



MONTHLY MEANDERS

BOARD BANTER

Let the fun begin!

Here's hoping your bike, and your legs, are all tuned up and ready to go. The 2016 Wheeling Wheelmen Ride season is just around the corner. The season starts with the St. Pat's pre-ride on Saturday, March 19 and continues through the Chili ride on Sunday, October 30. And there is something for everyone – long rides, short rides, familiar rides, rides on new roads, close-in rides and rides in the “boonies.”

Of course, none of these rides can take place without a ride host, and I appreciate the response from members willing to host one or more rides. And, there are still a number of opportunities to host this season. Check the schedule and let me know your choices. If you haven't hosted before, the process is simple. I'll email the cue sheets 2 to 4 weeks ahead of the ride. Make copies and show up at the ride. That's about it. Oh, and remember to send the

signup sheet to Emily. Need to count those club miles!

Here are some updates on the schedule for 2016.

Sunday Short Ride

You have probably seen



Bridge closed at Cuba/Merry Oaks Road

the construction at Long Grove Commons, where we start our Sunday rides. The area where we normally park is filled with a new building and lots of construction equipment, but there is still plenty of room for parking at the center. The best place for us appears to be the area around the bank building. There are over 40 spaces available in the parking circle, which should be enough for even our busiest Sundays. The only

caution I would offer is to leave space around Smokin' T's for their customers.

Wednesday Trail Ride No-Drop Road Ride

The Wednesday Trail Ride is now the No-Drop Road Ride, with mileage ranging

between 30 and 40 miles. Dennis Ellertson will lead the ride from a new starting point, Woodland Trails Park in Mount Prospect. The park is on the north side of Euclid Avenue, 1 ¼ miles East of Route 83

(Elmhurst Road at that point) and ¼ mile west of Wolf Road. We all need a recovery ride now and then, and this is looking like a good opportunity.

Invitationals

The Horsey Hundred and Amish Days rides have been dropped from the schedule, with the intent of keeping invitationals rides within a distance that allows for a one-day activity. The Arlington 500,

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We can always use information for the newsletter. I'd love to hear from you. E-mail your ride notes, stories or articles for the newsletter to me by the 10th of the preceding month
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(Please include your name and phone number in case I have any questions)



Don't miss an issue of Monthly Meanders!! Contact Mitch Rosset with your new address or e-mail address at rrkite99@aol.com

2016 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

If you have not renewed this is your last newsletter.

Please renew on line or use the membership application on the website. Membership Renewal is now available using either your PayPal account, or by using the following Credit Cards:



Visit our website wheelmen.com to sign up

If you have any questions contact Mitch Rosset at rrkite99@aol.com

MARCH CLUB MEETING

The club meeting will be on Thursday, March 3, 7:00 p.m. at **Sullivan School**, 700 Schoenbeck Road, Prospect Heights, meet in the library. **Sullivan is the first building you see when you turn in off Schoenbeck Road.**

We will discuss the St Patrick's Day ride and recruit volunteers.

Meeting program: In June of 2015, 26 cyclists from the Wheeling Wheelmen, Arlington Hts. Bicycle Club, and friends enjoyed a scenic bike and barge trip in Belgium and the Netherlands. Come see and hear about their adventures and find out whether this type of bicycle touring might be for you. Presentation by Paula Matzek and friends.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Luca	Zaramella	Lake Forest
Tom	Lawler	Wheeling
Richard	Marisie	Inverness
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Minori	Watanabe	Vernon Hills
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Debra	Sellers	Wheeling
Jana L	Laughlin	Palatine
Aidan	Andreas	Palatine

WEEKLY RIDES

Day	Time	Ride	Miles	Start/Directions	Ride Host
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday Through 3/17	10:00 am	Show N Go Rides	25 +	Willow Stream Park - On Old Checker Rd. a few tenths of a mile west of the bakery. Turn west on old Checker Rd. to parking on the right	n/a
Tuesday & Thursday starting 3/22	10:00 am	Deerfield Bakery Rides	25-45	Willow Stream Park See above	Kilian Emanuel 847-296-7874

Be sure to be on the Yahoo group and/or Facebook for last minute changes



Dear Fellow Wheelmen,

Once again, we are all looking forward to Spring, good riding weather and the St. Patrick's Day Ride.

