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Message from the President

May is bicycle month and we have a number of events on the calendar. Please take a moment to go to our site at westfloridawheelmen.org and check out all of the rides.

Thank you to all who participated in our Ride of Silence. This annual ride brings attention to those cyclists who were killed or injured by motor vehicles on our nation's roads. In addition, it brings awareness to drivers that cyclists are riding on our streets and have rights to the roadway.

We also have the responsibility to obey traffic laws and ride in a safe manner. Once again, the changes in the Florida State Statutes are posted in this newsletter.

Whether you rode or were unable to do so, everyone made an impact. As many of you know, the Ride of Silence is our biggest advocacy event. Your West Florida Wheelmen membership registration assists us in paying for the officers as

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May 2022



HEADING TO THE TOP OF FLORIDA RIDE BY JEFF BOULTON.

well as the billboards and social media costs. In this issue, you will find some of the media which was posted in Escambia and Santa Rosa counties.

Please click on this [link](#) to view photos taken by Gregg Packowski from the Pensacola News Journal.

One of the things we can do to protect ourselves is to ride in groups or ride with at least one other rider. This makes us more visible and should something happen, there will be someone

to assist us or call for help.



So how do we call for help? Granted, we have your emergency contact information, but what if it isn't a group ride with board members?

Everyone should have identification and emergency contact information with them. Your membership entitles you to a special discount for a Road ID.

Please list your emergency contact information in your mobile phones. If you are incapacitated, your emergency contact information is still available without someone having to know the password on your phone.

Of course, Garmin, Strava and Specialized's Angi, as well as other apps. offer emergency contact should it detect a fall.

Please ride safely out there and should you have any input, feel free to reach out to me or any other board member. -Jon

Ride of Silence

Thank you to all of you who were able to participate in this year's Ride of Silence. Truly, the event drew attention to our cause. A special thank you goes out the Pensacola State College, Santa Rosa Pipes and Drums, Trahan Family Funeral Home, Mayor Grover Robinson, Rand Hicks, Sarah Bastajian, Running Wild, Pensacola Off-Road Cyclists, Tri Gulf Coast, the Pensacola Police Department and Running Wild. Through their dedication and involvement, we had one of the best events in the country.





Leaderboard as of May 21!

We want your miles! If you don't see your miles posted maybe you haven't [registered](#) yet. If you are on Strava, and you would like to have your miles listed, please reach out to Chris Huffman at membership@westfloridawheelmen.org

