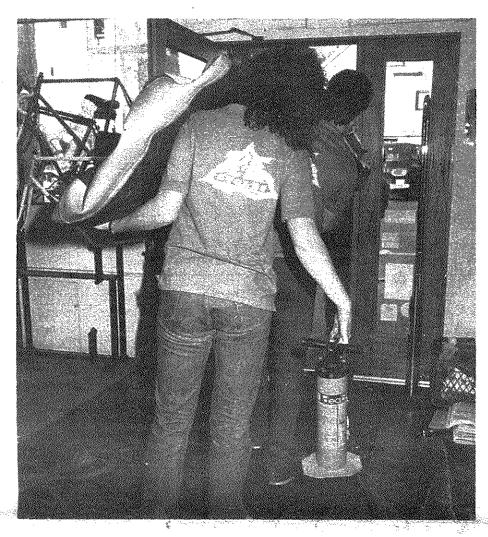


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# Great Cycling Weather

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The item being hauled out of R+E Cycles is a rather large white water raft. The employees of R+E will be in it at the end of May. Details on page two.

The Newsletter of R+E Cycles and Mountain Bike Specialists

May 1987

### IN THIS ISSUE

n little more than one month from now, on June 20-21, STP, the Seattle to Portland Ride will occur. Registration for the ride closed recently but not before some 5,000 people signed up. Those who ride the STP will be doing it in one or two days. The trek itself is 202 miles long, linking the two largest cities in the Northwest. For those who do the ride in two days, comfort is more a factor than speed and ultra-lightweight components and gear. For the one-day rider carrying the bare essentials, perhaps training is

more important. For this issue, we have put together some articles on training, clothing, and accessories which will be of interest to all cyclists, including STP riders. Also there are some tips from an STP veteran on some do's and don't's while ridinf STP. We have included more than forty great money saving coupons to help you get your summer rolling. We're gearing up for a great summer, and to begin our summer on the right foot, the staff of R+E Cycles is going rafting. More about this and the rest inside,

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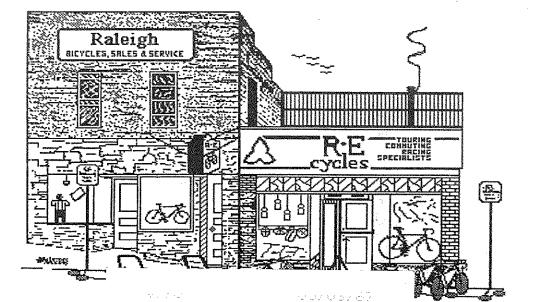
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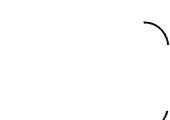
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## R+E Cycles Salutes its Staff

Cycles and Mountain Bike Specialists. Why are they all smiling as though things may not always be so bright? They are nervous smiles. They don't know yet, but at the end of May, their warm, cozy, comfortable, jobs are going to be taken away from them for one day. On Sunday May 31, they will become cold, wet, tired, and just plain miserable. The reason? It's time for R+E's annual river raft trip. This year, the trip will be on the Chilliwack River, in southern British Columbia. The river is rated

between 3 & 5, (rating 6 means the river is not runnable), and for fifteen miles the world will be a big blur from the rafts. The water temperature is a little warmer than ice and the first one in probably won't have many volunteers willing to jump in to render assistance. These people are smiling because they don't know this. They think they're going to have a picnic, throw frisbees, lounge around. We'll see.

This sounds fun, but it does leave one question. Who's minding the shop during that

fateful day? Get ready for a true technical day friends because Sunday May 31 will be "Rep Day". It's true, we're unleashing the sales reps on the general public to answer all the questions you've ever had about bikes, components, and probably anything else you can think of. But be quick with your questions folks, these people have only one day each year to talk to the customers, and they make the most of it. Believe us, this is why we'll be on the river that day. You think we want to endure that for an entire day? We'd rather risk life and limb...

If you choose to visit R+E Cycles or Mountain Bike Specialists on that day, there are enticements, besides what the knowledgeable reps have to offer. Some of the coupons below are good only for that one day. We felt that since we'd be having a nice day, we would like our customers to share in the bounty. Please come in, enjoy the deals, and keep our reps company, they have important things to tell you, and you may come out knowing far more than you did before.

