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1995 NORTHERN INDIANA MOUNTAIN BIKE ASSOCIATION RIDE SCHEDULE

All are welcome to ride with NIMBA. Helmet use is mandatory on club rides. All times are Indiana time.

Sunday, August 20, at 10 a.m.
Syracuse Trail, located one mile South of US 6 on SR 13, Syracuse, Indiana

Sunday, August 27, at 11 a.m.
Fort Custer State Recreation Area, Augusta, Michigan. Take I94 East to Galesburg exit.. North to M96 East. School on corner. Go east to Augusta, park entrance is on right on M96.

Sunday, September 3, at 10 a.m.
Dr. T. K. Lawless County Park.
Monkey Run Street, Vandalia, Michigan.

Sunday, September 10 at 10:00 a.m.
Bluhm County Park, Westville, Indiana

Sunday, September 17 at 11:00 a.m.
Yankee Springs State Recreation Area, Bradley, Hopkins & Hastings Exit, Exit #61 off of U. S. 131. Go approximately 10 miles. Follow signs to the main park at Gun Lake. Left at stopsign. Go to Deep Lake campground. On left about 1/2 mile.

See you on Trail!

NIMBA Status, Membership, Events

Currently NIMBA has approximately \$2000.00 in the moneys, bills and assets, in order of escalation.

We are still meeting with the City of South Bend in producing a mountain bike park. We have assisted in the cutting of the ten miles of demanding, rugged bicycle trail at Dr. T. K. Lawless Park in Cass County, Michigan. Played a part in opening two miles of Bicycle Trail at Madelien Bertrand Park, Niles, Michigan.

We have dabbled with Indiana's Trails Plan 2000, a mandatory document for the state to apply for federal money. As well as establishing a library of information on trail construction and trail managing techniques, networking and attending meetings.

NIMBA is now a non-profit corporation. We have grown from a few hardworking volunteers to many hardworking volunteers. Excellent.

Many area bike shops help us raise money by selling our water bottles; please support these shops who are supporting us. We also need your, the trail-biking community's, support. Some of this money goes toward printing and distributing this newsletter. This newsletter is basically to inform the bicyclist "what's up" and "what's going down." We also demonstrate our interest to establish and maintain trails, and to use them responsibly.

Volunteers help in accounting, management, law, and computer layout and design. We also have access to trailbuilding heavy equipment. We need even more people to help us use

our equipment (and we could always use more stuff: first-aid kits, water coolers, etc.). We could use a break on printing costs, postage, petroleum, and phone bills. Well, I'm probably asking for too much. But I'm the president, and these are realistic requests that many of you out there may be able to help us with. HERE'S THE SHORT TALK: Local off-road bicyclists need a place to ride--NIMBA's working on that. They need people to ride with--NIMBA's working on that. Trails need to remain open--NIMBA's working on that. You need a mountain to climb--we're lookin' into discount bike vacations for members. REMEMBER: \$20 for one year. Your membership will go well beyond the year you support us. If we can open a trail with your support, the trail will be there for years to come. We just have to get our heads and hands together. We must all to our part to prevent erosion after rains by letting the ground dry a bit. Watch for others. Be aware, be responsible. Slam into a hiker--bikers get bad rap--trail closed.

Thanks for readin'
Brian Null 259-5814

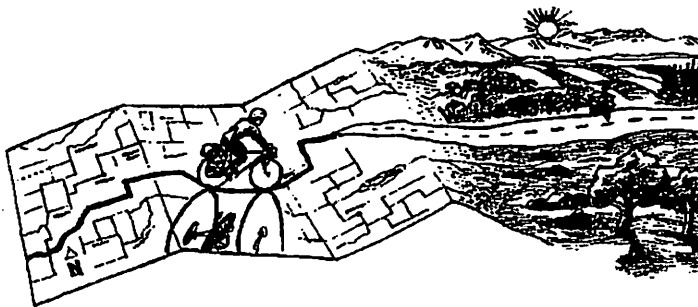


What's Up With Rum Village?????

As most of you know by now the planned trail day at Rum Village on July 29 & 30 was postponed. You are probably wondering why. Well, so am I. Just when I thought everything was a go; POW! We found a snag in the contract with the city park department. At this point we are still negotiating with "the Powers-that-Be" and hope to have things worked out soon. It appears to me that cutting a trail is a lot easier than cutting through the Red Tape. We hope to get things going sometimes this fall when trail cutting is easier, bugs are less buggy, and the heat is less hot. I would like to thank all of you who showed interest in this project and hope to work with you all soon.

Thank you,
J. Joachim
Co-director Trails Maintenance

P.S. We will keep you informed of our progress and new trail day dates.



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We still need people to chair / co-chair the following committees

Fundraising

Ambassador

Call any of the Hub members if you are interested.



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