



# Quick Releases

The Monthly Bulletin  
Of the Portland Wheelmen Touring Club



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## Top Talk

By Chip Kyle  
President

Do you think it is something we did do, or something we didn't do - an act of commission or an act of omission? Whatever the cause, the weather deities seem to be a little perturbed and have not been kind to us. In January, we endured record cold in Portland with extended snow on the ground and ice. This past month of February, we have broken several records for the amount of rain received: on a specific day; for a given week; and for the entire month. Wow! I know this has not deterred some of you, but the only times we see normal turnout on our rides is when the weather is nice. There have far too few of those days. I have not been riding nearly as much as I typically do and miss the camaraderie of being out with a group of like-minded people.

As I write this on the last Saturday of February, it has been one of those rare nice weather days. Cindy was our capable ride leader of twenty-some antsy club members who were itching to get out on their bikes (despite the cool start to the day). We rode the "4 City Loop" from Woodstock Park, heading south and keeping on the east side of the

## BOARD MEETING

### PRESENTER

Erik Tonkin

### Sellwood Cycle Repair

The current state of the bike industry--not only nationally but here in Portland



**Check out the  
2017 Club Approved rides on  
Page 5!**

## Club Meeting

Date: Thursday, March 2, 2017

Time: 7:00 PM

**All Saints Episcopal  
Church**

**4033 SE Woodstock Blvd  
Portland OR 97202**

## Board Meeting

Date: Monday, March 27, 2017

Time: 6:30 PM

Place: Legacy Emanuel Hospital  
2801 N. Gantenbein Ave  
Room 1035

All club members may attend Board Meetings. Submit items to be considered in writing by the preceding Club Meeting to Chip Kyle at 503-387-3940 or [cvkyle109@gmail.com](mailto:cvkyle109@gmail.com)

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Willamette. We followed the Springwater and the Trolley Trail through Portland, Milwaukie, Oregon City and Gladstone (hence, the four city name). It was an enjoyable ride and a great day to be out. I am hopefully looking forward to many more like today.

At the board meeting this past week, we reviewed the nominations for the 10 non-club rides for which club mileage will be given. We decided on nine (see elsewhere in this issue for the full list), and are leaving one spot open for eventual consideration. The first of these non-club rides is the Monster Cookie ride. The ride is sponsored by the Salem Bike Club and starts in Salem with a turnaround at Champoeg State Park. I will be the designated ride leader, so please come out, wear your club colors, and be prepared to have

a good time. A discount of the ride fee is given to Wheelmen and we encourage you to participate.

As we move into March with lengthening days, I certainly trust the weather will improve and allow many more good days for riding. I hope to see you out there. Finally, a question: Do you know what is the hardest part of learning to ride a bike? The pavement.

Please ride safely!

Chip Kyle



## SMM : IMPORTANT UPDATES

**SMM will not run this summer from June through September.**

The ride leaders have decided to stop during the busy summer months as there are so many Saturday rides in the summer. If you like doing the Kelly Pointe loop as your usual Saturday routine, you can find a ride that leaves from Wilshire and sign in with them.

### New SMM ride leader:

Alan Mevis has agreed to be a ride leader for the SMM series. Thank you Alan! The schedule is as follows:

1st Sat: Mark Hartel

2nd Sat: Alan Mevis

3rd Sat: Kathleen Hellem

4th Sat: Kimberly Morehead

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### Newsletter Deadlines

Announcements, Events, and Classified Ads for consideration of publication should be submitted to Kimberly Morehead by the 20th of the month to be in the next QR. Publishing of letters is at the sole discretion of the Editor and dependent upon space available. Opinions expressed are those of the individual and not representative of the PWTC or the Editor. Classified are run for 2 months unless other arrangements are made. Articles and classified from members have priority if space is limited.

### Ride Information

Ride information is to be submitted to the Road Captain. Ride leaders wishing to create their own ride descriptions or to sign up to lead a ride for the following month need to provide the Road Captain with pertinent information two weeks ahead of the ride!

Contact either Patrick Cecil or Bill Hamilton at PWTC  
 Road Captain email: [roadcaptain@pwtc.com](mailto:roadcaptain@pwtc.com)

### PWTC Web Site:

<http://www.pwtc.com>



## YAHOO GROUPS

Submitted by Ann Morrow

We love our Quick Releases. It's a great club newsletter edited by Kimberly Morehead that keeps us informed about club activities. It's a unifying agent to help us know our fellow club members better and learn what our club as a whole is up to.