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## Comfortable Riding

Anyone who has been out for an extended bike ride wearing cut-offs and sneakers can tell you that comfort was left at home for their trip. While it is true that the bicycle will still work no matter what you wear, your comfort can be assured by following a few tips, and you will feel much better after your ride too!

We'll start from the top. Your head is the most important part of your body to be riding a bicycle. And a helmet makes a lot of sense. Try on several different styles and makes. You'll find that some fit better than others, and that the outward appearences will differ. Most important is the protection it will give in the event of an accident. Check its information sheet. Beyond that, comfort should come second, then looks, for this article anyway. Comfort is based upon several factors. The first is weight. Is it too heavy for you? Next, check whether it fits snug and doesn't pinch or bind or pull hair. Check for ventilation. Next, check whether it will stay put without you having to constantly readjust its position. Can you hear adequately with it on? Does the neckstrap irritate your neck and is it easy to get on and off?

The next article for comfort is a pair of good sunglasses. These are good for not only the sun, but to help keep grit and bugs out of your eyes. Find a pair that cuts U.V. light which is damaging to your eyes, and which other sunglasses may let through.

Next is a shirt or jersey. Jerseys are preferable to many riders because, when bent over the handlebars, the jersey stays on the riders back, without crawling up and exposing the skin to the elements. Also, many jerseys offer pockets on the backside which can carry wallets, change, and other necessities while riding. Again, check for ventilation. Shirts should be chosen for their fit, not binding in the armpits and sleeve length full enough to cover the arm even when fully outstretched.

Gloves are next. They are made of many different materials, from nylon to leather. The differences in gloves besides the obvious fit, is their padding. The hands take a lot of punishment on a less than perfect road surface, so pick a glove pad that matches the type of handlebar wrapping and the type of riding you plan to do. If you have handlebar pads, you probably don't need a fully padded glove. Once again, check for ventilation.

Cycling shorts and pants are widely varied in their style, quality and versatility. Not to be confused with ordinary pants and shorts, thes are made specifically for cycling. Most fit tightly to the body, and the part that covers the upper legs and crotch is constructed of sewn panels. Technically, more panels means more comfort. If you have never tried riding with a pair of real cycling shorts, you owe it to yourself to invest in some. You'll be glad you did.

Shoes can mean the difference between having foot cramps and not. They can offer great ventilation, while giving you an effective stroke. As you probably know, most any shoe will work for a pedal without

clips or cleat pedals. If you have toe clips, you also know that your waffle stompers are not the best-suited shoe for the job of pedaling a bike. A shoe which will allow you to get in and out of your clips easily, while also giving your foot enough room to breathe is not only more comfortable, but safer than one which does not. Have you ever stopped at the corner, taken your foot out of the clip and

then almost went over the bars trying to get it back in? Cleated shoes are something else again.

This is only an overview of the possibilties which exist and the benefits they offer. If you have questions about any of the items mentioned or others which were not, please come into R+E Cycles. We want you to know the difference so you can ride with comfort. We'll see you on the STP.

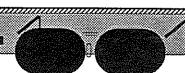


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Where? All rides will start at Gas Works Park in Seattle.

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2.	May 8	Bellevue Community College Room B104 300 Landerholm Circle S.E. Bellevue, WA	6 - 10
3.	May 14	Wallingford Senior Center 4649 Sunningside N. Seattle	7 ~ 10
4.	May 18	Kent Memorial Park Bldg. 850 N. Central Kent	7 - 10
5.	May 21	Wallingford Senior Center see above	7 - 10
6.	May 29	Bellevue Community College see above	6 - 10

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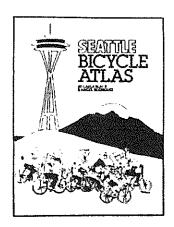
The Nishiki International is certainly deserving of the Bicycle of the Year Award it was given by Bicycle Guide. Many of us remember back to the 1970's when the International was one of the hottest bikes around. And over the years, it has only gotten better!

