



# *the Wheel*

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## Chairman's Letter



Dear RBC Members,

As you all know by now, Governor Northam's easing of social distancing restrictions as spelled out in [Executive Order 61](#) will not take effect in Northern Virginia until May 29. You can read the rules pertaining to Northern Virginia in [Executive Order 62](#) issued by the Governor on May 12. For now, we in Northern Virginia remain in Phase Zero. What this means for us is still no group rides or activities. Even when we do move into Phase One, all public and private in-person gatherings of more than 10 individuals are prohibited. At our next RBC Executive Board Meeting on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, we plan to decide the fate of this year's RBC Century. Stay tuned.

From what I can see on Strava, Zwift, and our members-only Facebook page, resilient RBC members have found interesting ways of coping with these extraordinary circumstances by learning new things, being grateful for what we have and finding creative ways to enjoy riding bikes, whether that means racing in Zwift, drawing cute pictures with our routes on Strava or taking solo adventures. Please write to me at [RBCTrout@gmail.com](mailto:RBCTrout@gmail.com) and let me know how

the pandemic has changed how you ride and what creative or new things you are doing to keep active. I'm lonely for my RBC buddies and would love to hear from you. We will feature your stories in our next edition of *the Wheel*.

The RBC Board has done something new and decided to give \$1,000 to Cornerstones to help feed hungry families in our community. We generally limit our philanthropy efforts to cycling-related charities, but this is the right thing to do in these extraordinary times. Thank you Kelley Westenhoff for coordinating this donation.

We all miss our RBC riding buddies and friendships and are happy that member Mehrdad Erfani has stepped up to host a virtual RBC happy hour! See below for how to participate.

Everybody stay safe and healthy. Let us know the fun places you are riding by posting to our members only Facebook page. In parting, here are a few photos of solo and socially distanced rides.

Kathryn



Photo by Kathryn Troutman



Photo by an accomplice of Larry Deigh (he has many)



Photo by Michal Gnatek

## **First EVER RBC Virtual Socially Distance Happy Hour**

*Reminder of our first members-only happy hour.  
Signup here: [Happy Hour](#)*

*Date: Thursday May 21, 2020  
Time: 04:00-06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)*

*Host: [Mehrdad.Erfani](#)*

## Membership Level Change for RBC

So, you love RBC so much you KNOW that you'll want to renew your membership each year? But you find it's such a pain to dig out a credit card and follow the prompts? Well good news -- the boys in the back room have been tinkering. When you get your renewal reminder, you will be offered the option to change your membership level to **Family - Auto-Renew**. If you do this, you will be billed next year for your renewal and will be able to take care of it with one click (vs. getting repeated emails from us right now). You also have the option of saving your card within our third-party partner. However, wait until you get this year's renewal notice to do this though because this process will start your membership resetting to the date you do it - which if you do it early means you're cheating yourself of that extra membership time. Here are pictures for those visual learners.

In your profile [click name, upper right], change your membership level. The following is the payment screen with the warning that you will be billed a year out and you have the option to have your card details stored.

### Reston Bike Club

<https://restonbikeclub.org/>

#### Enter credit card details

Card number

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Laura Tester Robinson

#### Billing information

Address 1

Address 2

City

United States

State/province

ZIP/postal code

Phone

#### Details

You will be now billed for your first year and then annually thereafter starting on May 12, 2021 (unless canceled before the next renewal date)

Invoice #11471 \$25.00

- Membership level change. New level: Family -Auto-Renew

**Total amount: \$25.00 (USD)**

Store card details for faster checkouts

protected by reCAPTCHA  
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[Cancel](#)

[Pay \\$25.00 \(USD\)](#)

### **South Lakes High School Jersey Design Contest**

We are pleased to announce the winners of the South Lakes High School Art Class Jersey design contest. Just before the Governor ordered us to stay home, the Board got to see the four finalists. The Century Committee has since picked a winner and are hoping to go into production in late June pending further announcements from the Governor.

The awards are:

Winning Design: Adrian R. (\$500)

Runner Up: Camryn S. (\$300)

Honorable Mentions: Celia D. and Mona H. (\$100 each)

The final design will be revealed once we know how we'll be proceeding for the Century in August. For now, mark your calendars to save the date of August 23 as we're still planning on a great event.

