

## MIDWESTERN COACH, ATHLETE INVOLVED WITH BELGIUM'S CYCLING CENTER

Midwestern State University cyclist Brian Wyrick and coach Gary Achterberg both were involved with a program in Belgium for elite amateur cyclists this summer.

Wyrick left for Belgium just days after the Collegiate National Road Championships in Lawrence, Kansas, and raced with the [Cycling Center](#)-Bioracer team until late August. He competed in local kermesses throughout the Flanders region of Belgium as well as one-day UCI races in both Belgium and in France.

Achterberg also spent three weeks at the Cycling Center in Hertsberge, Belgium, working as an assistant coach. In his role, he directed teams at local kermesses and also assisted with all aspects of team support at UCI events, including a five-day-long Category 2.1 stage race.

"The Cycling Center is an incredible learning experience on many different levels for athletes who are ready for the challenge," Achterberg said. "I'm proud of the association that our team and school have developed with Bernard Moerman and his program. I'm looking forward to many more of our athletes having the opportunity to live, train and race in Belgium in future years."

After returning from Belgium, Achterberg wrote a series of articles for the [dailypeloton.com](#) cycling Web site about his experience as well as the athletes and staff who are involved with it:

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