

## SPEAKING OF SPOKES

## End of the Summer M usings

By Dave Ward
Publisher
I do not watch much television, my viewing being pretty much limited to Star Trek (any generation will do) and what coverage of the Tour de France I am able to pick up. So this year, I decided to upgrade my cable service to digital cable so I could watch the Tour coverage on the Outdoor Life Network (OLN).
This was like steak to a starving man. I spent (wasted, some would say) at least two hours every night keeping up with the exploits of Lance and the Posties.

So, Karma and I were watching the legendary climb up Mont Ventoux, only to learn from those two delightful English bavards (french for "bullshitters") that Armstrong was being jeered by some roadside idiots yelling, "Dopé!" (french for "doped"). The French press and some French fans just do not want to let die claims that Lance uses performance enhancing drugs.

But the ironic part was that at that very moment the Mont Ventoux stage was being won by Richard Virenque, an extremely popular French rider who was on the Festina team busted and kicked out of the 1998 Tour for big time drug usage. Virenque repeatedly denied he used drugs,

and even wrote a book, Ma Verité (french for "My Truth"), denying it. Then later, when all this came to trial, Virenque admitted to using drugs. So, not only was he a cheater, but a conniving liar, too. It really burned me to see him win Mont Ventoux. Anybody but him. And then to hear that the French fans were jeering Armstrong as a doper, when their own favorite rider was a virtual pin cushion, really fried me. Hello, is anybody home? Anyway, that is my tirade on that.

My wife, Karma and I, rode the Utah Lake Century Epic Ride (ULCER) last Saturday on our tandem. While at the first food stop, we met up with Joel Bingham, the owner of Bingham's Cyclery. We chatted a little, and then suddenly Joel grabbed this bike from behind him and held it in front of me, primarily to watch me drool with lust and envy, I am certain.

Standing in front of me was a most beautiful piece of bicycle art, a Serotta Ottrott (pronounced "oh tro") ST.

A bicycling Frank Lloyd Wright would appreciate this artistic work of functional form. A carbon fiber frame with titanium lugs, seat tube and bottom bracket, curved carbon seat stays and pivoting rear dropouts put this frame in a class by itself. So, of course, does the price. A visit to Serotta's website showed prices for the frame alone beginning at $\$ 4300$, and that was with titanium seat stays, not the optional carbon seat stays, which of course will cost more.

Joel had chosen a frame with a tint finish that sparkles and changes color with the angle of light. Additionally, he had outfitted the bike with a new carbon handlebar which by itself will set you back close to a half thousand bucks.

After Karma calmed me down, we chatted with Joel about what a beautiful piece of work this was, and Joel made it a point to let me know Serotta had promised him he would receive his frame before Robin Williams, who also had an order in, would receive his. Of course, Joel probably generates more income for Serotta than Robin Williams. So, Mr. Williams, step aside.

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Wade Simmons at the 2001 Red Bull Rampage. The 2002 Rampage is in VIrgin, Utah on Oct 10-13.

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Speaking of the ULCER, when Karma and I arrived at the start, I was appalled to look at a line at least 50 yards long for registration. I dutifully took my place in line, only to learn that these were the pre-registered riders! For us slugs who failed to pre-register, we only had a line of about five people to deal with

Now, admittedly, I had to pay more and did not get a t-shirt (as if I need any more t-shirts). But being the impatient line curmudgeon that I am, it was a small
were mounted and leaving, the guy I was behind in the preregistration line had finally made his way to the front.
Do not get me wrong, though. The Bonneville Bicycle Touring Club (BBTC) which puts on this event, while experiencing a small disaster with registration, did a great job. As they do every year with this and other events. Indeed, the members of BBTC are to be thanked and praised for all they do for bicycling in Utah.

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## TRAIL OF THE MONTH

## Navajo Lake Loop Trail

## By Gregg Bromka

Although Utah is ranked as one of the driest states in the nation, and we're not talking about liquor laws, it hosts a number of natural mountain lakes that are veritable aquatic jewels. Navajo Lake is such a gem. Located 28 miles east of Cedar City and up on the $9,000-$ foot high Markagunt Plateau, Navajo Lake is a stone's throw from Brian Head and Cedar Breaks National Monument. How convenient. Anglers have cast their baited hooks into the lake's chilly waters for decades, but there is more to do here than troll in a sputtering dingy. Mountain bikers, hikers, and equestrians will find mile upon mile of prime trails that were built with them in mind, thanks to the Cedar City Ranger District of the Dixie National Forest. With three campgrounds along the lake's edge and with basic visitor services at nearby Duck Creek Village, you can set up base camp at Navajo and spend a long weekend exploring sweet singletracks until your legs can turn the pedals no more.
The 12-mile long Navajo Lake Loop Trail serves as the backbone to the area's trails. It's a fun little ride that the whole family can enjoy because the hills are gentle and the trail is buttery smooth, by and large. Along the lake's north side, fluttering aspens cast flickering shadows across the path; on the south shore, commingling fir trees block even the most determined rays of sun. During the dog-days of summer when most of the state's populus swelters in blistering heat, the climate at Navajo Lake is temperate by day and refreshingly crisp by night. But wait, there's more. The Navajo Lake Loop Trail is but a stepping stone to the Virgin River Rim Trail (VRRT) on the nearby Pink Cliffs, and the two are linked together via five different trails: Duck Creek ATV, Dike, Spruces, Navajo, and Lodge Trails. Do the math, and you'll find there are 10 possible loop options between the Navajo Lake Trail and the VRRT. So, maybe one weekend isn't long enough. Visit Navajo Lake once and you'll want to return time and again.

## Details:

You can start the Navajo Lake Loop Trail from anywhere along the lake's south shore, but the Dike Trailhead is most convenient. Head east for about a half mile, fork left on the signed Navajo Lake Loop Trail, and cross small sinkholes of chunky lava. If you look around, you'll see that there are no inlet or out let streams to the lake. Slopeside springs feed water to the lake, which in turn drains


Length: Navajo Lake Loop Trail: 11.7 miles.

Tread: Singletrack with a touch of dirt and paved roads.

Physical Difficulty: Moderately easy (a few short hills are thrown in for good measure)

Technical Difficulty: Low (mostly smooth-running tread with some rocks and roots, periodically).

Elevation: Between 9,000-9,200 feet. Gain is only a few hundred feet.

