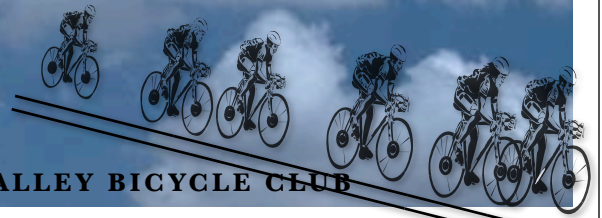


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A NEWSLETTER OF THE IOWA VALLEY BICYCLE CLUB



## Alaska Biking

Tom and Sara Kurth spent six weeks in Alaska this summer, and during a visit with two of Tom's Alaska friends, located at Trapper Creek, a small town 100 miles south of Denali, Tom and Sara learned about biking during the Alaskan winter. Both of Tom's friends are bikers. The bikes must be modified to handle the ice and snow. In the pictures provided by Tom, notice that the bikes have disc brakes and a clog on both the front and rear tire, and that the front and rear wheels are interchangeable. The tires are 26 x 4 inches, have presta valves and require only 30 lbs. of pressure. Also, the picture indicates the bikes are single speed with a small chain ring.



### Proposed 2011 IVBC Board Members and Officers

President: Tony Etcher  
Vice-President: Darrell Bartlett  
Secretary: Kris McKibben  
Treasurer: Rita Smith  
Newsletter: Charles Smith  
Membership: Dana Bresler  
Quartermaster: Terry Briggs  
RAGBRAI Coordinator: Dana Besler and Tom Kurth  
Marshmallow Coordinator:  
Ride Coordinator: John Eich & Pat Lynott  
Publicity: Sara Kurth  
Webmaster: Rita Smith  
Bike to Work Week Coordinator: Ann Miller  
Ride Right Coordinator: Brian Juel  
Trails Representative: Charles Smith  
Historian: Tom Kurth



### Annual Meeting

IVBC will hold our annual meeting on Friday, November 5, at 6:00 PM at Fisher Community Center. The evening meal will be a potluck. Everyone is encouraged to bring a dish to share and table service. The bike club will provide the drink. Club activities will be reviewed, and future plans for the club will be discussed. Also, we will elect officers for 2011. Following a short business meeting, Tom and Sara Kurth will show slides of their Alaska Trip.



## A New Look at Riverview Park

The Riverview Park project is now underway and will greatly improve the look and functionality of the entire park. The new Phil and Anne Zink trailhead is in the construction phase, with the new approach to the Linn Creek Recreational Trail in place. The Iowa Valley Bicycle Club will contribute 4 to 5 Marshalltown bike racks to be placed at the new trail head. Benches, bulletin board, and picnic table will be placed at the trailhead as well. Also, much of the new trail through the park has been completed. If you have not been to Riverview recently to see the progress, it is well worth with the time.



### Iowa Bicyclist TV

Each month, Mark Wyatt, Executive Director of the Iowa Bicycle Coalition produces a 30 minute video on subjects related to bicycling in Iowa. You can view the video by going to: [iowabicyclecoalition.org](http://iowabicyclecoalition.org) and click on Iowa Bicyclist TV. The same program can be viewed on local public television, which locally is channel 22...MCTV.

### Highway 330 Construction

Plans for the improvement to Highway 330 from Summit Street to Albion are still underway, with some grading to take place in 2011. The project will not be completed until 2013. IVBC will continue to encourage them to construct a rumble **stripe** rather than rumble **strip**.



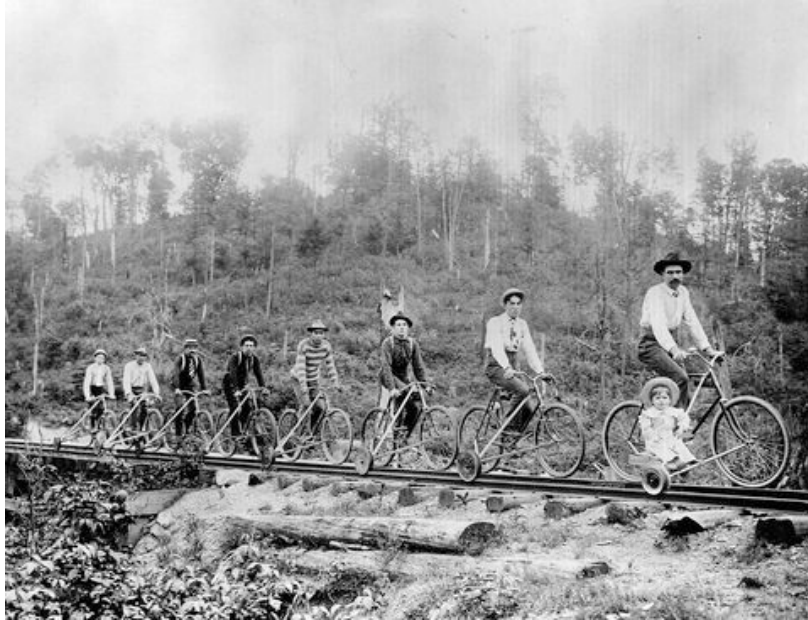
*Quote: The bicycle is a curious vehicle. Its passenger is its engine. ---John Howard*

### RAGBRAI ALERT

**Attention RAGBRAI Riders:** RAGBRAI registration possibly will be as early as November 15, 2010. Register on line to insure getting a RAGBRAI ticket. Complete the charter application located on the IVBC web site, and send the application to Dana Bresler. Last year, the charter was filled by the February 1st. Consequently, it is recommended that you not delay in completing the registration process.

## History

In 1974, Teledyne marketed the first titanium bike that was produced in any quantity (Speedwell of England had some Ti production frames as far back as 1960's welded by Lamborghini!) Litespeed brought titanium frames to a broader market in the 1980's.



Where is this bike club located? Do you recognize anybody?

## Complete Streets Presentation

On October 25, Mark Wyatt of the Iowa Bicycle Coalition presented a program on "Complete Streets" projects in Iowa. The presentation was made to the Imagine 2011 steering committee, civic leaders, and members of the Imagine 2011 Pedestrian and Bicycle Friendly Committee. The presentation was informational in an effort to become more aware of the progress in other communities in Iowa. The presentation was sponsored by the Iowa Valley Bicycle Club.

**Iowa Valley Bicycle Club**

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CHANGE OF MEETING DATE: The annual meeting is Nov. 5th at the Fisher Community Center. It's a potluck, so bring your favorite dish(es). Be there at 6:00 p.m. Consequently, there won't be a meeting on the second Wed. this month

Everyone interested in bicycling is welcome to attend.

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Check our web site <http://marshalltownbikeclub.com>

Check out our Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/IowaValleyBicycleClub?ref=ts>