Bob Walker	6031	Bruce Wrede	1462	Carey Oberholtzer	510	Laura Henson	206
Megumi Jones	4384	Jerry Lagos	1450	Charles Trinque	473	Michele Coleman	204
Fred Carlson	3977	Jeffrey Williamson	1447	Tim Price	468	Sarah Jansen	203
Barbara Kerby	3861	Jeffrey Boulton	1368	Mark Carr	431	Margaret Stanny	202
David Hartman	3639	Stefanie Von Brock	1357	Tracy Gilbert	427	Andy Williamson	201
Jorge Gamarra*	3583	Andrea Dagostino	1350	William Casler	423	Tildon Williamson	196
Joe Schuhbauer	3502	Kathy Brockett	1346	Scott Kerbow	423	Casey Jones	183
Lloyd Maisonneville	3470	Andy Mull	1346	Roy Noble	416	Darla Huffman	167
Eric Larson	3203	David Murphy	1341	Josh Sharpe	410	David Lewis	149
Lisa Stanley	3145	Michael Taber	1299	Larry Schultz	404	Michael Sims	149
Bill Mundy	2969	Sarah Bastajian	1247	Kimberly Blair	385	Aaron Duesing	147
Michael Watkins	2935	Jack Thompson	1247	Andrew Baggett	384	Ramie Gougeon	145
Tom Moore	2838	LeRoy Johnson	1243	Taylor Curry	362	Jacquelyn Boulton	116
Marty Haake	2805	John Morgan	1240	Mark Calvert	354	Katherine Owen	102
Christian Notte	2688	Jeff Bisson	1197	Mike Larson	343	Carey McKinney	101
Michael Gross	2682	Chris Huffman	1197	Tim Schossow	325	JR Tierney	95
Ian Lintner	2627	Paul Wiese	1190	Danny DeWitt	315	Jordan Legg	85
Terry Mead	2624	Scott Holmes	1133	John Floyd	315	Felix Hotard	83
Gerry Faw	2490	Dean Ward	1133	Stephen Reyes	295	Colette Landreneau	78
Jay Philpott	2450	Richard Loiselle	1109	Kat Kowar	293	Alastair Casler	67
Thomas LeDew	2363	Joshua Bastajian	1103	Jennifer Williamson	286	Eddie Sanders*	63
Travis Coleman	2323	Scott Boulton	1098	Chris Andrew	280	Michele Tierney	26
Timothy Klausutis	2320	Thomas Braddock	1095	Gene Strickland	273	Brian Murley	24
Jon Tate	2287	Pam Jones	1070	Jason Cawby	265	Jennifer Kerbow	20
Jeff Robinson	2282	Alvin Furtner	991	Konrad Gill	264	James Monroe	16
Michael Kickliter	2138	Michael Percy	991	Jack Robie	232	Lisa Schossow	11
Jonohon Berry	2063	Kimberly White	988	Rodney Smith	224		
Doug Schroeder	1993	David Hiott	908				
Vince Flores	1937	Natasha Skrypek	902				
Jesse Ivarra	1908	Carol Gross	890				
Paul LaRose*	1865	Joel Balistreri	869				
Ed Sarfert	1849	David Mayo	857				
Carol Gentry	1818	Jeannie Harper	848				
John Dagostino	1774	Joshua Lute	817				
Derek White	1742	David Sweet	799				
Tom Impastato	1692	Eric Nelson	786				
Robby Quina	1670	James Dominy	779				
Stuart Shippey	1668	Dawn van den Berg	755				
Graydon Patterson	1643	Clark Youngblood	700				
Mike Bennett	1631	Barbara Maisonneville	688				
Doug Jones	1620	Jason Caddell	611				
Brian Chiulli	1568	Douglas Gehman	583				
Richard Roselli	1561	Kathy Stinson	553				
Larry Drake, Jr.	1501	Deed Vann	532				
Byron Havard	1490	Jonathan Stone	516				

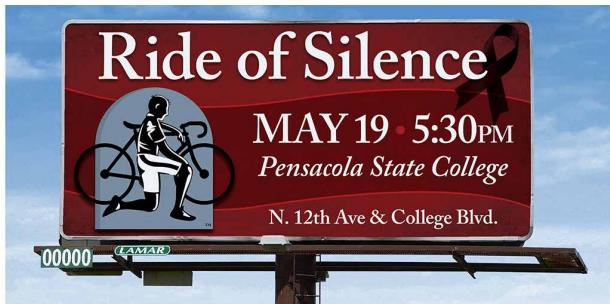
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ONE RIDE CYCLING GROUP!



Check them out!



Our billboards are out this month! A special thanks goes out to Lamar Advertising, PORC and Tri Gulf Coast for helping to make this happen. Of course, our sponsors and your registrations served as the foundation of getting these up!



Join the West Florida Wheelmen at the Bike MS: Tour de Beach at Orange Beach on September 17-18, 2022. Use code JOINME to save 15% on registration. For more information, email [Jeff Williamson](mailto:Jeff.Williamson@wheelmen.org) or text at 850.384.1627.





MEMORIAL DAY RIDE

MAY 30, 2022
6:30 AM

200 SOUTH 10TH AVE.
PENSACOLA, FL

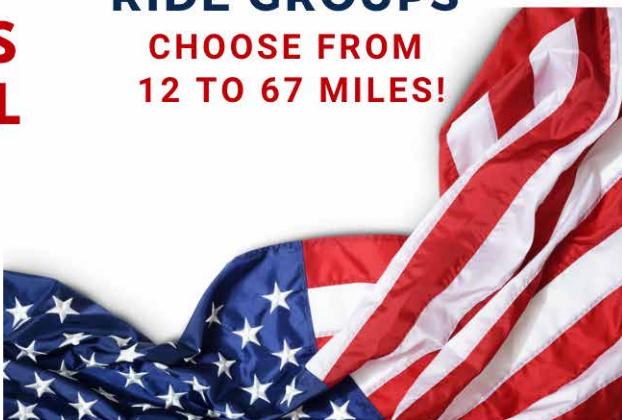
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CHALLENGE 2022. IT NEVER GETS OLD.

