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NOVEMBER MEETING

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE MONTHLY MEETING TO BE HELD AT BLUE RIDGE BICYCLES ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH, STARTING AT **6:00PM**. We will order pizza and hold the meeting while pizza is being delivered. After the meeting, Kevin McNair will have a presentation of his recent bike/barge trip to Europe. Please let Ken Tenney know if you are planning on attending by Sunday, 05 Nov 2017. He can be reached by email at k_tenney at verizon.net or via telephone at 540 664 8435.

Please remember to bring your own lawn or camp chair, as this is a bike shop and seating is in short supply. Yes, we know it's election day, so please try to get to the polls early for your vote.

It is important to have everyone's input into club activities and events. Your help in planning activities for the club helps broaden our ride base, activities and membership. We will review the plans for the Banquet and other 2018 events. Hope you can make the meeting.

ANNUAL BANQUET

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH

ROCK HARBOR GOLF COURSE

Cost: \$22.00 per person

Social Hour: 6:00 to 7:00pm. Snacks will be served and an open cash bar will be available.

Dinner Hour: 7:00 to 8:pm. There will be a chicken or beef entree to choose from, green salad, sides and dessert.

Presentation of Awards: 8pm to 9pm. Election of new officers will happen at the beginning of the presentation.

Please notify Robert Golightly by phone, text or email, by November 30th, that you will be attending and how many in you party. For phone or text: 540 535 9986. For email [rgolightly at valleyproteins.com](mailto:rgolightly@valleyproteins.com) or [rgolightly22601 at gmail.com](mailto:rgolightly22601@gmail.com).

Please pay (cash or check only) at door and you may pay your annual dues at this time also. They are \$20.00 single or family. A membership form has been included in the newsletter or they will be available at the door.

This is not only the time to celebrate the year and coming year of cycling, but to celebrate the upcoming Holiday Season with your fellow cyclists and friends. This is always a great event and hope you can attend.

Highlights from the last club meeting

Treasurer's report where Jonathan Hanson reported the following:

Checking: \$1,278.06

Saving: \$2,442.71

Cash on hand: \$90.00

- Mike Perry reported that we could have the Banquet at Rock Harbor Golf Course. At the October meeting we voted to have the Banquet at Rock Harbor.
- There was more discussion on new Club Tees and Jerseys. We will have an update at the November meeting.
- Looking at a 2018 Tour for the club. Most likely New York Finger Lakes. More information will follow.
- The club and attending members thanked Tire Outfitters, Ed Duncan and Robert Golightly for their efforts in hosting the Club Metric Century.

Winchester AppleCross Bike Race

On Sunday, 19 November 2017, an annual bike race will be held. This is a cyclocross race in Jim Barnett Park. If interested in volunteering for the event, please contact Jon Hicks at sportifcoachingva@gmail.com. If interested racing, please visit the event site at www.bikereg.com/winchesterapplecross.

THANKSGIVING DAY RIDE

Mike Perry will lead the annual ride starting at **10:00am** from James Wood Middle School on Amherst Street. The ride will be about 25 miles and he hopes to be done around noon or shortly after. This will replace the Retirees usual Thursday ride.

Winchester Wheelmen November 2017 Ride Schedule

Weekday/Weeknight/Weekend Rides & Events

Note: For 2017, Robert Golightly continues to be the WW ride coordinator. He may be contacted at rgolightly22601 at gmail.com or 540 535 9986. Approved helmets are required for all rides. If you are not a club member, you must sign a waiver prior to the ride. For all scheduled rides with a designated ride leader, please contact the leader for details (confirmation that the ride is a 'go', weather concerns, other). For all rides, the Winchester Wheelmen Google Group delivers the official latest information. The direct link to that web page is: <http://groups.google.com/group/wheelmen>. You can read all of the postings without joining the Google Group.

Monday MTB rides. Will be determined each week by the Sunday before the ride and will be posted on the WW Google Group. Those postings will be issued by Robert Golightly.

Weekly Casual Ride. Susan Walker will send out to the WW Google Group a list of locations and times of rides. She will update on the WW Google Group as needed. Call Susan Walker for more details at 540 247 7706.

Thursdays - Night Road Ride - White Post, VA. This 17 mile ride starts from White Post Restorations. Ride departs promptly at **6:15PM**. Average speed is 15-17mph. There is no ride leader. Ride is usually followed by dinner at Roma's in Stephens City.

Thursdays - Retired/Day - Off Ride of the Week. This is an easy to moderately paced ride starting at various locations. Ride length is between 20 to 30 miles usually with a lunch stop at the finish (optional). (No ride leaders here, just advisors.) If the day's high is less than 40deg F, the ride is canceled. *While there is no official ride leader, this is a group ride and those familiar with the route picked are asked to make sure all are able to follow the route and slower riders are not left behind.* The rides will start at **10:00AM** at the following locations:

--**November 2nd** - Meet at the Italian Delight on Warrior Drive. Park nearby and not in front of restaurant.

--**November 9th** - Meet at the Italian Touch Restaurant in Middletown, Park in back.

--**November 16th** - Meet in Strasburg, at the parking lot across from the Lutheran Church

--**November 30th** - Meet at the Daily Grind on Jubal Early Drive.

Saturdays - The shop ride has ended for the season, but Mike Perry let me know if anyone wants to continue to ride from the shop at 8:30, please feel free to do so, but please park in the parking spots facing the road.

Saturday Casual Ride - Susan Walker will send out to the WW Google Group a list of locations and times of a ride. She will update on the WW Google Group as needed. Call Susan Walker for more details at 540 247 7706.

Saturdays - MTB rides at Andy Guest State Park. Meet at 11:00am in the park. Park in the parking lot below the parking lot for the Zip Line concession operator. Please join us for casual mountain bike rides here at the park. The rides are usually about 2 to 3 hours long. The rides are great for beginners or experienced riders. Please contact Robert Golightly for more information at 540 535 9986. Call or text.