

# 1st Newsletter - April 13 through May 20, 2020

## **Welcome**

Welcome to the 2020 biking season and our 27year! Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we will not have our kick-off meeting and our first rides have been <u>cancelled</u>. Members will be notified by email or mail when we can resume riding. In the meantime, get out and enjoy the weather, continue social distancing and stay safe. We hope to be on the trails as soon as we can.

## Sign Up

Enclosed are the registration/waiver forms. You will need to mail the completed form and dues to the Plymouth Creek Center before the first ride.

## **Get Ready**

Your bike needs to be in tip top condition to prevent breakdowns on the trail. Maintenance now will give you many hours of biking during the season. Performing bike maintenance at home or at a bike shop is **much less stressful** than doing it on the trail.

#### **Club News**

This season we will continue the option to ride on either Monday or Wednesday or both for the Regulars. This two day option really helped alleviate overcrowding on our rides. The Monday ride will follow the same rules as a Wednesday ride—same starting point, same time. The Lites will continue their same schedule of riding on Wednesdays.

#### **Start Times**

All rides on the First Schedule will start at 9:30.

#### **Ride Cancellation Info Line**

Our announcement line is at 763-509-5275. On ride days it will be updated by 7:15 if a ride is cancelled. Call that number if you are in doubt so you don't drive to a ride starting line and find the ride was cancelled.

## **Club T Shirts**

Plymouth Pedaler T Shirts are for sale online at <a href="https://www.zazzle.com/s/plymouth+pedalers">https://www.zazzle.com/s/plymouth+pedalers</a>



#### Websites

- The Newsletter and Ride Schedules are available on the Plymouth City Web site, under Senior Programs. Go to web site: http://www.plymouthmn.gov/departments/parks-recreation-/recreation-activities/seniors Scroll down to "Clubs & Focus Groups" to find the Plymouth Pedalers.
- Photos of rides are on Dennis Andersen's website. Go to: http://andersendennis.com/bike-ski.html
  Scroll down to Plymouth Pedalers Bike club.
- Ride videos are posted on YouTube. Go to YouTube.com and search for Plymouth Pedalers

#### **Ride Leaders**

We try to offer new rides every year. If you have any ideas for new rides, let the Steering Committee know. We always like to add variety to our biking schedules. Thanks to Bob Johnson, Kevin Krueger, and Pam Schik for volunteering to be new ride leaders this season!

#### **Welcome New Steering Committee Member**

Allie Hafez has joined the Steering Committee, and will be helping coordinate the Lite Ride Schedules.

## **PPBC Steering Committee:**

Gary Doyle, Bob Flynn, Deb Grill, Carl Hartness, Allie Hafez, Bill Lundberg, Arnie Nelson, Linda Platt, Stan Schwantes, Chuck Seifert, and Dick Snell.