



The Ramblin' Rose Newsletter



ROSE CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB

MARCH 2018

Welcome to all new members who have just recently joined Rose City Motorcycle Club. We hope you will feel welcome and join in on the activities and fun we schedule throughout the year. We encourage you to come to our monthly breakfast meetings on the third Saturday of every month at Home Town Buffet, 3790 SW Hall Blvd. in Beaverton. Breakfast starts when their doors open at 8am. There is usually a ride after breakfast for those who want to ride with some friends.

PREZ SEZ

By Char Messinger, President

It's that time of year; there will be test rides for coming events (Or250 and Or500) assembling the Grand Tour, and the big job of RCMC membership renewals.

Also, I have been reminded that it is time for my annual speech about our 20% discount program with Beaverton Motorcycles. All members in good standing of Rose City Motorcycle Club are eligible to receive a 20% discount on most Parts & Accessories at Beaverton Motorcycles. The discount does not apply to the purchase of new or used motorcycles ("Drat"), Atv's, Jet Ski's, or parts & accessories already on sale or discounted. The RCMC member benefit CAN NOT be used with any other Beaverton Motorcycle promotion. Also, there are a few items that do not have enough mark-up (or are already discounted) to qualify for the 20% discount. So don't be upset if not everything qualifies. This member benefits program could be changed or discontinued without notice. How to use your Benefit: RCMC members MUST present their current RCMC membership card (proof of good standing) at the time of purchase and BEFORE the invoice/sales slip is generated. NO membership card or EXPIRED membership card, Sorry -- NO DISCOUNT.

RCMC membership cards are for the use of the RCMC member and the benefits are not transferable or to be used by non RCMC persons. The discount program RCMC has with Beaverton Motorcycles is a negotiated member benefit and based on mutual respect. If you have any questions about: *** RCMC Member Benefits please contact Den Bair (RCMC Member Benefits) at

rosecitybear@comcast.net

*** RCMC Socials (campouts, T.G.I.O., etc.) contact Virginia Berkey (RCMC Social Director) at

virginiaberkey@yahoo.com

This winter it has been really hard to keep up with the RCMC winter work. Dec. 1st we were still looking for a new house to move into; had to be out of the Florence Street house by Jan, 31st. Fun Pac production happens during Dec. & Jan. for mailing in Feb. Finally it is ready to go; waiting on one OEM for final approval on one add and off to the printer, edits for the 5,000+ names in this year's mailing list are complete and processed through the USP address checker. FunPac's should be in the mail within 7 days after the printer gets the graphics. Boy will I be glad to get mine in the mail box.

With all that said, let's go ride our motorcycles. That sounded so good I'm going to say it again. "Let's go ride our motorcycles."

Take Care, Ride Safe, See you on the Road,
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From the Road Captain

by John Goff

The 2018 riding season has officially begun. Refer to the test ride schedule in the "Members Section" of the RCMC web site. PLEASE report any errors you find in the RCMC web site and PLEASE report those to us ASAP!!!

And please remember that these course verification test-rides are intended for club members only. The intent is that our event routes are not revealed until the day of the event.

If there is an interest to have another in-club RCMC Riders Skills Practice (RSP) class, PLEASE send me an email.

**A quick reminder: The annual 2018 Bike MS Willamette Valley -
Date(s): Friday, August 3rd - Sunday, Aug 5, 2017
Start/Finish Location: Western Oregon University**

http://main.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR/Bike/ORCBikeEvents?pg=entry&fr_id=28196

Our participation in the BikeMS event (formerly known as the MS 150 Bike Tour), is now in its 33rd year with the Oregon Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. All of the people who have helped with this great charity fund raising event will be needed again; and along with some new faces. So please sign-up ASAP with me and let me know of your availability.

The 2018 RCMC Course Ambassador Program

For those who have always enjoyed riding RCMC events the day of the event as a course Ambassador, please come back again in 2018; we will be doing it again and we need you.

For the benefit of our new members who may not be familiar with our RCMC Course Ambassador (CA) program, let me explain. I am both the Road Captain and the AMA Event Referee. This 'traps' me at the Start/Finish while the event is underway. The way we have organized the CA's is they are an extension of the Road Captain out on the course; literally my eyes and ears. Simply put: CA's are 1) Goodwill ambassadors checking on our participants well-being and offering assistance when needed. And 2) they report back to me, the Road Captain, the progress of the event as it happens. During sign-in, they are scheduled to leave every 30 minutes.