The ride this year is on Sunday, March 20, starting from Wauconda High School. We need your help again to host this spectacular early season ride. A special thanks goes to the club members who have already volunteered. We need additional help in all volunteer areas: road marking (day before), registration, parking, cookies, and serving food. There are 2 shifts, 7:00 – 9:30 am and 9:30 – 12.

Returning by popular demand, Acoustic Soul Generation is a wonderful band that plays all over the Chicago area. They played for us at last year's St. Patrick's Ride and also at the Harmon Hundred. They have graciously offered their talents for our special event, so don't miss it! P.S. Bring your dancing shoes.

This year, we are joining forces with 'Working Bikes' to collect bike related items to donate to a good cause. The information for donations will be listed on the advertising

in the brochures and posters. The ride event is a great and easy opportunity for attending riders to bring donated used/new clothing, equipment and used bikes to help those in need. You are encouraged to look through your closets as well.

"Working Bikes is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit that has redistributed more than 50,000 bicycles to humanitarian aid organizations throughout Latin America and Africa. Locally, Working Bikes partners with homeless transition, refugee resettlement, and youth empowerment programs to put refurbished bicycles to good use in Chicago. Bicycles are life-changing tools that enable people in underserved communities to gain access to education, jobs, and healthcare that might otherwise be inaccessible.

We are passing out hundreds of pamphlets and large posters advertising the ride. Contact me if you can help with the distribution in your area. So come out and join the fun and see your cycling friends on Sunday, March 20. Call 312-969-1010 or email annaswiet@yahoo.com to secure your favorite volunteer spot.

We look forward to seeing everyone,

Dennis Ellertson, George and Anna Swietczak

Zion Fatty Spring Fling

Come out Sunday, March 13th @ 12pm for a fun fat tire ride along the Illinois Beach State Park trails and beaches. Ride starts from Zion Cyclery parking lot @ 2750 Sheridan Rd, Zion and we'll have approx. an 8 and 20 mile ride option.

What, you don't have a fat tire bike? Zion Cyclery rents them so call today at 847-746-2200 to reserve your bike. See what all the buzz is about. Once you go Fat, you never go back.

Contact Mitch Rosset with questions RRKITE99@aol.com

March Ride Schedule	All Riders Should:	*wear a helmet *bring water *bring a pump	*have a bike in good condition *bring a spare tube and patch kit *arrive early... 15-30 minutes	*bring an ID card *carry a cell phone *bring money for lunch/snacks	
Sat. 3/19	10:00	St. Patrick's Day Pre-Ride	Wauconda H. S.	North on US 12 exit 176 and turn right (east). Left on Main St. School is on your left.	16/20/36 Dennis Ellertson 847-255-9323
Sun. 3/20	8:00–10:30	St. Patrick's Day Ride	Wauconda H. S.	See above Everyone Works	Dennis Ellertson 847-255-9323
Sat. 3/26	10:00	Lou's Commute	Lakewood Forest Preserve	West on IL 176, south on Fairfield to parking lot on left, east side of Fairfield	41 Bob Dominski 847-708-3441
Sunday 3/27	10:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	RT. 22 & Old McHenry Roads Park in lot north of the PNC Bank	31-55 Larry Frank 847-832-0630

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PREPARING YOUR BICYCLE FOR SPRING RIDING

The time is here to get your bike ready for a new year! Before heading out on this year's maiden voyage please make sure your bike is safe and ready for miles of riding fun and adventure.

FRAME: While cleaning (a clean bike is faster!) check for cracks, dents and paint chips. If you find any cracks or dents, take your bike to an experienced mechanic to get checked. Small and shallow paint chips can be fixed with touch-up paint or finger-nail polish. Have deep chips checked by a mechanic.

