Making a turn at Jason Swiatlowski of Grand Rapids' Rapid Wheelmen bicycle club as he leads Kirk Albers of Columbus, Ohio at the intersection of Ottawa and Pearl during Sunday's Category 1-2-3 Medcor-Plus Bicycle Race downtown. Albers finished second in the 1-2-3 division, with Swiatlowski placing 10th. More coverage, 68.
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I’m thinking I need a new bike, as the 40 year old Colnago Super Mexico is good, but has seen better days.

So I go to Milan, Italy and ask Ernesto Colnago if he will allow me to have a new bike. After he sees the picture of my bike, he says “You need a new bike”.

So I ask Ernesto if I can have this old beat up orange track bike. Ernesto says, “No - no - only my dear friend Eddy Merckx can ride that bike. It was made special for him, and him only. He broke the hour record on that bike in Mexico City. So sorry, but No.”

So I go see Jack Crawford at Loose Spokes Bike Shop in Grand Haven. He orders a custom paint Colnago C64 for me, still hand-made in Milan. After a 7 month wait, it arrives, complete with Rapid Wheelen race team colors of two different eras. When I do finally ride it, Ernesto will be proud of me, his wish fulfilled.
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Events and Group Rides
Diane Obermeyer has sent me enough material out of her archives to last through all of 2020 in celebration of the club’s 50th Anniversary this year. In this issue we look at race activities of the club in the early ’80’s. In the June issue we explored the time trials, at Ada and the State Championships. This issue will deal with criterium and road racing events. This was about the time I joined the club. By 1982, the club had already had several races on the Pettis-Knapp-Honey Creek circuit. It was on Honey Creek where the training rides would start. I came to my first training ride, basically unannounced. I looked pretty green with the oversized clincher tires on my Schwinn Super Le Tour and touring shoes.

The first person I see is Shawn Farrell, the club coach. I ask him if I can ride with them. He looks at me, then again, and says “You’ll have to talk to Skip”.

Skip Obermeyer, Diane’s husband, was the team manager at the time. I don’t know how, but I did ride that night with the team.

That was the beginning of many years of substantial involvement with the club and the race team. My first 100 Grand Tour, Colorburst, and Maple Leaf rounded out my tours. Races like the Spring Valley Road Race, Rockford Criterium, Grand Rapids Criterium, Muskegon Criterium, and many others filled the weekends. The State Championship TT and Road Races were always the highlight races. During the week it was the Ada TTs and then Grattan.

I had many rides with the team outside of that too. Got to know all the guys and gals really well in our shared misery. Eventually I became the Race Team Captain for several years, organizing a lot of activities. I even promoted a stage race for two years, rare in those days outside of the Coors Classic in Colorado.

And it all started and ended, right on Honey Creek.

How did I ever get wrapped up in this, promoting a two day, 3 stage race? I must have been out of my mind. The logistics alone are mind-boggling: Securing a major sponsor, obtaining permits from the townships, hiring officials, etc. etc. Still the club was a tremendous help. Ken Mange and Diane and Skip Obermeyer made it much easier. Was it worth it? Just ask the riders. They loved it! An actual race that kept track of total time (General Classification) like the Tour de France.

To this day there is hardly ever any amateur races like that. But for two years, the Rapid Wheelmen and Grand Rapids had that race.

The above picture is the Start / Finish of the Sunday road race on Honey Creek. Near the top of the hill, at an old country school parking lot, was where I first joined the team for that faithful training ride. On the prior day of the stage race, the riders had ridden a 15 mile time trial in Ada, followed by a criterium in the afternoon in Rockford. Team tactics would be in full play on this Sunday Road Race.

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Wheels rolled all day long Sunday.

They paid in Ada Sunday some of the best cyclists from around the state tackled Ada's 112-mile course Sunday in the 1983 Michigan State Bicycle Championships hosted by the Rapot Wheelmen of Grand Rapids.

All the cyclists came away tired — and some came away beaten — from a morning and afternoon of pedaling up and down the countryside. A 23-year-old man from Livonia, Jeff Pierce, endured the course and the competition to win the 112-mile race in the senior division.

Of the 55 racers who started, only 23 finished. Sunny skies, warm temperatures and a hilly course took its toll on the cyclists.

