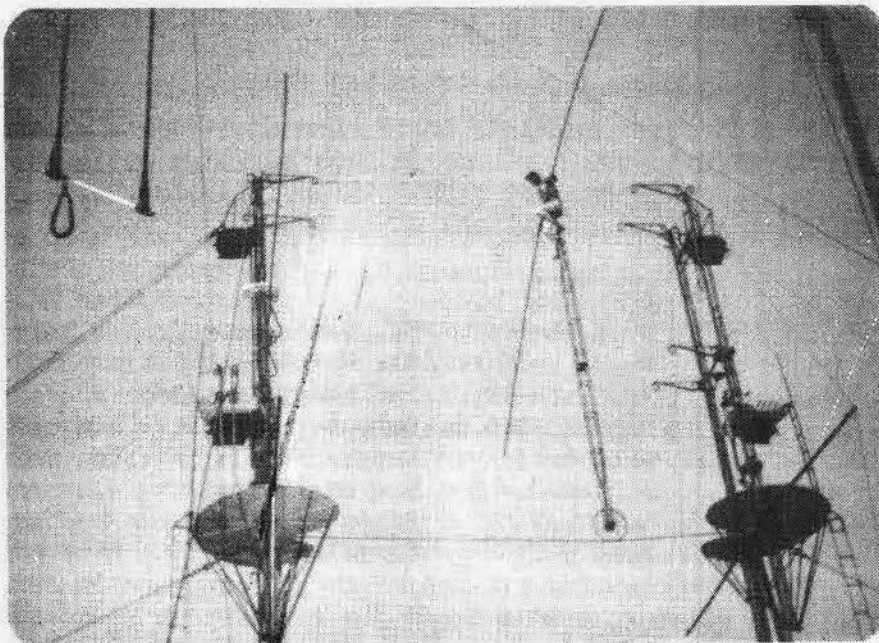
If Ingemar has never tried combining skiing and unicycling we suggest he give it a try - it's hilarious. The Children's Club of Concord, California, once sent your Ed. an 8MM movie showing one of their unicyclists riding a unicycle in one of their performances - and wearing skis. It was the most humorous thing ever and should be good for a laugh in any club's program. Your Ed. is certain any number of our members would like to trade a little of their skill on unicycles for some of Ingemar's superb skill on skis.



INGEMAR STENMARK - Sweden - Photo by Jan Carlsson - Dagens Nyheter

When Polack Bros. Circus played in Utah this past summer JOE STEGEN, one of our members from Ogden, took the spectacular photo below of STEVE McPEAK riding his 20' unicycle on a highwire

some 40' up. Steve has had a couple of years of really far out activities that have won him considerable fame and has resulted in his being acclaimed the greatest in high wire and unicycling stunts. His amazing feat at Hoover Dam - riding his unicycle across a cable over 700 ft. up (see Jan '76 newsletter), His subsequent escapades on the cables of many famous bridges, and his ultimate highwire feat at Yosemite some 2600 feet up, doubled the current record set by Philippe Petit when he walked a cable between the N.Y. Trade Buildings in Aug. 1974. Steve has a terrific circus act in which he also walks across the wire on ten ft. stilts with his partner on shoulders. The outstanding rigging, which he built himself, is valued at \$25,000.



WOBBLING WALLY WATTS
Final Check-ride at
Your Ed's 4-18-76 →



Below: Wally in Paris - teaching newly acquired friends John & Naomi Harris (USA Inc. Members) to ride uni he constructed for them during his week's stay.