It's frame is beyond comparison by the standards other chromoly frames. The larger diameter Tange #2 tubing provides 30% more stiffness than conventional tubing. It's outfitted with Suntour Accushift indexing derailleurs which provide smooth, positive gear selection. Aero brakes and a trick paint job add cosmetic justice on top of performance. Come look.

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The demands of this ride are different than your usual needs and we are going to give some small hints that we have found useful. It is best to take as few breaks as possible, and to keep them as short as possible. You will be surprised at how quickly a 5 - 10 minute break turns into 25 - 30 minutes. It's often most efficient to ride slower for a while rather than actually get off your

Hopefully, by the time you roll away from city hall your muscles and cardiovascular system are prepared for this challenge. A key factor to keeping them going is to eat and drink regularly. "Eat before you are hungry and drink before you are thirsty" is an old adage heard by most cyclists, and uttered by the rest. But follow it, you'll feel better for it. Keeping your blood suger level up will keep your energy up and drinking will keep yourself from dehydrating. Drinking a lot of water will help you feel better the next day. Should you wake up the following day and feel hungover, or have a headache, it's probably because you didn't drink enough on you ride. It is a common rule of thumb to drink a bottle each hour. You'll appreciate this tip after STP. Estelle

raining is a big asset to have behind you when you begin a ride such as STP. Contrary to popular belief, it is not necessarily easier to ride STP in 2 days than one. It depends on your own limits.for those who have never ridden 100 miles in a day, it is probably harder to do it twice in a row than for many who's limit is 200. The latter only have to do it once. Pushing to your limit is hard no matter how high that

If you are going to do it in 2 days, a good goal would be to have ridden at least 80 miles once and 70 miles 2 days in a row, comfortably. One-day-riders should have

experienced 150 miles.

Learning what to eat and how much will come over time. Dried fruit, granola bars, and similar foods are appealing, but they rehydrate after you've eaten them which tends to dehydrate you. If you eat this type of food, drink a lot of water. Experiment with a lot of different foods, take notes and determine which made you feel best and offered the most potential energy.

With more than 5,000 people on the STP, courtesy is essential. Signal when turning, teel the folks ahead when you're going to pass, normally on the left. Let the folks behind you know when there is a

pothole in the road, etc.

Finally, make sure you can do all your own minor repairs, including fixing flats, and have your tool kit with you!!

P ortland is 200 miles south and you should have your bicycle outfitted for a ride of that length. Requirements are different for a trip of this length than for a shorter training ride. Comfort and convenience of necessities are a must. We have found that mounting your water bottle on your handlebars encourages you to drink more. R+E Cycles has mounts which adapt to your own cage and fit quickly to your

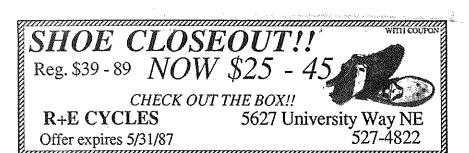
It's nice to but new clothing and equipment, especially for a ride like this, but be sure you've got plenty of test miles under your new cleats and on your new chamois. You'll appreciate having them broken in before you start out.

Let's face it, 5,000 riders is a lot of people on the road, and they're sharing it with the cars that normally traverse it. Even if you don't ordnarily use one, a mirror for a bike classic like this is a great asset. It gives you some warning before a faster group overtakes you and leaves you wondering if they were cyclists or if it was R+E has various mirrors, a freight train. including an easy-on, easy-off velcro attached mirror that is lightweight, sturdy and does not vibrate. Check it out!!

Final words of wisdom, and perhaps the most important. Remember to ride at your own pace and don't become influenced by the speed-demons who will whizzzz past like they are only going to Tacoma. Let them pass you and don't chase them. Either they really are faster than you or you'll see them trashed at the side of the road later.

Ride safely and have fun.

(Estelle Gray of R+E Cycles has ridden STP at least 14 times [more than she has driven it by auto.] She has done it on tandems and single bikes - in times as fast as 9 hours and as slow as 17!)