Excerpted from Mountain Biking Utah's Brian HeadBryce Country, available at www.offroadpub.com.

Tricia takes a lap around the Navajo Lake Loop Trail.
Photo by Gregg Bromka
through the pourous rocks underground. The dike was built to give the lake a more consisent level. A mile away, the collective groundwater exits from a single portal in the face of the Pink Cliffs, called Cascade Falls, and gives birth to the North Fork of the Virgin River.

The north-side Loop Trail rolls 3.6 miles to Navajo Spring, where it joins with a dirt road. Take the dirt road to the paved lake road, and then pedal the road right/west to just past the entrance to Te -ah Campground. Go left on the VRRT, and climb moderately for 1.5 miles to Lodge Trail. Descend some trickly switchbacks to the lake road, and ride parallel to the road on the soft-dirt trail. Go through Navajo and Spruces Campgrounds to return to the Dike Trailhead.
Now, set your sights on the VRRT. The longest loop is 14.5 miles long, gains 1,700 feet, and is rated moderately difficult.
Again, start at the Dike Trailhead, and ride east on the lake road. Fork right on Forest Road 054, and descend speedily to the edge of Dry Valley. Link up with the Duck Creek ATV Trail, and take it south alongside the valley through groves of aspens that provide a natural buffer between you and dustkicking vehicles on the nearby road. After a mile and a half, you'll arrive at trailhead parking area for Cascade Falls Trail. Tether your steed, and walk down the sandy trail for .5 mile to view the subterrainean outlet to Navajo Lake.

Now, hop on the VRRT, and climb in earnest onto the plateau, roll through old-growth aspens, and struggle up several rugged hills. If you fatigue before reaching Navajo Point, simply take one of the three connecting trails back to the lake: Dike, Spruces,
or Navajo. If you make it to Navajo Point, you'll be rewarded by an all-out bombing run descent on tight singletrack. Bank right onto Lodge Trail to circle back to the Dike Trailhead on the lake's south side, or let your momentum carry you all the way down to the Te -ah Campground Trailhead. There,
you can cruise the lake road back or cross over and circle clockwise around the lake on the Loop Trail. Jackie Gleason would say, "How sweet it is!"

Location: 21 miles southeast of Brian Head; 28 miles east of Cedar City on UT 14.


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## BICYCLE ADVOCATE

Utah Continues to Underspend on Bike Projects

By Charles Pekow
Utah is getting worse and Idaho better when it comes to spending federal money on bicycle projects. During the decade between FY 92 and 01, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) provided more than $\$ 5.2$ billion in Transportation Enhancements money to the states, with slightly more than $\$ 40$ million going to Utah and Idaho getting almost $\$ 44$ million. Two years ago, The National
Transportation Enhancements Clearinghouse (NTEC) reported that Utah, Idaho and most other states weren't spending the funds as quickly as planned (See Cycling Utah, October/November Cycling
2000).

Unfortunately, Utah's performance has dropped in the two years since the first report. Over the decade, Utah had obligated (committed to specific projects) about $\$ 29$ million or 72.5 percent of its funding, above the national average of 69.8 percent but below FHWA's goal of 75 percent. Utah's percentage of funds obligated fell from 74.6 percent in NTEC's ranking two years ago. When ranked among states in the percentage of funds obligated, Utah had fallen from 19th place to 28th of 52 states (including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico).

Idaho, meanwhile, has made some progress pedaling uphill but has plenty of room left to climb. NTEC reported that in 10 years, Idaho has obligated $\$ 27.3$ million, or 62.1 percent of the funds it got, placing it in 37th place. While it remains well below average and FHWA's goal, Idaho has improved from the previous report, when it had committed only 55.7 percent of the funds and fell in 42nd place.

On the plus side, however, communities in both states have proved generous in terms of putting up their own money. The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century requires states or communities to put up a 20 percent match. Utah and Idaho are far

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BY NEAL SKORPEN

exceeding this goal. On 79 Enhancements projects, Idaho has put up a 28 percent match, making it the 16th most generous state in this regard, according to NTEC figures. Utah matched its 81 projects at a 26 percent rate, ranking it 18th.

Over the first 10 years of the program, states spent 45 percent of Enhancements money on bicycle/pedestrian facilities and another 10 percent on separately-counted rail-trail conversions and only a handful on bicycle education projects, according to NTEC's count. Many other Enhancements projects, however, benefit cyclists
indirectly, such as landscaping and historic preservation.
(Full disclosure: the Rails-toTrails Conservancy, of which I am a charter and Heritage Circle member, operates NTEC.)

Meanwhile, a contractor hired by FHWA to study the Enhancements program found the biggest problems in getting projects done on time involved grantees' failure to follow through or know how to design and engineer facilities. They struggled with development issues such as right-of-way, environmental review and design standards, according to the report by Rizzo Associates, Inc.

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When sponsors met deadlines, they usually knew what they were doing because they had completed bicycle projects before and shared a commitment to them. While some states divided the money regionally, state governments in both Utah and Idaho distributed all Enhancements money centrally.

The Utah Department of Transportation failed to respond to Rizzo's survey. But the Idaho Transportation Department said its efforts slowed because sponsors underestimated costs, the state didn't get enough federal money for all the qualified projects, and cumbersom required environmental reviews.

And while some states said that different types of governments (urban vs. rural, city vs. county) handled projects better than others, Idaho reported no significant differences among sponsor types. Unlike most states, however, Idaho didn't dedicate any staff fulltime to Enhancements, which may have contributed to its problems.

Some states obligate funding for a project in one gulp, while others send it in stages, questioning the concept of obligation rate as a success indicator. Idaho obligates in phases starting when it awards grants, which may make it look worse than states that obligate all funding at once.
"Large states may be undermined in obligating (enhancements) projects by large (transportation department) bureaucra-
cies and the complexity of managing large projects," Rizzo concludes. The report suggests exempting all but the largest enhancements projects from lengthy environmental reviews and setting aside some Enhancements funds for technical assistance to help sponsors through the hurdles.

Meanwhile, if you've got ideas on how to improve the
Enhancements program - or federal bicycling policy in general, it's not too early to get your comments on the record. (See Utah Cycling, May 2002 for a discussion on the reauthorization campaign.) The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) set up its first online service to take suggestions and it chose the
Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), which Enhancements is part of, reauthorization as the topic. TEA-21 expires in October 2003 and the administration seeks input on what it should include in a proposed new six-year law it will submit to Congress next January.

