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Wanted: Articles for IPMBA News

by Maureen Becker
Executive Director

The ink on this issue of *IPMBA News* will hardly be dry before the editorial staff starts gathering material for the next few issues, and they will be counting on you!

If you have been reading *IPMBA News* for a while, you may have noticed that each issue typically has a “focus” section. This focus is like a theme – it forms the heart of the newsletter, grouping several articles related to a specific topic, like funding, training, or bike safety and education. Many of these sections have been developed and researched in response to questions, inquiries, suggestions, and stories from IPMBA members. They are usually compiled to fill a need or a knowledge gap.

If you don't know where to start, start with success – one of our most popular themes.

Is there something YOU would like to find out more about? Do you have knowledge that your fellow members would find valuable? Do you have any ideas for future issues of *IPMBA News*?

Whether you have an idea for a focus, an article, a product review, or something else altogether, IPMBA wants you to share it! And if you don't consider yourself a literary genius, don't worry – the editorial team is here to help.

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Success stories will figure prominently in the Fall issue of *IPMBA News*, and you are invited to share *your* stories with your fellow members. This is your chance to boast about all the wonderful ways in which your bike team is having a positive impact on your community. Don't be shy – boast about how well the bikes work for you, what you have accomplished with your bicycle, great ideas and how you implemented them, and your other stories of success. The deadline is September 29, 2006.

Without you, there would be no newsletter. Don't keep your ideas to yourself. Shout them from the rooftop in each issue of *IPMBA News*!

For more information about submitting articles to *IPMBA News*, contact me at 410-744-2400 or Maureen@ipmba.org.

Two-Wheeling It

Bicycles squeeze through to create an important service niche

by Kathryn Robyn & Marie Nordberg
Associate Editors
Emergency Medical Product News

Bicycles and other two-wheeled vehicles are becoming increasingly prevalent in the EMS industry, helping agencies provide quick care in crowded settings like fairs, festivals and sporting events. Maureen Becker, executive director of the International Police Mountain Bike Association (IPMBA), which has a fast-growing EMS division, says that “As of 2002, 52% of EMS agencies in the nation’s largest 200 cities were [reportedly] using bikes.” Additionally, she says, “estimating from IPMBA membership, approximately 300 bike medic teams across the country are being deployed in a variety of circumstances.”

IPMBA, whose annual conference was held May 6-13 this year in Dayton, OH, is the preeminent trainer of both police and EMS cyclists. IPMBA-certified cyclist instructors have trained most, if not all, of this country’s bike medics, as well as the United Kingdom’s famed London Ambulance Service (LAS) bike medics. The growth of the bike medic niche might be reflected by next year’s conference host, East Baton Rouge Parish EMS in Louisiana, the first



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President's Column



Another successful conference was held this year in Dayton, Ohio. This year's conference was truly a regional effort with over 12 police, fire and security agencies involved in the planning and coordination of the conference. The IPMBA board would like to thank Dayton PD and all the other agencies for their work and effort in hosting the event. Without their effort, we couldn't have had such a successful event. It's always good to renew old friendships and develop new ones and this year IPMBA members attended from six countries and 34 states. This just shows that our conference is truly an international event. Be sure come on down to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, next year, when our conference will be hosted by East Baton Rouge EMS. East Baton Rouge EMS will be the first EMS agency to ever host our conference and if I know Tom, Joyce, and the gang, it will be an outstanding conference.

During the conference, IPMBA elected several new individuals to the board. Your new board members are David Hildebrand from Denton (TX) PD, Mitch Trujillo from Boulder (CO) PD, and Ron Burkitt from Hilliard (OH) PD. You can learn more about your board members on

page 31 of this newsletter or on the website by clicking on the yellow tab labeled Governing Board. Please drop an e-mail to any of your board members if you have a question or concern about anything. I would also like to personally thank both Gary McLaughlin and Loren Ryerson for the time, effort, and dedication they gave during their terms on the board. Their many years of bike patrol knowledge and experience will be missed.

Now that summer is here, remember that you need to keep yourself hydrated while you're out riding. While an average person loses about 12 cups of water a day, a public safety cyclist can lose 36 cups of water because of the additional gear that they carry. While riding, make sure you drink plenty of fluids that contain carbohydrates and electrolytes to help your body maintain the proper chemical balance.

I wish each of you a safe and happy summer of cycling.

Jim Powell, IPMBA President

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IPMBA's Annual Conference has become internationally known as the premier training and education opportunity for police, EMS, and security personnel on bikes. This year Dayton, Ohio, was the host city and a terrific time was had by all (and everybody learned something, too). IPMBA presents recap as its focus for this issue. Enjoy and let it inspire you to plan on coming to Baton Rouge for next year's conference! *Pages 5 - 13.*

IPMBA Conference '06



Many thanks to Chief Julian Davis, the Dayton Police Department, and their partner agencies for hosting the 16th Annual IPMBA Conference. Hosting a conference is not easy. It takes tremendous amounts of time, dedication, commitment, and resources, both financial and human. If invested properly, these resources can result in a positive outcome for all involved.

The outcome of the 16th Annual IPMBA Conference certainly was positive. Participants from 34 states and six countries have returned to their homes, eager to share their Dayton experience. They will no doubt recount stories about the training, the riding, the area history, and the fine Midwestern hospitality.

Special thanks to the members of the steering committee who demonstrated their commitment to the conference in countless ways from start to finish: Sgt. Allan Howard, Det. Jamie Bullens, P.O. Jeff Brown, P.O. Shawn Huey, NAO coordinator Cynthia August, all from the Dayton PD; Lt. Ron Adams, Sinclair Community College Police; Lt. Mark Arendt, Five Rivers Metro Parks; F.F. Jim Howell, Troy Fire Department; Michael Emmons, Kettering Medical Center Security; Doug Evans, Sugarcreek Police Department; Faupo Lauofo, Centerville Police Department; Randy Maningas, WPAFB 88th Security Forces; Dee Osterfeld, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office; David Roth, Kettering Fire Department; Roger (TR) Smart, Kettering Police Department; Mike Hawley, Huber Heights Police Department; Dan Bentley, Springboro Police Department; Todd Suchy, Beavercreek Police Department; and Ron Burkitt, Hilliard Police Department.

Not to be overlooked are those who gave of their time and effort to carry out the many logistics essential to the event: Det. Rebecca Rose, Det. Shirley Rockwell, Det. Mark Davis, P.O. William Jones, P.O. Gordon Cairns, P.O. Curtis Sweat, P.O. Patricia Pasquel, P.O. Ken Rondeau, P.O. Jason Tipton, P.O. David Williams, P.O. Ken Nurrenbrock, P.O. Chuck Tangeman, P.O. Justin Poe, P.O. Monica Evans, P.O. Brian Dedrick, P.O. Paul Saunders, P.O. Chris Fischer, P.O. Jimmy Howard, P.O. James Krauskoff, P.O. Matt Locke, P.O. Mollie Sharp, P.O. Kervin Velez, P.O. Jeffrey Watkins, P.O. Jon Zimmerman, all from the Dayton PD; Aaron Zimmaro and Terry Dunkel of Springboro Police, and Adrian Sargent and Ken Becker of Five Rivers MetroParks Police.

As always, the host committee "rolled out the red carpet" to ensure that their guests had an excellent time, both while in training and when enjoying the sights, sounds, and flavors of Dayton. They were an essential ingredient in the formula that makes the IPMBA conference the premier training event for public safety cyclists.

Browse through the memories of the 2006 IPMBA Conference and start making plans for the 17th Annual IPMBA Conference, April 14-21, 2007, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. *Laissez les bon temps rouler!*

Top: Tom Lynch, London Ambulance Service (UK);
Right: John Washington, University of Pennsylvania Police Department (PA)





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The “Rats”



Get Revenge

by Kurt Feavel, PCI #539
University of Wisconsin Police (WI)
IPMBA Board of Directors

It was a dark and stormy night...ok, not really, but the clouds and rain certainly made it feel that way!

However, no one let the weather darken their spirits; competitors and spectators alike truly enjoyed an excellent and exciting competition, held at Dayton’s RiverScape Park, during the 16th Annual Conference. It was so thrilling that even the Mayor of Dayton could not stay off the course.

Thanks to the creative and diabolical mind of Officer Jeff Brown of the Dayton PD bike unit, nearly 70 competitors encountered the type of challenging obstacles about which they may have previously only dreamed...or had nightmares!

The race began with a short sprint to a set of cones turning 90-degrees left and leading to a twisting, turning cone course around a statue of Wilbur and Orville Wright with the Wright flyer. Then it was a sharp left onto a multi-tiered set of ramps, a hard left up a short set of three steps, around a park bench and on to the patch collector. Tired yet? Coming out of the patch collector was a tight keyhole, followed by the teeter-totter and an eight-foot section of “washboard”. From here the competitors slalomed through a series of concrete bollards before climbing a short ramp and negotiating yet another series of bollards. As the competitors dashed for the finish line, a strategically placed cone tested their skill at “splitting the cone”, and then it was up-and-over a railroad tie and on to the finish!

No race is complete without some spectacular crashes – and near misses, such as the one in which a contestant, upon crossing the finish line, nearly collided with the mayor, testing the “life-saving” skills of Dayton’s Jamie Bullens who

snatched her out of harm’s way. As a testament to the great skill displayed by all the competitors no one was seriously injured and the ambulance sat idle.

A number of well-received changes were made to the competition guidelines this year. The equipment

requirements were modified to offer a competition more focused on rider skill and the separate categories for police, EMS, and security were merged into a single Public Safety category. This opened up the possibility for mixed teams. An open category was added to allow vendors and guests to participate. Finally, a Male 50 & over age group was created.

Team Desert Rat, comprised mostly of members of 2005’s Team Enchantment, took top honors in the team competition. After having been edged out of the top slot by less than three seconds last year, they were ready for revenge. Team Bethlehem has them in their sights for 2007! The “thirty-somethings” dominated the individual times for men. The top three finishers overall were Jason Schiffer, Bethlehem Police (1:50:92); Tom Lynch, London Ambulance Service (1:56:03); and just fractions of a second away from an individual medal, Brian Cantele, West Hartford Police (1:56:44). Tammy Kilgore Alois, Coconut Creek Police (4:04:83), topped her age group for the second year in a row, while Barb Winstead, Cincinnati Police (2:27:04) took first place over last year’s winner in the 35+ age group, Tammy Shoemaker, Huber Heights Police. The average run-time was 3:00:47.

I would like to congratulate all the competitors and the winners, and invite everyone to join us for what is sure to be another great conference and competition next year in Baton Rouge. I also want to thank Jeff Brown and folks from Dayton

PD for setting up such a terrific course.

See competition results on next page!

Many thanks to John Brandt of University of Maryland Police for photographing all of the competition results!



Photo by Shornden McCloud

A stormy pre-competition parade.



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Walking through the course.



Photo by John Brandt

Brian Cantele, West Hartford Police (CT) rides circles around a triumphant Wright Brother.

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2006 IPMBA COMPETITION RESULTS

Team Competition:

Team Desert Rat – 8:21:48

Wallace Downs, Las Cruces PD, 2:04:22
Rob Peterson, Las Cruces PD, 2:18:91
Pat Hernandez, Albuquerque PD, 2:01:51
Brian Cantele, West Hartford PD, 1:56:44

Team Bethlehem – 9:54:02

Jason Schiffer, Bethlehem PD, 1:50:92
Jon Pesesko, Bethlehem PD, 2:00:51
Tim Brooks, Bethlehem PD, 2:22:53
Jason Fulmer, Bethlehem PD, 3:40:01

Team TXBike.com – 10:11:02

Paul Brown, College Station PD, 2:12:84
Ken Petereit, College Station PD, 2:42:23
John Hanke, Joliet PD, 2:46:18
Larry Collins, Joliet PD, 2:29:82

Public Safety Category:

Male under 30

First Place: Craig Medley,
Annapolis PD, 2:43:91
Second Place: Scott Grantz,
Cornell University PD, 3:09:37

Male 30-39

First Place: Jason Schiffer,
Bethlehem PD, 1:50:92
Second Place: Tom Lynch,
London Ambulance Service, 1:56:03

Male 40-49

First Place: Jon Pesesko,
Bethlehem PD, 2:00:51
Second Place: Wallace Downs,
Las Cruces PD, 2:04:22

Male over 50

First Place: John Brandt,
University of Maryland PD, 2:29:34
Second Place: Mike Satlow,
Jerusalem Civil Guard, 3:52:94

Female under 35

First Place: Tammy Kilgore Alois,
Coconut Creek PD, 4:04:83

Female 35+

First Place: Barbara Winstead,
Cincinnati Police Division, 2:27:04
Second Place: Tammy Shoemaker,
Huber Heights PD, 3:23:28

Open Category

First Place: Eric Kackley,
Volcanic Bicycles, 2:05:03
Second Place: Mike McKernan,
Volcanic Bicycles, 2:17:62

Congratulations 2006 IPMBA Conference Instructor Course Graduates!