Above: John Rakowski, who completed round the world bike ride in July '76 checks maps with Wally and gives him valuable tips just prior to Wally's start on April 19, 1976

THE FURTHER ADVENTURES OF WOBBLING WALLY WATTS

After encountering additional trouble with broken spokes as he pedaled down through Italy from Menton, in the southeast corner of France, to Rome, Wally finally decided he had to do something drastic about solving the problem permanently. So he packed up and took a train back to England. On the way he stopped over with friends (USA Inc. members John and Naomi Harris - above) He then continued to Preston, England where with the help of Roy and Joan Rivers, their son Paul, The Raleigh Bicycle Co., Lemet Metal Works Ltd., a neighbor Bob, and a few other well wishers, completely rebuilt his large wheel cycle and On Oct. 5th wrote that he was ready to head back to Rome and continue from where he left off. Oct. 12th Wally telephoned from Paris where he was stopping over again with the Harris family and was leaving Oct. 13th for Mentor where he would stop overnite with Dupre, another friend, then on to Rome and start pedaling again. His next mail stop would be the Canadian Embassy in Greece and exactly what route he will take after that will be decided then. He still hopes to complete his round the world ride in a year and a half and has promised to phone next from Australia. He has been very good about writing regularly. Your Ed. regrets that he cannot reprint in their entirety some of his interesting letters. They range in length from 28 to 68 pages and are written from his diary whenever he gets an opportunity to stop for any length of time. While in England rebuilding his cycle he also had his jeans rebuilt by Joan Rivers. The special materials she used and the ventilated crotch makes riding much more comfortable now. He also has a spring saddle now and no longer has to worry about the foam rubber going flat on him. In his last letter Wally mentioned reading some articles that appeared in the Daily Mirror in London the week of Sept. 17 and the Sunday Express about a 37 yr old German who was also riding around the world on a unicycle. He was in southern Ontario, Canada at the time and expected to complete his ride when he was 43. It apparently is the same fellow John Jenack ran across at the Olympics in Montreal (see John's story of that on page 21) Wally has been 6 months on the road now and still plans to complete his ride in a year and a half. He has had what he hopes will be the last of his mechanical problems, has met many interesting people, made many friends, and is full of enthusiasm for what lies ahead. We all wish him the best on his fabulous journey and will continue to follow his progress as he circumnavigates the world on one wheel.

On Oct. 7, 1976 Bernie Crandall announced that he was officially terminating his leadership of the Pontiac Unicyclists and a number of their upcoming parades and entertainments were cancelled. We all sincerely hope he gets a much deserved rest, regains his health, and will continue a passive if not active interest in the Pontiac Unicyclists. Last reports indicate the Pontiac Unicyclists do plan to take part in the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade in N.Y. City.

