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The 37th Reston Century is History

Our pre-century packet pickup was a success. 70% of registered riders received their packets prior to the event and had the opportunity for a beer. Thanks go out to Green Lizard Cycling, The Bike Lane, Reston; and House 6 Brewing for hosting these events. There were short lines for early Sunday morning check-in. Having the day-of registration open beginning Wednesday prior to the event meant that we only had to deal with about 50 paper forms.

This was the first year we used the club software to check in riders for the Century. Now we have a more accurate measure of who registered and who actually rode.

Thank you volunteers for making the ride a pleasure for the participants.

The Last Sunday Adventure Ride

It's back! The Last Sunday Adventure Ride will take place Sunday, September 29. Be sure to register and get all the details here: [Register today!](#)

Designed for a social experience, this ride will take you on some of the pretty roads around Purcellville. After 20+ miles, we'll end at a lunch destination that has great reviews! Please read the ride description in order to be fully informed about the details of this ride.

RBC Store Open for Business

The Reston Bicycle Club [online store](#) is open to the public through **September 29**. We have jerseys (short or long sleeves), shorts, bibs (short or long) and thermal winter wear available. Please be sure to review the sizing chart under each item you select. **Items tend to run small/snug so order up a size or two if in doubt.** We also have both Pro (race cut) and Club (straight cut) styles available. Order: [here!](#)





September Club Activities

Volunteer Thank You party, **September 19, Thursday**, Green Lizard, 6-8, pizza provided, buy your own beer.

Last rides of the season: weekday rides will stop the last week in September & the End of the Season party is at Green Lizard Cycling Thursday, September 26, after the RBC Herndon Ride. Saturday & Sunday rides and the Wednesday Ramble continue through the year, weather permitting.

October Club Activities

In October, help RBC serve our community by passing out free bike lights. Of course, after the event RBC members are encouraged to adjourn to a local establishment for fellowship and fun. :-). Two opportunities to join -- [RBC Lights the Night #1](#) (10/21 on the W&OD) or [RBC Lights the Night #2](#) (10/28 in Herndon).

RBC Annual Meeting

SAVE the date: RBC Annual Meeting, Sunday, December 1, 5-8 pm, Reston Community Center.

New Member Cornered



Jose L. Nazario, enthusiast cyclist who enjoys ~40 mile rides. He joined to participate in club rides and events. He likes road or paved trail cycling, mid-mornings on weekends. An interesting fact is that Jose completed the Vuelta a Puerto Rico in 2016 (375 miles in 3 days!).

The Committee Approach

As the club adds new and exciting options for members, we need help making them happen. Here are some subcommittees that we want to set up. All they need is members who are interested in that particular thing. If we all focus on exactly what interests us, all of the tasks will be completed. The following are some of the opportunities:

Century Subcommittee - this team will handle all the details of the 2020 Century rather than it falling to 1-2 people. (Notice that no one wants to take on Century chair more than once? Hmmm...) Areas within the subcommittee include route design, volunteers, swag, provision, and after-party. If you like to RIDE the Century, why not help set it up to be your ideal riding experience?

Ride W/GPS Subcommittee - as many of you have noticed, some of our routes are on roads that aren't as friendly as they used to be, and in other places new paving and new roads offer up new possibilities. Additionally, we will lose our parking lot in Herndon in 2020, so once we find a new launch point, all of those rides will need to be tweaked. And finally, there are new members joining all the time who might need a little technical expertise using the app. If any of this appeals to you, this would be the place for you to help your club.

Social Media Subcommittee - we like it when RBC gets good press and we like to make sure we keep members informed as to what's going on. We especially like it when there are great photos out there (thanks Ed and Peter) that we want to share. And of course, trying to package the good stuff the Club does for the communities where we ride and get it into their local news feeds goes a long way towards their positive attitudes towards our riders.

Please consider hitting reply to this newsletter and giving your expertise, time, or energy to one of these worthwhile volunteer opportunities. These do not appeal to you? Reply with your idea today.

Attachments area

[Events Calendar](#)

Wednesday Ramble, [September 18](#), 9 am at Hunters Woods Shopping Plaza

Volunteer night at Green Lizard Cycling, September 19

Last Ride Pizza at Green Lizard Cycling, September 26

The Last Sunday Adventure Ride, Sunday [September 29](#)

October RBC Board Meeting, Wednesday, [October 2](#)

RBC Lights the Night #1, [October 21](#)

RBC Lights the Night #2, [October 28](#)

Let's Ride!

[Back Roads Century](#), Shepherdstown, WV, Sept 22

[Sea Gull Century](#), Salisbury, MD, Oct 5

[Covered Bridges Ride](#), Bucks County, PA, Oct 13 (price increase Oct 1)

[Shenandoah Fall Foliage Bike Fest](#), Staunton, VA, Oct 18-20 (price increase Oct 1)

[2019 Lime Connect Century Ride](#), Reston, VA, Nov 2 (price increase Oct 14)

Got rides for the Wheel? Reply to this newsletter and they will be published!

Check out [Potomac Pedalers Outbound](#) for more interesting rides.

RBC Chain Links

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