

## THE 2020 WHEELING WHEELMEN SEASON STARTS JULY 1<sup>st</sup>!

I hope that you have all stayed safe riding on your own during the pandemic. The WW group rides will begin on July 1<sup>st</sup> in accordance with the State of Illinois Phase 4 guidelines.

Below are the **Wheeling Wheelmen COVID Ride Guidelines** effective July 1, 2020 (Illinois Phase 4) and will be reassessed upon future State updates:

- Only WW Club members can ride WW rides during this time.
- All riders should bring their own pen and will sign in at each ride.
- Cloth face coverings, buffs or masks are to be worn before (during sign in) and after the ride.
- Masks are recommended at all times where adherence to social distancing guidelines is not possible.
- Social distance guideline is 6 feet.

Additional general thoughts and recommendations:

1. We are responsible to each other to avoid getting/giving the virus. Do not ride if you are sick.
2. During this “restart” phase, please follow the WW ride and COVID guidelines and use best practices at all times. Public perception is important. We are the face of cycling.
3. Carry/use hand sanitizer.
4. Carry a mask to use in case you need to enter a building such as a gas station.
5. There are limited “rest stops” available, carry 2 water bottles and snacks.
6. Carry/use a handkerchief when needed
7. Prepare your ride at home rather than the parking lot checking tires, brakes and drive train.

Our regular weekly rides this year include:

- Sunday Morning Long Grove Short Ride – Archer Parking Lot in Long Grove.
- Tuesday Morning Bakery Rides – Willow Stream Park (Meet at Deerfields Bakery after the ride).
- Wednesday Morning No-Drop Ride – Woodland Trails Driving Range.
- Wednesday Night Hill and Dale Ride – Huntington Plaza Shopping Center.
- Thursday Morning Bakery Rides – Willow Stream Park (Meet at Deerfields Bakery after the ride).
- Thursday Night Ride – Archer Parking Lot in Long Grove.
- Friday Morning Lunch in Libertyville Ride – Willow Stream Park.
- Saturday Morning Honey Do Ride – Crank Revolution at Huntington Plaza.

As in the past, there will also be a number of weekend and holiday rides of middle to long distances. We will be looking for all of our members to step up and host a ride. If you have any questions about being a ride host please contact me or ask any of your fellow members. Be sure to check our ride schedule and then just reach out to me (Click [http://www.wheelmen.com/rides\\_host.asp](http://www.wheelmen.com/rides_host.asp) to go to the 'How to Host a Ride' page on our web site for additional information.) to indicate which rides you are interested in hosting. In addition, if you are interested in adding and hosting a new ride that you do not see listed (including gravel or trail), please contact me so that it can be added to the schedule.

Regards,

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Ride Chair