As Transportation Secretary Norm Mineta put it in a prepared statement, "As we develop new proposals for our surface transportation program, we want to hear from our state and local partners, the private sector and all those who are interested in meeting the transportation challenges of tomorrow.

Go to www.dot.gov and click on "Surface Transportation Reauthorization." Then enter your comments for the public record or read others' ideas.

What do you say? "Just say 'bicycle.' If people are coming forward to USDOT in their comments and to elected officials while they are campaigning," the government will have to respond, says America Bikes Campaign Manager Martha Roskowski.
"We have three main pieces to our platform," Roskowski says: Safe Routes to School, preserving and expanding existing programs such as Enhancements and the Recreational Trails Program, and improving accommodations for bicyclists and pedestrians in all road projects. At this stage, if bicyclists spread the word that government should consider them as an important piece of the transportation puzzle, America Bikes and its allies will work out the policy details later, she says. "If half the comments they get have something to do with bicycling, it will make it a lot easier for us to talk to them about the specifics. If USDOT gets a whole lot of comments on bicycling, it will force them to take us more seriously."

## COACH'S CORNER

8 Tips to Help You Survive the Infamous Logan to J ackson

## By Bill Ha mis

1. Have a good support crew. A successful race is the result of rider and crew having a well thought out and executed plan. Make sure your support team knows where to be and when to be there. Make sure they know how to hand up bottles, food and clothes. If you or your support team do not know how to do this, practice before race day. Be careful and alert when riding into the feed zones, they are notorious for crashes.
2. The race starts early in the morning and Logan can be VERY cold this time of year. Come to the race prepared to ride in ANY weather condition. From heat, rain, wind, and snow, this race has seen it all. The early morning start almost always requires arm and knee warmers, full finger gloves, light shoe covers and a light jacket or vest. These items can be removed on the fly as things warm-up, if they do. Stuff them under your jersey or in your pockets and throw them out to your crew at the feed zones. If the weather is bad, be sure your crew has the appropriate clothes to hand up to you. You need a lot of energy for this race. Don't let your body waste energy by trying to keep warm.
3. In the 3-days leading up to the race eat high carbohydrate meals (pasta, rice, potatoes, bread, cereal, grains, vegetables, fruits) and plenty of water. You need to have your energy levels fully toped off before you tackle this monster of a ride. Eat a large meal the night before the race and a light breakfast. The race starts early so a big breakfast is out of the question.
4. Start the race with food in your pockets. Good choices are energy bars, gel packs, bananas, dried fruit, bagels, bite size sandwiches and cookies. Start nibbling on food right away and nibble the whole ride. Don't just stuff food down at each feed zone.
5. Drink before you're thirsty and drink a lot. You should take a drink every 15 minutes and go through about a bottle an hour or so, more if it's a hot day. Your bottles should have a sports drink in them, not just plain water. Be sure your support crew has enough bottles for you.
6. Vary your riding position often. Switch between riding in the drops, tops and hoods more than you normally do. Every 15 minutes ride for 1 minute standing. Varying your position will help keep your body from developing severe aches and pains. If that's possible. 7. This race is as much in your mind as it is in your legs. The ride is long, it will feel long and at times you may want to quit, don't. If you have prepared you can do it. One technique to help you get through it is to break the race down into four 50 mile sections or eight 25 mile sections. Concentrate on doing each section at a pace you can handle. Focus on your form, eating, and drinking. Count off the sections as you go, not the miles.
7. When you get to Jackson pat yourself on the back and go have a drink at the Million Dollar Saloon. You've earned it.

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LOTOJ A PREVIEW

## 20th Year of LOTOJ A

## By Dave Ward

On September 14, the LOTO JA Classic will reach a milestone, the staging of its 20th edi tion. The LOTOJA, so named because it starts in Logan, Utah and ends in Jackson, Wyoming (LOgan TO JAckson) was the brain child of David Bern, then a student at Utah State University in Logan, and his friend, Jeff Keller, who had started up a local cycling shop, Sunrise Cyclery.

Bern and Keller wanted to stage a point to point road race in the tradition of the European classics. They mapped out a course that followed some very dramatic scenery and terrain, and was a grueling 203 miles long, a distance that would test riders' strength and endurance. Then, on an early fall morning in 1983, nine racers took off at dawn for the running of the

## 2002 Leadville Trail 100

August 10, 2002: Leadville, CO
The 2002 Leadville Trail 100 Mountain Bike Race was a fantastic success. The weather was dry, sunny and very warm (72 degrees at $10,000^{\prime}$ ). The trail was is good shape except for the notorious Sugarloaf/Power Line section which was very treacherous and the Columbine Mine trail as usual. The sky remained cloudless throughout the entire race, unlike most years when rain has been common. The overall and men's champion was once again Bryson Perry from Sandy, UT with a strong time of 7:32:27. Ted MacBlane from Aspen, CO was second in a time of 7:33:20. Glen Adams of Sandy was fifth, Cory McNeely of Park City was seventh and Mike Young of Orem was ninth.
On the women's side, this years' champion was Kim Raymond from Aspen, CO with a great time of 9:00:57. The third place finisher was Lisel Robert of Provo, UT with a time of 9:25:08.
The first tandem finisher this year was Mark and Serena Warner of Provo, UT in a great time of 9:26:58.

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LOTOJA's first edition. The event was won by Logan cyclist Bob Van Syke with a time just over nine hours.

Since then, the event has steadily grown, drawing its largest group of participants, approximately 550 riders, for last year's staging of the LOTOJA. Organizer épek Sports and Promotion is expecting over 700 participants for the LOTOJA's 20th anniversary.

With only minor variations, the course has remained the same except for moving the finish from Jackson to Teton Village, a further distance of 10 miles, this making the race over 200 miles long.

The LOTOJA Classic draws cyclists from around the United States. For many, it has become an annual challenge for testing their endurance and a fitting end to their racing season.

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## I Want a Refund!! I was J RA...

## by Greg Overton

"I want a refund." "I need to return this item." "Take this piece of crap back and give my money back!" These are a few of the phrases that make the hair on the back of your local shop owner's neck stand on end. How can someone leave a place of business so happy and excited only to return with the single purpose of summarily rejecting that which made them so happy in the first place?

