



The Long Road

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Happy Holidays!!



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Upcoming Events:

- New Years Day Populaire
- Awards Dinner: February 6, 2010
- 24th Annual Toronto International Bicycle Show. March 5, 6, 7, Toronto

Granite Anvil, Epilogue

To say “Thank You” to the communities that hosted the Granite Anvil this past summer, the Board decided to present donations to local charities. Donations were made to Tyendinaga Food Bank, Durham College Food Bank, Midland Salvation Army Food Bank, North Hasting Community Cupboard food bank (Bancroft) and the Frederick Banting Farmstead

Isabelle made the cheque presentation at Midland Salvation Army Food Bank and she will be presenting one more cheque to the Frederick Banting Farmstead that is going to be a camp for children with diabetes, in Alliston



left to right: Marilyn Maracle, Will Brant, Real Prefontaine, Mary McCauley (President of the Tyendinaga Food bank), Carol Green (Manager of the Food bank).



Jim, Keith and Isabelle present a donation to the Durham College (Oshawa) food bank

I presented a cheque for \$500 to Brenda Chipperfield of the North Hasting Community Cupboard food bank in Bancroft today. A photo is attached. The people are Clive Emery, Brenda, me and Christine Atkinson-Emery. The food bank serves an area much larger than Bancroft. There are 600 families registered with the food-bank database representing 1300 people while Bancroft, the town, has only a population of 3500. The demand on the food bank has been much higher than usual this year and the money was very welcome. I met Brenda at the bike shop run by Clive and Christine who both worked at the control during the Granite Anvil.



Barry Hendry from the Bancroft Times took photos and notes and there will be an article in the paper. He also wrote about the Granite Anvil while we passed through town and was pleased to be able to follow up with news of the results and especially our donation to the food bank. He has promised to send me copies of the August articles as well as the new one and would very much like to have a T-shirt - size large. Can I get another T-shirt Jim?

Peter Grant

Randonneurs Ontario
Hosted by: Simcoe Muskoka Chapter
All rides start and finish in Alliston, Ontario
(45 min. north of 401 on 400 Hwy.)

Devil Week

**Some have called this type of event Hell Week
But we are calling it Devil Week**

Dates: June 5th 200 Km Brevet
June 6th 300 Km Brevet
June 8th 400 Km Brevet
June 10th/11th 600 Brevet
June 12th Celebration Lunch

For more info or to register:
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Rando Bio

Welcome to the **“Rando Bio!”** the latest addition to the *Randonneur Newsletter*. The plan is to rotate the Bio picks from each of the *Randonneur* chapters. This time its Isabelle Sheardown, the new President of *Randonneurs Ontario!* Enjoy!

Kathy Brouse



Isabelle starting her new job as President of Randonneurs Ontario, at the AGM, Sept 2009

Kathy: Isabelle, you’ve been with the club for many years. Can you tell our readers when your passion for cycling began?

Isabelle: In the mid 80’s when I sold my sail boat. I had a 30’ Alberg; it was a heavy weather sail boat so needless to say, I sailed in all kinds of weather. At that point I had started cycling and as we all know there is only so much time for our hobbies. I jumped right in to cycling and became as passionate about that as I had been about sailing. You can see why I don’t mind cycling in the rain, but I really prefer sunny skies. I joined Toronto Randonneurs 1992. We became Randonneurs Ontario much later.

Kathy: You were VP of the Simcoe chapter for many years. Are you the original Simcoe VP?

Isabelle: We moved from Toronto to the Alliston area in the fall of ‘98. After a couple of years we got tired of driving to Toronto/Maple/Markham/Mississauga to do the Brevets and decided to apply to the club to start a Simcoe Muskoka Chapter. I think that was 2001.

Kathy: Looking back, can you share one of your greatest experiences on the bike.

Isabelle: Without a question PBP – starting the ride at 10:00 at night and seeing all those lights on 1000’s of bicycles was amazing.

Kathy: Being a woman in a male dominated sport must have particular challenges, and sometimes lonely moments. Can you tell us about a particularly

challenging or difficult experience on the bike.

Isabelle: I’ve always found the guys really helpful and as you know most of them are younger than my kids. I’m sure it might have been a problem if I was younger when I started this type of riding. I enjoy riding by myself so I have no expectations of anyone waiting for me but I certainly enjoy riding with other riders. On more than one occasion I’ve ridden with a new rider to the club and when they think they can’t finished their first 200, I tell them how old I am and they always finish.

Kathy: Do you have plans on the Bucket List that involve cycling?