WHEELS AND TIRES: Inflate tires to proper pressure, inspect for cuts and/or cracks, then replace if needed. Check wheels for trueness (straight) and for loose spokes. Make sure hubs are smooth spinning without any side

to side play.

BRAKES: Inspect pads (shoes) for wear or imbedded debris. Check and lube cables for smooth operation. Make sure pads hit rims and not tires or spokes.

DRIVE TRAIN: Clean and lube chain, front and rear derailleurs, gears and cables. Check chain and gears for excessive wear and damaged links of chain or gear teeth. Run through rears, adjust derailleurs and cable tension if needed. Make sure bottom bracket is tight and smooth.

CONTACT POINTS: Check seatpost and saddle, make sure nothing is loose. Check handlebars and stem as well as brake and shift levers - make sure everything is tight and the handlebars spin freely.

PEDALS AND SHOES: Make sure

pedals spin freely. If using "clipless" pedals with shoes, make sure cleats are tight and not worn.

NUTS AND BOLTS: Check over bike and make sure nothing is loose - water bottle cage bolts, computer mounts, racks and lights.

TOOLS AND SPARES: Make sure your spare tube is good (not a punctured tube from last year), pump or CO2 device is in good working order, tire levers and wrenches ready to go.

With all this done, grab your helmet and go for a ride!

On the other hand, if you are more comfortable with having the bike pro tune up your bike get it in soon.

Edited article from: hoigaards.com/about/preparing-your-bicycle-for-spring-riding-pg490.htm

2016 RIDE SCHEDULE

Day	Time	Ride Name	Start	Miles	Ride Host
APRIL					
Sat 4/2	9:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Brian Hale
Sun 4/3	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Eva Waycie
Sat 4/9	9:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Don Sortor & Tara Riley
Sun 4/10	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Luis Magana
Sat 4/16	9:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Tony Vercillo
Sun 4/17	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Larry Frank
Sat 4/23	9:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Guy Ockerlund
	9:00	Walworth Flats	McHenry Co. College	58	Dave Waycie
Sun 4/24	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Emily Qualich
Sat 4/30	9:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Don Sortor & Tara Riley
MAY					
Sun 5/1	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Reinhilde Geis
Sat 5/7	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Tony Vercillo
	9:00	Antioch Classic	Antioch Middle School	58/80	Todd Berlin
Sun 5/8	9:00	Sunday Short Ride (Mother's Day)	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Larry Frank
Sat 5/14	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Betsy Burtelow
	9:00	Twice Baked Bakery Ride	Willow Stream Park	40/80	Brian Hale
Sun 5/15	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Johannes Smits
Sat 5/21	8:00	Honey Do/Extended Do	Douglas F.P.	30-72	Cindy Kessler
Sun 5/22	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Reinhilde Geis
		Arlington 500 (Arlington Bicycle Club)	Barrington H.S.	31/44/ 55/69	Invitational
Sat 5/28	8:00	Honey Do/Extended Do	Douglas F.P.	30-72	Joe Beemster
Sun 5/29	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Louis Greene
Mon 5/30	9:00	Mitch's Muse (Memorial Day)	Jerseys Grill	38/46	Ride Host Needed
JUNE					
Sat 6/4	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Tony Vercillo
	8:30	Root Beer Social	McHenry Co. College	58/82	Emily Qualich
Sun 6/5	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Patty & Brian Blome
		Udder Century (McHenry Co. Bike Club)	Union, IL	32/50/62/ 75/100	Invitational
Sat 6/11	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Don Sortor & Tara Riley
	8:00	Binnie Woods Ride - Long	Binnie Woods F.P.	108	Ride Host Needed
	8:30	Binnie Woods Ride - Short		67	Ride Host Needed
Sun 6/12	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Tony Vercillo
		BCLC Ramble (Bike Club of Lake County)	Wilmot, WI	30/50/75/ 100/124	Invitational

