

Winchester Wheelmen March 2018 Newsletter

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March Club Meeting

We will be at Brewbakers, 168 N. Loudoun Street, Winchester, VA 22601, for the monthly meeting on **Tuesday, 07 March 2017**. Dinner/social hour is at **6:00pm** with the business meeting beginning around **7:00pm**. Several important issues will be covered at this meeting, including insurance cost and ride schedules.

2018 Membership Renewal

Please fill out the accompanying form for membership renewal in 2018, if you haven't already. Membership fees for all club members are \$20, whether submitting as an individual or as a family. Without renewal, the March 2018 newsletter will be the last you'll receive until renewal. (Please note any e-mail or physical mailing address changes.) Please do note that as a condition of LAB insurance compliance, we require physical, signed waivers from all club members. (If you've already submitted application for renewal w/o the waiver, please follow up with a club officer.)

TIMES, THEY ARE A CHANGING!

Ready to set clocks forward an hour on March 11th? Many regular rides will be starting the week of March 11th. See details on next page.

Winchester Wheelmen March 2018 Ride Schedule

Weekday/Weeknight/Weekend Rides & Events

Note: For 2018, Robert Golightly continues to be the WW ride coordinator. He may be contacted at rgolightly22601@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 night MTB rides: Will continue through March. Please contact Robert Golightly for each weeks ride and time. 540 535 9986.

Tuesdays - Road Ride - Boyce, VA. Tuesday Ride from Boyce Elementary School. Starting on March 13th. Ride starts at **6:00pm**, please be ready to push off at 6:00. Ride will need a front and back light. Basic distance will be 18 miles. Would suggest that this is not a beginner's ride for the hills involved. Will regroup as needed.

Wednesdays - Road Ride - Frederick County, VA. Rides will be back in April, but look to the WW Google Group for anything impromptu.

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. Please bring front and back lights through March.

Thursdays - Retired/Day - Off Ride of the Week This is an easy-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.) The rides will start at **10:00am** at the following locations:

--**March 1st** - Meet at Santorini Grill in Berryville.

--**March 8th** - Meet at Italian Delight on Warrior Drive in Stephens City. Park near by, not in front of restaurant.

--**March 15th** - Meet at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Strasburg, park across the street.

--**March 22nd** - Meet at Italian Touch in Middletown, park in back.

--**March 29th** - Christ Episcopal Church, Millwood, across from Project Hope.

Saturdays - MTB rides at Andy Guest State Park - Bentonville, VA. Meet at **11:00am** in the park. Park in the parking lot below the parking lot for the Zip Line. 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 Golithly for more information at 540 535 9986. Call or text.

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Future Weekend Rides or Events

- Sun., April 8th - Harris-Roubaix - Harrisonburg, VA. <http://svbcoalition.org/events/annual/the-harrisroubaix/> Fun mixed surface ride down the Valley.
- Sat., May 5th - Apple Blossom 10K - Winchester, VA. <http://thebloom.com/event/10k-race/>
- Sat., May 12th - Pedal for Pooches - Charles Town, WV. <http://www.baacs.org/event/17th-annual-pedal-for-pooches/>
- Sat., May 19th - CASA River Ride - Shepherdstown, WV. <http://www.casarivercentury.org/>
- Sat., May 19th - Tour de Madison - Madison County, VA. <http://tourdemadison.com/>
- Sun., May 20th - Storming of Thunder Ridge - Lynchburg, VA. <http://stormingofthunderridge.org/>
- Sun., May 27th - Mountains of Misery - Newport, VA. <http://www.mountainsofmisery.com/>

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