Now that the QR is only online our newsletter is more timely than ever. When it was a paper document the editor needed to allow time for several procedures in order to get it to the members. If the editor wanted the QR in mail boxes by the last week of the month, say, April 2017, they had to figure in sufficient time for printing, collating and mailing - allowing about 5 days or more for each process. Tracking backwards from when they wanted it delivered they would need to go back to about the 10th of April to get all of the information for the May newsletter.

Now, our editor has a lot more time and last minute information or changes can more easily be facilitated by simply bribing Kimberly.

But sometimes we have VERY timely information to share. The club uses YAHOO GROUPS for a "list serve" for our club. If someone crashes, or if there is some urgent club news, a bike eating pot hole to report or any general bike related information to share, it gets sent out on the list serve or e-mail list of subscribers. There are currently 131 members on the list. It is not a very active list, which is good. You won't be inundated with e-mails. But it may help you stay current with all things Wheelmen.

The club also uses your e-mail for "blasts" which we try to use sparingly. That's how your Quick Releases gets to you or information about Pioneer Century, STP etc. This Yahoo! list is different and is used a bit more liberally.

If this isn't your first rodeo you know you need to join/subscribe/register to enable you to play with your friends on the internet. So go to YAHOO and join. You know, the user name and the password routine.

Now that you belong to YAHOO you can go to : Yahoo Groups. On the home page of Yahoo! see on the top of the page "Groups." Click on that. In the empty box that appears right of "YAHOO! Groups," enter Portland Wheelmen Touring Club. Click on Portland Wheelmen Touring Club. Under the banner "Bicycling news and discussion group generally focused on the Portland Wheelmen Touring Club rides and functions" click on the button on the right "+ Join Group" and get signed in. Of course you may unsubscribe at any time.

It can also be used as a forum for discussion and I am the moderator and pretty liberal about what goes out. No jokes or sales, just bike related sharing.

Join in. Don't be left out!

may the road rise up to meet you  
may the wind always be at your back  
may the sun shine warm upon your face

## Fenders

Since we live and ride in the Pacific Northwest, sooner or later we are going to ride in the rain. Riding safely in the rain has its own considerations because of the wet surface we ride on. Mud, wet slippery roadways, debris all affect how we ride, but all that stuff doesn't just stay on the ground. It splashes our feet as we ride through it. It clings to the tires and gets thrown up onto our bikes and our bodies. More importantly, this road grunge also gets thrown up on the riders following you. Maybe you don't mind getting wet and muddy, but the other riders in the group may not feel as accepting of the road grunge as you.

In order to keep some of this wet off ourselves, we use fenders. These range from a single snap on device that hooks onto the seat tube, and marginally keep stuff off our backsides to full blown fenders that cover the front and rear wheels.



Some riders even add mud flaps or splash guards to the bottom of the fender to further minimize the amount of water being thrown up into the faces of following riders.

Unfortunately, a minimal fender that may keep your backside dry does little to keep your rear tire from slinging water and road grunge up into the air and onto riders following you.

The physics of what cause the water to fly off the tire are a little involved, but the water that is thrown off travels in a line tangent to the tread of the tire at the point it leaves the tire. It then gets effected by gravity and begins to fall to earth, resulting an arch that varies depending on the bikes speed, the adherence of the water to the tire. So the longer the fender, the lower the arc of the mud that flies off your tire, and the less that can get onto the riders following you. Normally, this mud being picked up by a tire and thrown onto another rider is merely an inconvenience or a discomfort, but it can get throw into a riders eye, and this is where the safety aspect of fenders come into play.

So, even you don't mind getting a wet gritty backside while riding in the rain, please be considerate of the safety and comfort of the other riders in your group and use good fenders.

"Lets be safe both there"



**Pictures, articles, comments  
or suggestions? Send it to:  
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## YOUR CLUB AT WORK

Respectfully submitted by  
Ann Morrow  
Vice President

How can we publicize our club? We might want to "grow" it, that is, add more members. Maybe you are like Goldilocks and think that it's "just right" as is. Regardless, the board often looks at ideas of how to get the name of Portland Wheelmen Touring Club in the public's eye. Name recognition is good. More members might be nice.