The top area finisher was Grand Rapids' Brian Stauffer, who placed third behind Pierce and Rick Wyn of Detroit.

The top six finishers in the division qualified for the national race to be held later this summer in Milwaukee.

Ten other Grand Rapids cyclists qualified for the nationals in other divisions.
Biker, 17, Aims for The Best

By Greg Hutchinson

A couple of days ago, Jeff Ensing was downtown profiling for passport pictures.

Ensing is hoping the photo session wasn't an exercise in futility.

Ensing is a racing cyclist aiming for membership on the prestigious six-man United States Cycling Federation Junior National travel team.

If the 17-year-old Grand Rapids Christian High senior lands a position, then he heads to Italy for the World Junior Championships in early July.

Italy is a way off, Ensing acknowledges, but at least he has a good shot.

He has participated in two USCF training camps in Colorado Springs and has qualified to attend another June 1. A successful camp can at least place him on the 15-member USCF junior team.

"I think it's possible for me to make the top 15," he said. "But I'd really have to do good to make the top six."

Final selection for the team will be made June 15.

Ensing began racing almost three years ago. He competed in just three races his initial season. At 18, he started racing earnestly.

He came to the attention of national coaches last summer with a fourth-place finish in the Sykesville Races, part of Milwaukee's "Super-Week" celebration. Ensing had to work through a field of 84 participants.

He took three firsts last year, including the Michigan State Criterion and last Sunday finished second in an Olympic development race in Saginaw.

"I don't think he's ever finished out of the money," says his father, Raymond Ensing, who is Race Co-Captain of Rapid Wheelman Bicycle Club.

But Kaceday — Sunday — is preceded by a six-day self-imposed torture called training. "I ride between 200-250 miles per week sometimes 300," he said. "Monday, I ride 35 miles. Tuesday is 15-mile time trials."

Wednesday is a dirty word.

"That's the long day, the hard day," he said. "I ride 60-70 miles."

More time trials follow Thursday and another 50 miles consume Friday.

"Social life?" he muses. "Biking takes up most of my time. I go to school, come home, eat, train and go to bed."

But training, the lack of it, becomes a problem for Ensing in the winter with brittle winds, icy streets and freezing temperatures. Ensing is forced to put his bike in cold storage nearly four months a year.

He keeps his leg muscles toned with cross country skiing and weight lifting but still loses ground to the warm-weather competitors.

"California racers can train year round," he sighs. "We have to wait until March."

His bike, light enough for a sneeze to topple, represents a small fortune. "We've got about $1,300 invested in it," says his father.

Italian-made components — all very expensive — and German-made racing tires add to the price tag. No reflectors. "Oh, no," said Ensing, "they add weight."

The tires, razor-thin at less than an inch in diameter, are inflated rock-hard, between 100-120 PSI. They are extremely susceptible to puncture, especially to small bits of glass which the cyclist can't see to avoid.

Cyclists, too, are vulnerable. Full-on racing is scary enough, but the biker also has to deal with potholes, rocks, grates and motorists.

"I've been yelled at, squirted with stuff and had things thrown at me," said Ensing. "You get hassled mostly by people who think you shouldn't be on the road. But it's getting better. It only happens about once every three weeks now."

Ensing has remained fairly injury-free. "Physical damage hasn't been any problem for him," says father Ray. "He had some crashes last year (five). In fact, he scraped himself up a little. Nothing serious, though. He didn't break any bones."

The real damage is done to the bicycle. Races that are sometimes 50-60 miles long already pound the bike. A wreck can be dreadful indeed.
A Jeff Ensing montage - through the years to National Criterium Champ

At the Rockford Crit, with the wily Klaus Meingast in pursuit

The promising Junior Racer

Years later, now with the National Championship jersey, a return to Rockford
THE GRAND RAPIDS BICYCLE RACE was held October 20, 1980 at the Gratten Raceway.

a rolling course with several turns and a short hill just before a long straight start-finish line. There was a strong wind that was behind the riders on the straight-away and against them for the rest of the course on a partly cloudy day.

