

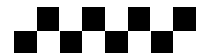


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Top Talk

By Chip Kyle
President

It's almost the end of 2017, and as I reflect on the last year, I see it has many attributes: instructive, fun, challenging but overall, rewarding. Looking back, there are several highlights that come to mind: our ability and willingness to offer a ride every day of the year; our "everybody on deck" volunteer endeavors of the STP Finish Line and our invitational Pioneer Century; our training rides for Reach the Beach; our well planned and executed extended weekend rides outside the immediate Portland area; and our commitment to be involved in the community in which we live through our donations and volunteer efforts. We have had a successful year and it is all due to the willingness of you, the club members, to participate and be willing to do whatever is needed. Thank you!

I am also fully cognizant of the fact that my role as club president was made significantly easier by the professionalism, generosity, perseverance and involvement of the other board members. This is a special group of

Dec:

Elections, Swap
Meet and Potluck



Jan:

No Club Meeting. Come to
the Banquet instead!

Events coming up...

SnowCap donations at the club
meeting

See page 4

Holiday Express Ride

Dec 10th

Ride to Bikecraft

Dec 16th

See page 5

Last Ride of the Year

Dec 31st at 12pm

First Ride of the Year

Jan 1 at 10am

Banquet

Jan 28

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Club Meeting

Date: Thursday, December 7, 2017

Time: 7:00 PM

**All Saints Episcopal
Church**

**4033 SE Woodstock Blvd
Portland OR 97202**

Board November

Date: Monday, December 18, 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

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committed people, all of whom are hardworking and have the success of the club as their prime focus. As a group, they were not shy about commenting, correcting or suggesting alternatives to ideas presented by the person sitting in the president's chair. I offer an especially sincere "thank you" to each of them as well.

Please plan to come to the December club meeting. It will be somewhat different from the usual ones. There will be only one principal item of business - election of 2018 board members and no formal program or presentation. Instead, it will be a potluck of hors d'oeuvres and desserts (Yum!), a swap meet of bicycle related components, gear and clothing (great deals!)



and a food drive of non-perishable items. So, come to the meeting, it's a good time to socialize and

enjoy the expert baking talents of your fellow club members.

The club's annual awards banquet is in two months. Please help Bud Rice and the selection committee by providing nominations for the various awards that are given out. Send him an email with your suggestion along with your rationale.

In the meantime, ride safely!

Chip Kyle



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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

PWTC Web Site:

<http://www.pwtc.com>



YOUR CLUB AT WORK Portland Wheelmen Activities

Respectfully submitted by
Ann Morrow
Vice President

It's that time of year, November, as I write this, that time of year that the PWTC board gathers to assess the success of the Pioneer Century in June and the Seattle to Portland (STP) finish line in July. I can assure you they were both successful. No harm was done! Riders were pleased. Money was earned through the club members' hard efforts. Success. In recent years our Treasurer has tallied the profits of these two events, projected a budget for the upcoming year and suggested a dollar amount that might be disbursed to the community in the form of charitable contributions. Essentially, this club gives the community any money determined to be over and above what may be needed for the club to function in the coming year. I make this point because some are unaware and because I think it's an important function of our club.

Bicycle rides are our primary function to be sure. Most of us joined PWTC because of the bike riding. But I think it's of great value that we also give back to our community in the form of financial assistance to other likeminded, bicycle promoting organizations. In other words, we don't just take from the community, blissfully riding our bikes around town. No, we play hard, but we also work hard and share our bounty with organizations that will further improve our bicycling community.

In contrast, our awards banquet in January is OUR celebration of US. Not so altruistic! Check your recent Quick Releases to find out how to get registered to attend the ever-popular banquet and how to submit award nominations. If you are new to the club I encourage you to come to meet people and join in the fun of honoring some of the many special club members that made 2017 special.