Instructor Course Graduates, Dayton Conference 2006:

Richard Bennett, Charleston Police Dept., Charleston WV; **Dan Bentley**, Springboro Police Department, Springboro OH; **Elizabeth Bouchard**, University Of Guelph Campus Community Police, Guelph ON; **Robert E Boyden**, Western Kentucky University Police, Bowling Green KY; **Roger Callese**, Northwestern U PD, Evanston IL; **Kyle Callihan**, Baton Rouge Police Dept, Baton Rouge LA; **Brian Cantele**, West Hartford Police Dept., West Hartford CT; **Rafael J. Casas**, Western Kentucky University Police, Bowling Green KY; **Eric S. Clarke**, Shreveport Fire Dept, Shreveport LA; **Christopher Combs**, Boone County Sheriff's Office, Burlington KY; **Joe Couce**, Los Angeles Fire Dept., Wilmington CA; **Richard E. Coy, Jr.**, Wright State Univ. Police Dept., Dayton OH; **Gerald Devlin**, PA Dept. of General Services, Harrisburg PA; **Thomas J. Dunleavy**, An Garda Siochana, Dublin, Ireland ; **Scott Elliott**, Niagara Regional Police Service, St Catherines ON; **Ryan Ervin**, Metropolitan Police Department, Washington DC; **James Gualdoni**, Guilford County Emergency Services, Greensboro NC; **Jason Henthorn**, Ohio State University Police, Columbus OH; **Karl D. Hinze**, Washington State Parks, Battle Ground WA; **Shawn Huey**, Dayton Police Department, Dayton OH; **Cory D. Huff**, Peoria Police Department, Peoria IL; **Eldon Karratti**, Los Angeles Fire Dept., Los Angeles CA; **Christopher Langmeyer**, Framingham Police Dept, Framingham MA; **Timothy Larrad**, West Mercia Constabulary HQ, Worcester, UK; **Dave Lennon**, Conshohocken Police, Conshohocken PA; **Chris Martin**, Moorhead Police Dept., Moorhead MN; **Gregory McDaniel**, Lafayette City Police Department, Lafayette IN; **Bradley Miller**, Watsontown Police Dept., Watsontown PA; **David Montemorra**, Mesa Fire Dept., Mesa AZ; **Thomas Moreland**, Greenbelt Police Dept., Greenbelt MD; **Anthony Mowery**, TRAA / AMR of Fort Wayne, Fort Wayne IN; **Ronnie Navarrete**, Las Cruces Police Dept., Las Cruces NM; **Rick Noble**, Springfield Police Department, Springfield MO; **Morgan Oconnor**, An Garda Siochana, Phoenix Park, Dublin, Ireland; **Eric Penn**, Gwinnett County Police Dept., Lawrenceville GA; **Paul Perdue**, Charleston Police Dept., Charleston WV; **Scott Perrin**, Narragansett PD, Narragansett RI; **Keith Plummer**, London Ambulance Service, London, UK; **Rod E. Roberts**, Dayton Police Department, Dayton OH; **Gerard Robinson**, London Ambulance Service, London, UK; **Fred Romano**, Springdale Police Dept., Springdale OH; **Charles Sanders**, Metropolitan Police Department, Washington DC; **Chris Shamburger**, Shreveport Fire Dept, Shreveport LA; **Robert Sibilio**, Framingham Police Department, Framingham MA; **Michael Siney**, Sinclair College Police Dept., Dayton OH; **Tracy Swystun**, Windsor Police Service, Windsor ON; **John Williams**, Peoria Police Dept., Peoria IL; **Matthew Worm**, Omaha PD, Omaha NE; **Jeff Worth**, City of Santa Fe Police Dept, Santa Fe NM; **Marc Zingarelli**, Circleville Fire Dept., Circleville OH.



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Clockwise from top left: Volunteer Allen Stearns assists with the maintenance class; Chris Whaley, Ontario Provincial Police flies off the teeter-totter; attendees break for lunchtime; Mitch Trujillo (l) with future instructors; riders on the Tour de Dayton; Frank Demes, George Washington University PD (DC) and Tom Woods, Denton PD (TX); conference attendees visit a piece of aviation history.



Photo by John Brandt



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Thank You 2006 IPMBA Conference Instructors and Presenters



Many thanks to the instructors and presenters who shared their experience and knowledge to those who attended the 2006 IPMBA conference. Designing a presentation takes time and energy, and their efforts to ensure a high-quality training experience are greatly appreciated. IPMBA is grateful to the following individuals for helping maintain the IPMBA conference's reputation as the premier training event for public safety cyclists.

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Adam Bernhardt, Police Executive Offices, Sydney NSW Australia
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John Hanke, Joliet PD, Joliet IL
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Tom Harris, East Baton Rouge EMS, Baton Rouge LA
Robert Hatcher, Delaware PD, Delaware OH
David Hildebrand, Denton PD, Denton TX
Bernard Hogancamp, Homewood PD, Homewood IL
Mike Johnston, Utah's Hogle Zoo, Salt Lake City UT
Tom Lynch, London Ambulance Service, London, England
Monte May, Kansas City PD, Kansas City MO
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Chris Whaley, Ontario Provincial Police, Orillia ON, Canada
Clarence White, Indianapolis PD, Indianapolis IN
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Tom Woods, Denton PD, Denton TX

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Instructors in action ...

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The Novelty Never Wears Off—the International Attendees



Despite the fact that the IPMBA conference has long attracted participants from around the globe, the novelty of hosting guests from other countries never seems to wear off. Perhaps it is the pleasure of introducing someone from another culture to some of the charms and peculiarities of the United States. Even if the same person returns year after year, there is always something regionally specific to discover and share.

The 16th Annual IPMBA Conference attracted participants from 34 states and six countries, not counting the United States.

Australia was once again represented by Adam Bernhardt, who was honored to have been selected to help teach the Police Cyclist Course as part of an international cadre headed by **Canadian** Chris Whaley. Chris was joined by fellow “Ontarians” Liz Bouchard (University of Guelph Police), Scott Elliott (Niagara Regional Police), and Tracy Swystun (Windsor Police). Liz, Scott, and Tracy all successfully completed the IPMBA Instructor Course, more than

doubling the number of certified IPMBA Instructors in Ontario! The province of Quebec was represented by repeat visitor George Martin of Listouajj Police.

London Ambulance Service dominated the **UK** section, with Keith Plummer and Gerard Robinson in the Instructor Course being joined by Tim Daniels, Lee Emmett, and Tom Lynch for the conference. Tim Larrad was the sole police representative, becoming the first IPMBA Instructor for the West Mercia Police. It would have been nice if they had left the fine British weather at home! Or was it the **Irish** who brought it with them...

IPMBA was pleased to welcome the first participants from the Emerald Isle – Joe Dunleavy and Morgan Oconnor, both with An Garda Siochana and based in Dublin. Having been certified as IPMBA Instructors, they will be delivering training to the Garda’s 300+ bike officers.

Mike Satlow again came all the way from **Israel** to attend the Maintenance Officers Course, offer his *Bikes Against Terror*

workshop, and assist with other sessions. And finally, the country with more bikes than people sent an excellent representative in Tommy Hamelink from the Hague Police in the **Netherlands**. Tommy conducted several well-received workshops on using the bike for crowd control and tactics.

At press time, IPMBA representatives were busily preparing to attend the fourth annual 999 Emergency Services Cycling seminar, to be hosted by the Hampshire Constabulary and held in Southampton, England. An IPMBA Instructor Course will be held just prior to the event, and several attendees from the Netherlands are expected in the class.

Through its increasing presence around the globe, IPMBA continues to strive to meet its goals of promoting the use of bikes for public safety, providing resources and networking opportunities, and offering the best, most complete training for public safety cyclists.



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— IPMBA Involves the Industry —



The 16th Annual IPMBA Conference was attended by police, EMS, and security personnel from 34 states and six countries. They came to Dayton in order to gain essential information and skills and improve themselves as public safety cyclists. One of their favorite activities is browsing in the exhibit hall, meeting the people behind the products they already use and learning about new and emerging technologies. The vendors who attend the IPMBA conference are not just there to sell product; they are there to educate their customers and in turn be educated by them. They gain valuable insight into how their products perform in the field, which helps them continue to improve their products.

This year the conference featured something new – a Product Purchase Program (PPP) Showcase & Silent Auction. Many of the participants in IPMBA's members-only discount contributed items for the Showcase & Auction. These items were displayed in the registration area throughout the pre-conference and conference. Attendees were thereby afforded the opportunity to familiarize themselves with many of the products available through the PPP. They could also bid on the items in hopes of going home with some new "toys." The Showcase & Auction was a great success, raising awareness about the PPP and generating more than \$3000 to support IPMBA's programs. Many thanks to the contributors and the bidders for their support. Special thanks to Ron Burkitt and Ruth Bowell, who transformed the Showcase & Auction from an idea into reality. Plans are already in place to repeat the event as part of the 2007 IPMBA Conference. PPP participants are indicated in the list of supporters on page 13.

We were pleased to welcome a few new exhibitors to the floor – **ALLTUFF Products, David's Uniforms, Essex PB&R, Eye Safety Systems, Jones & Bartlett, Kuji Sports, Lin Manufacturing, and Timex.** **ALL-Tuff** offers a wide array of bags, cases, packs, and gear for emergency personnel. They now offer panniers designed with the help of Anthony Mowery of TRAA/AMR of Fort Wayne. **David's Uniforms**, owned by the always-cheerful David Duberstein, distributes uniforms and related equipment, including product from **Mocean** and **United.** **Essex PB&R**, also known as **The Respiratory Group**, offers ultra-light protective breathing hoods and compact (bike-sized!), reusable oxygen tanks. It was exciting to have an eyewear supplier in the house, as Willy Breen from **Eye Safety Systems** brought a selection of eyewear designed for military, LE, and fire/rescue professionals. **Jones & Bartlett**, the publishers of the second edition of the *Complete Guide*, currently under development, were on-hand to gain insight into the nature of this niche market. **Spenco Ironman Gloves** rep Bill Paine recruited two new vendors – **Kuji Helmets**, maker of the Reflectek helmet, and **Timex** (do they still "take a licking and keep on ticking"?) Both Kuji and Timex have recently enrolled in the IPMBA Product Purchase Program. Last but not least, **Lin Manufacturing** was on-site with the famous "Got Donuts?" socks, cleverly disguised as ordinary black Police cycling socks. The final vendor on this list is not new but has been absent these past few years – IPMBA welcomes the return of **Fuji Bikes.**

Bratwear, Mocean, and United Uniform teamed up to make this a "best-dressed" conference. Sally Swanson outfitted the host with red shirts yet again (rumor hath that the color tradition will soon be broken...), while Bill Levitt supplied eye-popping high-viz-over-black instructor shirts. Not to be outdone, Kami Zinati and Bill Doyle provided their new zip-off trousers to all instructors, garnering excellent reviews. **Mocean** and **United** partnered to sponsor a lively reception on Thursday evening – a good time was had by all!

Mocean also awarded \$3000 in grants to enable attendees from Taneytown, Md., Madison, Wi.,

Lancaster, Penn., Ocean City, Md., Quakertown, Penn., and Cincinnati, OH, to attend the festivities.

Finally, many thanks to **Finish Line USA** for keeping the bikes in the Maintenance Officers Course and workshops clean and running smoothly; to **R&B**

Fabrications for donating safety vests for the competition workers, and to **Jelly Belly** for contributing both bags and the popular Jelly Belly Sport Beans.

IPMBA appreciates the participation of industry members at every level - Product Purchase Program participant, advertiser, conference vendor, or sponsor. They are an important part of the IPMBA community. When you have the opportunity to buy something for personal or duty use, consider the companies who support IPMBA first. They're working every day to serve you.

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IPMBA Conference '06

— 2006 Conference Vendors and Supporters —

Many thanks to the vendors and other supporters without whom the IPMBA conference would seem incomplete. IPMBA has long worked in partnership with the industry, and without their support, bike personnel would still be riding regular mountain bikes and wearing cut-off uniform pants! Please show your gratitude to these companies by thinking of them first when you are shopping for bikes, uniforms, and anything else for your bike unit. Special thanks to those who contributed items for the silent auction and provided sponsorship support. We look forward to seeing them in Baton Rouge!

ALLTUFF Products

Contact: Julie Tutwiler
Telephone: 260-471-5903 or 877-866-0374
Fax: 260-482-8512
Email: packs@alltuff.com
Website: www.alltuff.com
Product/Service: Top quality sewn products for EMS and Police, including the innovative new bike medic bag.



ASI-Fuji Bicycles

Contact: Steve Harad
Telephone: 215-824-3854
Fax: 215-824-1051
Email: sharad@fujibikes.com
Website: www.fujibikes.com
Product/Service: Fuji bicycles, parts, and accessories.

Bratwear

Contact: Sally Swanson
Telephone: 253-517-4000
Fax: 253-517-4004
Email: sally@bratwear.com
Website: www.bratwear.com
Product/Service: Custom designed and manufactured uniforms for law enforcement, Fire/EMS, security, and campus police bicycle units.



Cycle Source Group

Contact: Peter Carey
Telephone: 631-205-1430
Fax: 631-205-1435
Email: cyclsource@aol.com
Website: www.cyclesg.com
Product/Service: Smith & Wesson Bicycles; Lights & Accessories

David's Uniforms

Contact: David Duberstein
Telephone: 800-878-7753
Fax: 937-228-2160
Email: davidsunif@aol.com
Product/Service: Bike uniforms and related equipment. David's Uniforms has been distributing police products since 1940.

