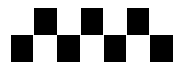


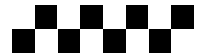


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Of the Portland Wheelmen Touring Club



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Top Talk

By Chip Kyle
President

The reason our club functions as well as it does is due to those who willingly volunteer their time and talents. We depend on these individuals and, in turn, the entire membership benefits. There are ride leaders who plan, organize and lead regular rides; others that coordinate our major events; still others that work / participate in those events; more volunteers that plan and organize our meetings, picnics and banquets and still others that serve on the board. The club could not function without these individuals, and the club would be a very different organization without them.

At the end of the year, a major transition will occur in the club leadership with several critical volunteer positions coming open. These are the board positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Member at Large. If you think of an individual who would be a good candidate for any of these positions, pass their name forward to any current board member. Also, please give some thought to expanding your role in the club - it's never too late to step up. Elections for new officers is just two short months away and we publish a slate of candidates in the next newsletter. We hope you will volunteer.

On a completely different note, we, as a club, like to keep track of our accumulated riding miles for the year. We have a handful of club members who regularly make it into 5 figures - typically in the 10 to 12k range. These are impressive numbers, but as in many things in life, it's all relative.

October Presenter:

Doug Decker

**Update on the
planned Salm-
onberry Trail
from Banks to
Tillamook**



**Pizza will be provided
at the October club
meeting!**



Club Meeting

Date: Thursday, October 5, 2017

Time: 7:00 PM

**All Saints Episcopal
Church**

**4033 SE Woodstock Blvd
Portland OR 97202**

Board Meeting

Date: Monday, October 23, 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

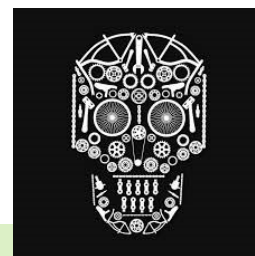
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Last year I told you about Kurt Searvogel who broke the record for the Highest Annual Mileage Record that had stood for 77 years. Well, his record only lasted only one year! And, it was broken by more than 10,000 miles! The new record holder is a young (24 year old) woman from Florida, Amanda Coker. She began accumulating miles in May, 2016, and completed her annual total on May 14, 2017. Her total miles for the year: 86,573 !! If you do the math, that's an average of 237 miles per day! The record is all the more impressive when you know that Amanda was hit by a car in 2011 and suffered a traumatic brain injury. After a lengthy recovery, she got back into cycling by riding cross-country in 2015. She happened to meet Searvogel following that ride and was inspired by his accomplishment. It seems, however, that was not enough of a goal. With 86k miles in the bag, she decided to go for another record: the fewest number of days to ride 100,000 miles. She did that as well and set a new world record of 423 days. Imagine what her life is

Ride Safely!

Chip Kyle



September's club meeting had Street Trust (formerly BTA) to talk about their name change & expanded mission



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Newsletter

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

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Quick Releases 2017

"PWTC Goes Moose'n"

aka Bud's 2017 PWTC Idaho Trip

Part 1

by Brian Hammer

Yet another PWTC invasion of the peaceful Idaho pan-handle communities of Wallace and Harrison Idaho unfurled this past August 27th - 31st. Record high temperatures with haze lingered in the air for most of us as we navigated our way from points far to the south and west. Upon pulling into the Wallace Inn property, we were greeted by their marquee exclaiming "Welcome Bud, Portland Wheelmen..., Enjoy Wallace". Yep, we rule this town!!! Well, at least for a night or two anyway.

A smiling Bud Rice met us at the front desk and gave us the latest updates re bicycle storage, in town (Wallace & Harrison) food options, orientation meeting start time, suggested roll out times and the like. Yep, the man does his homework!