In the back rooms of the local cycling store community, these "refund" stories are talked about, compared, and at times, depending upon the particular story, laughed at, winced at, moaned about or met with plain disbelief. Some of you will recognize these, others may not "get" them, but if just one person out there learns from them, we're all the better for it.
"I was just riding along." Yep, the old JRA story. Famous in every bike shop far and wide You may know it. You may have even (natch) USED it once, only once I hope. If you don't know it, here's an example.
Customer: "I was Just Riding Along when the derailleur fell off, the handlebar bent, and this

huge scratch materialized in the top tube. I think that's a design problem or a defect or something. So, can you refund me for those things?"
Shop Owner: "Sure, as soon as I stop laughing, I'll have you talk to our complaint manager, Richard Lee"

A true example of JRA, and one of the best responses I've personally witnessed was during my employment at a shop in Orem a few years ago. A fairly irate father tornadoed into the store with little junior's twoweek old mountain bike that was suffering a brand new backward bend in the fork.
Father: "I want a refund on this POS bike you sold me!" My employer Scott: "What seems to be the problem?"

Father: "My son was just..JRA..when this fork bent, almost causing him to crash! I could sue you."
Scott: "Are you serious? It just bent while he was riding around the neighborhood, no curbs, no wheelies, no crashes into immovable objects? This is absolutely amazing!
Father: Louder now, "Yeah, what are you going to do about it?!" Scott: Pulling up two stools and offering one to the father, "I'm going to sit here and see if it will bend back!"

Sometimes the refund doesn't require damaged goods, and the hopeful refundee surely believes that said bike shop owner just fell off the turnip truck and land ed behind the counter complete with grease under the nails,
crooked shop apron, and easy demeanor in tact. As evidenced by the options explored in trying to catch the elusive refund.
This was evident by an attempt that happened in a shop which used to be owned by a friend of mine in Provo. A customer, BYU student-ish looking guy enters the shop carrying his old helmet.
Customer: "I need to return this helmet."
My friend Greg: "Did you buy it
here? Do you have your receipt?"
Customer: "Yes in April." (It was now October) "And no, I don't have a receipt.'
Greg: "What's wrong with it, and if there is a problem, why has it taken so long to return it?" Customer: "I just don't need it anymore. And when I bought it, you said I could return if I didn't like it. I don't like it anymore." Greg: "Uh huh....That was months ago, and it looks like you've used it a lot since, I can't take that back."
Customer: Raising his voice angrily, "You mean you're not going to stand behind the junk you sell here!?"
Greg: " Look, there's nothing wrong with it, you've used it all summer. I can't give you a refund, I'm sorry."
Customer: "You're kidding! I spent 40 bucks in here, and now you're not going to do anything for me when I have problem with a product you sold me!?" Greg: Wanting this problem, er customer, to go away: "Look,
I'll give you store credit for the purchase price. Maybe we can use it for test rides or something."
Customer: "Okay, that's fair, let's do it."
Greg enters info into the computer, prints out a store credit, and hands it to the customer. Customer: "Thanks, I'd like to cash this in."
Greg: "Get out of my store, and take your used helmet with you!"
Here's another famous line
that causes many "refund" stories: "I've got a friend who rides a lot, and he said blah blah blah, so I want to return this." Every shop has a return nightmare based on the "Buddy who rides a lot" line. Some may be as small as, "I need to return this tube. Yeah, my buddy who rides a lot said that XY brand is a lot better." What can a store owner say to that? "Well, they all come from the same factory in Thailand, but I can see your point. The air in XY brand tubes probably stays fresher. Your Buddy's right, here's your refund. Sorry for the inconvenience."

Or worse. " Hey, I need to return this Colnago. I mean, I really like it, and I know I chose it after you spent three days helping with all the details, but (all together now) My Buddy Who Rides A Lot says that blue bikes are not as fast as yellow bikes, so can you refund me, and give me a deal on a yellow one?" Shop owners love Buddies Who Ride A Lot.

So please take note, and I know none of you do these things or have Buddies who ride, but just in case you overhear someone beginning the JRA story, please stop them. Explain to them that the nice shop guy has heard about all that can happen under the stresses of JRAing, no matter what your Buddy says. Just wave them off and help all parties involved. Your local bike shop owner will be Your Buddy forever if you do!

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## GUESTEDITORIAL

## Freeriding and Environmentalism

by James Kirk
Freeriding is something I've been obsessed with since its inception. I thought freeriding was the best thing that could happen to mountain biking, but the current state of freeride mountain biking has me reconsidering that stance. It seems as though freeriding has a chip on its shoulder. It seems as though confrontation is imminent
Way back in the early days of mountain biking, the International Mountain Biking Association was established to unite and strengthen the fledgling mountain biking community. IMBA founded a general set of rules to preserve the harmony with other trail users. These are the rules that the governing body of mountain biking has agreed upon. These rules were established for the happiness and well being of all involved parties. When mountain biking was discovered, it introduced a whole new way of getting around in the outdoors, consequently a new set of rules had to be established. The first 3 of these rules are:

1. Ride on open trails only.
2. Leave no trace.
3. Control your bicycle.

Watch ANY freeriding video and you'll see flagrant violations of these rules. I remember the first time I saw Kranked. This movie opens with the claim that this is the film that sought to define what freeriding was. The remainder of the video is scene after scene of guys sliding/skidding down virgin clay slopes, much like the ones in southern

Utah. At the time I didn't think it was a big deal, they just don't know, I figured. I thought for sure that it was a passing craze.

It is generally agreed upon that Mt. Tamalpais is the birthplace of mountain biking. The very first mountain bike race ever was held there, the legendary downhill race "the Repack". This was the first of any kind of mountain bike racing. Now there is a $15-\mathrm{mph}$ limit on all of the trails on Mt. Tam. Rules governing your riding can and will be made. The possibility of mountain biking being shut down is a very real one. And if the new wave of freeriding continues to grow it will happen sooner rather than later.

Well, it's nearly five years down the road and the passing craze has turned into a competitive event held on a trailless hillside. This past October, a select group of young guys were chosen to compete in a natural setting. I'm talking about the Red Bull Rampage, a freeride contest that was held just outside of Virgin, Utah. The format in which this contest was held guarantees trouble in our future. The contest was held on a hillside that had never seen this sort of traffic before. Event organizers took measures to ensure that it would be held in an environmentally sensitive manner. They pre-cleaned the area the day before the event, isolated fragile plants from spectators and raked away the tracks the day following the event. Event organizers and supporters point to BLM approval as the evidence of righteousness. Any environmentalist, worth his salt, can
point to the thousands upon thousands of BLM mistakes that they have wrought on the American southwest.
Gooseberry Mesa, just across the street from the Red Bull Rampage, is testimony to the BLM's attitude about the American southwest. The entire mesa has been chained. If you don't know what chaining is, find out. You'll be appalled. The BLM doesn't care about the environment. They are managers, not preservationists. They manage the land like a business; it's about the bottom line.

