

Hale on Wheels Cycling Club

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Special points of interest:

- * 24 Hours in the Canyon-see page 2
- * Club Meeting
- * Tour Reports
- * Recruit new members

FIRST MEETING OF 2011 SEASON

CLUB MEETING:

The first club meeting of the 2011 riding season will be next **TUESDAY NIGHT, MAY 10th**, at **6:30 P. M.** at the **JUSTICE CENTER**, 225 Broadway. Come in the South Main doors, the meeting will be in the courtroom, the first doors to your left as you enter. We encourage all members to attend to hear about the plans for 2011, including *Hale on Wheels 2011*, which will include a 5K run this year, another *HK2020 ride* with the little ones, maybe the *club jerseys* will be in, plans for *weekly club rides*, communication between members, tours, and other items of interest. Hope all can make it. We want to see you there so we can be an active club.

TOUR REPORTS

If any member rides a tour, or participates in some other cycling activity, please send me a report and I'll include it in the next newsletter. For starters, I'll give a short report about the two tours I've done so far this year.

Abilene: "Steam-N-Wheels". This is a recreational ride and a race. The fun ride is 34 miles and the race is 48 miles. Of course, the old man didn't do the race but managed to complete the fun ride. The weather was fairly good, just a little wind. They put on another good event and gave out a nice long sleeve T-shirt. Plus my friends who went to this ride and I found a great steak place in Abilene, The Beehive, 442 Cedar, downtown.

Kerrville: Easter Hill Country Tour. This was a ride in and

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Easter Hill Country (continued)... around Kerrville. The Lubbock Bicycle Club started this ride many years ago and this was my first attempt at it. They have 3 days of riding and several different courses. You start when you want and finish when you want or when the hills finish you, which they did for me. I could only ride on Friday, and of course, ran into several really brutal hills. On one really steep hill, all riders (even Lance, I think) were walking up. I didn't really enjoy this tour as the routes were not marked on the road, there were no monitors on the turns, and absolutely no police protection. They gave you a map with the turns listed. I tried the 19 mile route because the wind was really blowing and I knew, of course, I wasn't any good on hills. Also, the next shortest route was 35 miles and there was no 35 mile map in my packet. I counted 25 turns on the 19 mile route. The route was hard because you had to constantly stop to consult the map so you wouldn't miss the turns and I missed several. I wound up riding 25 + miles because of having to go back after missing a turn. There were only a very few small flimsy signs showing the turns, which were unreadable anyway because they were wrapped around their sticks due to the wind. It also seemed to me that the routes were on several very busy roads and streets mostly with no shoulders. This was my first try at Kerrville, and maybe I just got a bad year, but this tour is "one and done" for me. Plus, there were no bluebonnets because of the drought.

"24 HOURS IN THE CANYON". Let's get up a *Hale on Wheels Cycling Club Team* to participate in this challenge. It would be a good way for members to get to know each other and is for a great cause. Last year, they had about 500 riders participate. If we can get a group of at least six riders, each rider would only do 2 riding shifts of 2 hours each and could relax the rest of the time. Riders can ride road bikes on the paved roads in the canyon or ride mountain bikes on the trails. If you will volunteer to be part of the club team, just send me an email and I'll get the details to you. All the information is on their web site:

www.24hoursinthecanyon.org

LET'S RECRUIT SOME NEW MEMBERS: We should all be on the lookout for cyclists in our area that might like to join our club. If you know of someone who enjoys riding, or even thinks they might enjoy riding, invite them to a club meeting. No obligation on their part. If they want to join, dues are only \$ 25.00 for an individual or \$ 30.00 for all in their immediate family. The application to join is on the web site and can be printed and mailed to Randy Kaufman.

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