We will once again have a presence at the majority, although not all, of the Sunday Parkways this summer. These are big neighborhood biking events mostly geared for families. With streets closed and parks filled with fun activities and thousands of people slowly riding the 7 to 9 mile routes they are the talk of the town. On the surface the Parkways participants do not seem to be our target market (Amazingly fit athletes under 50 years of age setting speed and distance records. Yeah, that's us). But in speaking to those who have approached the PWTC booth over the years at Sunday Parkways, we have educated many about our existence and what we have to offer some novice cyclists who are looking for exactly what we have to offer. Generally, the board feels that we would be remiss by not being at Parkways. As Portland's largest bike club we tend to believe that we should be some part of this huge Portland cycling event. Bud Rice has agreed to oversee and man the booth on May 21, June 25 and July 23. You may want to assist Bud at

the booth (you know, drop by for a couple of minutes so he can visit the nearest Porta-Potty.) Or you might take a club ride through the event and stop by for a quick visit at the Wheelmen booth! It's fun. It promotes our club. Thank you, Bud, for agreeing to take the lead again on this project. If you know Bud, you know he is a great spokesperson for our club.

In February the board approved 10 non-club rides that will earn club mileage in 2017. Those rides are listed elsewhere in the QR or may be found in the February board meeting minutes and will be on your ride calendar. Our objective is to encourage you to branch out with your riding. Enjoy other areas in the beautiful Northwest. Be the recipient of the hospitality of other clubs and organizations. Share a little of your cycling budget with these other organizations as we hope their members will do with our PIONEER CENTURY. The rides chosen met the criteria that previous boards determined. You must pay whatever registration fee is requested and fill out any paperwork to be a proper participant. The PWTC "RIDE LEADER" is really only a facilitator of the ride sign in sheet. You may find him or her at the start of the ride and officially sign in for club mileage. You may miss seeing the ride leader at the event and can call or e-mail the listed ride leader with your 1) rider number, 2) name, and 3) mileage accrued for the ride. Our club rides are truly the best but give some of these a try this summer. Invite friends. Set goals to do greater distances than you usually do. Enjoy!



Sign-up to help volunteer for the **2017 Pioneer Century** and the **2017 Seattle to Portland**

**bicycle classic.** These two events are the major sources of income that allows members of the Portland Wheelmen Touring Club, all the benefits they enjoy.

The **PWTC Pioneer Century** ride will take place Saturday, June 3, 2017. Check out the Friday, Saturday and Sunday job slots.

Use the following link to reserve your spot(s).

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4aa8a92ea5fa7-2017>

Please include your volunteer tee-shirt size.

The **CBC STP** one/two day rides take place on Saturday/Sunday, July 15/16, 2017.

Check out the Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday job slots.

Use the following link to reserve your spot(s).

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4aa8a92ea5fa7-20171>

Note: you do not necessarily need to use the Login/Join button, located in the upper right corner of the page, when choosing an available slot(s) and time(s).

If you have any questions about the volunteer jobs or need help logging in to signupgenius

call me at 503-641-2971. Your club thanks you.

Corey Eng  
2017 Pioneer and STP volunteer coordinator

# 2017 Non PWTC rides approved for Club Miles



## Daffodil Classic

Presented by Tacoma Wheelmen's Bicycle Club

April 9th

Orting WA

Ride Leader: Ann Morrow



## Monster Cookie Metric Century

Presented by Salem Bicycle Club

April 30th

Salem OR



## RACC—Ride Around Clark County

Presented by Vancouver Bicycle Club

May 6th

Vancouver WA

Ride Leader: Ann Morrow



## Reach the Beach

Presented by American Lung Association

May 20th

Grand Rhone, Amity, Newberg or Portland starts

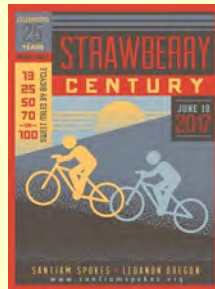
Ride Leader: Scott Poindexter

## Strawberry Century

Presented by Santiam Spokes

June 10th Lebanon OR

Ride Leader: Benn Schonman

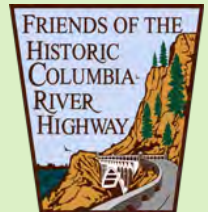


## Gorge Ride

Presented by Friends of the Historic Columbia River Highway

June 17th The Dalles OR

Ride Leader: Dick Weber



DOUBLE METRIC CENTURY RIDE  
Presented by



## Two County Double Metric Century Ride

Presented by Providence Regional Cancer System, a Fundraising Ride from Capital Bicycling Club of Olympia