December's club meeting brings our annual elections. Breathe easy. I think everything is covered. You can attend the meeting freely without concern that you will be coerced into running for a board position. Please thank those that are elected for taking time to serve their club. We often see the same people rotating through various board positions. While they are capable and experienced it is refreshing to have new faces, new ideas and new perspectives. Please give thought to joining the board yourself at an upcoming election. See you on the road!

PWTC Spotlight on Safety

By Bill Hamilton

Winter

Well, in case you haven't noticed, winter is here. Not officially, because officially it doesn't start until the Winter Solstice on December 21, but for our purposes, it's here.

Winter brings its own special risks and hazards to cyclists, from wet leaves, to ice in the gutter, to more potholes, to slippery railroad tracks, to colder and wetter weather, to shorter darker days and we need to take additional steps to make sure we're safe during the winter.

In the summer, it takes a couple of minutes to get dressed for a bike ride. Shorts, a jersey, socks, gloves, shoes and your helmet and in 5 you're ready to go. In the winter, not so quick. Pants, thermal socks, shoes, shoe covers, rain gear, thermal layers, neck gator, face cover, ear muffs, bulky gloves, helmet cover, etc, etc, etc. It takes much longer to get geared up. Take your time and make sure you are dressed appropriately for the weather. Getting cold and wet on a ride is no fun.

As the temp drops, snow can fall, and ice can form. Often in the morning, at the start of rides there is still ice or frost in shaded and wet areas. Ice can form overnight in the gutters and it's dangerous to ride in. If you ride into a gutter with ice, it can cause a crash because you lose traction and the ability to steer out of the gutter, so beware of this possibility and stay away from the gutter. Wet steel, in the form of railroad tracks, steel construction covers and expansion joints, becomes almost as slippery as ice. When crossing railroad tracks, do so at 90 degrees to the tracks and don't try to change course while crossing them. As you turn, you lean and as soon as you lean your center of gravity is no longer over the tires and your wheels can slide out from under you in a flash. I found this out first hand a couple of years ago and it was quite painful.



Shorter darker days mean we're even more difficult for cars to see. Make sure to have your lights working and turned on. A flashing head light is even more helpful in the winter than in the summer. Bright colored jackets and leggings also help make us more visible so even though that black rain jacket may look stealthily and fashionable, it's dangerous. Don't wear black jackets or rain coats, and whenever possible look for leggings with brightly colored patches.

So, enjoy the special treats winter offers us, but make sure to take into account the additional hazards it poses so you can have a safe and enjoyable winter. Have a great holiday season' and:

"Let's be safe out there"

- Sgt. Esterhaus

Another Consideration for VP

By Ashley Reynolds

I'm Ashley and would love to serve on the PWTC board in 2018 as Vice President.

I started cycling in July of 2016. As already a fairly active person, cycling had its appeal due to how much one could see in less time compared to running and hiking. I was also looking for a sport in which I could "lose myself in a state of flow." When I hopped on my newly purchased commuter bike in the summer of 2016, I quickly realized that cycling is that activity for me.

I've lived in Oregon for most of my life, aside from a four year stint at Pepperdine University in Southern California. As a teenager, I couldn't wait to get out of Oregon and away from all the rain, hence Pepperdine, but found myself back in Portland to pursue a Master's in Public Health at OHSU. Upon being back, I fell in love with Oregon – its beauty and all that it offers recreationally. I now work in healthcare and love what I do as an analyst for a health insurance company. I take satisfaction in knowing I help others understand the



factors influencing positive health behaviors. Aside from cycling and working, I spend my time watching independent films, running, playing tennis, eating delicious food with family and friends, or hanging out with my tortoiseshell cat, Breely

After googling various biking groups in Portland, as an individual with zero biking experience in the city (only as a kid through parks), I chose PWTC due to its introductory and welcome rides; I have learned much since then. The Wheelmen have done a wonderful job helping me feel comfortable "on the road". This past Spring I wanted to accomplish longer rides, so I purchased my first road bike (an orange steel Kona) and have done many rides since then, including my first century. I would love to serve on the PWTC board since, as a newer rider, I can offer fresh and different insights. Sometimes things that are obvious to a long-time rider aren't always obvious to a new rider. I also bring my professional experience, having juggled multiple projects which examine outcomes from a public perspective, to the table. Lastly, I would love to give back to the club that has been very welcoming and encouraging towards me.