This contest aside, how can we expect to hold more contests like this without increasing impact? How can we expect contestants to train for such events? How can we expect kids not to emulate these events? This format, plain and simple, won't work. It exploits and scars the natural environment for our own pleasure and excitement. It sets a standard for future events.
These series of events reminds me of rock-climbing competition in the 1980's. Nobody would have expected in a million years that rock climbing would have grown into a competitive format before it did. The very first climbing competitions were held on natural rock in an outdoor setting. Natural rock was drilled chipped and chiseled into a competition friendly shape. The follies of this were quickly recognized and eliminated. Climbing
Competition switched to an artificial format with climbers clawing their way up huge artificial walls. This quickly grew to huge proportions then promptly faded
into climbing obscurity. Today's climbing is back were it started, people pushing themselves to higher limits on real rock with no other reward than personal satisfaction. I can only hope freeriding will follow in its same steps.

In order for freeriding to coexist peacefully with other land users the current attitude of "ride anywhere" must be abandoned. It'll never work out in its existing condition. It's a recipe for conflict. Freeriding competition ought to take a tip from other sports and move its arena to a manufactured environment. This switch will only add credibility to our sport and at the same time up the ante. Whistler has taken steps to insure that this won't happen in their backyard. They have built a mountain bike park on one of their ski runs, complete with berms, jumps and anything else a freerider could ever want. The North Shore in Vancouver is an example of this. They build trails and continue to ride them rather than find untrampled soil. The possibilities are endless.

Josh Bender was recently quoted in reference to the Red Bull Rampage "This event gave the stagnating mountain biking
community a swift kick that it desperately needed". The only "kick" that this event offered was the one that sent the freeriding community reeling and trying to get back on its feet. Riding off trail should never be acceptable. Holding competitions on natural setting is a shortsighted and selfish act. Take a stand and object to this type of land abuse. Red Bull may have done it well but this model can't possibly perpetuate itself. Anyone who engages in this riding activity should be embarrassed. Those who don't and see it happen should make these so-called mountain bikers embarrassed for doing it.
Let's take back our sport and preserve it for the future. Land access is already a sensitive issue in the mountain biking community, let's not kick it when it's down.

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## ROAD RACING <br> Snowbird Hillclimb

Story and Photos by David Ward Publisher
"I have taken 2nd or 3rd maybe 7 or 8 times. I have never won it. It's a great day for me. It has always been a goal of mine to win this race." So stated John Osguthorpe (Logan Race Club) after scoring his first victory ever in the annual Snowbird Hill Climb from down in the Salt Lake Valley to the famed Snowbird Ski Resort.
For the women, former Utahn Heather Albert, now living in Boise, Idaho, made the trip to Salt Lake with the specific intent of reclaiming the women's title. She attained her goal by easily outdistancing her competition and setting a new record of 50:52.42.
Osguthorpe explained his team's strategy in this year's race. "We knew Eric [Jones] was probably the strongest climber. We launched some attacks . . . down on the flats to see if we could wear him out a little bit. It may have helped. He covered a few of them. It may have taken a little edge off that allowed me to get it in the end."
If it did, it was not readily apparent. As Osguthorpe stated, "We [Jones and Osguthorpe] broke off really early on and it was just the two of us basically the whole race." From there to the finish, it was a game of cat and mouse. When in front, Jones was constantly looking over his shoulder to keep track of Osguthorpe. When Osguthorpe led, he was constantly watching out of the corner of his eye for Jones.

Both Jones and Osguthorpe tried several attacks as they attempted to gap each other. "Neither one of us really had the strength to get away from each other. We were pretty evenly matched," Osguthorpe related. Nevertheless, as Jones led the majority of the time and looked to be somewhat fresher than Osguthorpe, it appeared he might relegate Osguthorpe to another second place finish.
However, at the last bend before the finish, Osguthorpe unleashed a vicious attack. Jones tried to respond, but this time did not quite have enough left to close the small gap Osguthorpe had succeeded in establishing. "I have really worked on a longer sprint, going from about a minute out and being able to hold it for that long, and it's really working out well for me," Osguthorpe explained.

Having only to hold that gap for a couple hundred meters, Osguthorpe nevertheless was looking behind for Jones as he approached the finish line. Only when he had a few meters left before crossing under the banner, and had checked one more time to verify that Jones was indeed not going to catch him, did Osguthorpe let loose with raised arms and clenched fists in a satisfying and emotional victory salute
Osguthorpe's winning time was 46:35.34, followed by Jones at 46:39.30, 3.96 seconds behind Osguthorpe. Almost a minute later

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## calendar of events

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## General Info

Mayor's Bicycle Advisory Committee (MBAC) meeting. Second Wednesday every month 5 p.m. at the Salt Lake City/County Bldg, 451 S. City/C ounty Bldg, 451 S. 7939 or (801) 363-0304.
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## Events

Critical Mass - Last Friday of every month, 5:30 pm, meet at the Gallivan Center, 200 S. and State Street, SLC. For more info, if you have a bike to lend, etc.: email info@slc c ritic almass.org


Cyclocross

## General Info

 www.utahc yc loc ross.com
## September 6, 13, 20, 27 -

 Cyclocross Clinics, Sugarhouse Park, Salt Lake City, 6 p.m
## Utah Races

September 28 - Utah Cyclocross Series \#l, Logan Fairgrounds, (801) 359-6161
October 5 - Utah Cyclocross Series \#2, Park City Mountain Resort, (801) 359-6161
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November 9 - Utah Cyclocross Series \#8, Trailside Park (Park City), State Championship, (801) 359Cham
November 16 - Utah Cyclocross Series \# 9, Soldier Hollow (Midway), (801) 3596161
November 23 - Redline Cup \#2, a UCI Race, Soldier Hollow, (435) 649-5663
November 24 - Utah Cyclocross Series \#10, Wheeler Farm (Salt Lake City), (801) 359-6161
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## General Info

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Wild Rockies Unplugged Series information (Idaho), (208) 342-3910.
USA Cycling, Mounta in Region,(UT,AZ,NM,CO,WY,SD, Rogene Killen, (970) 587-4447.

