

October 1999 Rider Mini-Memo

DATE: OCTOBER 16, 1999
TO: ODYSSEY 2000® REGISTERED RIDERS
FROM: TIM KNEELAND & ASSOCIATES, INC., VIA KAREN-ANN
RE: BICYCLE UPDATE, ETC.

When will I get my bike?

WE SPOKE TO RALEIGH THIS WEEK. THERE WAS A DELAY GETTING THE FRAMES OUT OF TAIWAN AND THEY ARE EXPECTING THE FRAMES TO ARRIVE LATE NEXT WEEK. IF ALL GOES WELL WITH UNLOADING AND CUSTOMS, RALEIGH SHOULD HAVE THEM ON THE ASSEMBLY LINE IMMEDIATELY. THAT MEANS UPS SHOULD HAVE THEM BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH.

RALEIGH HAS ORGANIZED TO SEND YOUR BIKES TO YOUR CLOSET RALEIGH DEALER. YOUR LOCAL/REGIONAL DEALER HAS YOUR PHONE NUMBER AND WILL CALL WHEN YOUR BIKE ARRIVES. THEN, YOU CAN VISIT THE BIKE SHOP, GET FITTED AND **VOILA**, YOU HAVE YOUR ODYSSEY 2000® BICYCLE. PRETTY EXCITING STUFF, EH?

PLEASE DO NOT BUG THE BIKE SHOPS. THE DEAL IS YOU ARE TO GET YOUR BIKE IN AN ORDERLY ARRANGEMENT, YOU KNOW, WHEELS WHERE WHEELS GO, ETC. THERE ARE NO EXTRA FREEBEES - EQUIPMENT OR SERVICE. THE BIKE SHOPS ONLY HAVE TO PUT YOUR BIKE TOGETHER AND HELP YOU WITH REGULAR ADJUSTMENTS. YOUR BIKE WAS ORDERED WITH THE INFORMATION YOU GAVE US ORIGINALLY. SOME FOLKS HAVE CHANGED THEIR MEASUREMENTS, EVEN THEIR HEIGHT! ANY CHANGES WILL BE MADE AT YOUR EXPENSE.

Bike modification-fenders, etc.

IF YOU PLAN TO PUT FENDERS ON YOUR BIKE, PLEASE WAIT UNTIL AFTER THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE BEFORE YOU INSTALL THEM. WE'D LIKE ALL THE BIKES TO LOOK THE SAME FOR THE PARADE.

Where in the world is TK&A?

TK&A IS PUMPING OUT STUFF SO FAST OUR LITTLE HANDS ARE JUST A WHIRRRRRRL AT THE COMPUTERS. TIM AND BRIT-SIMONE ARE NOW IN NORWAY HEADED FOR SWEDEN, THEN ONTO RUSSIA, ORGANIZING OVERNIGHTS AND GRUB, AFTER JUST COMPLETING THE ENGLAND, WALES, IRELAND, NORTHERN IRELAND AND SCOTLAND SEGEMENTS OF ODYSSEY. BRIT-SIMONE AND I WILL TRADE PLACES IN BERLIN AND CONTINUE ON THE ROUTE. ACCOMMODATIONS, DINNERS AND BREAKYS ARE APPEARING ON THE DRG'S KILOMETER BY KILOMETER.

Helmets

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN AN ODYSSEY HELMET, SEND US YOUR HEAD SIZE AND WE WILL BE ABLE TO SHOOT THEM OFF TO THE HELMET FOLKS ASAP. PLEASE MEASURE THE CIRCUMFERENCE OF YOUR HEAD, JUST ABOVE YOUR EYEBROW RIDGE. PLEASE E-MAIL, FAX OR POST THE SIZE TO US. WE NEED TO HAVE SIZES IN BY OCTOBER 25.

Odyssey I-D Badges

WE WILL BE MAKING YOUR ID CARDS FOR MEALS ETC. AND YOUR BIKE TAGS. PLEASE SEND 3 PASSPORT PHOTOS BY THE END OF THE MONTH.

For only a handful

PLEASE READ ONLY IF YOU ARE ONE OF THE FOLKS WHO DON'T RETURN INFO ON TIME – AND AS TIM WOULD SAY “YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE?”. WE HAVE 70 SUMMINK DAYS TO GO. ANY INFORMATION WE HAVE ASKED FOR, OR WILL, NEEDS TO BE IN BY THE DATE REQUESTED. WE CAN'T PLACE ORDERS, SUBMIT INFORMATION TO COUNTRIES ETC., FOR FOLKS WHOSE INFO WE DO NOT HAVE.

Clothing

WE ARE TALKING TO A MANUFACTURER NOW ABOUT LOTS OF NEAT BIKE CLOTHES. IF WE PLACE AN ORDER WITH THESE FOLKS FOR THE PARADE, THE SIZING WILL BE WHAT YOU HAVE TOLD US UNLESS YOU HAVE SOMEHOW CHANGED. PLEASE LET US KNOW IMMEDIATELY (E-MAIL, FAX OR POST) IF YOU WANT TO USE A DIFFERENT SIZE FROM THE ONE YOU SUBMITTED ON YOUR LAST FORM. WE HOPE TO PLACE AN ORDER ON OCTOBER 22ND, NOT A BREATH LATER.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN OWNING ODYSSEY SOCKS, CYCLE CAPS, SWEATBANDS, ETC., PLEASE DROP A LINE, (NO PHONE CALLS PLEEEEEEEASE) AND WE WILL SEND A FORM AN ORDER FORM OR TAKE IT OVER THE PHONE.

VISAS

WE ARE WORKING ON VISAS RIGHT NOW. IF WE GET ANY GOOD INFORMATION, WE WILL MAKE SURE YOU RECEIVE IT IMMEDIATELY. IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA FOR EVERYONE TO HAVE AT LEAST 10 PASSPORT PHOTOS AVAILABLE FOR USE WITH VISA APPLICATIONS, ETC. TRIPLE A IS A GOOD SOURCE.

WILL STOP TYPING AND GET THIS OFF TO YOU NOW.

BYEEEE FOR THE MOMENT.....