Essex PB&R

Contact: Evan Waldman
Telephone: 314-351-6116
Fax: 314-832-8208
Email: ewaldman@essexind.com
Website: www.smokehoods.com, www.respiratorygroup.com
Product/Service: Essex offers ultra-lightweight protective breathing hoods for law enforcement officers and compact, reusable oxygen delivery systems for medics.

Eye Safety Systems

Contact: Willy Breen
Telephone: 208-726-4072
Fax: 208-726-4563
Email: ess@essgoggles.com
Website: www.essgoggles.com
Product/Service: ESS creates advanced protective eyewear systems for military, law enforcement, and fire/rescue professionals.

Jones & Bartlett Publishers

Contact: Angela Pakiela
Telephone: 800-832-0034
Fax: 978-443-8000
Email: info@jbpublish.com
Website: www.jbpublish.com
Product/Service: Jones and Bartlett Publishers specializes in fields such as emergency care, emergency medical services, fire science and criminal justice. J&B will be publishing the second edition of the Complete Guide.

Kenda USA

Contact: Matthew McClendon
Telephone: 614-866-9803
Fax: 614-866-9805
Email: bicycle@kendausa.com
Website: mcclendon@kendausa.com
Product/Service: Bicycle Tires and Tubes

Kuji Sports

Contact: Jeff Lakes
Telephone: 479-254-0065
Fax: 479-254-0289
Email: jlakes@ksna.us
Website: www.ironmanhelmets.com
Product/Service: Bicycle Helmets

Lin Manufacturing

Contact: Tim Walker
Telephone: 888-436-9888
Fax: 435-755-9637
Email: tim@linmfg.com
Website: www.linmfg.com
Product/Service: High-Performance Socks



Mocean

Contact: Bill Levitt
Telephone: 949-646-1701
Fax: 949-646-1590
Email: moceanbl@aol.com
Website: www.mocean.net
Product/Service: Uniforms

Patrol Bike Systems

Contact: Mark Eumurian
Telephone: 800-208-2032
Fax: 651-773-8762
Email: patrolbike@earthlink.net
Website: www.patrolbike.com/www.ebiketools.com
Product/Service: Bicycles, bicycle equipment, accessories, clothing, tools, and related items.

Spenco Ironman Cycling Gloves

Contact: Bill Paine
Telephone: 215-335-9218
Fax: 215-708-1096
Email: painews@aol.com
Website: www.ironmancycling.com
Product/Service: Spenco cycling gloves "Police Series". The only cycling glove with a patented channel through palm padding to reduce numbness and fatigue.

Timex

Contact: Gerry DiMarco
Telephone: 203-346-5000
Fax: 203-346-7208
Email: g.dimarco@timex.com
Website: www.timex.com
Product/Service: Watches, Time Devices



Trek Bicycles

Contact: Stefan Downing
Telephone: 800-879-8795 x14911
Fax: 920-478-5544
Email: stefan_downing@trekbikes.com
Website: www.trekbikes.com
Product/Service: Police Bicycles and Accessories

Uncle Mike's Law Enforcement

Contact: Kurt DeNijs
Telephone: 706-799-2703
Fax: 706-651-0844
Email: robg@michaelsoregon.com
Website: www.uncle-mikes.com
Product/Service: Complete line of duty gear, holsters, bags, and accessories.

United Uniform

Contact: Kami Zinati
Telephone: 800-299-5281
Fax: 909-381-2682
Email: kami@uumfg.com
Website: www.uumfg.com
Product/Service: Quality bicycle patrol uniforms, shirts, shorts, pants, and jackets.



Volcanic Bicycles

Contact: Eric Kackley
Telephone: 360-943-8613
Fax: 360-352-5909
Email: info@volcanicbikes.com
Website: www.volcanicbikes.com
Product/Service: Volcanic Patrol Bicycles

See more supporters on the next page!

Welcome New Corporate Member



Volcanic Bicycles has recently joined IPMBA's Corporate Membership program. Volcanic, based in Olympia, Wash., builds bikes for the Seattle Police Department. The bikes are built by James Holland and Eric Kackley, previously welders with Klein Bicycles. James managed the welding department for 10 years and has personally welded more than 40,000 bicycles. They currently offer two models – the Approach Alpha and the Approach Beta. Both offer 12 month warranties on components and a lifetime warranty on the frames. Contact Mike McKernan at 360.943.8613 or mike@volcanicbikes.com or visit www.volcanicbikes.com.

More Supporters of the 2006 Conference!

The "PPP" next to the listings indicates IPMBA Product Purchase Program participants.

Cane Creek Cycling Components PPP

Website: www.canecreek.com
Product/Service: Suspension Seatposts

Cascade Designs PPP

Website: www.cascadedesigns.com
Product/Service: Hydration Devices

Cycle Siren PPP

Website: www.cyclesiren.com
Product/Service: Bike Patrol Siren

Cycling Innovations

Website: www.cyclinginnovations.net
Product/Service: Bike Covers

Cygnus Publications

Website: www.cygnuspub.com
Product/Service: Law Enforcement Product News and Law Enforcement Technology

Cygnus Publications

Website: www.cygnuspub.com
Product/Service: EMS Magazine & Emergency Medical Product News

Danalco PPP

Website: www.danalco.com
Product/Service: SealSkinz & Chillblocker waterproof gloves and socks

Desert Sun PPP

Product/Service: First Aid Kits

Eko Sport PPP

Website: www.ekosport.com
Product/Service: Power Grips, Air Suspension, Pumps

ELHN Badge Design PPP

Website: www.elhnbadges.com
Product/Service: Custom Police Badges, Emblems, Pins, and Coins

Finish Line USA

Website: www.finishlineusa.com
Product/Service: Bicycle Care Products

Hawaiian Tropic

Website: www.hawaiiantropic.com
Product/Service: Sunscreen

IMBA PPP

Website: www.imba.com
Product/Service: Mountain Bike Advocacy

Iosso Products PPP

Website: www.iosso.com
Product/Service: Cleaning Products & Lubes

Jelly Belly

Website: www.jellybelly.com
Product/Service: Jelly Beans & Sports Beans

JEMS Communications

Website: www.jems.com
Product/Service: JEMS magazine

John E. Reid & Associates

Website: www.reid.com
Product/Service: Street Crimes Seminars

Kryptonite

Website: www.kryptonitelock.com
Product/Service: Kryptonite Locks

Leonard Consulting Group PPP

Website: www.4bike-police.com
Product/Service: S&W and Fuji Bikes, Lightman Strobes, Duty Gear

Maxit Designs PPP

Website: www.maxit-inc.com
Product/Service: Lightweight, breathable, thermal, and athletic wear

Maxxis Tires PPP

Website: www.maxxis.com
Product/Service: Tires & Tubes

Police Magazine

Website: www.policemag.com
Product/Service: Police Magazine

R&B Fabrications PPP

Website: www.rbfab.com
Product/Service: Panniers & Safety Vests

SUPPORT OUR CORPORATE MEMBERS

IPMBA proudly recognizes the following organizations for their continued support and assistance to IPMBA and the profession of public safety cycling. They have helped to ensure that we can continue our mission of providing education, training, and resources for public safety cyclists worldwide. To become a corporate member, contact Maureen at maureen@ipmba.org or 410-744-2400.

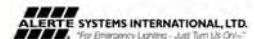
Access Bicycle Patrol Supply, LLC

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Cycle Source Group

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Steve Harad
215-824-3854
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www.rbfab.com



Trek Bicycle Corporation

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police@trekbike.com
www.trekbikes.com



Volcanic Bicycle

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360-943-8613
mike@volcanicbikes.com



Welcome to the IPMBA Product Purchase Program! Since its humble beginnings in 1997 with just four members, the Product Purchase Program has grown to include nearly 70 fine companies, including several from beyond the U.S. borders.

These companies provide a wide variety of goods and services, but they share a commitment to IPMBA members. By taking advantage of these discounts, you can pay for your membership with just a few purchases!

Some loyal readers may notice that the listings in this issue are a little shorter than they have been in the past. The listings have been abbreviated somewhat in order to accommodate more participants, however, the full listings can be found in the Industry & Resources section at www.ipmba.org.

ABS SPORTS

Product: Super Saddle
Regular Cost: \$99
Cost to Members: \$89
Contact Name: Van Zevenbergen
Phone: 609-371-1554/**Fax:** 609-371-1554
Website: www.abs-sports.com
Email: sales@abs-sports.com



ALERTE SYSTEMS INT'L

Product: "Trail-Blazer" Bike Light Kit
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 10% off 1-10 units;
 15% off 11-20 units

Contact Name: Jerry Watley
Phone: 800-728-1536/**Fax:** 800-635-1536
Website: www.alertesystems.com
Email: sales@alertesystems.com



ANDUSA & Co.

Product: Montague Paratrooper Folding Bike
Regular Cost: £550 + Delivery
Cost to Members: £475 + Delivery
Contact Name: Chulan Weeresinghe

Phone: ++(0)2082419826/**Fax:** ++(0)2082410999
Website: www.montaguebikes.co.uk
Email: sales@montaguebikes.co.uk

Available to UK forces. Supply valid IPMBA membership number with order.

ASLET: AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

Product: ASLET Membership
Regular Cost: \$50
Cost to Members: \$40
Contact Name: Nancy Moser
Phone: 301-668-9466/**Fax:** 301-668-9482
Website: www.aslet.org
Email: info@aslet.org

Submit copy of IPMBA membership card with ASLET membership application or renewal notice.

BIKE WORLD

Product: Bicycles and bike accessories.
Regular Cost: Competitive Internet Sale Prices
Cost to Members: Wholesale + 35%
Contact Name: Mike Beatty
Phone: 800-928-5558/**Fax:** 210-828-3299
Website: www.bikeworld.com
Email: mike.beatty@bikeworld.com

Contact Mike Beatty at 1-800-928-5558

BRATWEAR

Product: Bike Uniforms
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 10% off Standard Price List
Contact Name: Sales
Phone: 253-517-4000/**Fax:** 253-517-4004
Website: www.bratwear.com
Email: sales@bratwear.com

BRAVE SOLDIER

Product: Ointments, Shave Gels, Lip Balms, etc.
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 40% off Retail
Contact Name: Albert Yeh
Phone: 888-711-BRAVE/**Fax:** 323-852-6604
Website: www.bravesoldier.com
Email: info@bravesoldier.com

BROFORM.COM PRO-PURCHASE MARKETPLACE

Product: Outdoor-Bike-Action Sports Gear
Regular Cost: Promotional Pricing for Industry Insiders/Pros
Cost to Members: Promotional Prices on Gear; Free Membership
Contact Name: John Shelly
Phone: 877-420-2766/**Fax:** 714-242-1927
Website: www.broform.com
Email: js@broform.com

Email full name, department name, email address, IPMBA membership number & expiration date to BroForm contact.

BUDBRAKE INT'L, LLC

Product: Automatic Brake System Modulator
Regular Cost: \$49.95 full kit; \$29.95 modulator only.
Cost to Members: 40% off MSRP
Contact Name: Bud Nilsson
Phone: 209-712-6980/**Fax:** 209-712-6980
Website: www.budbrake.com
Email: bud@budbrake.com

BUSHWHACKER USA

Product: MESA Rear Rack Trunk
Regular Cost: \$55
Cost to Members: \$35
Contact Name: Jeff Sims
Phone: 800-344-1256/**Fax:** 801-829-6104
Website: www.bushwhackerbags.com
Email: jss1205@aol.com

BYCYCLE, INC.

Product: Bicycle Saddle
Regular Cost: \$80
Cost to Members: 20% off Retail
Contact Name: Jim Bombardier
Phone: 877-397-2165/**Fax:** 503-892-3544
Website: www.bycycleinc.com
Email: bycycleinc@qwest.net

CANE CREEK CYCLING COMPONENTS

Product: Suspension Seatpost
Regular Cost: \$139
Cost to Members: \$83.40
Contact Name: Lena Warren
Phone: 800-234-2725/**Fax:** 828-684-1057
Website: www.canecreek.com
Email: lena@canecreek.com

CASCADE DESIGN

Product: Platypus Hydration Systems
Regular Cost: Contact for Pro-Form Pricing
Cost to Members: Wholesale Pricing
Contact Name: Mike Munter
Phone: 800-527-1527/**Fax:** 800-583-7583
Website: www.cascadedesigns.com
Email: mike.munter@cascadedesigns.com

CHRISTINI TECHNOLOGIES

Product: All Wheel Drive Mountain Bikes
Regular Cost: \$3100-\$4500+
Cost to Members: \$1800 +; quantity discounts
Contact Name: Justin Kline
Phone: 215-351-9895/**Fax:** 215-351-9896
Website: www.christini.com
Email: sales@christini.com

CYCLE SIREN

Product: Cyclesiren Trooper, Patrol & EMS mini-sirens
Regular Cost: Visit www.cyclesiren.com.
Cost to Members: 10% off Retail
Contact Name: Greg Bohning
Phone: 877-477-4736/**Fax:** 815-572-0121
Website: www.cyclesiren.com
Email: sales@cyclesiren.com

E-mail or call with your name and IPMBA membership number.

The Product Purchase Program was updated January 2006. The information has been provided by the participating companies and is subject to change without notice. A company's participation in the Product Purchase Program does not indicate endorsement by IPMBA, nor does it indicate the company's sponsorship of IPMBA.

