# **Chainwheel Chatter**

B.I.K.E.S. Club of Snohomish County

August 2021









# **Prez Sez**

### **August BIKES Club Activities**

We are in the middle of summer with mostly sunny days. Bike riding in our Pacific Northwest is great!

There will be a variety of BIKES Club rides scheduled through August on the <u>Calendar</u>. Some rides may be posted the day before scheduled activity. Rides can be cancelled or changed when weather conditions are forecast to be sufficiently foul as determined by the Ride Leaders and which forecasts they think may be accurate. Keep up with ride changes by subscribing to <u>Ride Updates</u>.

#### **Watch-Out for Autofill**

Most computers have a feature that is intended to be helpful but may have unintended consequences. Autofill is a feature where information entered into a form online is "remembered" and automatically filled in for you the next time the computer user starts to enter the same type of information. Make sure your information is correct when registering for a ride. Autofilled wrong names, e-mails and phone numbers are common problem areas.

#### **Attention Ride Leaders:**

New updates for Online Ride Registration & Maximum Group Sizes can be read <u>here</u>.

#### **Next BIKES Club Meeting**

BIKES Club has monthly club meetings for members on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month from September to May. No meetings in the summer or December.

The next BIKES Club meeting is set for 7 PM September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and *might* be in person if the COVID-19 situation allows and if a suitable meeting place is found. Otherwise, the meeting would be online using Zoom. BIKES Club members will be emailed the agenda and meeting location details.

Stay well and have a great ride!

Rick Proctor

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#### **BIKES Club Picnic**

The annual BIKE Club picnic is back in the plan for this year on Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup> at Hauge Homestead Park in south Everett next to Silver Lake. This 11 AM – 3 PM event will be a bring-your-own-lunch event. No alcohol allowed per Everett Parks rules. The restrooms at this park are open. Please register online so we will know how many plan to attend. Club rides before the lunch are expected. More details later.

**Register for the Picnic >>>** 



# Coming Up...

## **August Club rides**

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Rides Calendar >>>

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## News You Can Use...

### Reminders to BIKES Members

Changes in the COVID-19 requirements of Washington state has caused changes in our club. While the COVID-19 situation is improving as more and more people are vaccinated, there is still a large number of people across our communities who have not yet been vaccinated.

- The BIKES Club limit is now a maximum of 12 riders per group including the Ride Leader. Each ride description will specify the maximum number of riders for that ride.
- BIKES Club rides remain temporarily for BIKES Club members only.
- Rides on the website Calendar page will be visible for the public to see our activities and perhaps join.
- All rides require online registration as described in the ride posting on our website Calendar page.

We all need to continue our vigilance in maintaining good social distancing of 6 feet or more between each other with all activities until further notice. The primary social contact opportunities during a bike ride are check-in, traffic stops, and rest stops where social distancing of at least 6 feet is needed. Social distancing during a ride is easy when at least three (3) bike lengths of open space between bikes is maintained.

Online Reg - Tips for Ride Leaders >>>

Online Reg - Tips for Everyone >>>



### What We've Been Doing

**Rick Proctor** 

In mid-March 2020 all BIKES Club rides were cancelled, initially for a couple of weeks, due to COVID-19. The situation dragged on through April and May with no BIKES Club rides.

In June 2020 we started club rides again. To read more of what we've done click here.



## **Club meeting minutes**

Catch up here to read the most recent meeting minutes. Log on to the club website to access all meeting minutes.

**Meeting Minutes >>>** 



### **Rider Miles**

Here are the Top 10 Rider Miles riders for the year! To see where you are on the list click here.

Rick	Proctor	1929
Bill	Paul	1221
Dan	Scott	1171
Lou	Rivetti	1046
Brian	Elmore	1007
Cheryl	Funkhouser	933
Debbie	Kawamoto	891
Earl	Bardin	863
Bob	Nyberg	863
Steve	Linari	826

How many Club miles do you have?



# **Sharing Wheels Update**

People who stop by a local event can get their SnoCo Bike Bingo cards (and check off a few squares). The month-long bingo game offers encouragement and prizes for local bike trips and bike-related activities, such as visiting public art by bike, biking to a farmer's market, or tackling a big hill.

Learn more about local Bike Month activities on:

**Sharing Wheels Website >>>** 



bikesclub.org

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