JUNE					
Sat 6/18	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Laura Randazzo
	8:30	Boone County Ride	Evergreen School (Union)	65	Eva Waycie
Sun 6/19	9:00	Sunday Short Ride (Father's Day)	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Brian Hale
Sat 6/25	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Ella Shields
	8:30	City of O's	LaGrange General Store	50/88	Erich Massat
Sun 6/26	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Patty & Brian Blome
JULY					
Sat 7/2	8:00	Honey Do/Extended Do	Douglas F.P.	30-72	Joe Beemster
Sun 7/3	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Jim Boyer
Mon 7/4	9:00	Hills and Horses (Independence Day)	Community Park	39	Ride Host Needed
Sat 7/9	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Pam Burke
	8:00	Retro Harmon	Wauconda H.S.	30/60/100	Paul LeFevre
Sun 7/10	9:00	WW Annual Picnic & Ride	Heron Creek F.P.	31-55	Killian Emanuel
Sat 7/16	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Ellen Heineman
	8:30	Bastille Day Ride	Paris, WI	59/74/95	Dave Waycie
Sun 7/17	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Louis Greene
	8:30	Fontana Ride	McHenry Co. College	71	Cindy Kessler
Sat 7/23	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Johannes Smits
	8:30	Richmond Antioch Blend	Antioch Middle School	83	Ride Host Needed
Sun 7/24	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Vince Kelley
	8:30	Darwin Ride	Long Grove Commons	70	Jim Flechsig
Sat 7/30	8:00	Honey Do/Extended Do	Douglas F.P.	30-72	Pam Burke
Sun 7/31	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Joe Beemster
	8:00	Geneva Century	Long Grove Commons	100	Emily Qualich
	10:00	Geneva Lite	Veterans Mem Pk, McHenry	50	Todd Berlin
AUGUST					
Sat 8/6	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Betsy Burtelow
	8:30	Another Day/Another Way	Evergreen School, Union	70/100	Ride Host Needed
Sun 8/7	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Brian Hale
	8:00	Paul's Northeast IL Century	Euclid School	100	Paul LeFevre
Sat 8/13	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Ride Host Needed
	8:30	TINFU	Evergreen School, Union	50/75/100	Ride Host Needed
Sun 8/14	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Patty & Brian Blome
	8:00	Kenosha Bound - Long	Long Grove Commons	87	Emily Qualich
	9:00	Kenosha Bound - Medium	Old School F.P.	61	Vince Kelley
	9:00	Kenosha Bound - Short	Walworth, IL	37	Carl Droege
Sat 8/20	8:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Laura Randazzo
	8/8:30	Waterford Factory Ride	Waterford, WI	27/41/68	Kevin Moore
Sun 8/21	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Ride Host Needed
Sat 8/27	8:00	Honey Do/Extended Do	Douglas F.P.	30-72	Jim Flechsig

AUGUST					
Sun 8/28	7-9AM	Club Member Harmon Pre-Ride	Wilmot H.S.	25/50/ 75/100	Erich Massat
SEPTEMBER					
Sat 9/3	8:00	Honey Do/Extended Do/ Double Metric Century	Douglas F.P.	30-124	Ride Host Needed
Sun 9/4	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Reinhilde Geis
Mon 9/5	9:00	Loops of Lakewood (Labor Day)	Lakewood F.P.	28/34/ 40/69	Dave Waycie
Sat 9/10	9:00	Honey Do/Extended Do	Douglas F.P.	30-72	Ride Host Needed
Sun 9/11		Harmon Hundred	Wilmot H.S.		Everyone Works!
Sat 9/17	9:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Brian Hale
	9:00	Fontana Ride	McHenry Co. College	71	Ride Host Needed
Sun 9/18	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Tony Vercillo
	9:00	Triple Deepass	Evergreen School, Union	66	Dave Waycie
Sat 9/24	9:00	Honey Do	Douglas F.P.	30-58	Ella Shields
	9:00	Vern's PITA	Cuba Marsh	39/61	Earle Horwitz
Sun 9/25	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Eva Waycie
OCTOBER					
Sat 10/1	9:00	Honey Do/Extended Do	Douglas F.P.	30-72	Tony Vercillo
	8/8:30	Waterford Factory Ride	Waterford, WI	27/41/68	Kevin Moore
Sun 10/2	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Reinhilde Geis
Sat 10/8	9:00	Honey Do/Extended Do	Douglas F.P.	30-72	Joe Beemster
Sun 10/9	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Jorn Lim
Sat 10/15	9:00	Honey Do/Extended Do	Douglas F.P.	30-72	Ride Host Needed
Sun 10/16	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Ride Host Needed
Sat 10/22	9:00	Honey Do/Extended Do	Douglas F.P.	30-72	Ride Host Needed
Sun 10/23	9:00	Sunday Short Ride	Long Grove Commons	31-55	Ride Host Needed
Sat 10/29	9:00	Honey Do/Extended Do	Douglas F.P.	30-72	Ride Host Needed
Sun 10/30	10:00	Chili Ride	David Newman's House	30/39	David Newman