Welcome New Members

Rachael Anderson

Scott Anderson

Mark Klein

Ken Morgan

Bob Polkinghorn

Teri Rosenzweig



FOOD & COAT DRIVE AT DECEMBER CLUB MEETING!

2017 has been a good cycling year, but for others it has been a tough year to get through. As we've seen the availability of affordable housing diminish, the choice between paying the rent and buying food for the family has continued to be a monthly struggle for many but there's a convenient way you can help. The Club will again hold its annual food and coat drive at the December Club meeting. Non-perishable food items, new or gently used coats, new socks, and charitable contributions for donation to SnowCAP will be collected at the meeting.

Last year we collected 95# of food and 31# of clothing. It would be great to top those numbers for 2017 – so now is a good time to go through the coat closet, food pantry or pick up a few extra items at the store to pass on to a family in need. Just bring your donations to the Club Meeting on December 7th and we'll see they get to SnowCAP. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks for giving. Joan Cullen

(SnowCAP has provided family assistance in the East Multnomah County community since 1967 and each year they find the need for food and clothing ever increasing. More information can be found at their website, www.snowcap.org)

WEBSITE TIPS
The Web Committee

LOGGING IN AND ADDING A FAMILY MEMBER

If you haven't yet logged on to the new website (as of May 2017), you'll want to do that to be able to access certain member only features, especially after January 2018 when all members will be able to see their mileage online. If you are the primary member on the account, follow these instructions:

Open up pwtc.com

Click on Login at the upper right of the screen

Enter your email address where it says
"Username or Email Address"

Scroll to the bottom and click on "Lost your password?" (note: if you had a username and password for the old site, these are no longer valid)

You will receive an email prompting you to create a new password. Don't worry about the strength. If you have problems creating the password, contact Cindy at webmaster@pwtc.com or click on Contact and complete the form.

ADDING A FAMILY MEMBER

Only the primary member, once they have logged in, can create a family member account. The family member needs to have a separate email address. Follow these instructions:

Open up pwtc.com

Log in to your account

Click on the arrow next to your profile picture at the upper right

Select "Account"

Check your basic information to make sure it is correct and upload a photo if you like for your profile pic

Click on "Add New" next to "Family Members"

Enter the family member's name and email address (make sure this is a different email than the primary member's)

The family member should receive an email confirming he/she has been added. At that point the family member can log in using the directions above. Only by logging in separately will members be able to view their mileage stats.

COMING SOON! RIDE LEADER INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANCELLING A RIDE

A method for ride leaders to cancel a ride on the pwtc.com calendar has been developed. Only the ride leader for a particular ride will be able to cancel the ride (provided he/she is logged in). The road captains can cancel any ride if necessary. This feature has one glitch to be worked out so stay tuned!

(All website tips can be found at pwtc.com/webtips)

DON'T HANG UP THAT BIKE!

Respectfully submitted by
Ann Morrow

Fall/Winter/Spring in the Northwest. In a word, wet. So, get some fenders and rain gear and ride! You no doubt built up a good base physically this past summer - don't lose it all only to start over again in 2018. Sure, long days of riding are past but short club rides with a coffee stop are still a lot of fun.

There are plenty of rides to choose from:

By the time this is printed the bicycles only night at Winter Wonderland Portland, where the huge holiday light display surrounding Portland International Raceway limits its attendance to cyclists, has passed. It was on November 28 but worth mentioning to save you from looking for it!

The Holiday Express on Sunday December 10 is 22 miles. You can ride along the Eastbank Esplanade to view the huge steam engine up close and personal then scoot on up Jefferson to the Rose Garden and back along the esplanade...a double dose of steam power! Finish the ride at a variety of eating establishments on Woodstock Blvd.

