

PORTLAND BICYCLING CLUB

Notes

Zoom Meeting

June 16, 2020

Respectfully submitted by
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This was not an official meeting but was organized by President Pat McManus to discuss resuming official club rides. Board Members Present (remotely): President, Pat McManus; Vice President, Doug Myers; Recording Secretary, Ann Morrow; Membership Secretary, Cindy Bernert-Coppola; Treasurer, Corey Eng; Road Captains, Rob Schroeder and Darin Swanson; Members-at-Large, Alan Mevis, and Stephen Bache.

The discussion began by laying out some basics: riders should not be sick and should be symptom free for 14 days. The liability waiver should include language regarding Covid-19. It could be a year or so before there is a vaccine and many members are vulnerable/high risk.

Those present shared their current riding habits and problems they have encountered out on the road such as busy multi-use paths, social distancing that “breaks down,” the mask/buff dilemma and the benefits or lack thereof.

1. Sign in sheets: Of major concern is riders congregating close to one another, handling the same pen, paper, clip board, maps, etc. PBC Members, in the act of joining or renewing, agree to the information in the waiver and are thereby protected. So if they don't sign anything it's not an issue. This would support limiting rides, initially at least, to members only. However, sign in sheets serve other purposes such as compiling mileage and providing emergency contacts. During the pandemic it would be a valuable tool in contact tracing as well. Doug had provided a form of electronic sign in and that will be developed further. For those without internet access a traditional sign-in sheet will be available with the ride leader doing the writing.
2. The ride: Rides initially will be non-group. Maps will be provided on line with the expectation that ride participants will print out their own to improve social distancing at the ride start. Masks will be recommended for circumstances of fewer than 6 feet of social distancing. Multi use paths will be used sparingly. Following a safety talk, riders will be encouraged to depart as they are ready rather than wait for a mass start.
3. Rest Stops/Restrooms: Ride Leader might have some suggestions but it will most likely be fend for yourself.
4. Larger Groups: Rides drawing 25 or more riders will instigate rolling starts to create distance.
5. Safety Talk: The usual safety issues should be discussed now adding in spacing recommendations such as 20 feet distance while in motion; 6 feet at stops, use of masks

when unable to maintain the 6 feet of social distancing. No coughing, spitting, or expelling of mucus from the nose.

6. Mileage: Club rides will continue to accrue club mileage.
7. Restart of Club Rides: NO RESTART in Phase 1. Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas counties are a regional unit. Upon entry into Phase 2, club rides, as described in #2 above, may resume. It was acknowledged that some ride leaders will not want to resume leading under these conditions. Clark County will need to enter Phase 3 in order to allow club rides to venture there.