STOCK RACE RESULTS:
In the Veteran Men race, Jochen Bitterich led the field all the way, with Ray Easing up from third to second place with two laps to go and in the final sprint almost passing Jochen, who pushed hard and beat Ray to the finish line. Ken Scott (Muskegon) was 3rd, Don Gattis 4th, Courtney Bush 5th and Tom Robberson 6th.

Betty Reuer, the only Senior Woman, rode with the Vet Men and crossed the line fifth for 1st place. She rode really well in a hard race with the men.

Thirteen Senior Men came to the line and rode an outstanding race. Kirk Swayman led the race and crossed the finish line 1st. Steve Johnson and Rick Rennie fought it out for a very close 2nd and 3rd. John Reuer finished 24 seconds behind Kirk for 4th place. Dental Ferrara 5th, Greg Willams 6th, Brent Johnson 7th, Bruce Sidell 8th, David Mitchell 9th, Herb Scheer 10th, Dennis Kercher 11th, David Koelich 12th, Les Winegar 13th.

Three Junior Men raced at the same time as the seniors but one less lap. Art Hewitt (Muskegon) placed 1st, Bob Pullos 2nd, and Paul Hewitt (Muskegon) 3rd. Veteran Women Leslie Wurm 1st with a time of 17:10 and Irene Robberson 2nd with 20:54.

Midget Boys: Michael Scheer, age 9, was 1st and Sean Beinfield, age 8, 2nd. Sean came all the way from Grand Rapids with his dad. Their time was 7:23. Midget Girl Crystal Fersinger rode her distance (1 lap) in 8:45 for 1st. Intermediate Boys winning time was 16:03 for three laps. Kirk Bitterich placed 1st, Craig Han基站 was 2nd, Brian Vandervolk 3rd, Paul Hewitt 4th and Curtis Fersinger 5th.

U.S.C.P. RACE RESULTS:
The Senior Men Race was very exciting. Eric Moe (Muskegon) had won two of the prime sprints and was in the lead group with Ken Polidan (Muskegon), until they both went down in a crash. Terry Florian (Kalamazoo) and John Nufer each won a prime sprint after that. Kent Slaughter (Rapid Wheelmen) from Traverse City, won a prime sprint for a chasing group. After the crash, the lead group battled it out until the finish when John Nufer put much effort into a long sprint and finished 1st. Kent Storey of Traverse City (Schwinn Club) 2nd and Randy Dickerson (Muskegon Bike Club) 3rd. Eric Moe 4th, Terry Florian 5th. Ken Polidan 6th, Brian Chappell 7th. Michael Manning (Battle Creek) 8th. Pat Florian 9th, Gary Rider (Muskegon) 10th. Other finishers were Kent Slaughter, Dave Marvin (Muskegon), Dave Hamer, Joe McCargar, Ken Menge and Randy Secinski.

In the Senior Women class, Kim Lucas broke away from the field and led the entire distance for 1st place. Lisa Parke of Detroit (Wolverine Schwinn), chased down and passed Cyndi Holmes and Nancy Robberson who were working together. Lisa placed 2nd. Cyndi was 3rd and Nancy 4th in a hard sprint for the finish. Nina Neumann (Muskegon) 5th, Diane Obergser 7th and Ellie Walters, a new member of the Rapid Wheelmen from Traverse City was 8th.

The Junior Men race ended in an extremely close sprint with Matthew Canon of Chicago (Chi-Town Golden Wheels) 1st and Jeff Easing (Rapid Wheelmen) 2nd. and John Sanderson of Fremont 3rd. John Olson 4th, Matt Joppich another new member from Traverse City was 5th. Marcus Edwards (Team Toago) N.California, now from Rockford 6th, Tony Obergser 7th, Dan Gensler 8th, and Tom Lupfer of Chicago (Chi-Town Golden Wheels) 9th. A fine race for all these young men.

Midget Boy Brian Obergser 1st and Stephanie Parke's Midget Girl 1st.

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Rockford’s first bike race draws nearly 100 participants

by Cheryl Frampton

Rockford’s first sanctioned bike race was a success, drawing some 90 riders.

Jochin Ditterich initiated the idea of holding the race in Rockford, figuring it would be good for the area.

“There are few bike races on the west side of the state,” explained Ditterich.