Isabelle: Next year, 2010, we are cycling with Tour du Canada’s new ride “Tour Arctic”, July 20th - August 12th. It starts in Vancouver and we go to Vancouver Island at Port Hardy. We take the ferry to Prince Rupert and then another ferry to Skagway, Alaska, then the real bicycling begins to Whitehorse, Dawson City and the Dempster Hwy. to Inuvik.

Kathy: I’ve heard it said that behind every influential woman is a very supportive, yet long suffering partner. Would you agree

Isabelle: Keith says yes, long suffering is about right! He has always been very supportive and now he is VP Simcoe Muskoka. Although he did a lot of the work all along, he now gets the title.

Annual Awards Dinner

Saturday February 6, 2010

GOOD FOOD, GOOD COMPANY AND GET YOUR MEDALS AND MAYBE AN AWARD!

Toronto, Simcoe-Muskoka and Huron Chapters

Ottawa Chapter

PLACE: THE MADISON AVENUE PUB
(Same as last year)

DETAILS WILL BE ANNOUNCED SOON!

ADDRESS: 14 MADISON AVENUE
(North of Bloor, East of Spadina)
1 416 927 1722

TIME: 6:30 pm

PRICE: \$40.00

AND HERE IS THE DEAL: IF YOU PAY PRIOR TO
JANUARY 15TH, 2010
YOUR NAME WILL GO INTO A DRAW FOR A FREE
NIGHT FOR TWO
WITH A BUFFET BREAKFAST
AT THE MADISON MANOR BOUTIQUE HOTEL FOR
FEBRUARY 6TH, 2010

SEND YOUR CHEQUES PAYABLE TO
RANDONNEURS ONTARIO
C/O JAMES GRIFFIN
RR #5, 8735 5TH SIDEROAD,
EVERETT, ONTARIO,
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Toronto Bike Show

Just a reminder that the Toronto International Bicycle Show is happening March 5, 6, 7, 2010. We will again have a booth and need volunteers!! If you can spare some time to help out, please contact Kathy Brouse or Mark Hopper.

Also, we are redoing our brochure for the show. If you have any Randonneuring photos for the brochure, please send them to Jim Morris.

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Brevet Administration Report, 2009

2009 Totals:

Brevets	Total Riders	Distance
200	111	22,200 kms
300	48	14,400 kms
400	31	12,400 kms
600	21	12,600 kms
1000	7	7,000 kms
RM	14	20,800 kms
Total	232	89,400 kms
Fleche	3 teams 13 riders	5,681 kms



PBP 2011 Rider Quotas, Update

ACP is implementing new rules for Country allocations based on previous participation and the number of BRMs (Brevet Randonneur Mondial) from 2007 through to and including 2010.

The original calculation formula is as follows:

$$\left(\frac{\text{Nb inscrits du pays en 2007}}{\text{Nb inscrits total en 2007}} \right) \times \left(\frac{\text{Nb inscrits maxi pour 2011}}{\text{Nb inscrits total en 2007}} \right) \times \left(\frac{\text{Kra homologués par le pays en 2010}}{\text{Kra homologués par 13 pays en 2010}} \right) \times \left(\frac{\text{Kra homologués par 13 pays en 2006}}{\text{Kra homologués par le pays en 2006}} \right)$$

Since then, based on comments received from us and other Countries, ACP is considering revising the formula to reflect Countries that host BRM's annually. The quota will be based on the number of entrants and finishers at PBP 2007. Each Country will then have an additional allocation based on the number of Kilometres homologated for 2010. This is to reflect the Countries growth since 2007.

They will also allow early registrations based on the following formula:

- BRM 400 km in 2010, the rider may register from 15 April 2011
- BRM 300 km in 2010, the rider may register from 1 May 2011
- BRM 200 km in 2010, the rider may register from 15 May 2011
- No BRM event in 2010, the rider may not register until June 1, 2011.

Canada is included as a Country, even though Canada has a number of regional Clubs. Canada's allocation will not be known until the end of 2010.

PeterLeiss

PBP 2011 Survey: Are YOU Planning to Ride?

It appears there will be a rider quota for PBP 2011. Canada will be allocated a number of entries—how many won't be known until the end of 2010.

To help the Board of Randonneurs Ontario plan for PBP 2011, we'd like to know who's thinking of riding PBP 2011.

Are you: Definitely Going to PBP 2011
 Maybe
 NO

Send your answer to Isabelle at president@randonneursontario.ca by February 6, 2010



Financial Statements

RANDONNEURS ONTARIO LONG DISTANCE CYCLING ASSOCIATION INC.