December 16 will include a new ride that will feature BikeCraft - lots of bicycle type vendors at The Bike Farm with cool gifts and stuff for yourself as well. Route and distance will depend on the weather: 23 miles maximum or fewer than 10! The event runs both Saturday and Sunday so go yourself even if you can't or won't ride.

And on December 17, in the dark of night, you can enjoy the North Portland Christmas Lights. It's only about 10 miles of slow riding and checking out the lights. This ride has previously included a trip to PIR but is modified for 2017. It may have been modified in 2016 to not include PIR but then it was over modified (canceled) with a heavy dose of snow!

As I write this there is no Last Ride of the Year posted but I have every confidence it will be added to our schedule. Check your mileage for the year and if you need just a few more miles to qualify for a pin (500 miles) or a mug (2,000 miles) this is your LAST CHANCE! By the way, the Last Ride of the Year is typically offered on the last day of the year - December 31. Our ride leaders are so very clever!

Finally, The New Year's Day Ride is our annual first ride of the year! Start accruing mileage in 2018 on day 1! The President him or herself takes the lead on this city ride. I don't need to tell you New Year's Day is January 1, 2018, do I?

Remember, dress for the cold with lots of layers. Give thought to lights on your bike. Invest in your own safety light yourself up!

Speaking of Awards.....

Submitted by Arden Shelton

Are you a winner????

There's only one way to find out. Sign up for the PWTC Awards Banquet on Sunday, January 28, 2018. The club selects a number of high profile awards each year, from Member of the Year to Most Improved New Rider. But many members may have earned an award and may not be aware.

Mileage awards begin at 500 miles and go up to the 1,000's. If you have surpassed the 2000 mile mark in 2016 you have earned a coffee mug that says you have ridden 2000 miles, or 3000, or 10,000 miles, or whatever 1000 mile mark you have reached, beyond the 2000 mile point.

And for those really serious mileage hogs, the club awards a mileage plaque to signify reaching each 10,000 mile plateau. And if you have led rides in 2017, you earn (in past years) bicycle socks, a water bottle, or a coin purse. If you lead 12 or more rides, there's another prize!

So be sure to sign up for the banquet so that you can collect your loot. And if you don't win one of these awards you can still go home with a really big prize. The club gives away about \$2000.00 worth of door prizes at the banquet. Almost everyone goes home with something.



Awards Banquet

Best Night of the Year

Don't miss the best night of the year; the PWTC Awards Banquet on Sunday, January 28, 2018 at the Monarch Hotel near Clackamas Town Center. This is not your father's typical boring awards banquet. This one is very long on fun and very, very short on speeches.

This is an evening to celebrate our outstanding club members who have provided service to the club above and beyond the norm and whose efforts have contributed greatly to our riding enjoyment. And it is also a chance to go home with some really good loot because we always give away several thousand dollars' worth of door prizes!

The Banquet is a very casual affair. You can dress up fancy or wear your most comfortable jeans; your choice. Come and see if you recognize your best riding friends in street clothes.

If you have 2017 cycling photos of club rides or events, bring them along. There will be display space available to share them. Or send photos by email, CD or memory stick to Arden Shelton.

This is an event for all members. Come by yourself, or bring your guests, or bring a group! Come out and enjoy two of our three favorite things: bicycling and eating. The Monarch does a fantastic buffet.

The no host bar opens at 4:30PM and dinner starts at 5:30 with the festivities to follow. If it were summer, you'd be home before dark. Watch for the banquet entry form with the November newsletter. Sign up online or print out the form

THINKING ABOUT THOSE AWARDS EARLY AND OFTEN

It's time to be thinking about nominating your deserving fellow riders for some special awards.

Each year Portland Wheelmen Touring Club members nominate individuals whom they believe have shown exceptional effort on the club's behalf over the course of the year.

There are a variety of categories.

The nominations are made prior to year's end and the awards banquet is held in late January of the following year. The club has certain criteria which must be met for a nominee to



be considered. Previous winners of the Jim Mooney Award from the Awards Committee and determine who qualifies.