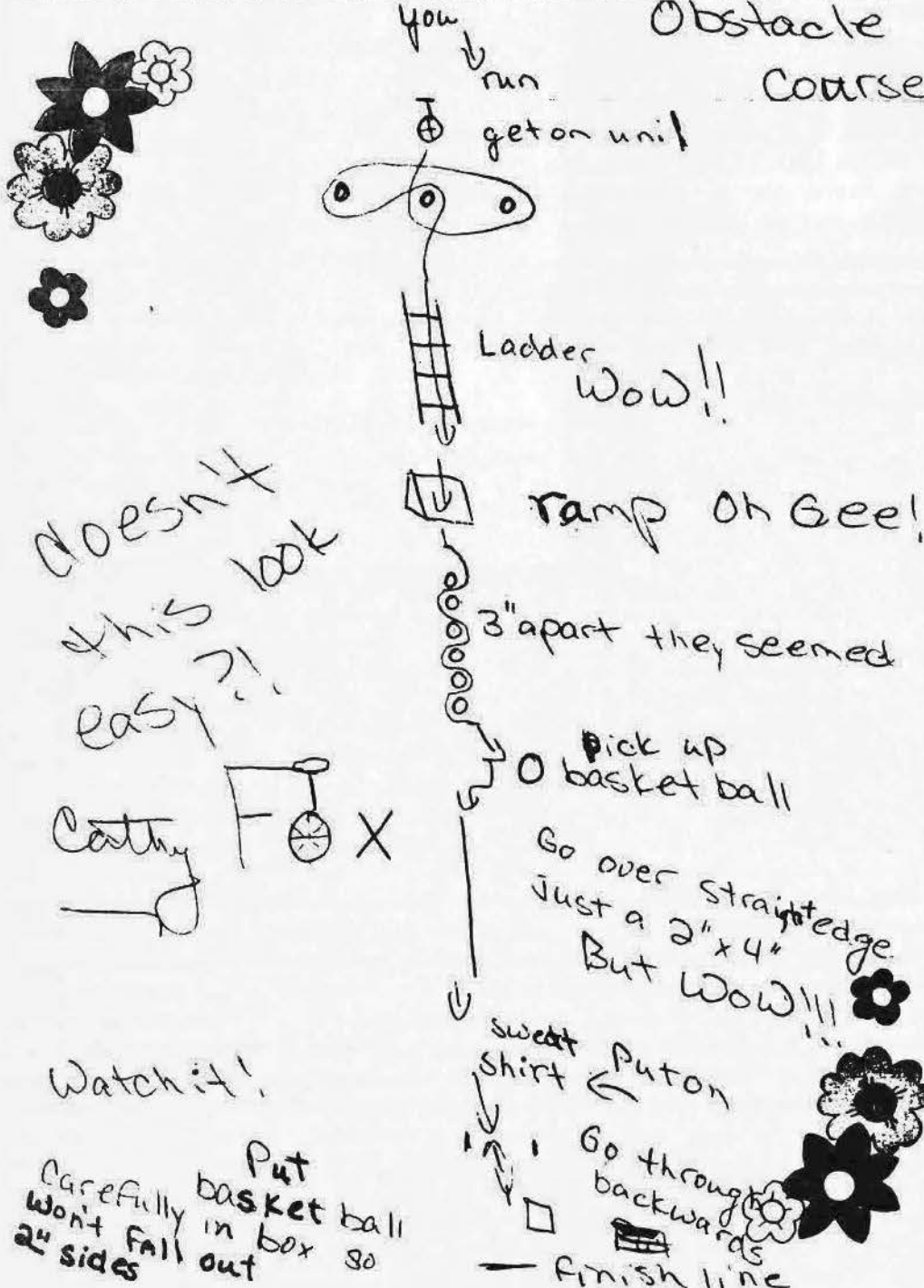
Oct. 3, the Three Musketeers: Penny Elliott, Kathy Skinner, and Robin Dean stepped in to help run the 6th annual unicycle roundup in Pontiac. From all reports Kathy Skinner did a great job as chairman, and with the help of Penny and Robin ran a super roundup. The Paul Fox Unicyclists from Marion were somewhat delayed because of bus trouble but when they did arrive things really began to happen. Paul Fox, our President, masquerading as a female clown, had everyone in stitches. Your Ed. received a letter from Teresa Hemminger, that little pixie from Redford, Michigan (See photo #54, page 8) in which she wrote:

"There was a rather large girl clown at the meet with big glasses, red hair, and large army boots. Could you ask Mr. Crandall where he imported her from? She started throwing something she called buckeyes all over the place".

Teresa's father Al must be something of a football fan because Teresa went on to say: "My Dad says that Michigan is going to do the same thing very soon with some other kind of nuts also called Buckeyes."

One of the outstanding events at the roundup was the Obstacle Course. Cathy Fox of Marion, Ohio wrote your Ed. about it and her sketch of the course appears at left. Perhaps your club would like to run something just as far out. Some other highlights of the roundup were: Floyd Crandall standing in place on his unicycle, without rocking, during the Slow Race, until all had finished then riding over the line himself to win, Cathy Fox and Donald Downing in their beautifully arranged couple routine, and the ever popular flapper dance done so energetically by Clyde Crandall and Kathy Skinner.

John Jenack, who took a bus there from New York City reports that it was one big day of fun for everyone and that Kathy Skinner did a truly great job of planning and carrying it out.