DAVID HARTMAN (BELOW) AND HIS GROUP FROM
MISSISSIPPI CELEBRATING THE VERNAL EQUINOX.



Top of Florida Ride

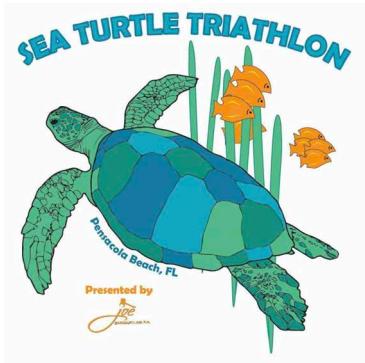


Bike Ride Across Georgia

Join the West Florida Wheelmen for this epic event as we explore the Georgia countryside! Please reach out to Chris Huffman if you are in need of a registration. He is unable to go and will transfer his registration at a greatly reduced price! (850.375.7239)



Save the Date!
October 29, 2022
Registration will open soon!



REGISTRATION OPEN



October 2, 2022
\$28 Registration

If you are a Wheelmen member, please text Chris at 850.375.7239 for free registraton. We only have two, so first come...

Here is the link to register:
<http://www.tgcyouthmultisport.org/registration1.html>

CLICK BELOW TO HELP

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Ciclovia (seek-low-via)-Pensacola Open Streets originated in Bogota, Columbia

in the 1970s and took off around the world in the 1990s. Pensacola joined the movement in 2017 with our very first Ciclovia! Thank you to Rand Hicks and his staff for organizing the event for 2022 and we are looking forward to next year!



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Stay Tuned for Ordering Information!



Thank you for your input in this year's jersey design. Presently, we are waiting for the design to be finalized and ordering information will then be available on our website. An email will also be sent out to membership soon.



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A big benefit of membership in the West Florida Wheelmen Club is Ride with GPS. All WFW members have free access to Ride with GPS premium navigation features on all club routes and events. This enables Wheelmen members to download turn-by-turn navigation on their cycling computers or smartphones.

Features Include:

- Voice navigation in the Ride with GPS mobile app
- Offline maps in mobile app
- PDF maps and cue sheets
- Advanced turn notifications with TCX files
- Estimated time of route

[Club Account Member Benefits Page](#)

How do I get this?

Step 1: [Join/Re-join WFW](#) (if you are already a WFW member, skip to Step 2).

Step 2: [Join the WFW Club account w/ Ride with GPS.](#)

Step 3: You will receive an email from our club administrator to activate your membership.

That's all you need to do! So for just a \$35 (\$50 family) WFW membership, you will receive this helpful RWGPS benefit (\$60/yr value!) plus all of our other benefits!

May-June 2022 Ride Calendar

5:30 PM: Monday Meander

WSRE Parking Lot 12th and College Blvd.
The Wheelmen Club version of the “Slow Ride!” The pace is 16-18 MPH. Choose your number of laps. Helmets are required but not spandex. Come on out for a casual nearly flat ride! Beginners welcome!

6:00 PM: Tempo Tuesday Loop

Ride More Bicycles 59 E. Gregory St.
The WFW Tempo Tuesday ride is very fun and popular and starts downtown at the RMB store! Moving pace 17-21 MPH. If you drop off the back we have several re-group points along the route. If you miss the 6:00 PM start from RMB, the group cruises through Summit & Maygarden around 6:30 PM so feel free to hop in there.

9:00 AM: Wednesday Touring Ride

Different starting locations (usually in Santa Rosa County). Please see the full information for each ride, including changes to the ride day due to weather which are posted on the Blackwater Cyclists Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Blackwatercyclists/>

The ride has developed into a fast paced ride. Average distance will typically be between 40 and 60 miles.