June 25th

Olympia WA

Ride Leader: Benn Schonman



## Beaverton Banks & Beyond Bicycle Tour

Presented by NW Bicycle Safety Council

August 19th Beaverton OR

Ride Leader: Bruce Buffington

## Harvest Century

Presented by Community Vision Inc

September 24th

Portland OR

Ride Leader: Benn Schonman



presented by



Community Vision, Inc.  
Creating Opportunities to Thrive

**Responsibility of the Ride Leader to gather riders sign ups and submit to the Road Captains, like any other ride.**

# 2016 Annual Awards Banquet

**Most Improved Rider: Arun**



**Master & Mistress of Ceremonies: Phil & Cheryl Entertain the crowd**



**Old Fartess**



## **Award Winners:**

**Jim Mooney Member of the Year:** Brian Hammer  
**Valued Member of the Year:** Kimberly Morehead & Patrick Cecil  
**Volunteers of the Year:** Chip Kyle & Barry Emmerling  
**Ride Leaders of the Year:** Dick Weber, Pat McManus & Bud Rice  
**Newt Acker Good Will Ambassadors:** Cindy Bernert-Coppola & Chuck Dorr  
**President's Choice:** Benn Schonman  
**Comeback Award:** Jerry Smith, Bob Johnson, Dave Lewis & Philip Brown  
**Most Improved Riders:** Jan Oestereich & Corey Eng  
**Most Improved New Riders:** Ashley Reynolds & Arun Vishwanathan  
**Old Fart/Fartess:** Arden Shelton

**Ann presenting Most Improved Rider to Ashley**



# 2016 Annual Awards Banquet

## 2017 Board



**Jerry receiving a Comeback award**

**Cindy receiving the Goodwill Ambassador Award from Alan**



**Benn receiving a special gift for his 10 year work on the Pioneer. Thanks for all your hard work Benn!**



**Dick receiving a special art piece created by Eileen Holzman: Ride to the moon and back .**



## Ride Leaders Wanted

Submitted by Bill Hamilton

Bike rides are what makes the Wheelmen happen. Ride leaders are what make the rides happen. Ride leaders are at the core of what we do. Without ride leaders, there are no rides, and without rides, there is no Portland Wheelmen Touring Club. You can see how important ride leaders are to our club.

Have you thought of being a ride leader? If not, you should consider it. Being a ride leader is a great way to meet other riders, make friends, enjoy rides you like and contribute to the club. Being a ride leader isn't very difficult. You can lead one ride a year, or a ride every day, or anywhere in between.

If you're interested in leading a ride, feel free to ask any of the current ride leaders or any of the board members and they will help you through the process.



## Welcome New Members

Brendan Kelly  
Linda Leyva  
Susan Papenfuse  
Dirk Theisen  
Hannah Theisen

## February Meeting: Seth Von Gretlein, Service Manager at Western Bike Works



**02/12 Tom's 27 Reversed Ride**

## Your QR Editor trying to stay warm on 02/25 Training Ride



**02/25 RTB Training Ride**



## West/Eastward Loaded Tour

**June 26 - July 1**

West/Eastward Loaded Tour begins MONDAY, June 26 with a 9:30 a.m group rendezvous at Hillsboro's Manaia Coffee House (203 E. Main) near the end of the Max Blue Line for "second breakfast" to fuel up for a ride of 40 miles through Banks and Vernonia for lunch then onward to Big Eddy, a no reservation Columbia County campground on the Nehalem River.

Early TUESDAY at 7:30 a.m. we start a 60 mile day sadly without "second breakfast" on the scenic Nehalem River Highway (Hwy 202) into Clatsop State Forest to Youngs River Road through Warrenton to camp at Fort Stevens State Park's Hiker/Biker.

After an exploration of the Clapsop Spit on Jeffy road at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday's "Second Breakfast" awaits us in Astoria. We will travel highway 101 and across the famous Astoria Megler Bridge to Ilwaco and to camp at Cape Disappointment Park's Hiker/Biker. This short 30 mile day loaded might include an unload exploration of Long Beach Peninsula bike trail and/or roads.

THURSDAY 7:30 a.m. we travel north on Hwy101 along infamous for kayakers Willapa Bay then turn back southeast on Naselle River Road to "second breakfast" at Naselle (we hope). We head east on Hwy 4 to Skamokawa (a no reservation county park on the Columbia River) for a total mileage of 50 miles.

FRIDAY at 7:30 a.m we follow the Columbia to Cathlamet for "second breakfast" before we cross for a ride-around Puget Island and our boarding of the new ferry to Westport. We'll navigate some country roads to Rainier's non-reservation Hudson-Parcher County Park for camping after a 40+ mile trek.