Product Purchase Program

Industry



CYCLE SOURCE GROUP

Product: Bikes & Accessories
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 20-35% off Retail
Contact Name: Peter Carey

Phone: 877-533-7245/**Fax:** 631-205-1435
Website: www.cyclesg.com
Email: peterc@cyclesg.com

CYCLOPS BICYCLE & TACTICAL OPERATIONS

Product: Bicycle & Tactical Ops Equipment & Accessories
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 10-30% off Retail
Contact Name: Ashley Foster
Phone: 843-259-8368
Email: cyclopstact@hotmail.com

DANALCO

Product: Sealskinz & Chillblocker Waterproof Socks & Gloves
Regular Cost: Contact for product list
Cost to Members: Net Price
Contact Name: Sam Matthews
Phone: 800-868-2629/**Fax:** 800-216-9938
Website: www.danalco.com
Email: sam@danalco.com

DE SOTO SPORT

Product: Triathlon Clothing
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 40% off Retail
Contact Name: Emilio De Soto II
Phone: 800-453-6673/**Fax:** 858-453-6783
Website: www.desotosport.com
Email: contact@desotosport.com



DEMAND TECHNOLOGY, LTD.

Product: Lightrider Cycle Light
Regular Cost: £27.50
Cost to Members: £23.70; Case of 16: £18 each
Contact Name: Gill Hawkins
Phone: (01252) 612661/**Fax:** (01252) 612662
Website: www.lightrider.co.uk
Email: gill@demandtechnology.com

DESERT SUN

Product: Bike First Aid Kits
Regular Cost: \$20 plain; \$22 printed
Cost to Members: 1-9 units: 10% off; 10+ units: 15% off
Contact Name: Bertie Anderson
Phone: 760-468-1800
Email: bertiea@hotmail.com
Include IPMBA membership number & expire date with order.

DO WRAP PERFORMANCE

HEADWEAR

Product: Under Helmet Headbands & Bandanas
Regular Cost: \$9.95-\$24.95
Cost to Members: 25% off Retail
Contact Name: John Okon, Erin Borddors
Phone: 800-359-2514/**Fax:** 773-770-4201
Website: www.dowrap.com; www.sweatvac.com
Email: john@dowrap.com

Online orders: type IPMBA in coupon code to receive discount.
Custom orders available.

DYNAMIC BICYCLES

Product: Chainless Police Bikes
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: Contact for Special Pricing.
Contact Name: Anthony Cocivera
Phone: 800-935-9553/**Fax:** 508-429-9119
Website: www.dynamicbicycles.com
Email: police@dynamicbicycles.com

EKO SPORT

Product: Power Grips, Air Suspension, Pumps
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 20% off Retail
Contact Name: Paul Aeita
Phone: 800-999-8277/**Fax:** 970-241-3529
Website: www.ekosport.com
Email: paeita@ekosport.com

ELECTRIC TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS

Product: Bikes & Accessories for LE and EMS
Regular Cost: See website for product list.
Cost to Members: Contact for special pricing on all items.
Contact Name: Seth Leitman
Phone: 866-343-5551/**Fax:** 914-220-8396
Website: www.electrictransport.net
Email: seth@electrictransport.net

Have IPMBA membership card handy. A portion of all proceeds will be donated to IPMBA.

ELHN BADGE & EMBLEM DESIGN

Product: Custom Police Badges, Emblems, Pins, Coins
Regular Cost: Varies
Cost to Members: 10% off
Contact Name: ELHN Rep
Phone: 203-364-8644/**Fax:** 860-693-9381
Website: www.elhnbadges.com
Email: elhnbadgedesign@aol.com
Call or email design/quantity for price quote.

ERGO, LLC

Product: "The Seat" Ergonomic Bike Seat
Regular Cost: \$40 lycra/gel; \$29 vinyl; \$20 faux leather
Cost to Members: \$30 lycra/gel; \$23 vinyl; \$15 faux leather
Contact Name: Thomas White
Phone: 425-333-6161/**Fax:** 425-333-6355
Website: www.thecomfortseat.com
Email: daedalus@nwlink.com

EV TECH

Product: Bikes & Accessories for LE and EMS
Regular Cost: See website for product list.
Cost to Members: Contact for special pricing on all items.
Contact Name: Doug Canfield
Phone: 972-851-9990/**Fax:** 972-851-9993
Website: www.texaselectricbikes.com
Email: dcanfield@evtech.us

Have IPMBA membership card handy. A portion of all proceeds will be donated to IPMBA.

EXPOSURE/USE (ULTIMATE SPORTS ENGINEERING)

Product: Lighting Systems
Regular Cost: Contact for Product Information.
Cost to Members: Contact for Discount Details
Contact Name: Jonathan Sharpe
Phone: ++ (0) 1798 344477/**Fax:** ++1798 34499
Website: www.use1.com
Email: info@exposurelights.com

EYE SAFETY SYSTEMS, INC.

Product: Protective Eyewear - Military, LE, Tactical
Regular Cost: Contact for List Prices
Cost to Members: 20-30% off List Price
Contact Name: Willy Breen
Phone: 208-721-4072/**Fax:** 208-726-4563
Website: www.essgoggles.com
Email: wbreen@essgoggles.com

FOSTER GRANT SUNGLASSES

Product: Ironman Sunglasses
Regular Cost: \$24.99-\$100 MSRP
Cost to Members: 40% off MSRP
Contact Name: Bill Paine
Phone: 215-335-9218/**Fax:** 215-708-1096
Email: painews@aol.com



FUJI AMERICA

Product: Bikes & Accessories
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: Special Prices on

Selected Models

Contact Name: Steve Harad
Phone: 215-824-3854 x1111/**Fax:** 215-824-1051
Website: www.fujibikes.com
Email: sharad@fujibikes.com

GITA SPORTING GOODS

Product: Giordana Apparel
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 10% off Giordana
Contact Name: Nelson Frazier
Phone: 800-FON-GITA x 319
800-FON-GITA x 319/**Fax:** 704-588-4322
Website: www.gitabike.com
Email: info@gitabike.com

On website, enter "IPMBA" in promotion code box.

IMBA: INTERNATIONAL MOUNTAIN BICYCLING ASSOCIATION

Product: IMBA Membership
Regular Cost: Varies; see website
Cost to Members: \$10 off any IMBA Membership
Contact Name: Scott Gordon
Phone: 888-442-IMBA x106/**Fax:** 303-545-9026
Website: www.imba.com
Email: membership@imba.com

Submit copy of IPMBA membership card with IMBA membership application or renewal notice.

IOSSO PRODUCTS

Product: Cleaners & Lubes for Guns & Bikes
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 20% off Retail
Contact Name: Marianne Iosso
Phone: 888-747-4332/**Fax:** 847-437-8478
Website: www.ioosso.com
Email: iossoproducts@ioosso.com

KENDA USA

Product: Premium Bicycle Tires & Tubes
Regular Cost: MSRP
Cost to Members: 60% off MSRP
Contact Name: Karen or Cindy
Phone: 614-866-9803/**Fax:** 614-866-9805
Website: www.kendausa.com
Email: bicycle@kendausa.com

Contact for Order Form.

KUJI SPORTS CO. LTD.

Product: Helmets; Public Safety Helmets
Regular Cost: \$39.99-\$159.99
Cost to Members: \$17-\$50; Public Safety: \$25
Contact Name: Bill Paine
Phone: 215-335-9218/**Fax:** 479-254-0289
Website: www.ironmanhelmets.us
Email: painews@aol.com

Public safety: available in black or white & with choice of stickers: police/EMS/Sheriff/Fire Dept/Security

LANE SUNGLASSES

Product: Protective Eyewear & Goggles
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 30% off Retail for Quantity Purchases
Contact Name: Neal Dykstra
Phone: 800-542-7850/**Fax:** 219-956-2112
Website: www.lanesunglasses.com
Email: eyewear@netnitco.net

LEONARD CONSULTING GROUP

Product: S&W and Fuji Bikes, Lightman Strobes, Duty Gear
Regular Cost: See Website
Cost to Members: 10% off Regular Prices
Contact Name: Mark Leonard
Phone: 501-517-5338/**Fax:** 501-653-2969
Website: www.themaskedmerchant.com, www.4bike-police.com
Email: LCGInc@sbcglobal.net

When ordering online, use coupon code IPMBA 10 for 10% discount.

LIFT & STORAGE SYSTEMS, INC.

Product: Automatic Bike Lift Storage Systems
Regular Cost: \$4,295 (30 bikes); \$6,590 (60 bikes)
Cost to Members: \$4,000 (30 bikes); \$6,000 (60 bikes)
Contact Name: Shawn Jones
Phone: 800-825-4777/**Fax:** 651-777-1535
Website: www.liftnstore.com
Email: sjones@liftnstore.com

LIGHTCYCLES

Product: Bicycle Parts & Accessories
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 20-25% off Retail
Contact Name: Bob Light
Phone: 518-420-4666
Email: lightrj@plattsburgh.edu
 Email for details/availability/shipping charges.

LOUKA TACTICAL TRAINING LLC

Product: Video: Firearms & Training Issues
Regular Cost: \$25, incl. shipping
Cost to Members: \$23, incl. shipping
Contact Name: Lou Ann Hamblin
Phone: 734-697-6342
Website: http://home.comcast.net/~kdvонk/LouKaLLC.html
Email: louannblackwidow@aol.com

MAKLITE

Product: Illuminated Safety Light Products
Regular Cost: \$10.95 (9" Strips With Velcro)
Cost to Members: \$7.00
Contact Name: William Maki
Phone: 800-888-5427/**Fax:** 773-276-3331
Website: www.librasafety.com
Email: libre.safety@prodigy.net

MARWI USA, INC.

Product: Lighting Systems
Regular Cost: \$99-\$399
Cost to Members: Contact for Discount
Contact Name: Sales
Phone: 626-401-1335/**Fax:** 626-401-1339
Website: www.marwiusa.com
Email: info@marwiusa.com

MAXIT DESIGNS

Product: Headgator(TM)/Hothead™/Thermal Beanie™
Regular Cost: \$17.50 Headgator(TM)/Hothead(TM); \$15.4 (Beanie)
Cost to Members: \$10.50 Headgator(TM)/Hothead(TM); \$9.40 (Beanie)
Contact Name: Liz
Phone: 800-556-2948/**Fax:** 916-489-7031
Website: www.maxit-inc.com, www.headgator.com
Email: info@maxit-inc.com

35% off other in-stock items. Visit website for information and call for availability. Have IPMBA membership number handy.

MAXXIS TIRES

Product: Bike Tires & Tubes
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 50% off Retail (Pro-form)
Contact Name: Ben Burgis
Phone: 800-4MAXXIS/**Fax:** 770-962-7705
Website: www.maxxis.com
Email: bicycle@maxxis.com



MOCEAN

Product: Bike Patrol Uniforms
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 25% off Retail

Contact Name: Bill Levitt
Phone: 877-662-3680/**Fax:** 949-646-1590
Website: www.mocean.net
Email: moceanbl@aol.com

MONTAGUE BIKES

Product: Paratrooper Tactical Folding Mountain Bike
Regular Cost: \$645
Cost to Members: Free Folding Pedals & Kickstand with Purchase
Contact Name: Joe Solomon
Phone: 800-736-5348/**Fax:** 617-491-7207
Website: www.montagueusa.com
Email: jsolomon@montagueusa.com

NUGO NUTRITION

Product: Nutrition/Energy Bars
Regular Cost: \$1.59/bar; \$23.85/box
Cost to Members: \$1.02/bar; \$15.25/box
Contact Name: Keith Rohrluck
Phone: 888-421-2032/**Fax:** 412-781-4120
Website: www.nugonutrition.com
Email: krohrluck@nugonutrition.com

Call 888-421-2032 to order, and have your IPMBA membership number & expiration date handy.

OLYMPIC UNIFORMS/J. MARCEL

Product: Bike Patrol Uniforms
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 10% off Retail Prices
Contact Name: Julie Cruise/Rachel Peterson
Phone: 888-722-9222/**Fax:** 206-722-1521
Website: www.olyuniforms.com
Email: reps@olyuniforms.com



OPENHOUSE PRODUCTS

Product: Panniers, Cycle Bags, Lyteline High-Viz Products
Regular Cost: £10 - £500
Cost to Members: 15% off Regular Prices
Contact Name: Bruce Burns
Phone: +44 (0) 1422 824777/**Fax:** +44 (0) 1422 824666
Website: www.openhouseproducts.com
Email: bruce@openhouseproducts.com
 Provide IPMBA membership number when ordering.

PARADIGM TACTICAL PRODUCTS

Product: FRISKER PRO Hand Worn Metal Detector
Regular Cost: \$194.95 + S&H
Cost to Members: \$155 + S&H
Contact Name: Camilla Cutler
Phone: 978-352-6633/**Fax:** 978-352-7799
Website: www.frisker.com
Email: sales@paradigmktactical.com

PATROL CYCLE LLC

Product: Patrol Cycle Shoe
Regular Cost: \$109.95/Web Direct \$79.95
Cost to Members: \$67.95
Contact Name: Mark Eumurian
Phone: 800-208-2032/**Fax:** 651-773-8762
Website: www.patrolcycle.com
Email: bgorton@patrolcycle.com

POLAR DESIGN, INC.