With bikes stashed, gear organized and room card keys deemed functional, we headed off to the City Limits Brewery to fill our bellies and boots after the long day's drive. Insert shameless plug here for their "Spicy (vast amounts of Jalapeno & garlic) Veggies, Chicken & Rice". Bellies and Boots well beyond satisfied, we waddled off down the path in the evenings Alpenglow only to incur a bit of an encounter..., mother Moose and her calf were out for an evenings stroll and headed straight for us. The thrill of the encounter quickly gave way to defcon mode as we observed the calf was severely limping on an injured right front leg. It's dangerous enough to be in the presence of a mother Moose with calf, it's another thing all together when the young'n is injured. Slow but steadily we retreated till we could cross over the river and onto the paved streets of inner Wallace. We reemerged in a few blocks at rivers edge and were able to take a few images prior to Mom and calf struggling to retreat back up the nearby slope. We arrived back at the Inn and notified the front desk personnel who in turn called Fish and Wildlife. We inquired the following morning as well as of the last day of our stay with the front desk staff re Mom and Calf but no further sightings by civilians, nor reports from Fish and Wildlife management had been received.

Mend up quickly and thoroughly young'n..., stick close to Mom..., k?



PWTC Spotlight on Safety

By Bill Hamilton

The Spotlight on Safety is on vacation this month. It will be back in November.

Fun PWTC Volunteer Opportunities 2018

What are we? We are a club who enjoys riding our bicycles and fundraising to support our local community efforts. Have you thought about volunteering? Talent comes from all of you. Everyone has something to contribute. We have elections coming up and if you haven't volunteered to be a Board Member, now is the time to step up. It's a fun way to participate in your club. It's important to remember **PWTC** is a Bicycle Club!!! It's *not* a Fortune 500 Club! No need to reinvent the wheel. Have fun and supporting your club by stepping up today and volunteering. Reach out to anyone on the Board for more information!

Kathleen Hellem

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 some time 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.





09/09 Thursday Westside riders in front of a triceratops in Forest Grove



Jeremy and his son riding tandem on 09/04 Shute Park to Banks ride



09/16 Lacamas Loop ride. Arun's last ride with us. Best of luck to you Arun in PA! We will miss you!



Domonique found some bike art in Arizona



"PWTC Goes Moose'n"

aka Bud's 2017 PWTC Idaho Trip

part 2

by Brian Hammer

An endearing component of these annual "Bud Trips" is the group dynamics and resulting camaraderie which surfaces with the passage of the day's miles spent on two wheels. Stories of successes, failures, happiness, worries, trepidations all end up being shared over a beer (or two) and a dizzying array of appetizers around Buds campfire or, in the case of the Idaho trip..., "Bud's table". Even as Bud nursed his injured shoulder and ribs from a recent crash, "his" table overflowed with the all the delights one could possibly envision. Multiple ice chests were relentlessly iced and re iced as their contents brought smiles and more to our parched and weary group. As twilight gave way to evening and the inevitable chatter amongst the group grew, the echoes of numerous and much deserved expressions of "thank you Bud" hung in the warm summer evenings air.

Still another element of the Idaho trip(s) specifically is the opportunity to observe (sometimes up close) critters which occupy the waterways and forest of this little corner of paradise. Butterflies, Dragonflies Egrets, Blue Heron, Ducks, River Otters, Racer snakes, Grouse, Bear, Deer and Moose all claim this area as "home". Historically, Moose seem to have been the shyest of all when the Wheelmen come to town. This year, one of the Bulls apparently didn't get the memo that PWTC was rolling thru as we spun our way back to Wallace. Just off to the side of bike trail, there he stood..., alarmingly large, dark in color, blending in with the shadows created by the canopy of cottonwoods and surrounding alder..., quietly, enjoying the buffet of greens which partially enveloped him. The bike trail quickly became impassable with bikes laid on their side, panniers, day packs etc strewn from side to side as a mad scramble for smartphone(s) or cameras ensued, the PWTC Paparazzi were on it!

With data plans and memory cards subsequently obliterated, our Moose happy group packed up, remounted and continued spinning our way north towards a well earned lunch at the Snake Pit BBQ. With temperatures outside rivaling those over the spit, copious amounts of BBQ brisket, Tri-tip, chicken and slaw arrived at our tables. Hungry cyclist being what we are, culinary carnage happily ensued....