July 1, SATURDAY may have two optional routes but both certainly with "second breakfast" (1) a quicker, flatter highway 30 to Portland for 50 miles (2) a slower, hilly and longer route through the country roads to St.Helens before joining highway 30 to Portland.

Costs will include your camping each night at approximately \$10.00 plus "second breakfast" that has become our tradition on loaded tours.

Ride Leaders: Don Spencer ([donaldwspencer@gmail.com](mailto:donaldwspencer@gmail.com))  
John Burkhardt ([jhburkh@hotmail.com](mailto:jhburkh@hotmail.com))



## Steens Mt. Scenic Loaded Tour

**September 5 - 11**

Steens Mt. rises in a long ridge more than 5000 feet above the desert floor with awesome sunrises and sunsets for willing wilderness campers. To enjoy Tuesday's sunset cars leaved Portland Sept 5 at 7:00 a.m.for "second breakfast" in Madras. Our destination will be the top Steens Mt. for a night of car-camping without services. On the drive up we'll assess the condition of the gravel road to determine the possibility of a morning descent on our bikes.

On Wednesday, Sept 6, after a majestic sunrise we hopefully will descend 20+ miles on unloaded bikes for "second breakfast" at rustic Frenchglen Hotel. John claims the blueberry pancakes were some the best I've ever eaten.

With loaded bikes (leave cars at Hotel) we'll ride Catlow Valley Road for 50 miles to Fields where a cafe, groceries, and motel rooms (reservation) and/or camping await.

"First Breakfast" at the Field's cafe or your stove begins Thursday, Sept. 7. Stock up (No "second breakfast" today) on supplies for two days as we then travel 40 miles of the pavement then hard packed gravel of the Fields-Denio Road thru Andrews (the old school houses a world famous desert artist) to Alford Hot Springs for a \$5.00 soak. Destination Mann Lake campground.

Sadly no "second breakfast" on Friday, Sept 8 as we follow Fields-Denio Road to Hwy 72 (Steens Highway) into Crane's cafe/grocery and finalize the 70 mile day with a soak (\$??) at Crystal Springs Hot Springs and camping.

"Second Breakfast" will happen after a 28 miler into Burns on Saturday, Sept 9. Then we'll head 23 miles on Hwy 205 to camp at Narrows and an unloaded gravel road ride of 18 miles round-trip to the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge Headquarters.

From Narrows on Sunday, Sept. 10 we travel 35 miles directly to Frenchglen for "second breakfast" or add a 30 mile round trip to the famous Diamond Hotel for "second breakfast". After retrieving the cars, we return to Crystal Springs for another (\$??) soak and camping

Monday, Sept 11 Drive home by way of John Day or Bend

Costs: Hot Springs (\$30?), Camping (\$60?), "Second Breakfasts," (\$????) Travel (riders split gas cost about 40 gals at \$2.30 gal for approximately 750 miles; drivers pay other the car expenses.

Considerations: Nights and early mornings in Sept. can be cold.

We start peddling each day before 7:30 a.m.

Some travel will be on gravel roads of unknown condition until we arrive therefore new tires and a spare recommended.

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John Burkhardt ([jhburkh@hotmail.com](mailto:jhburkh@hotmail.com))

## The Bullards Beach Weekend

July 28-30 2017



Journey to the southern Oregon coast this summer for three days of riding in places that you don't often see. Dates are July 28, 29 and 30. The rides will be starting at Bullards Beach State Park, 2 miles north of Bandon, OR. Friday mornings ride takes a loop south of Bandon, with a lunch stop in town, and has multiple distances from 25 to 40 miles. Saturdays 45 mile ride goes up to the town of Coquille on one road and returns on another. On Sunday we ride east and north and return on roads through Bandon Dunes Golf Course. This is a 26 mile route with shorter options.

This is a camping weekend. Make your own campground reservations at [1-800-452-5687](tel:1-800-452-5687) or at [oregonstateparks.org](http://oregonstateparks.org). If you aren't a camper you can still enjoy the rides. Bandon, OR., with many motels, is just 2 miles south of the park. Each campsite at Bullards Beach has water and electricity. Oregon State Parks fill up very quickly so book your space ASAP. Event headquarters is at campsite C55. For more information contact Bud Rice at [503-667-0683](tel:503-667-0683) or at [bikebud@spiretech.com](mailto:bikebud@spiretech.com).