So, think about it for the 250, the 500, and the Western States 1000. To everyone who has done this before, please consider being a CA again. To those of you who have not done this before, but would like to, let me know. If you have a time preference, please let me know, (it's on a first come, first serve basis.) And please remember that I also need riders who are time 'flexible' in order to complete the schedule. Only riders are needed, but couples are welcome. **It is good support for our participants and great PR for RCMC.**

As always, if there are any questions, please ask!

John Goff - RCMC Road Captain <jg@teleport.com>

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NEWS FROM THE SOCIAL DIRECTOR

Virginia Berkey

Well, I think we have really had enough winter for this year. I, for one, am really ready for spring.

Following is information on the two campouts for 2018.

2018 Memorial Day Campout – Reservations have been made at Silver Falls State Park near Salem for next Memorial Day. The dates are Thursday, May 24-Monday, May 28, 2018. Our site numbers are B2 and B4.

2018 Labor Day Campout – This campout will be held at Nehalem Bay State Park on the coast. Our site numbers are A24, A25, A26 and A27. The dates will be Thursday, August 30-Monday, September 3, 2018.

The cost of the campout is \$25.00 per person per day for those 14 years of age and older. This works out to \$10.00 a day per person for the camping fees and \$15.00 a day per person for food. This means each of your meals costs \$7.50 per meal per person as we only eat breakfast and dinner at the campsite. Lunch is on your own. The reason for this increase is the fact that Oregon State Parks has raised its camping fees and also increased the cost per day for extra vehicles. This is

collected at the campout after calculating how many nights you spend there and how many meals you eat. Payment can be made by cash or check made out to RCMC. You need to bring your own drinks and any snacks you want for your family.

There will be sign-up sheets at the breakfast meetings a couple months prior to each campout. If you have any questions about any of this you can call me at 503-964-5229 or (503) 703-9187 or email me at virginiaberkey@yahoo.com.

Virginia Berkey

Social Director

From Member Benefits

by Den Bair

You should have your member card for 2018 by now. If you have an older card or can't find it please contact me so I can check it out and replace / renew with you if needed. Thanks!

*Den Bair,
RCMC MBO
rosecitybear@comcast.net*



Happy Birthday RCMC Members for March

Dave Baldwin, Michael Coffman, Ralph Lewis, Zander McHade,
Kelly Page, Don Presten, and Eric Pykonen

FOR SALE

2007 FJR 1300 GEN II BEAUTIFUL BLACK CHERRY WITH LOW MILES



This amazing motorcycle comes with an ABS braking system, is a total joy to ride and only has 23,510 miles on it, which would be considered average for a 2012 model.

She has a motorized adjustable windshield and removable hard saddlebags with soft interior carry bags to add to your touring pleasure. This bike is top rated in the Sport Touring Class and is well suited for any canyon carving that you might have on your journey.

She comes with two windshields so that you can go with the stock or the larger size that really adds more wind protection. Additional extras include bar end weights with throttle lock cruise control, hand protectors for riding in cold weather, a rear luggage rack, and the tires have been recently replaced.

Kelly Blue Book shows:

Retail Value: \$6470

Trade- Value: \$4460

Average expected mileage: 48530

With only 23,510 miles on it I think this is a great value @ \$5500

For more information please call: 503-830-0068

Thanks for looking and remember to have fun and ride safely!

Nace

FOR SALE \$5500



Ladies Sedici Jacket size XL with matching Bilt Gloves \$75
Call Nace @ 503-830-0068

News from Ed Brock, RCMC Vice President

Ride Like A Pro classes are scheduled in the Portland area for July 13-14, 2019. Signup is happening NOW and the cost is \$200.00 for 4 hours of training and 2 hours of Police training. I took the class last year and found it very beneficial. I have a link I can supply to those who are interested. Email me at medbrock@gmail.com if you are interested.

So, another month over and I hope we are done with the snow and ice!
May your March be warmer and sunnier!