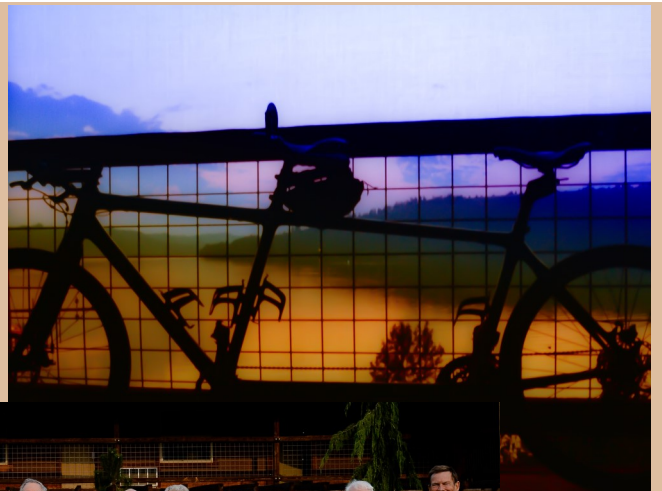
Ultimately, we all made it safely back to Wallace albeit somewhat singed around the edges. Many of us made a beeline for the Inn's indoor pool. Others (yours truly included) headed directly to their rooms to enjoy some air conditioning, ice baths and the like. Our appreciation and thanks to Bud and Arden for handling *ALL* of the logistics, reconnaissance and in general, taking such darn good care of all the participants.

Special thanks to Linda Hammer, Jan Oestereich and Steve Price for their permission to share they're images. All of which can be seen [here](#) and [here](#).





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Special Thanks to PWTC Quick Release Editor!

Kimberly Morehead is our clubs Quick Release Editor. In addition to that volunteer position, Kimberly currently serves on our Board as Member @ Large, and she is one of our Facebook Admins. She wears a couple of different hats for our club as a great many of us do. Kimberly's commitment to excellence shows in all she does for the club. The QR is just one ex-



ample of her amazing work! If you have pictures or articles, please submit them. Everyone can contribute to the QR! If she has room, she will publish your article. Be mindful about length of content (don't send a book), and sent your favorite pictures. What it takes to put together the monthly QR can be a daunting process for our Club QR Editor, if she doesn't have any material or pictures. That's where you come in!!!

Special THANK YOU, Kimberly! You're a selfless hard-working volunteer and I can't think of a time when our club has summoned your assistance on a project or volunteer effort, that you haven't stepped up to assist! Next time you run into Kimberly, take a minute to THANK her for all she does to keep her cog in the wheel of PWTC, spinning! We are so lucky to have your ongoing talent and commitment to our bicycle club, Kimberly.

Respectfully,

Kathleen Hellem

Editor's note: The picture of me is when I volunteered for my employer at the Portland Classic handing out water bottles from the bike truck. Wish I could've rode it around a bit.

Welcome New Members

Luke Belbina
Steven Bruckner
Mark Lander
Paula Lane
William Lane
Jeff Willensky

SHOW OUR STRENGTH

Respectfully submitted by
Ann Morrow

Leave it to one of our always thinking club members, Bud Rice, to remind us of our strength as a club. As individuals we generally carry little influence or weight in the community. Sure, one person can tenaciously accomplish much. But in a group, such as a bike club, we can generate more influence.

As you pursue your interest in cycling and join other local organizations, please note on your registration your affiliation with PWTC. For example, you may join The Street Trust, formerly known as The Bicycle Transportation Alliance. As an individual you may be appreciated but pointing out to them that you are part of PWTC carries more weight, shows PWTC's might and gives credence to our potential influence as a viable cycling organization here in the community.

Let me reiterate, this was not my brilliant observation. Bud Rice, even through the pain and agony of his recent shoulder injury, conjured this up and shared it with me. I'm sharing it with you!



Steens Loaded Tour



Corey got a little more than he bargained for...a screw found its way in his tire



09/08 Friday Morning Quickie

Picnic in Champoege Park after the 9/16 French Prairie Loop ride.



09/13 Wed Morning Explorer



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