The Awards categories include members who have volunteered over and above what they should have; Ride leaders who have done the same; Goodwill Ambassadors who make the club look good; and many awards for riders who improved a heck of a lot over the year. PLUS, there are non-traditional categories where you can also create your own special award that recognizes and captures a fellow rider's unique personality.

Now is the time to be looking around at your fellow riders who might deserve special recognition, **not Dec 31** (the deadline).

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The Jim Mooney Award (Member of the Year):

- 1) Must currently be a member in good standing and have been active in the PWTC for at least 3 years prior to the year of the award.
- 2) Must have ridden at least 1000 miles in the year for which the award is presented.
- 3) Has served as a ride leader sometime during the year for which the award is presented.
- 4) Participated as an event volunteer in at least one special event during the year for which the award is presented.
- 5) If Board Member, contribution exceeds that of assigned duties in promoting PWTC.

Valued Member Award (two may be given):

- 1) To be eligible a member must have contributed to PWTC in an outstanding manner during the year for which the award is presented,

but member may not meet the qualifications for Member of the Year Award.

Volunteer of the Year (one given)

Member in good standing who has contributed in any of the following capacities: event coordinator; working volunteer for any event (but not necessarily coordinator); active Ride Leader; held either board or committee positions; or participated actively in club activities. Nominee's recognition can be for one outstanding contribution or as an ongoing participant. Award is not restricted by length of membership.

Ride Leader of the Year (one given):

Recognition of member who has exceeded in adhering to the guidelines set forth in the Ride Leader Check List. Has conducted themselves in a conscientious and friendly manner, showing knowledge of the route, presents themselves as an ambassador for PWTC by welcoming non or new PWTC members at rides.

Newt Acker Good Will

Ambassador Award:

Member in good standing whom within the past year has helped to enhance the friendly image of PWTC within the community.

The Come Back Award:

Member who has suffered injury while cycling, yet came back with style and determination to resume cycling within that year.

Most improved Rider (multiples given):

- 1) Be a PWTC member in good standing for 2 years or more.
- 2) Must have ridden 500 Club miles or more for the year for which the award is presented.

- 3) Has shown improvement in different types of distances and terrain within their riding capabilities.

Most Improved New Rider (multiples given):

- 1) Joined PWTC in year of award or previous year, but no later than October and rode under 500 miles the previous year.
- 2) Must have ridden 500 Club miles or more for the year for which the award is presented.
- 3) Has shown improvement in different types of distances and terrain within their riding capabilities.

While there may be some overlap in categories, it does allow a chance for special recognition to be given to more members who contribute their time and efforts throughout the year. The memberships' input is important. If written nominations are not received, no award will be given out, so it's up to you!

If these categories are a bit too traditional, you can also create your own special award that recognizes and captures a fellow rider's unique personality.

Send your nominations in writing

BEFORE MIDNIGHT

DECEMBER 31, 2017

TO:

Bud Rice

506 SW 6th St.

Gresham, OR 97080

or email bikebud@spiretech.com.

Feel free to discuss your ideas with other members. While you can be discreet, your nominations don't need to be secret.



List of Prior PWTC Award Winners

Submitted by Corey Eng

Here are the past recipients of PWTC awards (some years had no nominees).

Jim Mooney Member of the Year:

Corey Eng and Jim Mooney (1988); Ron Dutton (89); Patty Mooney and Bud Rice (90); Joan Cullen (91); Rich Seifert (92); Shirley Zuleger (93); Sharon Fekety (94); Paul Roscoe (95); Marvin Rambo (96); Dee Real (97); Newt Acker (98); Bob Tinsley (99); Steve Baltazar (00); Joan Cullen and Nikki Hilton (01); Ann Morrow (02); Vacant (03); Karen McConkey and Kevin McConkey (04); Betty Suryan (05); Ron Ing and Benn Schonman (06); John Mardis and Karyn Mardis (07); Dick Weber (08); Scott Poindexter (09); Phil Brown (10); Arden Shelton (11); Cindy Bernert-Coppola (12); Bill Hamilton (13); Ann Morrow and Cheryl Speer (14); Bruce Buffington (15); Brian Hammer (16)