2016 RIDE SCHEDULE INFO

Saturday Honey-Do Rides start from the Paul Douglas Forest Preserve on
 April 2 at 9:00 am.
 May 7 at 8:00 am
 September 3 at 9:00 am

Wednesday, No-Drop Road rides will start April 6 at 9:30 am from Woodland Trail Park

Weeknight rides

Tuesday, 6:00 pm. Working Stiff's Ride, starts April 12

Wednesday, 5:30 pm., Hill and Dale Ride, starts April 13

Thursday, 6:00 pm., Thursday Night Ride, starts April 14

Be sure to check the web site for most up to date schedule and directions

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Udder Century, and BCLC Ramble are on the schedule, and we encourage you to participate – not just because the rides are fun, but to support our fellow bike clubs. There are several other invitationals in the area, and we may add a few more next year. Let me know if you have a particular favorite.

Thursday Bakery Ride – Tempo-

rary Rerouting

Cuba Road/Merry Oaks Road is closed for bridge reconstruction through the month of May. The bridge (or the place the bridge used to be) is just west of the intersection of Cuba and Buckley Roads. So the ride has been re-routed to avoid the construction. Mileage is the same, and we can still make the optional rest stop at Cuba Township.

Finally, I'd like to thank Sheri Rosen-

baum for her service as VP/Ride Chair. Sheri left things in great shape, so it has been easy to pick up the baton, but hers will be a really tough act to follow. I can only hope...

I'm looking forward to a great 2016. See you all on the road.

Dave Waycie
VP/Ride Chair

WHEELING WHEELMEN BOARD MINUTES

Date: Jan 17, 2016 at 5 pm; Pat's house.

Attendees: Pam Kaloustian, Ella Shields, Anna Swietczak, Joe Beemster, Mitch Rosset, Johannes Smits, Dave Waycie and Pat Blome

Agenda included the following topics:

- St Pats Day ride
- Review 2015 budget, discuss 2016 expenses and charity donations
- Pay Pal
- Membership report
- Sponsorship
- Harmon Hundred

St Pat's Day Ride Update (Anna):

- Anna willing to take up a donation for used/working bikes. They are looking for bike parts, clothing, full bikes, accessories in any condition.
- The band is coming back to play again.
- Dave Waycie volunteered to check out the route to ensure accuracy, street signs, detours and construction.
- Village Cycle agreed to do the bike repairs that day on route
- Biggest need is a large vehicle to take supplies from the storage locker to the ride at the HS on Sunday. Joe Beemster volunteered, Dave W is backup
- The insurance document has been sent to Johannes/Anna for her to compile

with other documents needed for the ride

- Tom Wilson did the posters to hang in the windows, he did a new design which looks fabulous.
- Dennis to take the pamphlets to different bike stores along with other Board members
- Pam to give list of the advertising
- Volunteers are needed for the ride, another 30 people required. Mitch is doing the markings.
- Ella to bring coffee maker from work, the three we have not adequate.
- Al Gibbs will be the lead for the St Pats day ride in 2017, Dennis will continue as co-lead.
- Dennis will host the pre-ride

