

Pedal Power

January/February 2020

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Polar Plunge Ride



**Members who braved the cold to ride, but not
to take the PLUNGE!**

The Prez Sez

By Joe Fischer

After a one-month respite....."We're baaack!" (to quote Randy Quaid in *Independence Day*)

Miss us? Miss your BVBC biking friends? (I realize there is not necessarily any overlap there). You are in luck. Our now annual February pizza party is only a couple of weeks away. We moved the location back to where we originally had it: Riverfront Pizzeria on the river (duh) in the third ward. We were able to negotiate some lower prices on select bottles of wine—which are otherwise a little on the pricy side. It is easy to get to and parking will not be an issue—barring any last minute blizzard. More information follows.

Rich Temple was elected to the board at our annual banquet in November. Rich will be taking over the Membership Chair from Mike Smiley and is ready to start pumping out those 2020 membership cards, so get cracking on your renewal.

Our last ride was the Polar Bear plunge ride on January 1. You saw the picture of the nut jobs....er...members that rode it. Jealous? Having a "wish I was there" moment? You are in luck—again! You will have another chance at a winter ride with the club next month.



That is about all I have to report. Hey, they call it the off season for a reason.

Hope to see you on a ride.....in about 3 months. And the Pizza Party!

And remember, let's have fun out there.



Pizza Party!



Tuesday, February 18 6:30-8:30

Riverfront Pizzeria

509 E Erie St

Milwaukee

\$5.00 for all you care to eat pizza.

Cash Bar

(discounted prices on select bottles of wine)

There is a **free parking** lot across the street
And ample street parking available.

Great Raffle Prizes!!!



Membership Notes

By Rich Temple

It's not too early to renew your club membership for the 2020 ride season. Current memberships end at the end of March. If you renew now, I can give your membership card to you at the upcoming pizza party. **I encourage you to use the club website to renew your membership. I think it's easier for you and for me.**

We have had two new members join since the end of last year. Please welcome the following people to the club:

Mike Baran

Lisa Fohey

Ride Control Central



By Andy Sikorski

Off Season Ride Opportunities All Rides Start at 11:00 AM



Saturday, February 15, 2020- Valentine's Day Ride - 16 miles

Ride on urban/suburban streets through St Francis, Milwaukee and South Milwaukee. - Ride starts at La Finca Coffee House (3558 E Sivyer Ave) in St Francis. Take Oklahoma east to Superior St / Lake Dr; drive south to Packard Ave; right on Packard to the coffee house. Park on Packard Ave. (the coffee shop has a small parking lot - please save the spaces for the customers).



Saturday, March 21, 2020- St. Patrick's Day Ride - 16 miles

Mostly a flat ride through Franklin. - Starts behind Pantheon Restaurant on 76th St and Rawson Ave (same lot as Pick n Save). Restroom options are at local businesses.

Click on this link <https://bayviewbikeclub.org/> to access specific ride details.



**Register Soon! Special 40th
Anniversary Pricing Ends 2/16/20**

The UPAF Ride for the Arts is turning 40 this year! Big birthdays are more fun when you celebrate with good friends. **Lowest price of the year with \$40 for all routes available until 2/16.** Prices increase to \$50 on Monday 2/17, so invite your friends and family to sign up now!



Bicycle Safety



Each month a safety article will be posted in the newsletter.
The following articles come from the Wisconsin Bicycle Federation

Vehicular Status

The bicycle is defined as a vehicle. [340.01(5)]

The operator of a vehicle is granted the same rights and subject to the same duties as the driver of any other vehicle. [346.02(4)(a)]

Lane Positioning

Always ride on the right, in the same direction as other traffic. [346.80(2)(a)]

Ride as far to the right as is practicable (not as far right as possible) [346.80(2)(a)]. Practicable generally means safe and reasonable.

Article 346.80(2)(a) lists a few situations when it is not practicable to ride far to the right:

When overtaking and passing another vehicle traveling in the same direction

When preparing for a left turn at an inter-section or driveway

When reasonably necessary to avoid unsafe conditions, including fixed or moving objects, parked or moving vehicles, pedestrians, animals, surface hazards or substandard width lanes [defined as a lane that is too narrow for a bicycle and a motor vehicle to travel safely side by side within the lane].

When going the same speed as motorized traffic

One Way Streets

Bicyclists on a one-way street with two or more lanes of traffic may ride as near the left or right-hand edge or curb of the roadway as practicable (in the same direction as other traffic). [346.80(2)(b)]

Riding 2-Abreast

Riding 2 abreast is permitted on any street as long as other traffic is not impeded. When riding 2 abreast on a 2 or more lane roadway, you both have to ride within a single lane. [346.80(3)(a)]

Let's Be Safe Out There
Follow-the rules of the road.
Be aware of your surroundings and what is happening.





Newsletter

By Diane Yurasovich

Don't forget, all club members are welcomed **and encouraged** to submit articles of interest and pictures to the newsletter.

Newsletter@BayViewBikeClub.org

In Memoriam



For those of you not on our Facebook page, I am sad to inform you that a long time club member Dan Krall passed away on January 18th. When I joined the club, Dan was the social chair. I won't attempt to tell you any more about Dan's service to the club. Ron Santoro posted a memorial on the Facebook page with 77 pictures of Dan in club activities so that should give you some idea.

Visitation at Max Sass Funeral Home, Mission Hills Chapel, on Friday, January 31, 4-7 PM. Funeral service at 7 PM. Entombment at Arlington Park Cemetery in The Chapel of Roses. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions appreciated in his name to the Versiti organ tissue or the Versiti Blood Center of Wisconsin <https://www.versiti.org/ways-to-give/supporting-versiti/financial-giving> .

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Club Website



Thanks Dean for keeping our website updated!

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Facebook

Check out our club Facebook page for up-to-date information and events.

Bike Fed Group Riding Information



Please see the link below for the Bike Fed's brochure on group riding safety. It is a great learning tool for new riders and a good refresher for seasoned riders. Let's be safe out there!

<http://wisconsinbikefed.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/2013-GROUPRIDINGREV.pdf>

A Word About Your Electronic Information

Your privacy is important to us. We don't share any of our membership information with anyone. We don't sell or forward your email address to any outside organizations. The BVBC board has decided not to make our member names, addresses or e-mails available electronically to members. We will continue to print a paper membership directory available in June. With very few exceptions, all of the e-mails you get from us will be directly related to club activities

Please don't ask us to forward any e-mails to our membership. We don't do that. If you would like to share your experiences about a particular ride, feel free to do that in the newsletter. Many bicycle event organizers ask us to forward information about their ride to our members. In order to limit the number of e-mails you get from the club, we don't forward e-mails from outside organizations. We will publish information about rides, events etc if it is submitted to the newsletter.



Let's Be Safe Out There!