Wednesday Night Ride Report - 2016

May4

Leader - Arleene Arnold

The first Wednesday Night Ride of the season was blessed with HOT weather and 22 riders with 2 new members present. We split into 2 groups. Arleene lead one, Colette the other. The ride ended at Arleene's with iced tea and cake to celebrate her birthday.

May 11

Leader - Colette Forbes

Cold, 6 degrees, windy, gusts up to 50 kilometers

There were 3 of us, hardy souls, on the ride last night. Colette, Don and Arleene. We debated about aborting the ride and going home, then just going for coffee but in the end Colette lead us along the bike path west and then south around the back of the university with the wind at our back I might add :) into the Whitmore Park area via Grant Rd. Then Don lead us around in circles, well not really but we zipped this way and that way, between houses, on little paths, down back alleys, through parking lots and ended up at the coffee shop near Shoppers in the south end

May 17

Leader – Virginia Stewart

Temperature 23 degrees, no wind

Virginia Stewart led tonight's ride with a total of 14 riders. The route took us to Harbor Landing and Albert Park. Second leader was Gord Grant. Many people enjoyed meeting Virginia as she is one of the founding members of the Wascana Freewheelers. Total distance 20 km.

May 24

Leader – Colette Forbes

Temperature 10 C, cloudy with rain drizzles

6 riders, 11 km south on Rae to 23rd and over to Scott and McNiven up Hillsdale towards Castle Rd to Grant Rd and east throughout the U of R loop to the bike path & Douglas to Broadway ending at the Naked Bean for coffee. The cooler 10 C cloud & rain drizzles likely deterred some riders but those who came along enjoyed the ride & agreed that it could have been longer now that our daylight hours are longer.

June 1

Leader – Don Wilson

Warm with little wind

17 Free Wheelers split into two groups - the first led by Don Wilson, the second led by Colette Forbes - and headed north out of the park to the Lorne St bike lanes to SK Drive and under the Albert St overpass, diagonally thru the WareHouse district and east on 7th Ave to the back of the old GM plant, across Winnipeg into EastView and over to the site of the old Haultain School. Wiggled our way over to Park St and south over the trax to 8th Ave. and Rothwell. Here the second group had second thoughts, and went their way back into town. Group one went bravely on into the savage North-East, running out 7th to Graham and north to Jenkins and north to the far end of the Pilot Butte Creek bike path and southward to Victoria Ave. Over to the Tim's by Home Depot and in the gloaming south along the PB Creek bike path to Assiniboia and back to the Leg. Total distance? 27 K?

June 8 Leader: Gordon Kerfoot

June 15 Leader: Joanne Zepp

June 22 Leader: Gordon Kerfoot

21 riders met June 22 for a "country road" ride. We divided into 2 groups, both groups heading south via SIAST to dirt roads (Park St S. and Fleet St. S), which encircle the Wascana Country Club. Group #1 continued east to the Creeks and Greens On Gardner before returning to the Leg via Gardner Park and Varsity Heights. Refreshements at Mc Donald's on Kramer Group 2 headed from the Rainbow Bridge to the DQ on Truesdale for a visit and treat. Weather in the low 20s; calm winds. Nice night. Thanks to Brenda for leading the 2nd group.

June 29 Leaders: Arleene Arnold and Dow Cooney

Warm weather, sunny, light wind.

This weeks Wednesday Night Ride was a "hit "with lemon/ limeade and Thai fresh rolls (and I mean "fresh" as they were made just before we arrived) served with dipping sauce and roasted peanuts. What can I say, I am a Freewheeler, I ate and I enjoyed. YUM! Thank you to Dow and her helpers'. The evening was lovely for a ride with warm weather and sunny skies. There were 18 riders with our littlest rider in tow behind grandma's bike, which would be Lana and Cohen. (Sorry Lana if I didn't get his name spelled right) Anyway little Cohen had to go home early as he didn't quite enjoy the ride as much as the rest of us and shucks they missed the fresh rolls. Arleene led a group to the university, along the bike path to Assiniboine Ave, through the cemetery, a little in Douglas Park, back to the University and to Whitmore Park(Dow's) for a distance of approximately 19 kilometers. Speedy Dow led another group for a somewhat longer ride along the same route.

July 6, 2016 Leader: Jim McGrane Thunder, rain and wind

Three hardy east end boys met on a wet and windy Wednesday night. They went 7.5 kilometers through the rain to the Tim Horton's at Victoria Square Mall where they enjoyed a cup of java.

July 13 Leader: Barbara Shourounis

July 20 Leader- Arleene Arnold Number of riders - 8 Weather - lovely Route – Arleene's training route ending at Brewed Awakening and Houston Pizza on Hill Ave Distance 23 kilometers

July 27 Leader - Gord Grant Number of riders - 12 Weather - Beautiful Route - Harbour Landing, Hillsdale, around the University to Stones Throw

Distance 19 kilometers

August 3

Leader – Larry Quinn

Despite the wind, weather watches and cool temperature two of us met at the Leg tonight. To keep the wind at our back Larry led me on the multi use path in Wascana Park, past the university, through the Douglas Park sports area (believe it or not some people were out playing frisbee golf in the wind) where we admired the new buildings, football fields, baseball diamonds, etc...and reminisced about how things used to look. We then rode around the Douglas Park area and to Larry's house near Candy Cane Park where I was fed "nibblies", a drink and met his lovely wife Helen. Total mileage back to the Leg was 12 kilometers.

Aug 10

Leader - Noreen Hetherington

cloudy, 18C, 22 km wind, threatening rain but turned into a beautiful evening, 6 riders. Route was to Harbour Landing, Southland, Lakeview par3, ending at the DQ south, 25 km

Aug 17

Leader – Don Wilson

Made our way over to the bike path leading north west and planned on going for ice cream on 7th Ave. However no ice cream stop as thunderous clouds with lightening so biked back towards the Leg with everyone dispersing on the way heading home to shelter.

Aug 24

Leader – Arleene Arnold

Cloudy, cool with a light rain. 2 Riders for a 1 hour ride ending with coffee at Hill Avenue Brewed Awakenings.

Aug 31 Leader – Richard Berard