Seventy licensed riders competed in the race, while 20 cyclists were considered stock riders.

Ditterich, who directed the race, called the turn out very, very good, considering it’s the first time such an event has been held in Rockford. Riders came from all over the state, as well as many from Ohio.

The race was held June 21, with cyclists riding a 12-mile course through downtown Rockford.

Called the Little Red Shoe House Criteron, the event was sponsored by the Little Red Shoe House.

Rockford riders dominated the boys’ junior stock race, taking all but third place. Jeff Dione took first; Nathan Jarrett, second; Craig Elderkin, fourth; Bill Doyle, fifth; and Rob Nielsen, sixth.

Placing second and third from the area were Herb Scheer, of Cedar Springs, and Bill Brown, of Belmont, in the Men’s Senior Stock Race.

In the Senior Stock Race for women, Lynn Jarrett, of Rockford took second. Rockford riders Brian VanderHoff and Kirk Ditterich placed fifth and sixth, respectively, in the Intermediate Boys Race.

In Veteran Men’s action, Jochin Ditterich, of Rockford, placed fourth. Marcus Edwards, also of Rockford, competed in the Senior Men’s division.

The race was held from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Chicago Cyclist Has Late Burst, Wins Criterium

By Drew Sharp

Richard Zebrowski of Chicago drove what might be considered the perfect race for cycling. He paced himself with the lead pack of racers and, with a quarter of the race remaining, exploded from the pack and withstood a strong late wind to capture the men's senior 1 and 2 division race in the fifth Grand Rapids Criterium here Sunday.

He led for most of the race, but remained very close to the racers behind him so as not to tire himself out for the stretch run.

"I stayed in pretty good position throughout the race and I waited until what I thought would be the right time to make my move," said Zebrowski. "The wind started to pick up near the end, but that really didn't have much effect on me. All in all, I felt that I drove a pretty good race. In this type of race, you usually rely more on certain tactics than just sheer strength. Your overall driving capability shows more in this type of race."

A criterium, one of the most popular types of racing, is held on a short course. In this case, the course was the downtown streets surrounding Calder Plaza, about a mile and a quarter in distance.

The main characteristic of the criterium course is sharp turns, and this course had plenty of them.

"It's a credit to your driving ability when you can maneuver around these sharp turns," Zebrowski noted. "It is definitely a race for the racer who concentrates on the driving aspect."

The Criterium was blessed by the surprise appearance of a cycling celebrity, Detroit's Sheila Young, a 1976 Olympics standout. Young is also a world-class cyclist. "I was in the race in LaFayette, Ill., on Saturday and I figured since I was so close, I might as well roll into town and race." She added.

"I will be running in some races on the east coast soon and this will give me some additional practice. The competition within the Michigan girls is good and should be fine preparation for my future races."

Young noted that there are similarities in cycling and speed skating.

"In both sports, you have to deal with wind resistance," she explained. "But, in speed-skating, you just have to use your strength to fight through it whereas in cycling you can 'draft' or use other tactics in battling the wind factor."

"Drafting is when the racers try to stay as close together as possible through the race. There just aren't that many similarities. Cycling is a summer sport which gears you up for speed skating and speed skating in the winter gets you prepared for cycling."

The United States Olympic Team will form its first women's cycling team for the 1984 Games to be held in Los Angeles. But Young doubts if she will try out for the team.

"I'm a sprinter and the only race that will be held is a road race. It is run on a hilly course and covers a distance of 35 to 45 miles. I just don't think I'm capable of that strenuous a race. I'm comfortable in this type of race."

Young finished fourth here Sunday and was involved in one of the accidents. Young was not hurt in her pileup, but one racer, Victoria Brown, suffered a slight concussion when she fell over her handlebar.

"Nothing to worry about," said Young. "I was close to home and this would give me a chance to see my family who still lives in Detroit."

Louise Olsen of the Wolverine Schwinn Club of Detroit won the senior women's A division, the majority race in the ladies' bracket. Muskegon's Susan Mittleitl captured the senior women's B title. Other women's division winners included Rita Mae Peatman in the veteran women's division, and Flint's Gina Novara in the midget girls bracket.

