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After a long term at the helm, Tony has stepped down as President of our club. Being the active Vice President, I was promoted to take that position. We all owe Tony a very hardy thank you for his efforts over the years in keeping the club together. I also want to extend that thank you to all of the club members who have taken an active role in the dealings of the club, whose efforts I only hope to build on. Tony will be remaining on the Board.

We have a strong group of Board members that offer a great deal of experience and wisdom. My goal is to do no harm, while leaving my personal footprint small. Even with great Board members behind me, we are still on the look out for members to come forward to help. Whether that be a Board position, Committee member or just to volunteer to help out. We will continue to listen to all that come forward, especially with regard to social events. The more ideas we have the better. **BUT, better yet,** are more people to lend a hand! The club's health and future depends on an active membership.

I have been a club member for 3 years and a Board member for less than a year. I was a member of David Hodgkinson's team in keeping Cycle Fest 2009 a great event. I have not been riding as much as in past years, but usually have been riding with the C and B groups in the North Country. Some may remember seeing this great looking red and white Pinarello with the weak engine on occasions. That was me! I am picking up the pace close to my old self, but my old ride buddies have gotten faster in my absence. Now that's just not fair!

We are ready to increase our inventory of club shirts, jerseys, hats and accessories. Please forward any requests to me regarding interest and sizes, so we have a better handle on what to buy. Our web site will be updated soon to allow direct online purchases.

With that record nasty cold windy winter behind us, I am looking forward to being out on the road more. Hope to see more of you out there too. Maybe we'll meet at the picnic in May?

"A nice warm spring is a terrible thing to waste"

Stay Safe, and have fun! Steve



MAYAKKA + picnic = FUN

It is time for our Club picnic. Following rides for everyone, the Club will provide burgers, hotdogs and drinks at Myakka River State Park on Saturday, May 29th. We ask that you bring a side dish or dessert to share. Come out and have a great time with your fellow riders. The picnic is being held at the south pavilion of the Park at 11:30 and ride information can be found in the May ride schedule. Anyone wishing to help plan the picnic can contact Chris Prokosch at 941-567-4657 or christine.prokosch@yahoo.com Myakka River State Park information can be obtained at <http://myakkariver.org/>

Don't forget-there is an entrance fee to the Park-\$2.00 for a bicycle, \$4.00 for a car with one person, \$6.00 for a car with more than one person. There are many things to see and do in the Park-make a day of it!



Potter Park Peddlers' Corner

The Potter Park Peddlers wish to congratulate Lori Gabbert for winning the Squiggly Adventure Race, which was held April 10 near the Hillsborough River. Lori was part of a three person team that navigated in a canoe down the river, mountain biked the trails, and navigated through a swamp in mud and water up to their waists to take first place overall in the event, beating 25 other teams. Congratulations to you and your team members, Lori. We are very proud of you.

We wish Kegan McNutt the best of luck and success in his first St. Anthony's Triathlon. Your Dad and the rest of us are very proud of you.

Our own Ginny Poyner competes in her 19th National Duathlon Championship Race April 25. This race is a qualifier for the World championship team. She is the only American female to race on 19 World teams. Ginny, we wish you a good, strong, and safe race. We are all behind you 100%. We are very proud to ride with you.

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