## Utah Races

Wednesdays - Soldier Hollow Training Series, 7 p.m. (801)310-0166

May 15 - September 18 Sundance weekly race series, Every Wednesday evening. Start time 6:30 registration 5:30, Sundance Resort/ upper parking lot, (801) 223-4849
September 8 - Snowbasin Downhill and Super-D Time Trial, (801) 375-3231
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September 21 - Tourdes Suds Park City, (435) 649-6839
October 12-13 - 24 Hours of Moab, (304) 259-5533
October 15-17 - Huntsman World Senior Games. Must be 50 years or older. Four events: hill climb, time trial, c riterium and road race. 800-562-1268 or hwsg @infowest.com
October 20 - Moab Rim Downhill, (801) 375-3231

## Regional Races

August 31 - September 1 Brundage Bike Festival, Wild Rockies Series \#8, Mc C all, ID, (208) 342-3910

September 1 - Big Hole Challenge, Driggs, ID, (208)354-2209

September 21-22-24 Hours of Boise, Bogus Basin, ID, (208) 367-1899
September 28-29 - First Annual Elko Rocks, Wild Rockies \#9, (208) 342-3910
October 10-13 - Red Bull Rampage Free Ride Contest 2nd Annual, Virgin, UT (435) 772-BIKE


Tours and Festivals

Wed evening ride - Women's Joyride, 5:30 p.m., meet at Joyride Bikes, 37 1/2 Center St., Logan, (435) 753-7175
October 19 - Chet Peach Ride and B-B-Q, Fruita, CO (800) 873-3068

October 16-20 - C a nyonla nds Fat Tire Festival. Group rides, bicycle DemoExpo, fun competitions, evening entertainment. Moab City Park. (801) 375-3231
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August 6,13,20,27 - RMR C nit
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Series, Every Wednesday, Salt Lake, (801) 944-8488
August 22 - Salt Air TT Series, Every other Thurs, (801) 9448488
September 3,10,17,24 - RMR Crit Series, Salt Lake, (801) 944-8488
September 4,11,18,25 - DMV Crit Series, Every Wednesday, Salt Lake, (801) 944-8488
September 5,19 - Salt Air TT

Series, Every other Thurs, (801) 944-8488
September 7 - Eureka RR, great road race through the Tintic Mining District, Eureka, UT (801) 553-1065
September 7 - AARP TriUmph Classic 50+, for people age 50 a nd over. bike racing and triathlon sprint, Dimple Dell Fitness and Rec. Center, three-person teams, (801) 567-2650
September 14 - LOTOJA, 203 miles from Logan, UT to J a ckson, WY, (801)627-6200 or (800) 497-7335
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Regional Races
September 7-8 - Idaho State Road Race and Criterium Championships,RR 7th, C rit 8th, (208) 854-1801
September 14 - Race to the Angel, 16th Annual, Wells, NV, (775) 752-3540

September 14 - Bogus Ba sin Hill Climb, Bo ise, ID, (208) 3433782


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Monday Ride - Wasatch Women's Cycling Club (WWCC) Weekly Ride: fun/easy $\sim 1 \mathrm{hr}$. ride, 6 pm , Spin Cycle, 4644 So. Holla day Blvd.. All welcome!, Kirsten, (801) 355-4376.

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September 8-14 - Southem Utah National Parks Tour, (801)596-8430

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## Bike Industry

## Wobble-naught Fits a Skeptic

$\frac{\text { by David Ward }}{\text { Publisher }}$
Tom Coleman, founder and president of Wobble-naught, LLC, called me in early April seeking some exposure for his bike fitting system. Wobble-naught has had success in Idaho and elsewhere, but has had a tough time making any headway in the Utah market. He wanted to do a fit for me, believing that he would gain a convert who could help promote his product.

Frankly, I was skeptical. I have been a serious rider and competitor for 18 years, and felt I had refined my set up through the years to where I had a comfortable fit. And comfort, I believed, was what bike fit was all about, that comfort would bring efficiency.

Further, at $\$ 100$ for a personal fitting, or $\$ 50.00$ for an on-line fitting where you do your own measurement and adjustments, I questioned whether what I believed would be at best marginal improvements would be worth the cost.

Tom came down from Boise, where he is based, and we met at Contender Bicycles where he did a custom fit for me on my road bike. I am not going to detail here all that he did, other than to say we spent almost three hours together (without interruptions, it would have been closer to two hours) during which time he took numerous body and bicycle measurements and made adjustments to the bike and the cleats on my cycling shoes. To do take the measurements and make the adjustments on the bike, Tom used a laser/inclinometer mounted on a tripod, a devise designed by Tom, that projects lines on the bike to level it, determine frame size, find the true seat tube angle, determine stem rise and align the leg and feet while I pedaled in a trainer.

When done, I took my bike for a spin around the block for a quick test ride. To my surprise, it had a much different feel to it. Because it was different than I was used to, I was not certain if I liked it. But it did seem that the bike handled with a little more ease, and was somewhat more responsive. After a couple of final minor adjustments, and a recommendation from Tom that I get a shorter stem (which I did within a week), I left with the promise to give this new fit a try for a few weeks.

Over the next few weeks, I became a Wobble-naught convert. I quickly adjusted to the new feel of the bike. What I thought was a comfortable position on my bike was nothing more than a position I was used to. This new set up has let me experience a comfort level I have never known before on a bicycle.

Equally important, I have experienced improvement in my cycling efficiency and physical well-being. Specifically, I am climbing better than ever. Also, whereas in the past during and after long and/or hard exertions my thighs have felt like wooden blocks, heavy and unresponsive, that sensation has been noticeably absent this summer. Finally, in previous years, I have experienced substantial neck tightness and pain. This summer, that has been noticeably absent.

To be honest, I have lost a lot of weight this spring and summer, and I expect that may partially explain why I feel better while climbing. (Of course, as anyone who knows me can attest, climbing has always been my Achilles' heel. Now, instead of dropping off like an anchor on a climb, I drop off like a slimmer, lighter anchor!) But the comfortable ride, and absence of wooden thighs and a stiff and painful neck, are all new

and welcome changes. I have nothing I can attribute them to other than the fitting Tom did for me.