### **~Save the Date~**

The 38th Annual Reston Century will be August 23, 2020  
Reston Town Center

### **May Executive Committee Meeting Highlights**

- Century planning continues cautiously
- Bylaws changes approved and posted

### **Get Mobile Now!**

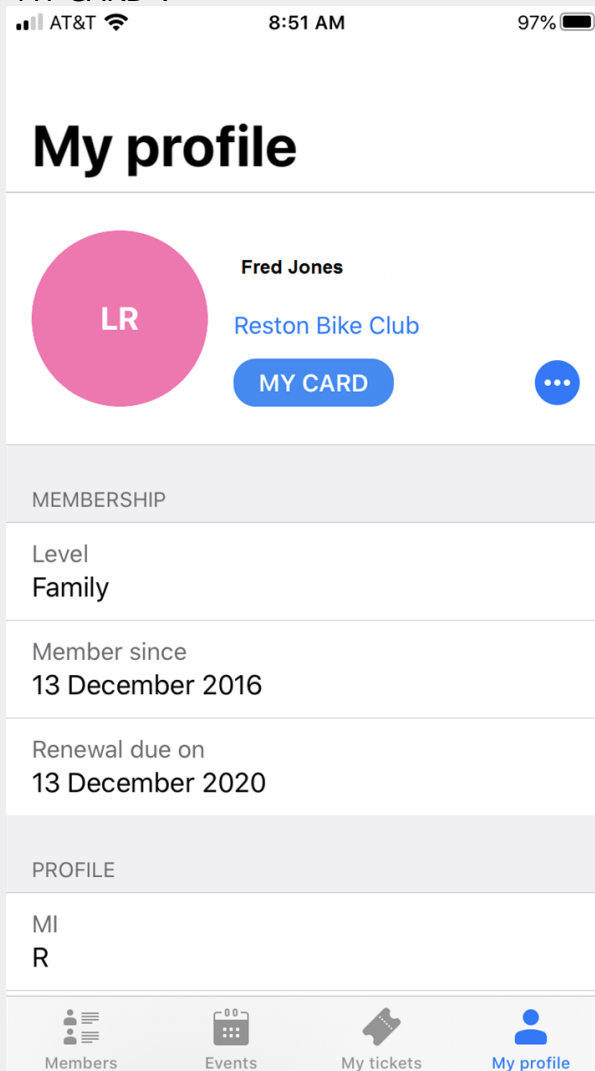
The Wild Apricot members app is available for

[Google Play](#) or [Apple](#)

## New Membership Card

A snazzy RBC membership card can now be printed from the website. From the homepage click on your name (upper right) and voila, the card will be there. Two options exist for square or rounded corners. Now with a piece of cardstock, a printer and some packing tape, you'd have your own waterproof membership card.

Or go paperless from the Wild Apricot Members App: (my profile (lower right), then push "MY CARD".



Your card displays on the screen:

## Continued Hope for a Riding Season!

Prepare for the riding season by signing your 2020 Liability Waiver. New year, new waiver. Two minutes and you're done. Follow the green button; also available on RBC homepage.

[2020 Liability Waiver](#)

## Events Calendar

[Happy Hour](#) (members only), 4:00-6:00 pm, May 21, via Zoom

[RBC Board Meeting](#), 7:00 pm, June 3 , via Zoom

## Let's Ride!

So many May/June/July rides are postponed or canceled! Check Facebook or, if you have July/August rides for *the Wheel*, reply to this newsletter and they will be published!

[Tour De Frederick](#) (virtual)-August 1-15, Frederick, MD

[Mountain Mama Road Bike Challenge](#)-August 1, Monterey, VA

[Bikes & Beers](#)-August 15, Vanish Brewing, Leesburg, VA

[Cap2Cap](#)-August 22, Henrico/Williamsburg, VA

### **Virginia Cycling Resources**

Check out this link for [Cycling Virginia](#)! 2020 will be the 2nd year of this website and it is pretty smooth.

[Virginia is for Lovers](#)

[Bicycling in Virginia \(VDOT\)](#)

[Virginia Bicycling Federation](#)

[Fairfax Alliance for Better Bicycling](#)

## **RBC Chain Links**

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