

Chainwheel Chatter

B.I.K.E.S. Club of Snohomish County
November 2021



Prez Sez

November BIKES Club Activities

The days are shrinking and the nights are getting longer while the weather gets cooler making it a challenge to get out for a quality bike ride. The colors of fall and the crunch of leaves under bike tires add character to our rides when we do get out.

E-Bike Riders Read This: E-bike riders and Ride Leaders should read understand the **new** BIKES Club e-bike policy.

Stay well and have a great ride!

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Coming Up...

November Club rides

There are a variety of BIKES Club rides scheduled in November. Additional rides may be posted during the month and some the day before scheduled activity.

All rides are posted on the Calendar and you must register online. We no longer have paper sign-in sheets.

Keep up with ride adds and changes by subscribing to [Ride Updates](#).

Note: Rides can be cancelled or changed when weather conditions are forecast to be sufficiently foul. Check the ride updates and the calendar for possible changes

[Rides Calendar >>>](#)

UPDATE:Second Groups for Listed Ride

If a listed ride has filled a qualified ride leader can form a second ride group. NOTE: at the September club meeting it was decided that second ride groups must start a half hour before or after the original posted ride. This is in response to the Covid upsurge and to avoid the inevitable merging of groups that has occurred.

Note to Ride Leader and Riders

If you are having any trouble registering for a ride listed on the club calendar, contact the ride leader and/or contact me, Dan Scott, current rides coordinator at:

leadaride@bikesclub.org

In the late fall/early winter weather certainly impacts many rides. Be sure to check Ride Updates or contact the ride leader if you have any question as to whether a ride is a "Go" or not.

Ride leaders, try to make your 'go/no go' decision early enough for those who signed up to be informed. Then follow the directions for canceling;

Ride / Event Cancellation:

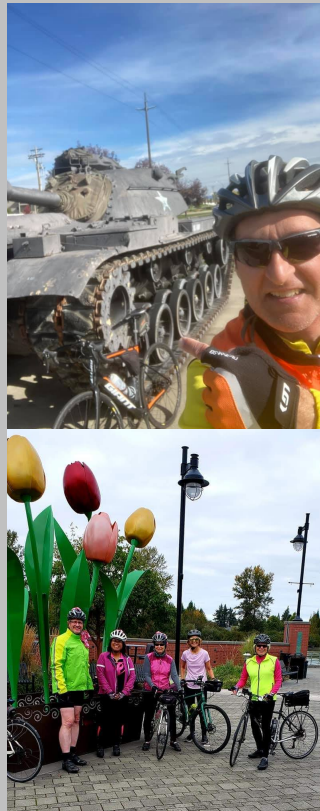
"If the ride / event is cancelled for everyone for whatever reason do not delete the ride / event. Instead:

1. Add the word "CANCELLED:" in front of the ride/event title through the Events List page. There is no need to cancel Registrants, who shall remain not checked-in.
2. Disable Registration near the top left of the page.
3. Send a cancellation e-mail to Registrants through the Events List page using the Basic and Simple options or use the Wild Apricot Admin app.."

Next BIKES Club Meeting

The next BIKES Club meeting is set for 7 PM November 11th, 2021 and will be online using Zoom due to the persistent COVID-19 situation. BIKES Club members will be e-mailed the agenda and meeting details.

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



News You Can Use...

Washington State is #1 for Biking

When we go out for a bike ride it is easy to see where infrastructure improvements are needed. In Washington state, we have lots of great route sections to ride bikes. We also have too many route sections in need of improvement. We should be happy for the great sections and glad there is a plan to do something about those other sections.

[Read More >>>](#)

Trainers & Training Systems

Looking to add a indoor training system to help you stay in shape during the long and sometimes wet winter. Our Vice Prez, Drew Ellison presented this helpful informational at our October club meeting.

[Read More>>>](#)

BIKES Finance Year end

BIKES tracks its Revenue and Expenses from October 1 to September 30. Our accounting year ended in good health. Membership numbers have stayed fairly constant and in spite of foregoing a McClinchy Mile event in both 2020 and 2021, our finances are in the black

[Read More>>>](#)

Crossword Puzzle fun

Check the answers to last month's fun puzzle. Didn't see it? Solve the puzzle first, then check your answers.

[Link to the Puzzle](#)

[Link to the Puzzle Answers](#)

Interested in becoming Ride Leader?

Are you interested in becoming a BIKES club ride leader? Lots of help is available. A good place to start is by reading the Ride leader guidelines section under the Members only part of the club website. Then contact Dan Scott.

[Follow the Link >>>](#)

Ride groups may now have 12 riders or less as determined by the Ride Leader. The number includes the Ride Leader. The ride posting and registration page should indicate the maximum number of riders for the ride

[Online Reg - Tips for Ride Leaders >>>](#)

[Online Reg - Tips for Everyone >>>](#)



Rider Miles

Top Rider Miles

Proctor	Rick	2631
Scott	Dan	1565
Rivetti	Lou	1552
Paul	Bill	1434
Baldwin	Paul	1405
Elmore	Brian	1303

[How many Club miles do you have?](#)



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 >>>](#)



Sharing Wheels Update

Sharing Wheels: Last sale of 2021 on Oct 30

With every deep cleaning we perform, more useable parts, half-built bikes and vintage goodies get uncovered at Sharing Wheels Community Bike Shop. We need to make room for more donations, so it's time for our final 2021 parking lot sale (we'll be inside the garage if the weather doesn't cooperate).

Join us from 12 noon-4 pm on Saturday, **October 30** for some terrific deals on everything to do with bicycles.

And be sure to check out the Classics section where our collection of pre-80s bikes and parts will be on display and priced to sell.

Sharing Wheels is located at 2531 Broadway Ave., Everett. Parking and entrance are at the back. The shop is open afternoons Wednesday through Saturday

Christmas House

Holiday Bike Program Help Fix a Kids Bike

Sharing Wheels Community Bike Shop needs your help to fix kids bikes for the holidays. Volunteers of all mechanical abilities are needed through early December to help fix kids bikes at Sharing Wheels. Bike repair "parties" are hosted most Tuesday and Thursday nights, with advanced registration required. You can fix some flats, clean off grime, adjust gears, remove broken parts - whatever suits your skills and interest. Masks are required in the shop, but not when enjoying the snacks provided in our garage

[Sharing Wheels Christmas House >>>](#)

[Sharing Wheels Website >>>](#)

Other Links

League of American Bicyclists

Click on the link below to read the League blog and catch up on League efforts around the country. BIKES is a member of the League of American Bicyclists and through the League we purchase our club insurance

[League of American Bicyclists>>>](#)

Adventure Cycling

Whether you like your adventures in the saddle or from the armchair, Adventure Cycling will inspire. You might also find reviews of new bikes and equipment and tips on how to enjoy or improve what you already have.

[Adventure Cycling >>>](#)



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