Product: Hydration Backpacks
Regular Cost: PolarPak 1.0 \$42.95
Cost to Members: PolarPak 1.0 \$18.30
Contact Name: Jeff Skillern
Phone: 208-426-9058/**Fax:** 208-424-8687
Website: www.polarpak.com
Email: jeff@polarpak.com

Special offer is not available online.

PROGOLD LUBRICANTS

Product: ProLink Chain Lube, ProGold Lubes, EPX
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 40% off Retail
Contact Name: Doug or Van
Phone: 800-421-5823/**Fax:** 404-766-3977
Website: www.progoldmfr.com
Email: progoldmfr@aol.com

PROMARK INT'L INC.

Product: Full Line Law Enforcement Equipment
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 40% off Most Products
Contact Name: Kenneth Battcher
Phone: 800-645-4443/**Fax:** 516-795-4259
Website: www.publicsafetymail.com
Email: promarkint@aol.com

PUBLIC SAFETY LOGOS

Product: Badges/Badge Cases/Jewelry/Patches/Etc.
Regular Cost: \$40-\$115
Cost to Members: 10% off + drop ship free on \$150 or more
Contact Name: Michael Carrizales
Phone: 800-276-0706/**Fax:** 281-251-4786
Website: www.publicsafetylogos.com
Email: sales@publicsafetylogos.com

Code: 20PMBA04 and IPMBA membership number must accompany order.

Product Purchase Program

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R & B FABRICATIONS

Product: Panniers & Safety Vests
Regular Cost: Varies
Cost to Members: 15% off Retail
Contact Name: Tina Lime

Phone: 800-553-1911/**Fax:** 419-594-2250
Website: www.rbfab.com
Email: info@rbfab.com

REDMAN TRAINING GEAR

Product: Defensive Tactics Training Gear
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 10% off Retail
Contact Name: Bob Brothers

Phone: 800-865-7840/**Fax:** 800-459-2598
Website: www.redmangear.com

RUBEL BIKE MAPS

Product: Bicycling Street Smarts: 48-page booklet
Regular Cost: See website for price schedule.
Cost to Members: Free shipping on any size order.
Contact Name: Andy Rubel

Phone: 617-776-6567/**Fax:** 617-623-1523
Website: www.bikemaps.com
Email: info@bikemaps.com

Contact for free sample; see full text at www.bikemaps.com.

RUDY PROJECT

Product: Sunglasses, Sport Eyewear, Helmets, Goggles
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 40% off Retail
Contact Name: Molly Nygaard

Phone: 800-760-2518/**Fax:** 303-333-9292
Website: www.rudyprojectusa.com
Email: molly@rudyprojectusa.com

At www.rudyprojectusa.com, click on OTHER INFO, then BATMAN. Click "IPMBA Members Click Here". Enter passcode: gopolice.

SIGNAL MEASUREMENT CO.

Product: GPS & Communication Mounts
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 30% off Retail
Contact Name: Tom Polcyn

Phone: 800-527-1079/**Fax:** 281-356-0099
Website: www.smc-corp.com
Email: tpolcyn@smc-corp.com

SPENCO IRONMAN CYCLING GLOVES

Product: Ironman, MTB, & Police Gloves
Regular Cost: \$25-\$45
Cost to Members: \$11.75-\$19.50 plus shipping
Contact Name: Bill Paine

Phone: 215-335-9218/**Fax:** 215-708-1096
Website: www.ironmancycling.com, www.mtbseries.com
Email: painews@aol.com

Order directly through Bill Paine.

SUPERIOR GEAR

Product: Chain Stain Away Pant Protector
Regular Cost: Base/Standard Model: \$14.99
Cost to Members: 10% off Regular Price
Contact Name: Frank Pollari

Phone: 888-519-2250/**Fax:** 807-473-4597
Website: www.chainstainaway.com
Email: sales@superior-gear.com

For online ordering, enter IPMBA5 in the coupon box.

SWAGMAN

Product: Bicycle Carriers (Roof/Hitch/Trunk)
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Cost to Members: 15% off Retail
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Phone: 800-469-7924/**Fax:** 800-469-7893
Website: www.swagman.net
Email: debbief@swagman.net

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TERRY PRECISION CYCLING

Product: Bikes, Accessories, Seats, Apparel
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: Terry Apparel -- wholesale; see notes for more.
Contact Name: Ginny Weisel

Phone: 800-289-8379 x 13/**Fax:** 315-986-2104
Website: www.terrybicycles.com
Email: ginny@terrybicycles.com

10% off wholesale on Terry saddles. Contact Ginny via email for pro deal order form.

TIMEX WATCH CORPORATION

Product: All Timex Products
Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: 33% off MSRP
Contact Name: Bill Paine

Phone: 215-335-9218/**Fax:** 215-708-1096
Website: www.timex.com
Email: painews@aol.com

TRACY LEIGH ENTERPRISES

Product: Electric Police Bike
Regular Cost: \$2500 & \$1900
Cost to Members: \$1999 & \$1600
Contact Name: Robert Grippo

Phone: 877-570-6963
Fax: 570-992-5026
Website: www.allwebscooters.com
Email: gand@epix.net

UNITED BICYCLE SUPPLY

Product: Bicycle Tools and Parts
Regular Cost: Wholesale Pricing
Cost to Members: Wholesale Pricing to Departments
Contact Name: Pete

Phone: 541-482-1750/**Fax:** 541-482-1132
Call to establish an account for your department to be eligible for wholesale pricing on all products.



VISION 2000 LEEDS LTD.

Product: Mobile Surveillance Systems for Push Bikes
Regular Cost: £1500 + VAT
Cost to Members: 10% discount
Contact Name: Alex Hayes

Phone: 01132 370293/**Fax:** 0113 2370294
Website: www.v2k.co.uk
Email: alex@vision-2000.co.uk

Email contact details and IPMBA membership number.

WTB

Product: Tires, Saddles, Headsets, Pedals, Wheel Parts

Regular Cost: Contact for Product List
Cost to Members: Wholesale Prices
Contact Name: Chris Schierholtz

Phone: 415-389-5040/**Fax:** 415-389-5044
Website: www.wtb.com
Email: cschierholtz@wtb.com

ZEAL OPTICS

Product: Sport Eyewear & Goggles
Regular Cost: \$79.99 - \$200
Cost to Members: 50% off suggested retail.
Contact Name: Penelope Butterfield

Phone: 435-259-6970
Website: www.zealoptics.com
Email: penelope@zealoptics.com

Online, please enter coupon code "IPMBA50" at check-out.

ZENSAH

Product: Tactical Shirts & Shorts
Regular Cost: Shirts \$39.95/Shorts \$34.95
Cost to Members: 30% off Regular Cost
Contact Name: Ryan Oliver

Phone: 305-885-8646/**Fax:** 305-675-0221
Website: www.zensah.com
Email: tactical@zensah.com

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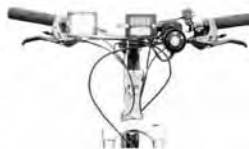
ZOIC CLOTHING / ZOOT SPORTS

Product: Cycling Apparel
Regular Cost: Retail
Cost to Members: 30% off Retail
Contact Name: Brandt Furgerson or Wendy Misner
Phone: 800-241-9327/**Fax:** 760-477-2298
Website: www.zoic.com or www.zootsports.com
Email: brandt@zootsports.com or wendy@zootsports.com

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Product Review: Kuji Reflectek Helmet

by **Charlie Summers, PCI #512**
Illinois State University Police (IL)



Photo courtesy Charlie Summers

Coming into a new bike patrol season with my officers begging for new helmets, I was excited when I was asked to test the new Kuji Reflectek Police cycling helmet from Ironman. When I received the helmet, I immediately took it to work to show it off. Several members of the bike unit tried the helmet for fit and comfort. They were very impressed, as was I. The Coolmax comfort pads covering the entire forehead area of the helmet made it extremely comfortable and are thin enough that the helmet will fit almost any rider without creating hot spots.

The Sure Fit Dial Retention System sealed the deal in ensuring a comfortable fit. This system made adjusting the helmet simple while securing it to the part of the body which protects the brain. Once dialed in, it stayed dialed in. Our current helmets tend to loosen during rides, but the Ironman maintained its fit. Another impressive feature about the helmet was that it was molded rather than taped together. This adds strength and durability.

I was also impressed with the vents. The front of the helmet has six very large vents, which let the air flow freely through the helmet. With a total of sixteen vents, the helmet kept me cool during my rides. The visor is vented as well, allowing you to suck up as much air as possible.

The rear of the helmet boasts the new Reflectek material, which can be seen up to distances of 200 yards. This should certainly cover any conspicuity concerns at night. Unfortunately for all you stealthy pedal prowlers, you can't get the helmet without this feature.

After having given this helmet the work-over for a month, I am impressed with its comfort, large portholes, Coolmax padding, and Sure Fit Dial Retention system. Ironman has created a helmet which meets our needs, and the price is right. With a purchase price of \$25, the Kuji Reflectek helmet should fit in nicely to any department's budget.

Ironman helmets by Kuji are available through the IPMBA Product Purchase Program. Contact Bill Paine at painews@aol.com.

Charlie has been with ISUPD for 12 years, eight of those on bike patrol. He has been the bike patrol coordinator since 2001 and is both an IPMBA instructor and an avid recreational mountain biker. He can be reached at cesumme@ilstu.edu.



The sticker kit included with the helmet contains silver reflective lettering rather than black. *Photo courtesy Kuji helmets.*

Product Review: Sweat GUTR by Tunnel Vision

by **Ron Burkitt, PCI #488**
Hilliard (OH) Police Department
IPMBA Board of Directors

Summer is here and the hottest days of riding are upon us. As the mercury goes higher, water consumption goes up, undershirts stay wet, gloves get soaked, helmet pads saturate and, worst of all, we sweat on our glasses. When sweat falls from your forehead to your lenses it causes all kinds of problems. Your vision becomes blurry and limited. You have to stop to wipe your glasses off, that is, if you can find something dry with which to wipe them!

Keep your helmet strapped and your glasses on because the people at Tunnel Vision have the product for you, the Sweat GUTR. The Sweat GUTR uses a patented MicroLip design to channel sweat from your forehead down the side of your face and away from your glasses. The more you sweat the better it works. The Sweat GUTR is made from soft PVC, so it is non-absorbent, hypoallergenic, lightweight, and easy to clean. One size fits all as it uses Velcro and elastic bands to adjust for comfort, and it is sleek enough to fit below your helmet.

I've had the pleasure of using a Sweat GUTR as temperatures in Ohio have risen into the 80's and 90's. Prior to its arrival I spent time in the yard cutting down six shrubs and four trees. I stopped many times to wipe off my forehead and clean my lenses. I remember telling my son, "I wish that Sweat GUTR was here." The Sweat GUTR arrived at my house on the next day, of course, so my first chance to use it came while digging out all of the stumps I'd created. In the hours I spent outside bending and digging and sweating I never had to stop working to wipe sweat from my glasses. Just a twist of my head and the sweat ran down my face, away from my eyes and lenses. I wore the Sweat GUTR for most of the day to see how comfortable it was and I had no problems at all.

I took the Sweat GUTR to work to put it to the real test. I wore it just below my helmet, and as I rode I experienced all of the moisture of a summer tour of duty, with one notable exception – my glasses stayed clear. The Sweat GUTR worked just as well with my helmet on as it did in my yard. I rode for hours with no discomfort. At the end of my shift I ran it under water and left it to dry in my locker. It's now a part of my duty gear.

In our jobs you never know when things will go bad. If your luck is like mine it'll all come down just as a big drop of sweat hits your lens. With the Sweat GUTR that won't be a possibility. The Sweat GUTR is a product that lives up to its claims. If you're wearing sunglasses to stop the sun, you should be wearing a Sweat GUTR to stop the sweat.

The Sweat GUTR can be ordered from Tunnel Vision for \$14.99. Visit www.sweatgut.com, call 972-839-7333, or email Greg Thurmond at gthurmond@comcast.net.

Ron has been an IPMBA member since 1998 and an IPMBA instructor since 2001. He was elected to the IPMBA Board of Directors in May 2006 and holds the position of Industry Liaison. He can be reached at rburkitt@columbus.rr.com.



Product Review: Endura Clothing

by Mike Surgett, PCI # 876
City of London Police, UK

The City of London Police has worked closely with Endura, a Scotland-based manufacturer of technical cycle-wear, to develop a range of bespoke police clothing for the City Police Cycle Patrol Team.

Working with the author, Endura's Jim McFarlane adapted items from Endura's existing line of cycle clothing for police use. This collaboration has helped ensure that the products meet the specific needs of the cycle team and are of the highest quality.

The modification was to add the word 'Police', in Scotchlite® reflective material, to garments. This helps officers in two ways. The reflective material, in nighttime conditions, helps create the outline of a cyclist, enhancing safety by making other road users more aware that a cyclist is in their view. Secondly, the 'Police' labels help the officer to be identified as a police officer more readily, which should assist officers in court where the accused is using the defence of not recognising a police officer in uniform.

A reflective 'Police' label has been applied to each leg on the Endura Tech Pant waterproof overtrouser for men and on the Gridlock waterproof overtrouser for women. In addition, a 'Police' label has been applied to the rear panel in the seat of the trouser. This is very effective from the rear when in the riding position.

Reflective 'Police' labels have been applied to the Endura Cairn and Pulse tops. On the long-sleeve version, 'Police' is written down each arm and is highly visible to the front and side of an officer in riding position. The short sleeve tops have the word 'Police' written across the arms, which is visible from the side.