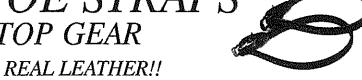




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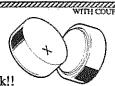
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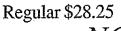
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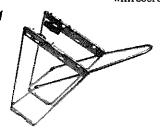
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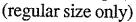
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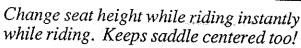
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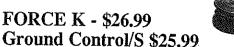
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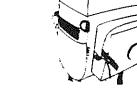
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#### **EDITORIAL**

## Angel on Wheels

What's the Price of that Doggie in the Window?

At the same time that the telephone is one of the most useful tools in any retail business, it can be a nightmare when there are 11 people looking at you from the sales floor. During the summer this is often the case. Think back to the many times you were standing waiting to be helped and the salesperson was on the phone talking to someone who called after you came in. While these are the problems that are most obvious to you, our customer in the store, there is another problem that plagues the sales staff. Ane that is the customer that does comparative shopping over the phone. I can sympathize, I've done it myself. People work and don't often have the time (even if they enjoy it) to go from store to store investigating the price of an item they want. So they call around and drive to the store that has given the lowest price. From the point of view of the customer, it's great; from the point of view of the sales staff, it's terrible. They have to field telephone calls while 11 customers who have taken the time to come in for the personal attention that R+E specializes in are having towait for the guy who essentially butted in line.

Our staff can't possibly know the prices of all the thousands of items we carry and to have to walk across the room and check the price of something and then get asked the price of something else is, as I said, terrible. Even if that were not all that bad here is the most terrible part of answering the phone and the real reason for this editorial. The one thing that happens almost always when we give out prices over the phone is that we lose the sale. The following is a copy of the letter we sent out to one of our customers who was not pleased with our new phone policies.

Dear Mr. B,

Thank you very much for your letter. Not very many people would take the time to write with their concern. Much less for one they felt is in my interest more than theirs. I would like to take a moment to explain the reasoning behind our new policy.

We at R+E Cycles are very concerned about the prices and feel that in every case we offer you the best price we can live with. The staff here is knowledgeable and we all cycle. What R+E Cycles offer you is service, the best you you can get. Given

that the price is as low as I can have it for any one item, please follow our logic. A person calls on the phone and asks for the price of a Yakima rack and we give it to them. Then they call the next shop and ask for the price of the same item. When they get the price, one of two things happens. They say "well so and so has it for 'x' amount" at which point the shopkeeper says, "well, I can beat that". Or the shopkeeper notices that the person is price shopping and asks "what have you been quoted?" The shopper says "well so and so has it for 'x' amount', then the shopkeeper says "I can beat that". In either case, the only thing that I know for sure is that if I give the price over the phone, I usually lose the sale. There is one other thing that happens on the phone, that the person who calls only cares about the price and nothing else. As I said above, R+E specializes in service. It may not matter to the price-only shopper that I have it in stock, or that I have replacement parts, or that someone here can give authoritative advice, or that we can service the item and honor the warranty - all that costs something, and I need to charge for it. The price-only shoper is the fair game of Costco or Price Savers or mail order.

But back to your point. There are quite a few vary capable shops in Seattle, I agree with you. I am very sorry to hear that you will not shop here any further, I really mean that every customer is a valued one. I make this offer to you very sincerely, the next time you need something, call around and find out what the

lowest price is, then call and see if I have tha item and then come in and I will beat the best price in town.

If you have any questions or would like to have me clarify our position better please feel free to call me. Sincerely,

Angel Rodriguez

I hope that the letter explains weel why we are reluctant to give out prices over the phone. Obviously, there are exceptions to the rule, and we know we can't please everyone. For instance, if you say "I bought a bike at R+E last week and I would like to come in and get a Yakima rack and would like to know how much it is," our sales staff will gladly say "the prices on those racks range between so much and so much.

In closing, I would like to add that I am here almost all of the time. Most of the time, I'm kept in the office or the frame shop. If you ever have a comment about our policies or about our service, I want to know. Please pick up the phone and ask for me, I want to talk to

Thanks for your business,

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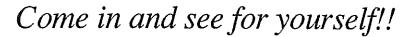




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