Treasurers Report – Johannes

- 30 people registered online using Pay Pal, works well
- Overall the club made less money on the HH than in the past so to reduce expenses (i.e. banquet), monetary awards will be eliminated. Combine Banquet with Holiday Party
- Charitable donations are: LAB \$1000 (Pd. Dec.) LIB \$1000, Bike Fed WI \$300, Active Trans \$1000, Working Bikes \$150, Toys for Tots (Dec.) \$300

Ride Chair Report – Dave W

- Ride schedule is complete, similar to last year.

- Dropped Amish Days and Horsey 100 rides. Invitationals for miles should be local rides
- Hosts are plentiful, club members continue to volunteer to host
- Wednesdays am ride will be a 'no drop' ride and changed location. Sunday short ride parking may change due to construction.

Pam - Promotion

Everything for advertising pretty much the same, everything updated and we are in good shape.

Mitch- Membership

- Club has about 70 riders signed up for 2016.
- Most people will sign up after St Pat's ride.

Harmon Hundred

- Roland has resigned form ride chair, we thank him for his tremendous contribution in the preceding year. He left Joe with an incredible amount of information for the next chair.
- Board needs to recruit a new chair for this event
- Brochures are already printed, rest stops, Wilmot H.S reserved.
- Reuse shirts for 'Volunteers' for the HH

Next board meeting will be on February 21 at Dave W house.

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The **Wheeling Wheelmen Bicycle Club** has an active Yahoo Group available on the Internet. The group works like a bulletin board and allows us to exchange email with other club members without having to know everyone's individual email address. You must subscribe to the group before you can send a message. Follow the instructions required by Yahoo to complete your registration.

NOTE: Due to spam and email address hijacking concerns, subscription to the Yahoo Group is limited to current members of the Wheeling Wheelmen Bicycle Club only. If you have questions about club membership, rides or events, please send an email to: wheeling@wheelmen.com

To Subscribe send an email message to:
**wheelingwheelmen-
subscribe@yahoogroups.com**

To Unsubscribe send an email message to:
**wheelingwheelmen-
unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com**

To post a message send your message in an email to:
wheelingwheelmen@yahoogroups.com

The group name is: **wheelingwheelmen** and is available at: pgroups.yahoo.com-group-wheelingwheelmen

PROCEDURE PROCESS: IN QUESTIONABLE WEATHER SITUATIONS

If the ride host considers the weather forecast to be severe enough to cancel the ride, he-she should post a message on the Wheeling Wheelmen Yahoo Group

wheelingwheelmen@yahoogroups.com
These conditions can include very high chance of rain or snow, severe winds, or other unsafe conditions.

- If the ride host decides to cancel the ride, he-she should post a message to the Yahoo group no

later than 2 hours before the scheduled ride start time.

- Of course, the host may post the message earlier, like the night before, if there is really no question that the ride will be cancelled. Or, if the host wants to decide in the morning, he or she can post a notice to watch for an update in the morning. Generally, more communication is better than less.
- Riders are encouraged to use the Yahoo group, but if a rider cannot access the Yahoo group, the

host can be contacted at the phone number listed on the ride schedule.

Every member should consider subscribing to the Yahoo group especially if they are planning on doing rides starting in the outlying areas. Instructions for subscribing to our Yahoo Group are listed on page 7. We also encourage people to join the Wheeling Wheelmen Facebook page and ride information is posted there, too.



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We are on the web
wheelmen.com



SAVE THE DATES
 Club Meeting, - April 7
 St. Pat's Ride - March 20
 Picnic - July 10



March 27



CLUB DISCOUNTS

The following local shops offer a 10% discount on parts and accessories to all Wheeling Wheelmen with a valid membership card shown at time of purchase.

ALBERTO'S CYCLES
 661 Central, Highland Park
 847- 432-0015
albertoscycles.com

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