

Wascana Freewheelers Bicycle Touring Club
President's Report To the AGM 2020

2019 proved to be another successful year for members of the Wascana Freewheelers Bicycle Touring Club. Our membership did show a decline to some @54 members, but nonetheless participation in club activities was on par with past years.

Your executive met on 3 occasions last year as well as the WFW/AGM, and Gordon attended the AGM of the SCA. I wish to thank your executive members for their assistance and willingness to plan club activities, and to bring them to fruition. Peggy Martin McGuire stepped up and joined the executive as secretary this year. Thank you Peggy.

Recruitment of membership, and a chance to meet cycling friends took place at our annual Chili/Membership night in April at the Cathedral Neighbourhood Centre. A thank you to executive members for supplying food and to Karen Hardy for publicizing this event. Bianca Vigneux and Tamela Friesen outlined club rides being planned for the season.

Our Victoria weekend at Riding Mt. National Park in Manitoba was again coordinated by VP Geoff Ellis. This has proved most successful allowing folks to experience a great setting with various ride opportunities and break out the camping gear.

The staple of our club continues to be the Wednesday Night Rides from the Legislature. Bianca has done a wonderful job in coordinating ride leaders and I wish to commend members for stepping up to volunteer to lead rides! We averaged 17 rides/Wed. Night.

Weekend rides were initiated by Tamela and were quite well attended. Monday night fitness rides were less well attended by members. As well a maintenance clinic was hosted by Karen/Tamela which was appreciated by new and old members.

The provincial GASP ride in July was attended by some of members and continues to be very popular to cyclists province wide.

The club hosted 2 "Gone With the Wind Rides" which were well received. Arleene Arnold hosted off road mountain bike rides which were appreciated by members.

Loaded touring options were provided this year. In June members cycled the Mickelson Trail in S. Dakota. Arleene Arnold organized a loaded tour following the Trans Canada Trail from Lumsden to L. Diefenbaker in August

Barbara S. organized a weekend Labour Day ride in the Assiniboia/Willow Bunch area.

We investigated new jersey options for members. Eleven members ordered shirts.

Our financial status is very secure. A very special thank you to treasurer Ian McIntosh for the tremendous job he does in reporting and organizing our financial affairs.