Letter from NORMAN TWIGGE of Palmerston North, NEW ZEALAND brought kind words on our newsletter and an interesting description of Russian Jugglers and Cyclists he saw recently. The following paragraph from Norm's letter is one your Ed. thought readers might enjoy:

"The Moscow Variety Spectacular show is currently touring New Zealand and Australia and last month while appearing locally I managed to meet with a top Russian Juggler and spent an evening conversing with the aid of an interpreter, as the juggler did not speak English. I found him very pleasant and polite and had a most interesting evening. Also on the show was a cycling act involving husband, wife, and daughter. The Daughter rode the unicycle backwards, circled while pedaling with one leg, skipped, and spun. The father rode the circus bike, and on this was a master, riding it in every conceivable way and spinning on the rear wheel about 10 or 12 revolutions in perfect control. The finale was a pyramid formed with the three members on the bike. The performer's name was Vladimir Vasiliev and he was billed as being among the twelve best circus performers in all of Russia - it all left me very envious."

(Thanks Norm for the interesting news from down under)

In Bermuda THE ROYAL GAZETTE, Tuesday, August 3, 1976 ran a full page on the Summer Workshops sponsored by the Bermuda Arts Council in the Gilbert Institute Gymnasium. The two workshops were under the supervision of GARBO AND GILLIAN of the Celebration Mime Theatre of South Paris, Maine and provided Bermudans the opportunity to take part, and become somewhat skilled in, a number of the circus arts. From the ten excellent photos in the full page spread it is apparent that Garbo and Gillian were a tremendous hit (as they have been everywhere) and the people of Bermuda were most enthusiastic about the workshops.

TERESA HEMMINGER, the young unicyclist from Redford, Mi. who with NANCY BRICHFORD of the same group, put on the darling clown skit Sunday at the National Meet is in the market for emblems or patches of other clubs. She plans to decorate her new clown costume with them. She will be happy to swap a REDFORD UNI CLUB patch for one from another club. Her address appears at the right.

Teresa Hemminger
16152 Kinloch
Redford, Mi 48240

The Oct. 3 "JUGGLE IN" in N.Y.C. sparked by one of our members JAY GREEN was postponed because of inclement weather that day. Perhaps it was just as well because the rain date Oct 17, 1976 turned out much better and there were close to 50 jugglers in attendance. Some of those present who are also unicyclists and USA Inc. members were: JOHN JENACK, HOVEY & JUDY BURGESS, STEVE MILLS, LHEITH, JOHN PALMSTROM, ADAM LADD, and DENNIS SOLDATI. HILLARY CARLIP of recent GONG SHOW fame was also there and delightfully 'nutty' as ever. John Jenack reports that the event was more like an annual convention with so many excellent jugglers in attendance. All seemed to agree it was one super get-together and as such should encourage more frequent future ones. It was held at the Sailboat Pond in Central Park, New York City. John also reports that if any unicyclists are looking for a source of juggling props, BRIAN DUBE, one of the jugglers present, is now manufacturing some beautiful, well balanced, and reasonably priced durable clubs for sale to other jugglers. Add him to the list of 'Sources Of Juggling Props' that appeared in the Jan. '75 newsletter.

For further information and prices on props he has for sale send a stamped envelope to address at right:

BRIAN DUBE
7-13 Washington Square North
New York City, N.Y. 10003
or Phone (212) 673-5355

The 6th Annual RIDEATHON was held in Marion, Ohio on Sept 19, 1976. It was sponsored by the Paul Fox Unicycle Club Inc. and Rocky's Cyclery and some 30 contestants took part. They rode a 26 mile course at the Southland Mall between 12 noon and 6 PM. Ages of contestants varied from 7 to 42 and 17 of the 30 completed the 26 miles.