Valued Member of the Year:

Marka Dutton and Kay Stanley (1991); Jeanne Arbow and Mary Dickson (92); Sharon Fekety and Bud Rice (93); Dee Real and Paul Roscoe (94); Nikki Hilton and Dee Real (95); Mary Dickson and Mark Greenblatt (96); Clif Rose and Bob Tinsley (97); Todd Cobb and Dave Rasmussen (98); Jerry Smith (99); Patty Baltazar and Ann Morrow (00); Dave Kelley (01); Gary Brannan, Betty Suryan and David Suryan (02); Bob Sahleen (03); Steve Baltazar, Benn Schonman and Betty Suryan (04); Terry Sherback (05); Kevin McConkey and Leo Tsou (06); Doug Myers and Leo Tsou (07); Ann Morrow and Leo Tsou (08); Joan Cullen and Karyn Mardis (09); Ron Ing and Cheryl Speer (10); Cindy Bernert-Coppola and Alan Coppola (11); Bill Hamilton (12); Bruce Buffington and Betty Suryan (13); Kathleen Hellem and Benn Schonman (14); Corey Eng (15); Patrick Cecil and Kim-berley Morehead (16)

Volunteer of the Year:

Patty Baltazar and Steve Baltazar (1999); Joan Cullen (00); Todd Cobb (01); Karen McConkey and Kevin McConkey (02); Vacant (03); Dan Allie, Corey Eng and Iris Muskin (04); Benn Schonman (05); Joan Cullen and Corey Eng (06); Benn Schonman (07); Bruce Buffington (08); Phil Brown and Cheryl Speer (09); Cindy Bernert-Coppola and Alan Coppola (10); Peter Schmidt and Bob Wong (11); Patrick Cecil (12); Chip Kyle and Alison Nelson (13); Brian Hammer (14); John Joy and Kimberly Morehead (15); Barry Emmerling and Chip Kyle (16)

Ride Leader of the Year:

Bud Rice (1999); Rebecca Anderson, Ron Ing, Louie Martin and Del Scharffenberg (00); Vacant (01); Dee Real, Mike Real and Rick Smith (02); Rick Smith (03); Bruce Guinta (04); Karen McConkey and Kevin McConkey (05); Cathy Varner (06); Bruce Buffington and Dennis Mowdy (07); Bill Hamilton (08); Vacant (09); Ann Morrow (10); Tom Carter (11); Alison Nelson and Bob Sahleen (12); Mike Sloan (13); Chuck Dorr, Dick Fairbank and Roger Harris (14); Jeremy Wilson (15); Pat McManus, Bud Rice and Dick Weber (16)

Newt Acker Good Will Ambassador:

Ken Lee, Bud Rice, Fred Russell and Jerry Smith (1998); Nikki Hilton (99); Nikki Hilton (00); Susan Walker (01); Benn Schonman (02); Vacant (03); Newt Acker (04); Bob Sahleen (05); Bruce Buffington and Ann Morrow (06); Nyna Beals (07); John Mardis and Karyn Mardis (08); Vacant (09); Dick Fairbank (10); Kevin Williams (11); Tom Carter (12); Kathleen Hellem and Jerry Smith (13); John Mardis and Karyn Mardis (14); Barry Emmerling, Kathleen Hellem and Marci Ray (15); Cindy Bernert-Coppola and Chuck Dorr (16)

President's Choice Award:

Gary Wedman (1991); Sharon Fekety and Donna Seifert (92); Lin Neighbors and Tom Peterson (93); Jeanne Arbow and Bob Tinsley (94); Ann Morrow (95); Joan Cullen (96); Mike Real (97); Bud Rice, Arden Shelton and Kathy Warren (98); Joan Cullen (99); Dave Kelley (00); Susan Walker (01); Jerry Smith (02); Scott Poindexter (03); Steve Baltazar and Betty Suryan (04); Corey Eng (05); Dee Real (06); Bob Sahleen (07); Ann Morrow (08); Karyn Mardis (09); Cindy Bernert-Coppola and Alan Coppola (10); Ron Ing (11); Ellie Hodder and Bud Rice (12); Gary Brannan and Arden Shelton (13); Kathleen Hellem and Bud Rice (14); Ann Morrow (15); Benn Schonman (16)

List of Prior PWTC Award Winners cont.