Statement of Income & Expense , As of September 30, 2009

James Griffin

BUDGET	INCOME		
4,375.00	Memberships (Note 1)	\$3,843.00	
1,000.00	Medals	1,020.00	
1,000.00	Annual dinner	1,280.00	
350.00	Non-member ride charges	1,241.00	
<u>5,000.00</u>	Brevet & ride income	5,432.15	12,816.15
11,725.00			
	EXPENSES		
150.00	Newsletter	\$77.90	
1,000.00	Medals & brevet charges (2009)	1,020.00	
	Medals & brevet charges (2008) (Note 2)	(65.05)	
50.00	Randonneur Mondiaux membership	49.63	
175.00	Ontario Cycling Association membership	200.00	
2,000.00	Ontario Cycling Association insurance	2,037.00	
320.00	Directors & Officers insurance	307.80	
1,000.00	Annual dinner	1,455.64	
200.00	Trophies	65.76	
250.00	Bike show expense	212.33	
400.00	Supplies,postage,photocopying,L.D.chgs.	387.73	
100.00	Web site	130.47	
300.00	Printing brochures	640.71	
100.00	Bank charges	281.71	
200.00	Board & AGM meeting expenses	166.12	
<u>100.00</u>	Route surveys	0.00	6,967.75
6,345.00			
5,380.00	Income for period		\$5,848.40

1) Based on 75 single & 4 family memberships @ \$50 & \$75 respectively . Total paid membership: 83

2) 2008 Medals estimated at \$685.00 actual paid \$619.95 =\$65.05



Ride Schedule 2010

Check the website for ride organisers and last minute changes

Chapter	Date	Event	Distance	Start	Start Location	Route
Toronto	Friday January 01,	Populaire	30	10:00	Toronto	New Year's Day
Toronto	Sunday March 14	Populaire	60	10:00	Concord	Concord Bradford
Ottawa	Saturday March 20	Populaire	60	10:00	Cheshire Cat	Almonte
Toronto	Sunday March 21	Populaire	85	10:00	Kleinburg	Kleinburg Tottenham
Ottawa	Saturday March 27	Populaire	110	10:00	Cheshire Cat	Kemptville
Toronto	Sunday March 28	Populaire	110	09:00	Don Mills	Uxbridge Ice Classic
Ottawa	Saturday April 03	Populaire	133	10:00	Osgoode	Osgoode
Toronto	Sunday April 04	Populaire	110	09:00	Erin Mills	ErinMills/Campbellville
Ottawa	Saturday April 10	Populaire	117	10:00	Ashton	Mississippi
Toronto	Sunday April 11	Populaire	140	09:00	Oakville	Oakville St. George
Huron	Saturday April 17	Brevet	200	08:00	Windsor	Tour de Essex
Ottawa	Saturday April 17	Populaire	186	09:00	Ashton	Elphin
Toronto	Sunday April 18	Brevet	200	08:00	Oakville	Gentle Start
Ottawa	Saturday April 24	Brevet	200	07:00	Cheshire Cat	Merickville
Toronto	Sunday April 25	Brevet	200	08:00	Concord	Concord Orillia
Huron	Saturday May 01	Brevet	300	07:00	Port Elgin	Bowel Buster
Ottawa	Saturday May 01	Brevet	300	06:00	Cheshire Cat	Vennachar
Simcoe	Saturday May 01	Brevet	200	08:00	Alliston	200
Toronto	Sunday May 02	Brevet	200	08:00	Erin Mills	Bits and Pieces
Ottawa	Saturday May 08	Brevet	300	06:00	Cheshire Cat	Animalathon
Toronto	Saturday May 08	Brevet	300	06:00	Markham	Carden Plain
Huron	Saturday May 15	Brevet	400	07:00	Port Elgin	Creemore Classic
Ottawa	Saturday May 15	Populaire	133	10:00	Osgoode	Osgoode
Simcoe	Saturday May 15	Brevet	300	06:00	Alliston	300
Toronto	Sunday May 16	Brevet	200	08:00	Erin Mills	Grand River
Huron	Saturday May 22	Fleche	360 +	06:00	various	Fleche