For some time now JACK WILEY, author of those two fabulous books THE UNICYCLE BOOK and BASIC CIRCUS SKILLS, has been working on a new book PEDAL CYCLE HANDBOOK. It will contain information and construction data on many novel types of pedal vehicles. We are eagerly awaiting its publication and hope to be able to offer it through our newsletter as we did his previous extremely popular books.

THE CHILDRENS CLUB OF CONCORD, Concord, Calif. now have about 50 riders in their club some 40 of which are ready for the new parade season which starts in October. They are looking forward to participating in the HOLLYWOOD PARADE OF STARS on November 28, 1976



BIKECENTENNIAL

Bikecentennial, the organization which planned and developed the Oregon to Virginia Trans-America Bicycle Trail, is considering changing its name. "We plan to continue beyond 1976, and the connotation of our present name has too strong a link to 1976 and the Bicentennial," a spokesman said. Some of the names that have been suggested are: BikeAmerica, Bike Roots, Bike Perennial, and The Trans-America Trail Association.

Bikecentennial is asking for cyclists around the country to offer ideas for a new name. Persons submitting names should address their letters to:

Bikecentennial Names, P.O. Box 8308, Missoula, Montana 59807

WEST COAST UNICYCLISTS TAKE NOTE: Noted Unicyclist **LOYD WICKER SMITH**, designer of the **LOYD unicycle (Now SCHWINN)** is back teaching unicycling again. He is calling all unicyclists in the Los Angeles area to join him in two hour sessions of riding and fun every Sunday from 3-5 PM. Dr. William H.D. Hornaday, Minister of **FOUNDER'S CHURCH OF RELIGIOUS SCIENCE**, one who loves all forms of sports, has okayed the use of their large parking lot on South New Hampshire Ave., between Fifth and Sixth Streets in Los Angeles. At present they are having an average of twelve riders each Sunday, most of them in the beginner stage. Some are starting to ride backwards however and are showing tremendous potential as top unicyclists. A little square dancing and trick riding is also being tried and next will come unicycle polo and basketball. The group is also preparing for their first parade in November. If you have Sunday afternoon free, are interested in having some real fun unicycling, (and getting help from one of the top names in the sport) here's your chance. For further information Loyd can be reached at (213) 480-1816 or you may call the Founder's Church of Religious Science (Youth Church) at (213) 388-2181 Ext. 25.

Sept. 25th weekend the **DEAN FAMILY** - Bob and Sue (Mr. & Mrs.), Robin, and Jeff, of Pontiac visited Jellystone Park in Traverse City, Mich. They've been there before and are known for their unicycling. The Ranger asked Bob to be Yogi Bear and ride around the park while they chased him in a cart. He did and the kids all loved it. If he ever does it again your Ed. hopes someone will catch it on film and send it in for our newsletter.

LOOKING FOR A GIRAFFE? - Bill Riordan, a college student and USA Inc. member, is also a professional Juggler and Magician and spends spare time making use of his private pilot's ticket. Although he mastered the Oxford P-21 he bought last Christmas he finds he has had little use for it and would like to sell it.

Being that P-21's are always in such short supply perhaps some member would like to

William A. Riordan
His Address: 79 Garland Drive
Buffalo, N.Y. 14226

contact and take him up on his offer to sell.
From Cadet **JIM STRICKER** of the U.S.C.G. Academy in New London comes the following anecdote: "I took my unicycle (20" Schwinn) with me on a ten week cadet training cruise during the summer of 1975. We sailed to Europe onboard the coast guard training bark **EAGLE**, and then returned to the States on the U.S.C.G.C **HAMILTON** (a 378' cutter). Riding at every chance, be it during a break in the routine of the day, or after working hours, I took advantage of this particular form of exercise. (Rolling and pitching seas had little effect, for my stability was hardly, if any, influenced by the deck's orientation) In my mind this qualifies me as perhaps the first person to cross the Atlantic on a unicycle - twice."