Admittedly, my fitting was free. Would I pay $\$ 100$ for it? Yes, I would. The comfort and improvement I have experienced are well worth it. Would I go the on-line route and do my own measurements and adjustments? If money was tight, or there was not a convenient location to have a personal fitting done, then yes, I would. But I do believe a personal fitting by a qualified individual would be preferable.

Be prepared, however, to find that certain equipment may have to be replaced in order to gain the ideal fit. As noted in my case, I had to purchase a new stem and some cleat shims. It could be worse. You might even find that the bike itself is too big or too small. So along with the cost of the fit, you may be faced with equipment upgrades to get the full benefit. But then, if you are seeking the benefits of a good fit, and are serious about a comfortable and efficient ride, you are probably already prepared to pay those costs.

Another issue that I have not yet asked Tom about concerns additional bikes. I have two road bikes, a tandem and two mountain bikes that I ride regularly. Most people considering a professional fit will be riding at least one road bike and one mountain bike, and many like me, even more than that. To do a fit for each bike really becomes pricy. I have attempted, on my own, to adjust my second road bike to match the first. But the geometry and size are different, and despite my efforts, I can still tell a difference when I ride. The mountain bike and tandem are totally different, of course, so I have done nothing with them. (Actually, Wobblenaught currently does not have a system for the tandem, but I suspect that it would amount to doing

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## ABOUT WOBBLE-NAUGHT

Wobble-naught, based in Boise, Idaho, specializes in fitting bikers to their bikes. Founded three years ago by Thomas L. Coleman, Wobble-naught's CAD (Computer Aided Design) system for doing bike fits was developed in recognition of a need that was not being addressed in the biking industry.

As stated by Ron LeBlanc, Wobble-naught's public relations direc tor, "Proper fit was talked about in the biking magazines but not many bike shops were involved in providing a 'precision fit'. Most of what was done was by eye or, rarely, some used one or two tools from the Fit Kit or the Serrotta fitting system. We . . . decided that a CAD based system which used precise measurements of hinge points on the body of the rider and the geometry of the bike would/could provide a 'precision fit'.
Wobble-naught's proprietary software system uses body and bike measurements to get a rider into an ergonomically correct position that allows for efficient pedaling and proper handlebar placement. Efficiency is extremely important for all bikers because wasted motion in pedaling creates body stress. Proper handlebar placement is important for rider comfort. Wobble-naught derives it name from reducing the wobble, wasted motion, in the knee rotation to zero.

Wobblenaught's fitting can be done personally or on-line Currently doing personal fittings are the Elephant's Perch in Sun Valley, Barry's in Pocatello, Idaho, and Crystal Yap in Logan, Utah On-line fittings are done at the Wobble-naught website, www.wobble naught.com.
a separate fit on the captain and the stoker.) Perhaps a personal fit on one, and then using Wobblenaught's on-line program would be the best way to go as that would halve the cost on the remaining bikes.

In sum, I was extremely pleased with my bike fitting. It made a great difference in my every ride, making what was already an extremely enjoyable and satisfying sport and past-time even better.

## Snowbird - continued

 from page 9was third-placed Richard Hatch at 47:26.48, 51.14 seconds behind. Fourth was taken by Osguthorpe's teammate, Sandy Perrins, who was 1:01.26 behind at 47:36.60.

Meanwhile, Albert's win was never in doubt. The only question was whether she would achieve her goal of establishing a new women's record in this event. When asked about her strategy, Albert stated, "My strategy was, coming into it, I wanted the record back. So I just tried staying with the groups," she stated at the conclusion of the race.

Conditions were nearly perfect for the attempt at the record, with a refreshing early morning and clear blue sky. Only a good tailwind could have made conditions ideal, though in the end Albert did not need one.

For Albert, the relatively moderate pace during the first few miles was not welcome.
"Unfortunately, they didn't go as fast at the bottom. It helps for the record if they're going really fast. I was amazed, they were even kind of slow on the climbs.' Nevertheless, she made it a point to remain close to the front in order to go with the fastest group she could hang on with.
In the end, it was enough to secure for Albert both the win and the new women's record. "That was my goal. And I wanted to break it by enough that it could stand for a little while." Only time will tell if that part of her goal was achieved.

Osguthorpe's wife, Maren Osguthorpe, while hoping to make it a dual husband/wife victory celebration, had to settle for second, finishing at 55:32.60, 4:40.18 behind Albert. Laura Howat came in at 57:14.31, 6:21.89 behind, to claim third. Benita Pullins rounded out the top 4 with a time of 1:00:51.31, $9: 58.89$ behind Albert's winning time.
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1. Cyntha Martin; 00:45:19:80
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3. Daniel Adams; 00:39:37:14
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4. Shawn Lupcho; 00:41:17:5
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1. William Coriss; 00:40:00:37
2. Ken Louder, 00:40:40:03
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1. Paul Scapelil; 00:41:50:84
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3. Steven Lewis
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Hatch Joins Senate Bike Caucus

Utah Senator Orrin Hatch is one of nine members of the Senate Bike Caucus, officially formed in May of this year. The mission of the bipartisan Caucus is "to increase awareness and promotea dialogue in Congress about the transportation, public health, environmental, energy and economic benefits of bicycling in the United States."
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its readers to contact Senator Hatch to show him there is a
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## Zabriskie at GP Eddy Merckx

The USPS duo of Floyd Landis and Dave Zabriskie, Salt Lake City, placed ninth among the 21 teams in the GP Eddy Merckx on August 25th in Brussels, Belgium, finishing 1:30 behind winners Laszlo Bodrogi and Fabian Cancellara of Mapei-Quick Step.
"They (Landis and Zabriskie) were keeping up with Lance and Ekimov's time until five kilometers to go, but then obviously lost some time," said USPS's ohan Bruyneel. "Dave was riding well and it looks like he has recovered from his crash (at the USPRO Criterium Championship on August 18). I think he will be good for the Tour of Spain. It was good to see him do a hard effort and get some of his confidence back after his crash."

## Albert Wins Tour de

 ToonaIdahoan Heather Albert (Goldy's) won The International (Tour de Toona) with a stellar performance. Her decisive victory in the seven stage race was sealed in the 161 km third stage with a solo breakaway that gained her a 7'41" advantage. She also won the difficult 152 km stage six and added a second place finish in stage four. Her efforts further netted her the climbing jersey and a final advantage of $8^{\prime} 42^{\prime \prime}$. Leah Goldstein (Boise), Sandy Espeseth (Boise), and Nicole

Demars (Boise) finished fourth, fifth, and eighth respectively The International took place from July 29-August 4 in Altoona, Pennsylvania and featured riders from the Saturn and Rona Teams.

