

Entry Deadline is Sept. 11

Golf tourney card filling up

With the entry deadline only three days away on Wednesday Sept. 11, entries for the fifth annual Observer & Eccentric Newspapers open golf tourney are beginning to pour into the headquarters at the Whispering Willows golf course...

from Observer & Eccentric readers in Oakland County," he said. "This is the first time the tourney has been open to golfers in Rochester, Troy, Birmingham, West Bloomfield, Bloomfield Hills and Bloomfield Township.

"IN THE PAST, entries were limited to the circulation areas of the Observer Newspapers but the merger of the Observers and the Eccentrics in January threw it wide open to all golfers male and female in the areas covered by all the papers."

Whitner has received the assurance of Bud Stevens, two-time champion, that he'll be back to defend his crown. He also has received inquiries from the famed Proben family of Radford Township and youthful Jeff Roth of the Farmington Country Club who has shown some interest in making a bid for the area open championship.

The pairings will be made immediately after the 6 p.m. entry deadline on Sept. 11 and entrants are urged to call the Whispering Willows pro shop Friday after 10 a.m. to get the starting times for the play on Saturday and Sunday.

Men's, Women's Open Golf Tournaments. Sponsored by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and Whispering Willows Municipal Golf Course. Includes entry fees, dates, and contact information for Gary Whitener.

Bloomfield biker goes 4,000 miles

By Gayle Jacobson. How much do you enjoy bicycling? Dale Shipman, a 17 year old from Bloomfield Hills enjoys it so much he spent 33 days riding his 10-speed from San Diego, California, to his home in Bloomfield Hills.

For Dale, who began taking bike trips back in 10th grade, this was the culmination of five years of careful planning.

HIS 4,000 MILE jaunt began July 20 in San Diego and it took Dale approximately 11 days to ride through California. Going through the dangerous mountain curves around Big Sur was a frightening experience for Shipman.

Upon hitting Oregon, Dale ran up against 60 mph head winds which cut his speed to less than 10 mph. He had his share of breakdowns also. Back in California, a spoke had snapped on his bike, and in Oregon another one went, setting off a chain reaction of broken spokes, a bent wheel and axle, and crushed bearings.

SHIPMAN DIDN'T run into any problems again until he hit Montana, where one of his pedals broke off while going up the Continental Divide. Montana proved to hold the worst for Dale, who endured seven nights of sleep in pouring rain, and a grasshopper plague which had hit the eastern portion of the state. There were so many of the insects that Dale had to keep his mouth covered so he wouldn't inhale any.

Shipman's daily mileage dropped considerably by the time he arrived in Minnesota. Dale began to grow lonely and stopped and talk to the people as he rode.

Most nights for Dale were spent in roadside parks, sans shelter. The only time he left a park at night was in Wisconsin when the mosquitoes drove him out, sleepless.

forehand and made only one major change. Instead of traveling up the west coast to Seattle, he went inland into Spokane.



Dale Shipman on the bike he rode 4,000 miles from California to his home in Bloomfield Hills. (Photographed by Art Emanuel)

states but there were no money problems on the trip, which cost him just over \$300. The big trouble at the start of the trip was with his mother. Dale said it had taken him quite a while to talk her into allowing him to go.

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