The **SACRAMENTO UNICYCLE CLUB** of Sacramento, Calif. has a Square Dance group that appeared on West Coast Channel 3 TV last June 18 and were a big success. As a result they began hearing from people outside the Sacramento area who saw them, and scheduled a performance at Calif. State Fair Aug. 28. Aside from the outstanding square dancing they do on unis the group has some exceptional riders two of which, **RONALD MARLER** and **TANIA HAINES**, are so adept they even ride ultimate wheels now in parades. See pic of Ronnie and Tania at top of page 12.

BARRY LAPPY, Unicycle star of **RBBB CIRCUS** (Red Unit), and his parents **RAY** and **PHYLLIS** will be coming to visit your Ed. again for a few days after the final 1976 performance of the (RBBB Circus in Cleveland, Ohio Nov. 21. After two fabulous years performing almost daily with "The Greatest Show on Earth" Barry and his parents will be returning home to England. Barry has a Command Performance for the Queen in the Spring and at 12 years of age is the envy of many of our young unicyclists.

On Tuesday, July 20th I was bitten by the Olympic bug. It had taken several weeks to develop, but by the second day of the actual competitions it had entered the serious stage, and I knew I had to go. I HAD TO GO! I knew there was only one cure, so that evening (sometime around midnight), armed with a half-a-dozen unicycles, all of my juggling props and my friend MICHAEL ROMANELLI who happened to be on vacation, I left for Montreal and the Olympics.

The trip from Westbury, N.Y. up to Montreal was uneventful, except for one funny incident with a Customs Official as we crossed the border. He couldn't believe his eyes when he saw all of our unicycles. He called them "broken cycles", and wanted to know if we were planning to sell them in Canada. We told him definitely not, that we only planned to ride them. He looked at them doubtfully for a few moments and then said that he didn't think anyone could ride them, but to go through anyway. We laughed about it and continued on. As we approached Montreal the rainbow-colored Olympic signs could be seen for miles along the roads, each one with the international symbols for the events on it, steering us closer and closer to the "Centre International du Village Olympique". Finally we arrived at the corner of Rue Viau and Rue Sherbrooke. It was Wednesday morning, and we were at the Olympics!

Being at the Olympics and having a parking space there were two different things, and we drove around in circles for almost an hour searching for a free space, or at least one that was less than five dollars an hour. As luck would have it we did find one, on the Ave. Pierre-de-Coubertin facing the Olympic Stadium and the metro (subway). The spot was just about as close as we could have gotten and we were both very happy, when a French Canadian Policeman informed us, "No park here, or you get ticket." We were just about to move when the stuff in the back of the car caught his eye. He looked very excited and asked if I was a juggler, and then said that his nephew could juggle too. This was an opportunity, I realized, that we could not afford to pass up, so I told him I was a juggler and then got out of the car and juggled for him. He was so happy that he told us he'd get us a place to park, and a minute or two later he did, one that was even better than where we had been. We thanked him, unloaded all of the props and headed for the Olympic Stadium.

Outside of the Olympic Complex there were several other performers, including a One Man and, a Mime, several minstrels and guitarists, and a few religious groups doing the soap-box Preacher bit. But as we headed inside the performers thinned out and the only things left were the concessions and thousands of people. We set up right in the middle of a large open area, and it was only a few moments before a crowd had gathered numbering well into the hundreds. It was time for the show to begin. I started with a juggling act, using 3,4,5 & 6 balls, rings, clubs, diabolo, devil sticks, spinning plates and cocktail shakers, and followed that with a unicycle act using a 20" regular uni, a 6' uni, a mini-wheel giraffe, a 42" big wheel uni, a handlebar unit (with pedals), a mini-bicycle and a six pylon obstacle course. For a finale I combined juggling and unicycling, ending up on the 6' uni juggling 5 balls. The audience all really loved it and they showed it in their generosity at the end when we asked for donations. The format worked so well that I decided to keep it without change for the rest of the week.

