

Chainwheel Chatter

B.I.K.E.S. Club of Snohomish County
April 2022



Prez Sez

Spring has arrived with more daylight time to get out for a ride. Go for it!

Stay well and have a great ride!

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New Membership options: Beginning April 4, Monthly Individual Membership

BIKES Club rides are for BIKES Club members only. The traditional annual membership provides BIKES Club members with access to all club rides and events for a full year. **Beginning Monday, April 4th, 2022, a new One Month Individual membership option** provides an opportunity for non-members to join our BIKES Club for one month at a reduced price that will allow the **One Month Individual** member access to go on all rides for up to a month and get to know us. Key features are:

- **One Month Individual** membership is intended to be a temporary alternative to annual membership.
- No free one-time rides.
- The ability to register for a ride online is locked out when membership expires for all membership types.

Prices:

- Family - \$35/year
- Individual - \$25/year
- **One Month Individual** - \$10/month

Renewal:

- Family or Individual memberships may be renewed automatically or manually.
- **One Month Individual** memberships may be renewed manually online only as one-month or annual.
- The old fashioned paper "snail" mail renewal with a paper check is still available for annual family and individual membership renewals but is very slow and you may miss out on a ride you want to do.
- Renewal online is the fastest way to get it done.

For all membership types: Time to Renew

- One e-mail reminder to renew is sent 2 weeks before expiration.
- Registration for rides is locked out when membership expires.
- One lapsed membership notice is emailed 3 days after membership has expired.
- No more notices are sent.

- Membership may be renewed online quickly anytime.

[Membership Benefits>>>](#)





Coming Up...

April Club rides

There will be a variety of BIKES Club rides scheduled through April on the [Calendar](#). Some rides may be posted the day before the 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 [Ride Updates](#).

[Rides Calendar >>>](#)

Next BIKES Club Meeting

The next BIKES Club meeting is set for 7 PM April 14th, 2022, 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.

Walkin' Funny

Cyclists often have a walking gait that is different than non-cyclists when moving about off the bike. Those motion differences can be entertaining to watch, and for those with an understanding of why, the funny walking can tell us something about the person.

[Read More >>>](#)



News You Can Use...

McClinchy Mile News

McClinchy Registration Update

You can now [register for](#) McClinchy – and get your \$5 member discount – right from the club's website. You will only see the member price if you are logged in. Use the email at which you receive this newsletter to sign in and save!

The price goes up \$10 after April 15, so don't delay.

BIKES Club of Snohomish County hosted our first McClinchy Mile Bike Ride in Monroe in October 1982. We had 43 participants. We'd love to max out this year's event at 450 riders – club members included. Bring a friend!

Machias Marketing April 9

BIKES Club is paying Snohomish County \$25 to officially “advertise” McClinchy at the Machias Trailhead of the Centennial Trail on April 9. We'll be able to post flyers and signs, and perhaps some club volunteers will “hangout” and promote McClinchy to passersby for a few hours.

We want to do this on a sunny weekend, so the county will allow us to reschedule our “ad” date to April 16 if weather requires. Volunteers are needed – please register on the club Calendar.

You can definitely include your own “no-host” ride on the trail (and coffee in Snohomish or Lake Stevens?) as part of your volunteer shift (promoting McClinchy along the way).

Help Mark McClinchy Routes

McClinchy Mile “Paint” Rides are tentatively scheduled for April 10, 12, and 19. Some dates may be cancelled or not needed depending on weather. Riders will also help test our Ride with GPS maps and cue sheets. See the [Rides Calendar to signup](#).

McClinchy Event Volunteers

Training for all McClinchy Mile volunteers will take place during the club meeting at 7 p.m. April 14 via Zoom. If you are signed up to help – or want to find out what still needs doing – please plan to attend.

It takes a lot of people to host a safe, fun, and well-supported bike event. Thanks to everyone who has already volunteered to help. Members who volunteer can ride McClinchy for free before or after their shift.)

Ride Leader Corner:

Ride leaders - be sure to designate yourself as ride leader on the template after you register for your own ride. It's important because doing so provides an essential bit of information on the monthly reports that are kept for insurance purposes. These steps remind you of how to do it.

Designate the Ride Leader in the Event:

15.1. Select "Admin View" in the upper right corner of the web page.

15.2. Select the event in "Event List".

15.3. Click "Registrants and Invitees" tab.

15.4. Click on the Ride Leaders name.

15.5. Click "Edit".

15.6. Enter "Ride Leader" in the first line of the Internal Notes section.

15.7. Click "Save", then "Back" to the Registrants page.

[Online Registration Process for Ride Leaders](#)

COVID-19 persists

[Temporary Precautions for BIKES Club Ride During the COVID-19 Crisis.](#)

Online Ride Registration

All rides require online registration as described in the ride posting on our website Calendar page.

Max Group Sizes

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.

Have a safe and fun ride!

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[Online Reg - Step by Step>>>](#)

[Ride Leader Guidelines>>>](#)

[Online Registration Process for Ride Leaders >>>](#)



Rider Miles



Top riders for February

Proctor	Rick	496
Heydron	Paul	467
Tweedy	Christine	360
Linari	Steve	345
Elmore	Brian	335

[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

Sharing Wheels News

Update on the Move:

After months of reviewing the pros and cons of moving the current shop location to the front of the Broadway Mall building, the board of directors has decided to 'bloom in place' instead. To learn more about the decision, see Kristin's blog post "[Moving Ahead \(but not moving\)](#)"

Upcoming Events:

April 10 - **Fix A Flat** class followed by **Bike Repair Party**. Help clean or tune-up a bike for someone who needs transportation.. [RSVP on our Calendar](#).

April 20 - [Volunteer orientation](#) via Zoom

April 24 - McClinchy Mile mechanical support – volunteers needed

April 27 - **Bike Maintenance Class**. [Register online](#).

May 8 - **Fix a Flat class** at noon. **Bike Repair Party**. [Please RSVP on our Calendar](#).

May 15 - [Everett Farmers Market Booth](#)

May 20 - Bike Everywhere Day at Everett Station

[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 it is through the League that 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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