

Fall Newsletter

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ROCK HILL BICYCLE CLUB

Rock Hill, South Carolina

Fall Harvest Ride

We are SO Excited to report that we ran yet another Fun, successful Fall Harvest Ride this year! We had 134 riders take to the roads of York and Chester Counties on October 16th to raise money for our local spotlight charity, the Bethel Men's Homeless Shelter. The weather was sunny and gorgeous, the rest stop snacks were fresh and tasty, the Jimmy John's subs at the end were delicious, and of course the Free Beer at Tattooed Brews was a great way to finish the ride. We cannot wait to put this on again in October 2022, and once again be able to match the last 2 years' donations to the shelter. Those funds are critical to helping feed these men who are going through a difficult phase in life, and hopefully transition quickly into a more positive space in society. Thank you to all that rode, volunteered, and cheered us on; every little bit made a difference!





Things to Remember

Board Nominations

Survey Monkey

Holiday Party

Dec 9 @ Tattooed Brews

Holiday Ride

Dec 17



2022 Board

As the new year turns, we need to vote on Board of Directors, and in order to prepare for that, we need YOUR input for Board Nominations. Please take a moment and fill out the survey below and let us know who YOU think would be a good person for each role. We've been able to increase membership by 30% this year, and we want people who will keep up the momentum!

The survey also has a question about party attendance so we can make sure we have enough food, so make sure you help us help you have some good snacks at the party!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JKBDMKY>

From the President

This year you have been so incredibly well represented by your RHBC Sponsors which include:

Gold Sponsor: Steward Concepts Matthew Griffin

Silver Sponsors: Exp Realty Dean Hagey and Carolinas Insurance and Investment Group Watts Huckabee

Bronze Sponsors: Melville St Mortgage Group Rick Melville, M3 Real Estate Group Mindy Mills Hinson and Tattooed Brews

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!!! WE WOULD NOT BE WHERE WE ARE WITHOUT YOU!!!!!!!!!!

Your **Rock Hill Board of Directors** has been a hard working, devoted, talented and fun team consisting of the following. (It is important to remember their names as we are going to be voting on a new slate in the coming weeks and these people are your best resources to find out what their role entailed.)

Everyone on this board has served for the last two years. Tim has served longer and Bob rolled on this year. Most of this group is rolling off to make room for new leadership. The club cannot operate without a board so last week a Survey Monkey from Rick Melville was sent out (also see above), please complete it so we have resources to pull from. If you nominate someone they have to agree to serve so please be thoughtful in your selections.

President: Mindy Mills Hinson

Vice President: Rick Melville aka MNR Ride Announcer Extraordinaire

Secretary: Brandon Cox

Treasurer: Kathy Schrell

Advocacy Director: Tim Nissen

Competition Director: Steve Lehman

Social Media Director and Kit Designer: Erik Schutzman

Youth Cycling Director: Bob Reppert

This year the Club created a Board Position and recruited Bob Reppert as our Youth Cycling Director. His focus has been on recruiting, advocacy and retention of our youth riders. Bob, Tim and I worked diligently and with great determination to present a program to the City of Rock Hill where your RHBC would run a program to continue training and retaining the youth that the City had recruited through their certification program at the Rock Hill Velodrome after the City's program ended. The City does a great introduction program for the youth of York County but what happens to them once they are finished with the program? This is where



the RHBC wanted to step in.....but the City was simply not interested in working with us in a strategic way that would benefit the youth and be affordable for the RHBC. We are a volunteer club with amazing talent, but the City would not bend. This would have begun 10.1.21.....So right now, Bob is still training a lot of Junior cyclists and working on another plan for Spring Cycling for the RHBC which I hope the new board will implement.

The Fall Harvest Ride was another huge success resulting in a great day of cycling for 134 riders, lots of new members and the ability to donate \$1500 to the Bethel Men's Shelter located in downtown Rock Hill SC and always in tremendous need for resources. Last year they used our donation to help pay for a large steel bike rack and a large concrete pad on which to install the bike rack. Bikes can serve as a primary source of transportation for many so the funds were well used. Ride by the shelter any day after 5 and you will see the bike rack is being well utilized.

We are nearing the end of another calendar year and cycling season but do not be dismayed! We have great plans ahead for you and all details will be included on the website which can be found at rockhillbicycleclub.com.

Monday Night Rides are now virtually underway on Zwift. If you would like to join, please reach out to Robert (Bob) Reppert on the Zwift App and he will friend you and invite you into the ride. 6:30 on Mondays. email Bob for more details at robert.reppert@gmail.com. There will be lots of cold, dark Monday nights that you will be glad you have this group to ride with. 🚲

Our Annual Membership Meeting and Club Holiday Party will be held December 9, 2021 6-8pm at Tattooed Brews 120 East Main St Rock Hill, SC. Please be there on time as the Annual Meeting will begin promptly at 7pm.

We are working on a year-end chili cookoff and holiday spirited ride scheduled for the Saturday before Christmas which will be December 17, 2021 so stay tuned for more details on this.

It has been an honor to serve as your 2021 President. I can't wait to see you all at Tattooed Brews on December 9, 2021