Endura have re-launched their Rannoch 'Roubaix' fleece top specially for the City of London Police. They have added the reflective 'Police' down each arm, one on the back, and a smaller one on the chest. This top is very popular with cycle patrol officers; it provides good protection from the wind and is warm when supplemented with a base layer. The additional logo on the front and rear allows officers to wear the top on other duties. They are both smart and identify the officer clearly.

For the summer, Endura have supplied the City of London Police Cycle Patrol Team with their MT 500 baggy cycle short. Reflective 'Police' labels have been added to the grey side panels and the seat panel. These are visible a full 360 degrees. The shorts are very popular with officers as they are fully adjustable and have numerous pockets.

Endura have even added small 'Police' labels across the knuckle area of their Dexter glove.

Overall, the City of London Police and Endura have developed both a high standard of cycle patrol uniform that have been supplied at a very good cost and a good working partnership.

For further enquiries on sales and manufacture please contact Jim McFarlane at Jim@endura.co.uk or on +44 01506497749.

Mike Surgett has been a police officer for four years and a bike officer for 2.5 years. He was certified as an IPMBA Instructor in 2005 and was awarded the 2006 London 999 Cycling in the Community Award. He has worked with companies such as Endura, Zyro and KIT to develop a police cycle uniform for the UK, as well as with Lowe Electronics, manufacturer of the Breeze headset. He can be reached at Mike.Surgett@City-of-London.pnn.police.uk.



Cairn long and short sleeve tops.



Tech Pant overtrouser (rear view)



MT500 baggy short (rear view)

Photos courtesy Mike Surgett

The IPMBA Industry Relations Committee has a new leader – Ron Burkitt, Hilliard Police Department, who was recently elected to the board and the position of Industry Liaison. Ron has served as a member of the Industry Relations Committee; his primary task was to keep the Product Purchase Program listing accurate by updating them annually. Through his interactions with the members, he realized that many IPMBA members were not familiar enough with the products available through the program, so he organized the Product Purchase Program Showcase, which became the basis of the successful silent auction. Ron will be responsible for guiding the members of the Industry Committee in fulfilling the following mission, goals, and objectives. To achieve these goals, members write product reviews, conduct field tests, recruit exhibitors, and engage in other activities to develop industry partnerships.

Mission: The mission of the Industry Relations Committee is to develop positive working relationships with industry professionals, advance the development of products and technologies for public safety cyclists, and educate the public safety community about products that will have a positive impact on their daily duties.

Goals & Objectives: The primary goal of the Industry Relations Committee is to expand the relationship between members of the industry and public safety cyclists by improving communication and interaction through leadership, education, and training. This goal can be obtained by concentrating on three specific objectives:

🚲 *Develop Industry Relations:* Develop and maintain strong, working partnerships with members of the cycling and public safety industries.

🚲 *Advance Products and Technologies for Public Safety Cyclists:* Work with members of the cycling and public safety industries to improve current products and to create new ones that will meet the needs of the public safety cyclist.

🚲 *Educate the Public Safety Cycling Community:* Provide IPMBA members with information about both new and established products and technologies that will positively impact their ability to perform their duties.

Current committee members are:

Bob Hatcher, Delaware (OH) Police Department

Steve Noftz, Ohio University (OH) Police Department

Charlie Summers, Illinois State U. (IL) Police Department.

If you are interested in serving on the committee, please send a letter of interest and resume to Ron at rburkitt@columbus.rr.com.

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E-mail: info@rbfab.com



Hello from the new U.K. correspondent for *IPMBA News*!

My name is Matt Langridge. I have been a Police Officer for nearly 18 years and serve with

Matt Langridge, PCI # 869
Thames Valley Police (UK)

Thames Valley Police in High Wycombe, a small town in Buckinghamshire, about 25 miles north west of central London. I am married and have two teenage sons. Prior to joining the Police, I spent six years in the Army as an Infantryman. Since May 2004 I have been engaged in cycle patrol work, having been asked to set up a trial cycle team by my area commander. As a result of this trial, my area now has three full-time cyclists and we are looking for more interested officers.

My predecessor in 'News from the UK', Inspector Nigel Tottie, has moved on to a different role in his force which has removed him from involvement with cycle patrol. Nigel has been very important in the evolution of mountain bike patrol in the UK and for this, we owe him a debt of gratitude. He organised the UK emergency services cycling seminar for three years and was instrumental in setting up the first IPMBA Police Cyclist Instructor Course to be held outside the USA, in 2005. I was fortunate enough to be a student on this course and am now PCI #869. Good luck in your new role, Nigel, and thanks for your help in setting a high standard for cycle patrol in the UK.

Why did I take on the role of UK correspondent? Well, like all police officers, I am a sucker for a damsel in distress and, when Maid Maureen responded to my submission of an article for the magazine by asking if I could write the column after Nigel's move, how could I refuse? I am beginning to doubt my sanity, however!

Now on to the news.

Charlie Irvine from the Metropolitan Police has been very busy, getting cycle patrol and IPMBA into the limelight. On 18th May 2006 he was awarded a Borough Commanders commendation in recognition of his good work and expertise in the field of cycle patrol. Well done, Charlie!

In addition, Charlie has also recently provided training to six technicians from mobile phone company T-Mobile. This is a result of the problems experienced in London on 7th July 2005 after the terrorist bombings. The technicians were unable to get through gridlocked traffic to work on and improve mobile phone efficiency at this critical time for the Emergency Services. They decided that mountain bikes were the way forward. Kevin Duffy of T-Mobile reports that "the feedback I received from everyone on the course was excellent." I believe that Charlie designed a program based on IPMBA training but abbreviated to meet their needs. The IPMBA training was selected over any available civilian cycling training because it was, in the words of the T-Mobile organiser who refused to take "no" for an answer, it is "more robust." Another "well-done!" to Charlie.

British Transport Police have lost a strong advocate for police cycling with the departure of Keith Smith (pictured at right), who has been tirelessly promoting cycle patrol from his post in Edinburgh. Keith has accepted a position with Strathclyde Police, and has been trained as an explosive/bomb detection dog handler. He was elected to his post in part because of the commitment to the job that he displayed when promoting police cycling. So until Bailey learns to ride a bike, Keith won't be riding one, either (at least, not whilst on duty). Congratulations and best wishes.

The weekend of 15th-16th July 2006 sees the 4th Annual Emergency Services mountain bike users' seminar, this year being hosted by Hampshire Police with the support of the Southampton City Council and IPMBA. The event is being held at the National Oceanography Centre in Southampton. This is the largest and only national event for public safety cyclists and attracts police, ambulance, and related services cyclists from across the country and around the world. The two day event emphasises best practice in cycle patrol for police and other emergency personnel from agencies of all types and sizes. There will be a number of different workshops and experience sharing opportunities including bike handling, tactics and setting up and running a cycle unit. Instructor Trainers from IPMBA are also attending to run an Instructor course for the week preceding the Seminar. More news on this event next time.

Please submit any items of interest for inclusion in this column – news, courses, etc., to me at matt.langridge@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk.

Well folks, that's it for my first edition. Stay safe.

Matt Langridge



Photo courtesy of Keith Smith

Keith Smith and Bailey

Lights: Keeping it Legal

by Matt Langridge, PCI# 869
Thames Valley Police (UK)

Every cyclist has seen the vast array of lighting available, be they a leisure cyclist, sports cyclist or Emergency Services Cyclist. These lights range from the battery powered commuter light to the 'turn night into day', rechargeable, downhill-racer-loony-nuclear-explosions-in-a-box lights. With all that is available, it is no surprise that people often stray outside of the law with their choice of illumination.

The law relating to cycle lights in the UK are set down in the Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1989 and the Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations 2005.

The amended regulations make a number of significant changes in the law as they affect cyclists. The first change of note for the Emergency Services is that the requirement for an emergency vehicle to be a 'Motor Vehicle' has been replaced with 'Vehicle'. This effectively allows pedal cycles to be classified as emergency vehicles and therefore to be lawfully equipped with flashing blue lights.

The next and probably most significant change has been the legalising of flashing position lights for cycles. The Regulations specify lights of at least four candela output and *quote*: - "the light shown by the lamp when flashing shall be displayed not less than 60 nor more than 240 equal times per minute and the intervals between each display of light shall be constant."

... it is no surprise that people often stray outside of the law with their choice of illumination.

In plain language, the light can flash between once and four times a second at a steady rate.

The obligatory lights that cycles need to conform to British Standard are as follows: a) old style lights BS6873 or b) new flashing style BS6102. What that means to us in Emergency Services is that, to continue to set the right example, any high-power light you fit to your cycle needs to be backed up by lights that meet the above minimum requirements. In my case, I have a small British Standard compliant front position lamp that has the flashing capability, and, to light the way when away from street lighting, a Lupine Passubio halogen 'blinder'. "My handlebars aren't wide enough for all that," I hear you cry. I overcame this limitation by fitting a 'Space Grip' to my bars. This T-shaped attachment, available in several different sizes, clamps to the handlebar and provides additional mounting space for lights, computers, etc.

Remember, folks: It's down to us to show the way to do it right.

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The *Complete Guide to Police Cycling* is back in stock! We apologize for any inconvenience caused by it being temporarily out-of-print. Calibre Press, which has been distributing the book since 1999, was acquired by Policeone.com, and in the process, the book was allowed to go out of stock. IPMBA received no notification that the book was not available and that there were no plans to have additional copies printed. The situation was brought to our attention by IPMBA members in need of the book and was resolved as quickly as possible. The book is now available from the IPMBA office. Please call 410-744-2400, fax 410-744-5504, or email info@ipmba.org to place an order. The price is \$18.95 per book plus shipping. Please order as far in advance of the date you need it as possible. The *Complete Guide* will be distributed from the IPMBA office until further notice.

The second edition of the *Complete Guide* is still in the development phase. After the initial writing, the material is reviewed and revised multiple times by multiple people. The publisher takes the content and shapes it to the template that is used to ensure consistency from chapter to chapter. This is called “development editing.” In the next phase, external review, chapters are sent to content experts and end users who have not yet been involved in the process. They review the material to make sure that the information is complete, accurate, and comprehensible. Their comments become the basis for the next round of revisions. After everyone is satisfied that the chapters contain all the necessary information, the copy editing (spelling, grammar, sentence structure, consistency) commences. Because it is so important to create the best possible product, the completion date has not yet been determined, but it will be in 2007. IPMBA members and instructors will continue to be updated on the progress of the new materials as the process continues.

IPMBA Merchandise Update

Hidden Gold Gifts has relocated! Owner Chris Hodges has left the Nashville Police Department to accept a position with the federal government. His email address is now hiddengold@hughes.net, and his new phone number is 352-535-7317. Chris apologizes for any problems caused by his month-plus of training followed by his relocation and pledges to have IPMBA’s merchandise operations up and running smoothly as soon as possible.

IPMBA is considering the possibility of adding a custom throw (afghan) to its product line (see image). If you would be interested in purchasing such an item, please email Chris at hiddengold@hughes.net. The actual afghan comes in muted gold and blue and is nice and thick.

ELHN Badge & Emblem Designs, owned by IPMBA member Erno Nandori, is still supplying custom IPMBA badges to IPMBA members and instructors.

These high-quality badges are available in three finishes (gold, silver, or two-tone), two styles (pin-back or wallet clip), and three types (Police Cyclist, EMS Cyclist, and Security Cyclist). They can be customized in



various ways, such as IPMBA instructor number, department badge number, and title. IPMBA membership status for all orders will be verified with IPMBA. The cost of the badges is \$49 + shipping & handling; ELHN donates a portion of all sales to IPMBA to assist in our efforts to provide resources and training for public safety cyclists. For more information, please email elhnbadgedesign@aol.com or call 203-364-8644, or visit www.elhnbadges.com.



Send *your* news to maureen@ipmba.org!

Cycle Cops Bag the Burglars

Submitted by Matt Langridge, PCI #869, of the Thames Valley Police (UK)

Whilst engaged in an area search for a car containing armed robbery suspects, PC Mark Jenkins of the High Wycombe Neighbourhood Cycle Team, Thames Valley Police, found two youths hiding in an alleyway. He stopped them and decided to conduct a search. He was joined by a vehicle crew and his Cycle Patrol crewmate PC Matt Langridge. One of the youths was searched and, due to nothing being found, released. The second youth was found to have a hand held games consol concealed in his boxer shorts. Mark questioned him about this whilst Matt checked the area around where the stop had occurred. Concealed behind a wall next to the youth were two bags of foreign currency and a personal CD player. The youth was arrested on suspicion of theft of the items. Subsequent enquiries showed that all recovered property was proceeds from a nearby dwelling burglary that was discovered by the victim and reported whilst the search was taking place. The youth who was allowed to leave was arrested later the same day.



TV Star Saved

Dave Brook, PCI #864, of the W. Yorkshire Police (UK) reports:

“I was on cycle patrol two weeks ago and whilst covering a big event, was close to a television star from the Emmerdale soap. He collapsed in a seizure, swallowing his tongue in front of me. I leapt to action, rendering first aid and possibly saving his life. It received big coverage in Yorkshire Evening Post, the Daily Star, and West Yorkshire Police magazine!”