Comeback Award:

Claire Acker (1998); Mike Bingle, Phil Gunderson and Marvin Rambo (99); Vacant (00); Bruce Guinta (01); Jim Morrow, Linda Rennie, Paul Roscoe and Susan Walker (02); David Russell (03); Paul Roscoe, Vicky Skakel and Dick Weber (04); Bob Brady and Jude Russell (05); Bud Rice (06); Ron Haataja and Ron Ing (07); Tom Carter (08); Bob Sahleen (09); Tom Carter, Fred Heisler and Jim Tooththaker (10); David Manwiller, Karyn Mardis and Del Scharffenberg (11); Monica Miller and Benn Schonman (12); John Burkhardt and Dave Humphrey (13); Armond Anderson, Stacy Barbidillo, Phil Brown and Scott Poindexter (14); Phil Brown, Brian Hammer and Cheryl Speer (15); Phil Brown, Patrick Cecil, Bob Johnson, David Lewis and Jerry Smith (16)

Most Improved Rider:

Claire Cushman (1991); 1992–1997 unknown; Scott Poindexter (98); Dennis Mowdy (99); Linda Rennie (00); Karen McConkey (01); Bruce Guinta (02); Ed Vander Pol (03); Bruce Buffington (04); Sharon Baker and Karyn Mardis (05); Nyna Beals (06); Vacant (07); Cheryl Speer (08); Cindy Bernert-Coppola (09); Nik Walters (10); Arden Shelton (11); Alison Nelson (12); Ron Haataja (13); Steve Davis, Sandra Ferconio and Susan Palmer (14); Todd McCollum and Chin See Ming (15); Corey Eng and Jan Oestereich (16)

Most Improved New Rider:

Kenny Smith (1991); 1992–1997 unknown; Jude Russell (98); Chris Cobb (99); Linda Fuller (00); Priscilla Hodges (01); Bill Andrews (02); Jerry Huether and Tanya Huether (03); Debra Windus (04); Vacant (05); Olivia Spencer (06); Rachel Landon (07); Jamie Jueneman (08); Vacant (09); Alison Nelson (10); John Burkhardt (11); Lynn Sanders (12); Mike Caire (13); Mary James, Kimberly Morehead and Marianne Morris (14); Jan Oestereich (15); Ashley Reynolds and Arun Vishwanathan (16)

Old Fart Award:

Phil Crary (1988); Bob Walling (89); Jim Jorgensen (90); Jim Mooney (91); Frank Zuleger (92); Elroy Cowley (93); Art Peterson (94); Bob Tinsley (95); Newt Acker (96); Jerry Smith (97); Bob Sahleen (98); David Larsell (99); John Jones (00); Fred Heisler (01); Bruce Guinta (02); Bud Rice (03); Doug Rennie (04); David Faulk (05); Dick Fairbank (06); Mike Real (07); Dave Ek (08); Dick Weber (09); Benn Schonman (10); Joan Cullen (11); John Mardis (12); John Joy (13); Ann Morrow (14); Cindy Bernert-Coppola (15); Arden Shelton (16)

Happy Holidays!