After doing nine shows that day, Mike and I decided to stop and take in some of the sights. We took all the stuff back to the car, counted the money, and got the shock of our lives. In only one day we had made enough to pay for the trip up and back, and had enough left over to consider buying some tickets at ridiculously high scalper prices. We headed off for the Metro where the Scalpers were hanging out and, after a little bargaining, had gotten some tickets to some of the Basketball competitions. We had a little time before the games, so we walked back to the complex to watch some of the other performers. There we met Elzear Duquette - King Of The Walk, who is the only man to have walked around the world five times (pulling all of his worldly possessions in a coffin-shaped wagon behind him!). We talked to him briefly, looking at his collection of clippings and articles about him, and then went to the games. After the games it was late, so we headed back to Potsdam, N.Y., just over the border to stay with FAY & GRACE JENACK, another branch of my crazy family. (Their daughter Molly, A U.S.A. member is an excellent unicyclist, who spent a lot of time that week on my 6' uni!) We visited for a while, and then went to bed, tired and happy. END OF PART ONE. PART TWO IN JANUARY, 1977 NEWSLETTER.

D's NOTE: John was promised a couple pages in this newsletter but with the abundance of NUM news and pics it was decided to cut it to one page and let him conclude in Jan. issue. John, by the way, has gotten up quite a paying unicycle juggling act and his most recent performances at the ONSTAGE Cabaret in Freeport, N.Y. Oct. 29 were extremely well received.

A number of people have written in to ask about having the next National Meet in their city or area. Some seem to have the idea that our not-for-profit organization has unlimited funds in its treasury and that all that is necessary is for someone to say, "Let's have it here" and in some mysterious way the U-S-A Inc. will finance and take care of setting up and running the meet there. As far as our treasury goes membership dues are hardly sufficient to take care of running expenses and pay for this newsletter and it is only thru the sale of books etc. thru the newsletter that we are able to stay out of the red. National meets, if we have them, therefore must be organized and financed by the sponsoring group. Incidentally having a National Meet each year is not a legal obligation of our organization as a not-for-profit Corp. Our legal obligation is simply that we must hold at least one general membership meeting each year. We therefore could have a convention rather than a competitive meet each year if we so desire. At a convention, talented unicyclists would still have an opportunity to show their stuff and perhaps participation awards or ribbons could be given out in lieu of competitive trophies. When the national meet was held in Marion, Ohio two years ago our officers all marveled at how Paul Fox managed to break even despite the many unforeseen expenses that came up. Going over this year's meet and some of its ramifications may give members an insight into what it takes to run a meet of the magnitude of ours. First there is the use of a large gym, coliseum, arena or the like for at least one day (in case of rain the entire meet could be a disaster otherwise). In Marion this year the Local 750 of the UAW took care of this expense for us, which amounted to some two hundred dollars, and it was greatly appreciated. Local authorities and merchants supported much of the expense of the meet by allowing us the free use of a huge parking lot and by laying out and painting the lanes for the races - (which was no small job). The Catholic High School generously allowed the use of their gym and facilities so out-of-towners could have clean, convenient, low cost lodging. For some cyclists from distant places this made the difference between whether they could or could not attend. The free Pot-luck supper put on by the ladies of Marion, under the direction of CATHY ROWE, was another bit of community backing that was much appreciated. Trophies donated by merchants the labor and printing costs of programs and advertising, and the free orange drink so generously supplied by McDonalds all day Saturday were additional valued contributions to the success of the meet. The sponsoring club also took care of insurance which is a must. If a sponsoring organization is a corporation the liability may be limited but sufficient insurance to cover anything that might occur at the meet is still a must. Your Editor, from actual experience, can vouch for the fact that nothing can be quite as disconcerting as to have a letter come from your own insurance company saying you are being sued for a larger amount than you carry and that they are letting you know so you may hire an attorney to protect your interests. Overall it appears that the Paul Fox Unicycle Club Inc. did a commendable job of running this year's meet and it served a large number of unicyclists. At our annual meeting after the National Meet we were probably wise in voting to leave the choice of location and date of next year's meet to the President. It was a lot of work this year for Paul and his many helpers but they and his other backers have all said that they felt it was worth it and that they would back him again. Marion, Ohio may therefore be the location of the meet next year - we will keep you informed through the newsletter. To smooth out some inequalities in judging that became evident this year Paul has sent out questionnaires to participating clubs and cyclists asking for constructive criticism of them. He then plans to call a meeting of interested parties next March at which they will formulate a new set of rules and regulations. Since Marion is located fairly near the center of the country east to west, and if majority concur, it could be that Marion may become the traditional place to hold annual meets - similar to the way the soap box derby is always held in the same place each year. To your Ed. it appears that the number of cyclists participating is all important and that regional meets in other parts of the country might be the most expedient way to serve unicyclists everywhere. Your Ed. would welcome others views on this and would particularly like information on other groups who have large scale community backing. B.D.