Greater Manchester Cycle Response Unit has Immediate Impact

Submitted by Tony Atkinson, Greater Manchester Cycle Response Unit (UK)

Our six month trial began on 19th June 2006. On the second day of the trial, one of the bikes was dispatched to an incident where a patient had fallen in front of a tram and was trapped underneath it. The bike, manned by Steve Mcauley, was on scene at the incident in less than a minute. The other bike involved in the trial, manned by Victoria Catterall, was sent across the city to assist. They both did an excellent job and the patient was stabilized until such time as the ambulance arrived. The patient was eventually extricated along with some assistance from the Fire Service and Police. The ambulance service has received a letter of thanks from the patient, who is well on the way to a good recovery and has been discharged from hospital.

Over the weekend of 10-11 June, there was a massive public presence in Manchester due to the opening England game of the World Cup. The weather was fantastic and a large crowd gathered around Exchange Square to watch the football on a giant television screen. Many people were drinking alcohol and the inevitable happened – fighting broke out which resulted in a mass casualty incident. People were throwing bottles, which caused many injuries. One of our bike medics, Rhiannon Allport, was on scene and dealt with many casualties. Ten of the 43 casualties were transported to hospital by ambulance and the others were all treated as walking wounded.

The members of the Manchester Cycle Response Team were trained by Mark Inman, EMSCI #126 of the Tees, East, & North Yorkshire Ambulance Service.



Photo courtesy Tony Atkinson

Bike patrol below the sea

The third National Bike Patrol Study Day in the Netherlands will be held 21 September 2006, in Almere, the Netherlands. The event will be hosted by the Police Department Flevoland.

This Force is working in the new land, situated in the middle of the Netherlands. Therefore, we will be cycling on the former bottom of the sea.

During this one-day event, participants break into groups and attend workshops related to cycle patrol. Plans are in place to form an English-speaking group.

On 22 September, the Flevoland Police will host a special tour of their department and polders (a polder is a tract of marshy land, lower than the sea, which has been diked and reclaimed to cultivation).

Articles on past bike patrol study days can be found in the Fall 2004 and Fall 2005 issues of *IPMBA News*.

For more information or to register, email Tommy Hamelink at info@bikepatrol.nl or visit www.bikepatrol.nl.



IPMBA Police Cyclist Course in the Netherlands

Tommy Hamelink, PCI #865, has conducted the first IPMBA Police Cyclist Course to be held in the Netherlands and taught by a Dutch IPMBA Instructor (Stanley Cosper, PCI #249, taught a class there in 2001). The course was attended by three members of the Midden-West Brabant Police, one from the Hollands-Midden Police, and one from the Police Department Genk Belgium. Corne Sprangers, Wout Hoeks, and Sjef Brouwers all plan to attend the IPMBA Instructor Course in Southampton, England, in July. Instructor Tommy Hamelink reports that they enjoyed the tactical aspects most. They, like many of their countrymen, cycle thousands of miles per year for transportation, work, and recreation, so they had no difficulty with the on-bike skills.

The IPMBA Education Committee

Mission: The mission of the Education Committee is to develop effective policies, programs, and guidelines for the training of public safety cyclists. Its primary purpose is to provide information and tools to properly prepare police, EMS and security personnel for mountain bike duty.

Goals & Objectives: The goals of the Education Committee are to develop world class training materials, set standards, and establish policies pertaining to bicycle training for public safety personnel. These objectives are attained through:

- *Establishing a diverse committee:* Recruit committee members who represent a cross-section of the many types of agencies served by IPMBA.
- *Listening to the IPMBA membership:* Provide a mechanism by which IPMBA members may communicate their training needs, which are driven by the challenges they face in the field.
- *Maintaining awareness of the environment:* Recognize that the environment in which bike personnel operate is constantly changing and be prepared to adapt programs and policies to ensure the continued effectiveness of bike personnel.
- *Developing training policies and materials through committee:* Solicit the input of each committee member in order to ensure that the diverse needs of the membership are met. Assign responsibility for projects to one committee member, who is then responsible for soliciting input from the other members, preparing a draft, and submitting it to the committee for approval.
- *Disseminating the information:* Using IPMBA established communication channels, provide IPMBA members with tools and information that will positively impact their ability to perform their duties.

— 2006-2007 IPMBA Education Committee Members —

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Attention EMS Cyclists:

The Bike Medic discussion group is alive and well! This list, moderated by Steve Weigold of St. Clair Township-New Miami EMS (OH), is hosted by Topica.com. This list is used for discussion and information related to Emergency Medical Services and its delivery on bicycles by trained Emergency Medical Technicians, Paramedics and other health care providers. Topics run the gamut from training, organization of teams, purchasing equipment, guidelines, public education, bike and helmet safety to any other that is related to bicycle EMS delivery systems.

The list is pretty quiet and on-topic, so if you do join, you do not need to be concerned about being inundated with useless emails. To subscribe, send an email to bikemedic-subscribe@topica.com or visit <http://lists.topica.com/lists/bikemedic/>.

In Appreciation

IPMBA thanks Gary McLaughlin and Loren Ryerson for their service to the IPMBA Board of Directors.

Gary was elected to the board in 2003 and served one year as secretary and two years as Industry Liaison. This was his second time on the board, having served as newsletter editor (west) from 1992-1999. Gary is perhaps best known for his role as co-founder of the IPMBA Advanced Police Cyclist Course (now known as Survival Tactics & Riding Skills, or STARS), and for his ability to create diabolical cone courses. Gary is looking forward to his retirement from the Sacramento Police Department within the next year or two.

Loren was elected to the board in 2004 and held the position of secretary for his two years on the board. Upon president Monte May's resignation in December 2005, Loren accepted the responsibilities of vice president in addition to his duties as secretary. He stepped down in May 2006 due to the demands of his position as chief of police in Aspen, Colo. Loren attended the first IPMBA conference, known as the First National Conference of Bicycle Mounted Police, in 1991, and has been an IPMBA member ever since.



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IPMBA Remembers....Steve Lyle

Steve Lyle of Williamson Medical Center in Franklin, Tennessee, passed away on May 6, 2006. He became a certified IPMBA member in September 2001, after having successfully completed the IPMBA EMS Cyclist Course taught by Greg Johnson, EMSCI #035. Steve was diagnosed with skin cancer at about that same time, an experience he wrote about in *Cycling's Deadliest Risks Don't Always Involve Accidents*, which appeared in the Summer 2003 issue of *IPMBA News*. In that article, he cautioned his fellow public safety cyclists to use sunscreen and to have moles examined. He was cancer-free for several years before suffering a recurrence of the disease and a stroke in 2005.

Steve was born on July 5, 1969. He served in the Marine Corps and was a member of the White Bluff Church of Christ. He worked as a paramedic for the Williamson Medical EMS and Dickson County EMS. He was also a member of the Bike Medic Team and was a field training officer and EMS education instructor.

MS 150: Miami to Key Largo

by Jim Pierce, PCI #885
Miami Dade School Police (FL)

On May 6-7, the Maroon MS 150 ride made its way from Miami to Key Largo and back. Each rider in the MS 150, a charity ride for Multiple Sclerosis, is required to pay a \$40 registration fee and raise a minimum of \$300. Despite getting off to a late start, I raised about \$370 from officers and support staff. My co-worker, Pablo Prado, who works in the technical department, and his team of five collected several thousand dollars.

This is the 20th year of the ride, which now boasts a record turnout and donations.

I initially rode with Sgt. Juan Seaboldt, an IPMBA trained officer. We now plan to put together a team of police officers and friends for next year.

The first half of the ride wove its way through the beautiful farmland and communities of south Miami Dade County with a group of close to 2000 riders finally crossing into Monroe County just north of Key Largo, where it detoured onto Card Sound Road after crossing US1 and then onto Key Largo, stopping at John Pennekamp State Park.

Approximately every 10 miles there were rest stops with food, drinks, and other support. The ride was accompanied by volunteers for escort support as well as local, county and state police, who secured intersections for smooth transitions. A nourishing lunch was supplied at the 50 mile marker, just a few miles prior to the Card Sound Bridge, which offers a beautiful view from the top of lower Key Biscayne and the bay.

At Pennekamp, after all the riders arrived, there was a dinner and party, and free camping for all. Pennekamp is a beautiful marine park offering the many outdoor and water activities of the upper Keys.

The second day started with a great breakfast and a very well organized send-off. The riders then retrace their path in reverse, again with rest stops at 10-mile intervals. The

highlight was lunch at the Homestead raceway after the one-mile lap on the track, which puts the riders who complete the entire ride at 151 miles. I really enjoyed this quite a bit ...taking the high walls with the drops and climbs!

Not really being a road bike rider, I feel I did well on the return journey; back in less than four hours, including a couple of stops. I received my medal of appreciation and great cheers at the finish line – what a great feeling of accomplishment! That feeling prompted me to start with my fellow officers and plan for the following year to form a team, increase the donations to this noble cause, and enjoy the company of some great human beings doing something one can't help but enjoy...riding a bicycle.

Jim was certified as an IPMBA Instructor in 2005. He is excited to announce that his daughter just graduated from high school and is planning to pursue a degree in criminal justice. He can be reached at piercearrow50@aol.com.

Information on the MS-150 rides, held around the country throughout the year, can be found at <http://www.nationalmssociety.org>.

Member News



Jim Pierce (in IPMBA jersey) and Sgt. Juan Seabolt; Jim and Juan roll past Homestead Air Force Base.

Connecticut Passes Bicycle Bill

The Connecticut General Assembly has passed a bill that will effectively require all bike-mounted emergency medical services personnel to wear a distinct uniform, use an audible warning device, and complete a bicycle operations course.

The section, 14-286e, which previously applied only to police officers, will now read as follows:

(a) Any police officer, firefighter or emergency service personnel operating a bicycle in response to an emergency call or while engaged in rescue operations or in the immediate pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law shall be exempt from the provisions of sections 14-286, 14-286a, 14-286b, 14-286c, and 14-289 provided (1) the police officer, firefighter or emergency service personnel is sixteen years of

age or older, (2) the police officer, firefighter or emergency service personnel is wearing a distinctive uniform, and (3) the police officer has completed a course of instruction in basic police bicycle patrol certified by the Police Officer Standards and Training Council or an equivalent course of instruction, and the firefighter or emergency service personnel has completed an equivalent course of basic bicycle patrol.

The exemptions, which cover actions such as operating on sidewalks, riding to the right, turns, etc., will only apply when the emergency responder uses an audible warning signal device, including, but not limited to a siren, whistle, or bell.

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Death by Power Point

Don't suffocate, communicate!

by Thom Dick

PowerPoint is supposed to be a communication tool, not just a medium for digital exercise—and certainly not an instrument for torturing others. Audiences benefit when you employ its capabilities rather than inflict them. And yet, at least nine out of ten presenters you'll see get up in front of perfectly intelligent audiences and paralyze them all with tons and tons of teeny, tiny text.

Audiences don't remember what they don't experience. And no matter how brilliant you are or how great your command of your material, your content deserves a package that won't put your participants to sleep. When you teach sleep-deprived people who run trauma calls for a living, you pretty much need to reach out and grab them by the throats in order to get their attention. And if you're teaching right after lunch, you'd better have a good grip.

To some presenters, that means spastic slide transitions, clonic color combinations and fuzzy little video clips in every slide. It shouldn't. Remember, the essence of your talk is its content—not special effects. And your command of the content is what qualifies you to deliver it. Of course, your imagination can be a powerful thing. Longtime EMS educator Gary Wiemokly (now Public Health Services Manager for the Connecticut Department of Public Health) just told me how he and Sierra Vista, AZ, paramedic Mike Grill paid a few bucks for an old, non-operating laptop and pretended to connect it to a projector. Of course they knew the thing wouldn't work, but they pretended it was supposed to. When they had fumbled with it for awhile, they expressed fake exasperation,

threw it on the floor and stomped on it before connecting their real laptop to the projector.

A trick like that will put an audience right where you want them—in the palm of your hand. After that, they'll pay attention to anything you say. And whatever parts of your material they may forget, they will certainly remember you. Like long-time EMS educator Twink Dalton, you can also add skits to your presentations, featuring wigs, simple costumes and makeup. EMS audiences love imagination, and they learn enduring lessons as a result of it.

Speaking of imagination, that brings us right back to PowerPoint. You don't have to be limited by PowerPoint's bundled templates. Nor do you have to go out and buy the custom ones. The graphics in this article [available in the print version of *EMS Magazine*] illustrate some different approaches

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to slides that you can make with a few lines, rectangles and clipart objects, a little shading and maybe some sense for color and contrast.

Thom Dick has been involved in EMS for 35 years, 23 of them as a full-time EMT and paramedic in San Diego County. He is the quality care coordinator for Platte Valley Ambulance Service, a community-owned, hospital-based 9-1-1 provider in Brighton, CO. Thom is also a member of EMS Magazine's editorial advisory board. Reach him at boxcar414@aol.com.

This article appeared in the Point Power column in the May 2006 issue of *EMS Magazine*.