## Idaho Tour

August 27-31, 2017

The Idaho Tour is on again for 2017. The dates will be Sunday, August 27 through Thursday, August 31. There are three days of riding on the Trail of the Coeur d'Alene with a fourth optional day on the Route of the Hiawatha. The Coeur d'Alene is a paved rails to trails, 75 miles long, that runs across the northern Idaho panhandle. We ride it in both directions. The Hiawatha is a 17 mile, gravel, rails to trails that goes through 9 tunnels and across 8 tall trestles.

This is not a camping event. We will be staying in motels for four nights. The trip starts in Wallace, Idaho on Sunday, August 27. On Monday, August 28 we ride 50 miles down to Harrison, Idaho, on the bank of Lake Coeur d'Alene, where we stay for 2 nights. On Tuesday, August 29 we ride 35 miles round trip to Plummer, Idaho for lunch. On Wednesday, August 30 we ride the 50 miles back to Wal-

lace. Thursday, August 31 is the optional ride on the Hiawatha.



Cost for the trip is \$280.00 per person. There is no sag for the trip. You need to carry enough with you for two nights in a motel. You also need to sign up with a roommate. For more information contact Bud Rice at [503-667-0683](tel:503-667-0683) or [bikebud@spiretech.com](mailto:bikebud@spiretech.com).

# Reserve Now for Your Spot on the San Juan Island trip – August 6-10, 2017

by Cindy Bernert-Coppola

After organizing and leading this trip for many years, Bud Rice has passed the baton to me and to Ann Morrow for 2017. Although we can't hold a candle to his amazing organizational skills, he has promised the share his wealth of knowledge, and we'll do our best!

Reservations have been made for a group campsite on San Juan Island at the Lakedale Resort and Campground. Most folks will leave their car at the marina in Anacortes and bike to the ferry. We will, however, need at least three people to volunteer their vehicle (preferably a truck or van) to ferry our gear to the campground. If you are one of the vehicle owners, you will be reimbursed for the ferry crossing fee.

The itinerary is roughly as follows:

**Sunday, August 6:** Meet at the marina and transfer your camping equipment to one of the drivers. Bike to the ferry landing (just a few miles) and take the ferry to San Juan Island.

Arrive at Friday Harbor and bike approximately 4.5 miles from the ferry landing to the campground

**Monday, August 7:** Enjoy pedaling around San Juan Island, including scenic Roche Harbor and the lavender fields.

**Tuesday, August 8:** Board the ferry to Orcas Island and follow one of several maps either just into town or on to Moran State Park and up Mt. Constitution. Ferry back to San Juan Island.

**Wednesday, August 9:** Board the ferry to Lopez Island and follow one of the maps ending at Lopez Village and a great bakery (if it's open) or another eating establishment.

**Thursday, August 10:** Pack up your equipment & bike to the ferry landing for the return to Anacortes. Meet at the marina and transfer your belongings from one of the vehicles to your car and head home.

The cost per person for the trip will be \$60/person to cover campsite fees, ferry crossing fees for the three vehicles, and a little extra for shared campsite items. We are limited to 25 people for the shared campsite. To reserve your spot, send a 50% down payment to Ann Morrow at 13207 NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Ct, Vancouver, WA 98685.

Additional expenses to plan for will be your passenger+bike ferry fee (a one-time round-trip fare which includes inter-island trips), food (eating out or cooking at the campground), and showers.

Questions? Contact Cindy Bernert-Coppola, [cindybco@gmail.com](mailto:cindybco@gmail.com), or Ann Morrow, [anniedmor@gmail.com](mailto:anniedmor@gmail.com).



## RIDING IN TUCSON 2017

Tired of the rain? Yearn for those days of summer when you could ride with just a jersey and shorts ... not all the rain gear, booties, heavy gloves etc?

Once again, there is an opportunity to ride for any PWTC members who can get to Tucson, AZ, this spring anytime between January and May.

As many of you know, there is wonderful weather and bicycling during the winter and spring in Tucson. Tucson is a superb city for cycling with wide bike lanes on the main roads, over 100 miles of bike paths, a national Park filled with majestic saguaro cactus at the edge of town, Mount Lemon with its significant climb and many other routes.

You are encouraged to contact Roger Harris for more information at 503-341-6385, or [rhc2815@gmail.com](mailto:rhc2815@gmail.com).



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Mark using a downed fence for a tire change on 02/11.



Sunday Morning Social 02/19