Almost a wrap, 2017! Many, many things to be thankful for looking back at the many reflections of 2017, far too many to list here. Every ride is fun with this club! Every ride is what you make it! We are a great group of cyclists, working together to contribute back to society in mindful ways, that not only benefit our community, we also get the satisfaction of giving. It's great to get some healthy good riding time in, great company, and great coffee houses. We have a ride every day of the year! Thank you, **RIDE LEADERS!**

PWTC volunteers worked selflessly, tirelessly, even braving new frontiers in our volunteer contributions and learning new tricks a long way in 2017! Thank you, to all **PWTC VOLUNTEERS!**

What a great time many of us had just riding around Portland, and the suburbs. Some roads took us much further on adventures in the San Juan, Islands., Bandon, OR., CGE 2017, Monster Cookie, Pioneer Century, Beaverton Banks and Beyond Bicycle Tour, Idaho – B. Rice, Peach Century, RTB, RACC, and the Gorge Ride 2017 etc... Too many to list. **HUGE** thanks to all the Ride Leaders and Club Members, for all your *volunteerism* in 2017. Lots of volunteer hours, or just riding our bikes representing our great bike club, went into every one of these events and more not listed here. What a great Club picnic and raffle we all had! Let's start gearing up folks for a memorable 2018!



Happy
Holidays!

Respectfully submitted by,

Kathleen Hellem

Fort Stevens Camping Trip - July 19, 20, 21, 22

Explore the northern Oregon coast this summer on this riding and camping extended weekend. We'll be staying at Fort Stevens State Park at the mouth of the Columbia River. There will be rides on July 19, 20 21, and 22.



Make your own campsite reservations at [1-800-452-5687](tel:1-800-452-5687) or at oregonstateparks.org. Event headquarters will be at campsite #173. Remember that state park campgrounds fill up very quickly. If you are not a camper you can book a motel in the area.

RIDES

Thursday, July 19 --- A late afternoon/early evening ride around the park and the over to Warrenton for a dinner stop. Distance about 15 miles

Friday, July 20 --- Ride mostly back roads down to Seaside for a lunch stop. Return along Hwy 101. Distance about 47 miles

Saturday, July 21 --- Ride back roads on a loop along the Youngs River. Several distances from 28 to 54 miles.

Sunday, July 22 --- Take a loop over to Fort Clatsop. About 35 miles.

For more information contact Bud Rice, [503-667-0683](tel:503-667-0683) or bikebud@spiretech.com.



Cove Palisades Camping Trip - August 25, 26 & 27



Explore some of the most scenic parts of the state on this three ride camping weekend in Central Oregon, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday August 25, 26, and 27. We will be staying at the Crooked River Campground at Cove Palisades State Park near Madras. All of the campsites have water and electricity at each site.

Fridays ride travels along Lake Billy Chinook, Round Butte Dam, and has a lunch stop in Madras. On Saturday we ride

down to Smith Rocks State Park, with a lunch Stop in Terrabonne. Sundays ride goes out to Haystack Reservoir.

Make your own campground reservations at [1-800-452-5687](tel:1-800-452-5687) or at oregonstateparks.org. Event headquarters is at campsite E31. If you aren't a camper you can book a motel in Madras, about 10 miles away. For more information contact Bud Rice, [503-667-0683](tel:503-667-0683) or at bikebud@spiretech.com.

2018 Pioneer Jersey

Pioneer Century pre registration as well as pre orders for the 2018 Pioneer Event jersey will be availed at the Jan 28 PWTC Banquet



SIDE PANELS



Artwork created by Joe Velazquez. Artwork discovery and integration (event jersey) by Ron Ing and Benn Schonman.

2018 Charitable Contributions

NWBSC	\$5000
CCC	\$1000
Kiwanas	\$100
FHCRH	\$1500
Bikes for Humanity PDX	\$1000
Our Savior Lutheran Church	\$1000
Bike Index	\$500

All Jerseys \$25!



Current blue and red jerseys:

Men's jerseys:

4 medium, 2 XL, 2 XXL

Women's jerseys:

9 large, 1 XL, 1 SM, 1 XSM, 10 MED

Pioneer 2017 Jerseys:

Men's jerseys:

4 L, 3 XL, 1 2XL

Women's jerseys:

1 S, 1 M, 1 2XL

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SMM 11/18

Black Friday ride

11-4 Sat Morning Social