Congratulations to Sgt. Chad McDaniel, PCI #0070/EMSCI #106, of the Seminole County (FL) Sheriff's Office. Chad has earned the distinction of IPMBA Instructor Trainer (IT). IPMBA Instructor Trainers are a small group of instructors who teach the IPMBA Instructor Course. Becoming an IT is not easy. To become an IT, a candidate must have been an active IPMBA instructor for at least four years, have taught a minimum of 4,000 student-hours, have taught at least eight IPMBA PC or EMSC classes within the past four years (at least two with co-instructors and four as lead/solo instructor), and have been an instructor for a class with 20 or more students. Upon providing documentation that these criteria have been met, the candidate is required to complete at least one student teach under an experienced instructor trainer, who evaluates the candidate and makes a recommendation to the Education Director.

Chad, who has been an IPMBA Instructor since 1994, completed his student teach during the IPMBA Instructor Course held May 6-10, 2006, in Dayton, Ohio.

17th Annual IPMBA Conference Call for Instructors

The 17th Annual IPMBA Conference will be held April 19-21, 2007, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The IPMBA Instructor, Survival Tactics & Riding Skills, Public Safety Cyclist II, and Maintenance Officer Courses will be held April 14-18; the IPMBA Police & EMS Cyclist Courses will be held April 15-18; and the IPMBA Security Cyclist and Bicycle Rapid Response Team Courses will be held April 16-18.

If you are an active, IPMBA-certified instructor and are interested in teaching at the conference or pre-conference, you must submit a letter of interest and resume outlining your bicycling, work, and teaching experience to the Education Committee for consideration. *Please include non-bicycling-related expertise and/or instructor certifications.*

List all past IPMBA conferences for which you have instructed and/or attended, including a list of workshops for

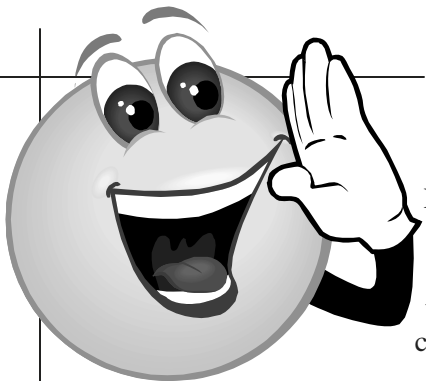
which you have been lead or co-instructor. Also include the number of PC/EMSC/SC classes you have conducted and/or the number of PC/EMSC/SC students you have instructed.

Instructors will be selected for the pre-conference training courses as well as the core conference workshops. Be sure to indicate which course you would like to teach and/or the workshops you would like to present. (Refer to last year's conference registration issue for a list of typical workshops.)

Specify whether you are available for the pre-conference, conference, or both. Please email to maureen@ipmba.org and education@ipmba.org, fax to 410-744-5504, or mail to 583 Frederick Road, Suite 5B, Baltimore MD 21228.

Deadline: September 15, 2006.

If you wish to teach at the conference or pre-conference you must submit a resume, even if you have done so in the past. No exceptions!



Pssst! You. That's right, you. We want your workshop proposal for next year's conference...

Now that we've got your attention ... IPMBA is actively seeking workshops for the 17th Annual IPMBA Conference in Baton Rouge!

This is your chance to share your latest brilliant ideas or your tried-and-true techniques. Your proposal can be for a classroom or an on-bike session. Workshops can be 1.25 hours, 2.75 hours, or 4.25 hours in length.

... it's easy – just follow these steps!

STEP ONE: *Contact IPMBA HQ at Maureen@ipmba.org or 410-744-2400.* Ask for a set of workshop proposal specifications.

STEP TWO: *Select a Topic.* Stop hoarding your in-service training ideas.

STEP THREE: *Write your Proposal.* Follow the guidelines carefully.

STEP FOUR: *Submit your proposal to IPMBA HQ by August 1, 2006. If you would also like to be considered for the pre-conference and/or as a full conference instructor, be sure to include a cover letter and resume as indicated in the "Call for Instructors."*

STEP FIVE: *Congratulate Yourself.* You've just taken the first step towards teaching at the IPMBA Conference! You will be notified of the Education Committee's decision in early fall.

Note about Repeat Workshops: Even if your workshop has been offered at past conferences, you must still submit the workshop proposal form. Past inclusion does not guarantee acceptance.

Two-Wheeling It

(Continued from page 1)

emergency medical service to host the conference, says Tom Harris, NREMT-P, public service coordinator for the municipal third service.

"It's predominantly hosted by large police departments," says Harris. "I'm flattered to be allowed the opportunity to even bid on it, let alone get it."

The 24-medic bike team in East Baton Rouge Parish EMS, in service since 1995, is an advanced life support team that works the bikes as an extra detail. "We utilize our bike medics for all large special events," he says. "These vary throughout the year, but I will have a bike team out every week. Louisiana State University typically gets over 100,000 people here for a home football game, so it gets very crowded and we can't hardly get a vehicle down the streets at all, so we use the bikes for initial first response. They're meant to stand alone for 10 minutes in a cardiac arrest situation."

A similar scenario is echoed by the leaders of other bike teams. As

metropolitan areas and public events get more crowded, and people's expectations for emergency response get higher, it makes sense to deploy bikes.

Boston EMS, another third-service municipal agency that had the foresight to invigorate EMS with bicycles some 10 years ago, has 45 medics on its team who share 20 bikes among them. Until recently, the Boston team patrolled day and night, says Deputy Superintendent Neil Blackington. "And, we will do it again if we have the staffing, but right now our unit--like about 90% of the rest of the country--is using its bikes primarily for special events like parades, festivals and unusual concerts. Two of our biggest events are the Boston Pops 4th of July concert and fireworks, which attracts somewhere in the order of 500,000 to 750,000 people to the Esplanade along the Charles River, and the Boston Marathon on Patriot's Day. About 1.5 million people gather here for that, mostly in the city of Boston, which is where it finishes."

Bike teams have become more common around the country for these special event standbys, especially in

services that consider themselves "very progressive," as Blackington sees Boston EMS. "We have a lot of alternative response devices for EMS," he says. "We already had electric cars and golf carts, and we used Segways for a period of time. Bikes were of interest to us as just another tool in the toolbox."

Training to Ride

Obviously, there's more to providing EMS from a bicycle than just knowing how to ride one.

"We teach a 32-hour program for EMTs and paramedics that is geared toward using bikes rather than teaching medicine," says IPMBA-certified instructor Blackington. "Our presumption is, whatever you do once you get off the bike to treat the patient you have gleaned from other training and experience. Our job is really to help people get oriented to professional public-safety biking, which is different from what you learned about bike-riding as a child. Putting that much extra weight onto a bike changes the

dynamics of how you handle it. And, we're doing a different type of cycling most of the time. We aren't racing around; we're usually carefully weaving our way through high-density crowds or narrow access points, so we teach a lot of slow-speed skills. The first thing our students learn is that it's not about racing or about how fast they can get from point A to B. It's that bikes can maneuver crowds or congested streets better.

"We also teach physical fitness and nutrition. Most places require tryouts, so employees are getting in better shape in order to participate on the team, which creates an upside in having better-conditioned employees. There's also a maintenance segment in our course that teaches EMTs and paramedics how to handle routine maintenance issues that might occur in the field. Almost everyone carries a spare tire and some emergency tools to keep their bike fine-tuned to their particular fit or to maintain it if something comes loose."

Blackington says they realize that some departments may not be able to afford a

bike for each medic, and that is addressed in the training sessions.

"Some departments just buy a couple of bikes in the mid-range sizes, so we teach students how to make adjustments in seat height and direction and handlebar height, and how to tailor the bike to their particular stature, experience, capability and things like that," he says.

Where To Next?

As bike use in EMS grows, so, too, has the number of manufacturers that offer emergency lighting systems, bicycle accessories and clothing. Some manufacturers, says Blackington, are even making bullet-resistant vests specifically for bike duty.

Which leads to the question: In these turbulent times, how safe is it to be a medic on a bike?

"I don't think homeland security circumstances have impacted bikes that much," says Blackington. "There has always been a training component that deals with EMT and paramedic safety when they're on a bike. In the last five years or so, we've developed a teaching program at the IPMBA conference that deals with putting SWAT officers or special response officers on bikes."

In EMS providers' favor is that they can approach a scene relatively unnoticed, allowing medics the opportunity to survey the scene from a distance with relative anonymity, then make a decision about whether it's appropriate to go the rest of the way. Obviously, the mobility with the bike means they can maneuver out and away from a situation faster than if they were locked into an automobile. They don't have the glass and steel enclosure that an ambulance provides, but an ambulance doesn't always provide protection anyway.

"For the most part," Blackington concludes, "bicycling EMS is a lot of fun. It's a morale booster for agencies that have bikes and an opportunity to reward good employees."

For more on bicycle EMS, visit www.ipmba.org.

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President

Jim Howell, PCI #567T / EMSCI #001T

Troy Fire Department, Troy, OH

Number of Years in EMS: 24

Number of Years on Bike Duty: 12

IPMBA Member Since: 1995

The Best Part about Being a Bike Medic: Knowing that by being out there working, you'll end up making a difference in someone's life.

Best Bike Wreck: There have been too many. I can't say that any of them were the best.

#1 Priority for IPMBA: Provide the best, most current, and relevant training for all public safety cyclists, and be the #1 resource for bike personnel around the world.

Vice President

Christopher M. Davala, PCI #490 / EMSCI #056

Maryland State Police, Salisbury MD

Number of Years in Law Enforcement/EMS: 8

Number of Years on Bike Duty: 6

IPMBA Member Since: 2000

The Best Part about Being a Bike Cop: Learning new and improved ways to make myself a better officer and communicator in my community.

Best Bike Wreck: The wreck in Cincinnati - that tree still has my mark on it.

#1 Priority for IPMBA: Maintaining a unified and defined front so as to promote education, focus resources, and offer the best, most complete training for the public safety cyclist.

Secretary

Jeff Brown, PCI #487 / EMSCI #064

Dayton Police Department, Dayton OH

Number of Years in Law Enforcement: 13

of Years on Bike Duty: 7

IPMBA Member Since: 1999

The Best Part about Being a Bike Cop: Closer interaction with the public. You will be amazed what people on the street are willing to tell you. It doesn't hurt that I get to wear shorts in the summer, too...

Best Bike Wreck: Let's just say "Remember the Alamo Dome."

#1 Priority for IPMBA: To provide the best training opportunities available to public safety cyclists.

Treasurer

Kurt Feavel, PCI #539

University of Wisconsin Police Department, Madison WI

Number of Years in Law Enforcement: 22

Number of Years on Bike Duty: 15

IPMBA Member Since: 2001

The Best Part about Being a Bike Cop: Getting out and interacting with people on a personal level.

Best Bike Wreck: Messed up hook slide that sent me over the bars and broke two fingers on my right hand.

#1 Priority for IPMBA: Making sure we continue to provide the highest level of service to our members.

Education Director

Donald C. "Corky" Reed, PCI #195T / EMSCI #038T

Denver Police Department, Denver CO

Number of Years in Law Enforcement: 20+

Number of Years on Bike Duty: 9

IPMBA Member Since: 1993

The Best Part about Being a Bike Cop: Freedom

Best Bike Wreck: Falling down twice at the same intersection. Once when the light turned red and again when it turned green.

#1 Priority for IPMBA: World class training material

Conference Coordinator

David Hildebrand, PCI #404T / EMSCI #118T

Denton Police Department, Denton TX

Number of Years in Law Enforcement: 16

Number of Years on Bike Duty: 10

IPMBA Member Since: 1999

The Best Part about Being a Bike Cop: That deer in the headlight look from a doper you've just surprised and busted.

Best Bike Wreck: May 2005, over the handlebars for a severe and classic face plant, photos available.

#1 Priority for IPMBA: To strive to maintain and improve the level of service and professionalism administered to public safety cycling.

Industry Liaison

Ron Burkitt, PCI #488

Hilliard Police Department, Hilliard OH

Number of Years in Law Enforcement: 16

Number of Years on Bike Duty: 12

IPMBA Member Since: 1998

The Best Part about Being a Bike Cop: Seeing everything from a different perspective.

Best Bike Wreck: I ended after hitting a guidewire in front of the high school band. The director comes over and says "yarright"; after I said "yes" they all started laughing with me!

#1 Priority for IPMBA: To serve our members through the instructors and vendors so that our members can better serve their communities.

EMS Coordinator

Neil P. Blackington, EMSCI #031/PCI #902

Boston EMS, Boston MA

Number of Years in Law Enforcement and/or EMS: 35

Number of Years on Bike Duty: 10

IPMBA Member Since (e.g., 2001): 1999

The Best Part about Being a Bike Cop/Medic: Arriving first!

Best Bike Wreck: Jumping off the waterfall at the Tower of the Americas in San Antonio – and landing in a four foot deep reflecting pool.

#1 Priority for IPMBA: Embracing the entire public safety cycling community.

Membership Coordinator

Mitch Trujillo, PCI #244T

Boulder Police Department, Boulder CO

Number of Years in Law Enforcement: 13

Number of Years on Bike Duty: 11

IPMBA Member Since: 1995

The Best Part about Being a Bike Cop: Using a bike as a tool to serve my community. Too cool.

Best Bike Wreck: During a particularly technical, downhill section, I found myself start to "endo", but managed to clip out of the pedals & step forward over the handlebar to scramble off the bike. I received a dose of humility when the cart-wheeling bike behind me cracked me in the back of my head. Pain is a great teacher.

#1 Priority for IPMBA: To constantly look for new ways to improve our programs and benefits to retain and attract new members to the finest public safety bicycle organization in the world.

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