It was with dismay that I read an article in the Milwaukee Sentinel 9-20-76 concerning the closing of CIRCUS WORLD MUSEUM School. (See pg 5, last issue) The school was forced to close because of difficulty in getting adequate liability insurance for students, despite the fact that there has not been a single accident there. It is hoped that a solution will be found whereby the school, which has done so much for youth, will be able to reopen.

Word has just been received from England that our most senior member Alf Tabb, 93 of Kidderminster passed away Sept. 10, 1976. Alf, a retired bicycle builder, was noted for his many novel miniature bicycles some of which were billed in their time as the "World's Smallest Bikes". Just two years ago our Oct. '74 newsletter carried a human interest story on Alf on page 15. At 91 he built himself a unicycle and proceeded to learn to ride it. Until his health began to fail about a year and a half ago it appeared that he was going to set one more record - that of learning to ride a unicycle at age 92. Despite failing health Alf managed, with the help of his devoted wife Alice, to keep up his correspondence with your Ed. Your Ed. would like to extend the sympathy of our entire membership to Mrs. Tabb on the loss of her loved one.

NEW CIRCUS ARTS BOOK: Drama Book Specialists of New York City have just come out with a new book CIRCUS TECHNIQUES by HOVEY BURGESS. Hovey is one of our members who, along with his very talented wife Judy, has attained considerable fame in the field of teaching the circus arts. While the few pages on unicycling will be mostly 'Old Hat' to unicyclists who already know how to ride, the rest of the book with its many clear photos could be a terrific source of ideas for members who would like to branch out and try some of the other circus arts. Arrangements have been made with the publisher and the book may be ordered from your newsletter editor (see listing below). Incidentally one of the outstanding attractions at the N.Y. City 'Juggle-In' Oct. 17 (see pg 19) was Hovey and Judy each juggling five clubs and passing - what a sight.



The neat little unicycle pins and charms that first made their appearance at the 1975 National Unicycle Meet and were then offered for sale through the newsletter have proved very popular. We therefore have been placing additional orders and are still offering them at \$2 each plus stamped return envelope from your Newsletter Editor whose address appears below. Full size appearance is as shown at left. When ordering be sure to state whether you wish Pin or Charm. Pin has pin on back while charm has loop on top for use with chain.

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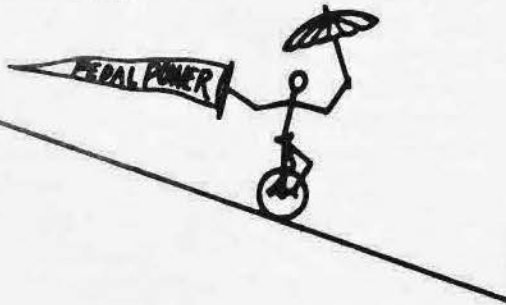
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