Neil King took the veteran men's title, just beating out Brian Collwell of the host Rapid Wheelmen Club. Wolverine Schwinn's Clay Pollard won in the senior men's 3 division. Rapid Wheelman John Nuijver finished third in the event.

Jamie Bottwell, also from the Wolverine club, won first place honors in the senior men's 4 division. Hunt Chisholm of Cleveland won the junior men's division with John Olsen of the Rapid Wheelmen placing third. Samuel Yovan Jr. and Andrayo Francisco won the midget boys and intermediate boys division respectively.
A rain-slicked Monroe Avenue set the scene for the fifth Grand Rapids Criterium which started at Calder Plaza Sunday.
### Little Red Shoe House Critérium

**June 21, 1981**

**Senior Men**
1. Rick Wys
2. Chuck Quast
3. Larry Kaatz
4. Byron Adams
5. Rob Hair
6. Terry Floriam
7. Randy Dickerson
8. Ken Flidan
9. Mike DeEstrada
10. David McSwiggen

**Senior Women**
1. Karen Schaugg
2. Louise Olson
3. Sophie Eaton
4. Janie Brennan
5. Sue Schaugg
6. Nancy Robberson
7. Lynn Taylor
8. Sue Hewitt
9. Donna Ryskamp
10. Diane Obermeyer

**Veteran Men**
1. Brian Chappell
2. Dave Merwin
3. Tom Bradford
4. Jochen Ditterich
5. John Obermeyer
6. Ed Lucas
7. Jim Morley
8. Rob Gardey
9. Ray Engling

**Junior Men**
*1. John Olen
2. Colin Hall
3. Frank Andreu
*4. Jeff Ensing
5. Brad Chen
6. John Sanderson
7. Peter Kouzzos
*8. Dan Gendler

**Intermediate Boys**
1. Andy Snyder
2. Bruce Martin
3. Steve Young
4. John Klein
*5. Brian VanderHoff
*6. Kirk Ditterich
*7. Bryan Obermeyer

**Intermediate Girls**
1. Celeste Andree
2. Melanie Parkes

**Widget Boys**
L. Samuel Yonan
2. Matt Vickery

**Widget Girls**
1. Gina Novara
2. Lisa Andreu
3. Stephanie Parks

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**Grand Rapids Critérium**

**June 22, 1981**

**Senior 1&2 Bar**
1. Rich Zebrowski
2. Mike Bois
3. Fabio Orlandi
4. Chuck Quast
5. Klaus Meingast
6. James Huff
7. William Corliss
8. Ken Nowakowski
9. Michael DeEstrada
10. Larry Kaatz
11. James Naber
12. Eric Moe
13. Robert Youngman
14. Herbert Meingast
15. Leo Covelli

**Senior 3 Bar**
1. Clay Molitor
2. Flynn Tucker
3. John Nuiver
4. Brian Stauffer
5. Jim Hontas
6. Dave Berkheimer
7. Jeff Carlson
8. Terry Floriam
9. Gregory Skeloy
10. Mark Zeitz

**Senior Women A Bar**
1. Louise Olson
2. Karen Schaugg
3. Ellyn Traub
4. Sheila Ochowicz
5. Janie Brennan
6. Sue Schaugg
7. Lynn Taylor
8. Elise Lobdell
9. Lisa Parkes

**Senior Women B Bar**
1. Sue Hewitt
2. Donna Ryskamp
3. Susan Canaday
4. Sandy Folsom

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Hello to you all! I hope all is well with everyone!

Unfortunately, I have been dreading and stalling having to write this post. I have been living at my northern property since this all started and until businesses open back up I will be staying put for now. I want to let you know that I will be cancelling my Tuesday Trail Rides until at least for now. I have been told that people will have to wear masks and I just cannot see that happening while riding a bike and the distance thing is just as challenging. Until the ban gets lifted to resume some sense of normalcy I feel it in the best interest for individuals to do their own ride at this moment.

For now, I will keep you updated as we all navigate forward. As always, I appreciate everyone’s time, energy and efforts into showing up to support our rides.
Cycling quote of the month:

“There’s a lot of feelings about racing you can never communicate. They’re your own, and only you can identify with them.” - Alexi Grewal, 1984 Olympic Gold Medalist - Road Race
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