## Leipheimer's Tour de

 FranceFormer Utahn Levi
Leipheimer finished eighth overall in this year's Tour de France. Leipheimer, riding for the
Rabobank Team, finished 17'11" behind four time winner Lance Armstrong.


Tom Meiser leads the break at the Utah State Crit photo: Dave Iltis

## Saturn Cycling Classic

On August 10, Navigators' Burke Swindlehurst placed 2nd to Mercury's Chris Wherry in the 140-mile epic journey through the Colorado Mountains known as the Saturn Cycling Classic. This event, which favors the climbing specialists, crests no fewer than 7 peaks as the course winds its way from Boulder to Breckenridge.

After the early race craziness died down, the race came down to a nine-man break heading toward Hoosier Pass at 11,547 feet. The combination of distance, altitude, wind and brutal climbing took its toll as the lead group was getting smaller and smaller by the mile. With about 25 -miles remaining, Soren Peterson rolled past the Mercury led group and was soon joined by Chris Wherry. With 3 teammates behind, Wherry continued driving up the road until the duo had a gap of over 1-minute. As the pitch increased, about 4miles from the summit, Navigators' Swindlehurst attacked solo and began to close in on Peterson and Wherry. Peterson was dropped, and coming back quickly, and the chase of Scott Moninger and Jonathon Vaughters wasn't quick to respond. However, as Swindlehurst crested the Pass, Moninger had attacked Vaughters and was just behind Swindlehurst as they started down the other side, about 1minute behind Wherry. Chris

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Wherry powered on as Swindlehurst chased hard, followed closely by Moninger. Entering Breckenridge and the large and boisterous crowd, Wherry took the victory in grand solo fashion, with Burke Swindlehurst taking the sprint for 2nd, ahead of Scott Moninger. Swindlehurst said, "as we descended to Breckenridge, if we caught

Chris, then Moninger would've countered, so I positioned myself behind Scott for the last lap to take the sprint." Ever gracious, Swindlehurst added, "if there is anyone I don't mind losing a race to, it's Chris Wherry." Wherry's father passed away the week before and Wherry was very motivated to honor him. Swindlehurst won $\$ 10,000$ for his efforts.

Swindlehurst on his way to winning the Research Park Criterium on July 21. Photo: Dave Iltis

## WELLS FARGO

## TWILIGHT CRITERIUM

BOISE, IDAHO - The sound of 12,000 fans and noisemakers once again filled the air of Downtown Boise on Saturday, July 28, 2001 the site of the 16th annual Wells Fargo Twilight Criterium presented by PowerBar. With a $\$ 10,000$ cash purse for the main event, some of the nation's best cyclists competed in one of the top three criteriums in the county.
Henk Vogels, a member of the Mercury Cycling team and a Colorado resident, broke away from the pack late in the race and won by almost a lap. Chris Wherry, also almost a lap. Chris Wherry,
from the Mercury team and Colorado, cruised to second place. Colorado, cruised to second place.
Third place came down to sprint Third place came down to sprint
with Kevin Monahan, 7-Up/Nutra with Kevin Monahan, 7-Up/Nutra
Fig team (Massachusetts) prevailing Fig team (Massachusetts) prevailing
over local favorite Remi McManus
of the Jelly Belly team. Bill Harris, Salt Lake City, of the X-Men finSalt Lake Cit
In what has become one of the hottest races in the country, Vogels commended the crowd of 12,000 for their enthusiastic support and said this was the most fun he's had racing in a long time. For his racing efforts, Horner received a check for $\$ 3,000$.
The United States Cycling Federation sanctions the Wells Fargo Twilight Criterium. The premier race is a 55 -lap criterium, which is run on a 0.6 -mile ( 1 kilometer) course through downtown Boise.
Racers in the first two events competed for a $\$ 1,000$ purse in prizes for each race with Idahoan Andrew Davis winning the Category 3 race and Jeff Bland of the 9th \& 9th Club winning the Category 4-5 event.


Utah Open MTB Championships

Over 250 racers battled it out on July 13 for a shot at becoming the Utah Open State Champion. This is the first State Championship that was open to all riders, licensed and non-licensed. A state champion was crowned in each of the 24 categories.

With record breaking heat in Salt Lake City, it was a relief to the riders to be riding in the relatively cool 90 degree weather at Solitude. The course was very dry and dusty and provided the perfect challenge to test all the racers skills.

The course started with a paved service road climb which took racers up 700 vertical feet to the start of their first descent on the Apex

Loop. From this point on racers were on the Big Loop and faced a very technical single-track climb, 1,000 vertical feet, and a dusty technical single-track descent.

Pro rider Kevin Day added to his victories and solidified his first in the series place point standings by holding off J.J. Clark, New Moon Media, and winning by close to a minute

The Pro/Expert Women battled it out for close to 2 hours and ended with Kathy Sherwin,
Trek/ResortQuest, taking the Championship Medal edging out Pam Hanlon, Jans/Trek, and Elina Felin, Contender.

All the racers gave their heart and soul as they competed not only against each other but against the heat, dust and the 9,000 foot elevation.

## Old Faithful Fall Cycle Tour 2002 <br> 

Enjoy Fall Cycling in Yellowstone Country!
Join us for a fun-filled cycling tour October 5, 02 in West Yellowstone, MT. Saturday, October 5, 2002 is the 5th Annual Fall Cycle Tour - There will be prizes, snacks for your fanny pack, banquet, photo contest. Relax on Sunday with a casual ride in the area. We re offering the following package during the month of October. Bring you family and friends for a spectacular time!

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## October 5, 2002

- October 5 9:00 a.m. ride to OLD FAITHFUL. 30 miles ( 60 miles round-trip) on new \& wider roads. Enjoy the geysers \& thermal features along with fall colors, bugling elk, etc. We will shuttle you \& your bike back from Old Faithful or you may shuttle in and cycle back. 6:00 pm Dinner, photos and videos of the day.
- Pre or Post Stays: Why not take another day, ride on your own. Short \& easy or longer \& higher, it's up to you. Great fall room rates available.


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Options: Park Entrance Fee can be purchased at the Chamber office - $\$ 10$ or $\$ 20$ per family.
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