Chapter	Date	Event	Distance	Start	Start Location	Route
Ottawa	Saturday May 22	Fleche	360 +	06:00	various	Fleche
Simcoe	Saturday May 22	Fleche	360 +	06:00	various	Fleche
Toronto	Saturday May 22	Populaire	120	20:00	Maple	Maple Bradford
Toronto	Saturday May 22	Fleche	360 +	00:00	various	Fleche
Ottawa	Saturday May 29	Brevet	400	05:00	Carleton U.	Foymount
Toronto	Saturday May 29	Brevet	400	06:00	Concord	Maple Shakespeare
Ottawa	Saturday June 05	Populaire	152	09:00	Cheshire Cat	Storyland
Simcoe	Saturday June 05	Brevet	200	08:00	Alliston	Semaine d'enfer
Simcoe	Sunday June 06	Brevet	300	05:00	Alliston	Semaine d'enfer
Simcoe	Tuesday June 08	Brevet	400	05:00	Alliston	Semaine d'enfer
Simcoe	Thursday June 10	Brevet	600	05:00	Alliston	Semaine d'enfer
Huron	Saturday June 12	Brevet	600	06:00	Port Elgin	March to the Marsh
Ottawa	Saturday June 12	Populaire	117	10:00	Ashton	Mississippi
Toronto	Saturday June 12	Brevet	200	08:00	Markham	Scugog Circle
Ottawa	Saturday June 19	Brevet	600	05:00	Britannia Bay	Kingston
Toronto	Saturday June 19	Brevet	300	06:00	Erin Mills	Lakes and Vines
Ottawa	Saturday June 26	Populaire	186	08:00	Ashton	Elphin
Toronto	Saturday June 26	Brevet	600	06:00	Erin Mills	TSWO
Ottawa	Saturday July 03	Populaire	160	09:00	Hardwood Lake	Bancroft
Toronto	Saturday July 03	Brevet	400	06:00	Markham	Old 400
Ottawa	Saturday July 10	Populaire	133	10:00	Osgoode	Osgoode
Toronto	Sunday July 11	Brevet	200	08:00	Erin Mills	Six Nations
Ottawa	Saturday July 17	Brevet	300	06:00	Cheshire Cat	Vennachar
Simcoe	Saturday July 17	Brevet	200	08:00	Alliston	200
Ottawa	Saturday July 24	Populaire	110	09:00	Aviation Museum	Rockland
Toronto	Saturday July 24	Brevet	600	06:00	Markham	Haliburton Highlands
Toronto	Sunday July 25	Populaire	120	08:00	Erin Mills	Erin Mills Waterdown
Toronto	Thursday July 29	Brevet	1000	06:00	Queen's Park	Toronto Ottawa Toronto



Chapter	Date	Event	Distance	Start	Start Location	Route
Huron	Saturday July 31	Brevet	200	08:00	Goderich	North Huron Tributare
Toronto	Saturday July 31	Brevet	400	06:00	Erin Mills	Oak Ridges Moraine
Toronto	Sunday August 01	Populaire	162	08:00	Maple	Simcoe Century
Ottawa	Saturday Aug. 07	Populaire	152	09:00	Cheshire Cat	Storyland
Toronto	Saturday Aug. 07	Brevet	400	06:00	Concord	Concord Collingwood
Toronto	Sunday August 08	Brevet	200	08:00	Erin Mills	Tour of the Valleys
Huron	Saturday Aug. 14	Populaire	0	00:00	Manitoulin	Manitoulin Populaire
Ottawa	Saturday Aug. 14	Populaire	1000	07:00	Prescott	Adirondacks
Toronto	Saturday Aug. 14	Brevet	300	06:00	Concord	Hills Villes & Valleys
Huron	Sunday August 15	Populaire	0	00:00	Manitoulin	Manitoulin Populaire
Ottawa	Saturday Aug. 21	Populaire	133	09:00	Osgoode	Osgoode
Simcoe	Saturday Aug. 21	Brevet	200	08:00	Alliston	200
Ottawa	Saturday Aug. 28	Brevet	200	07:00	Cheshire Cat	Original
Toronto	Saturday Aug. 28	Brevet	400	06:00	Concord	Georgian Triangle
Ottawa	Saturday Sept. 04	Populaire	117	09:00	Ashton	Mississippi
Toronto	Sunday Sept. 05	Brevet	200	08:00	Toronto	Mean Streets
Toronto	Saturday Sept. 11	Brevet	600	06:00	Erin Mills	Wiarion Connection
Toronto	Saturday Sept. 11	Brevet	200	08:00	Napanee	Loyalist
Huron	Monday Sept. 13	Brevet	200	08:00	Port Elgin	Big Bay 200
Club	Saturday Sept. 18	Brevet	200	07:00	Wiarion	Wiarion Willie
Ottawa	Saturday Sept. 18	Populaire	133	09:00	Osgoode	Osgoode
Ottawa	Saturday Sept. 25	Populaire	186	08:00	Ashton	Elphin
Toronto	Sunday Sept. 26	Brevet	200	08:00	Toronto	Gentle End
Ottawa	Saturday Oct. 09	Populaire	117	09:00	Ashton	Mississippi