5:30 PM: Wednesday Worlds

WSRE Parking Lot 12th and College Blvd.
Each Wednesday, we gather at Pensacola State College for a 25 mile, no drop loop. A Group speeds along at 20+ mph, B Group rides at 17-19 mph and C Group cruises at 16-17 mph.

5:30 PM: Thursday Beach Ride

Around the Sound Loop

3 Casino Beach Boardwalk Pensacola Beach
Enjoy the world class beauty of our beaches! A & B groups leave from the Casino Beach parking lot (by the beach ball water tower) and do one of our favorite routes. A group 20mph+, B group - 17-20mph (no drop ride) The wind direction will dictate which direction to do this great 42 miler.

6:30 AM: Saturday WFW in the City

Groups normally ride out from Summit & Maygarden or from behind Bagelheads at 916 E. Gregory St. Please check the WFW [calendar](#)
The ride on Saturday rotates through six different courses; however, at times, the route and start time can change depending upon conditions. The ride length is between 40-60 miles. This is normally a solid B Group ride (17-19 mph) although A Group cyclists are known to split off from the peloton. The B Group is a no-drop ride.

7:30 AM: Saturday WFW in the Country

Blackwater River State Forest
Meet in the parking lot across the street from Truly Spokin' 5172 Stewart St. Milton. The distance of the ride will vary from 42 to 55+ miles and is typically posted by Thursday afternoon on the Blackwater Cycling Facebook page.

A group—Riding speeds of 22 to 30 MPH

B group—Typical riding speeds are 18 to 24 MPH
C group and lower—Anticipate riding speeds of 15 to 20 MPH

7:00 AM: Sunday S'cool Ride

Summit and Maygarden

Are you looking for a ride which will get you home in time for church? This is a slower paced recovery ride which should have you home by 9:00 AM. Join us for this 21-mile loop from the north to downtown Pensacola. Stay together C group ride.

Special Ride Calendar

Please always check the calendar at westfloridawheelmen.org

for special announcements as well as changes in the scheduled rides. In addition, we post rides and events which change from month to month.



MIKE GROSS TOOK THIS RECENT PIC TO REMIND US WHY WE LOVE CYCLING IN WEST FLORIDA.



Are we still riding?

Have you ever wondered why you did not get the message that a ride was postponed or cancelled? Or you may want to invite others on a special ride you've created. Well, we'd like to cut you some slack.

Yep! Slack is a communication app which we tested last year and found it to be a useful tool for your saddlebag. Well, not really, it's for your phone or computer. No extra cost. And, yes, one more thing to keep up with, because you really wanted to ride your bike out in a lightning storm just to make fun of those who had a little more sense.

Download it or go to slack.com then email membership so we can let you in. Inside the app, you will discover threads or channels on special rides, events and subjects which may interest you.

Don't be the last to know what is happening with cycling in West Florida.

SOME OF US GO OUT ON A LIMB TO HELP A FELLOW RIDER. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE ASSISTED JORGE GET MENDED. ON THE RIGHT, KATHY IS MAKING YET ANOTHER VISIT TO CHANGE WRAPS AND ASSIST THE HEALING PROCESS.



JORGE IS MODELING HIS NEW KIT FOR THE SEASON. BTW THE FENNER RIDE IS OCTOBER 29.



Sunset Ride on Pensacola Beach! Sunday, June 19, 2022

Roll out at 7:15 PM if weather permits

1336 Fort Pickens Rd, Pensacola Beach

Don't miss this super scenic cruise ride which is great for the family on this beautiful secluded part of Pensacola Beach. Any kind of bike will be fine on this 15 mile round-trip to the Fort and back. Bring your lights and pass or \$10 in case needed for the park entry. We usually have enough passes to cover everyone, if there is a park ranger at the gate (usually there isn't).

Start/Finish at [Park West parking lot](#) - Soundside

We will stop and regroup at the Ft. Pickens fishing pier and watch the sunset before returning back to the parking area.



WEDNESDAY WORLDS.



COME ON OUT SUNDAY MORNINGS FOR A SHORT RECOVERY RIDE WE CALL SUNDAY S'COOL.