



The Ramblin' Rose Newsletter



ROSE CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB

DECEMBER 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

We have just completed another very successful year thanks to all our wonderful RCMC members.

Our annual Christmas party and White Elephant exchange will be Sunday, Dec. 9th at the Beaverton Elks Lodge. The very fun and successful Ornament Exchange will be happening again. The Ornament Exchange was started in 2005 by our very creative Social Director Virginia Berkey and has been a big hit. Bring one wrapped ornament per person in your group. Also, bring one wrapped white elephant gift for each person in your party. Please R.S.V.P. by Dec. 5th to virginiaberkey@yahoo.com. This year the Christmas dinner cost for adults is \$10, and a pot luck dish to serve 10. See everyone at the party.

The Type setting for the Annual FunPac is in progress. Our Event dates for the Or250 & Or500 are set for the 2019 riding season. The RCMC board will set the test ride dates at the January board meeting. The 250 & 500 were well attended in 2018 and we expect a great riding season in 2019. I'm hoping for another very successful Grand Tour in 2019. We had over 300 books out there in 2018.

Club membership remains steady between 140 & 160 members. Our member benefits package is designed to encourage RCMC membership. Beaverton Motorcycles again next will be giving a 20% discount on most parts and accessories to RCMC Members. Please show your RCMC membership card to the dealership folks before you start your transaction. And, "PLEASE" if you don't have your RCMC membership card with you, do not insist on your discount or try to get a discount after your purchase has been made. Thanks for being a positive RCMC member.

Remember the ABATE Shrine Toy Run, on the first Sat. in December. Contact Den for more details at rosecitybear@comcast.net.

Dues are due January 1st. Please note the dues for 2019 will be \$30. We will be collecting Dues renewals at the December & January RCMC Breakfast meeting and the Christmas party. Any questions on dues renewal contact Den for all the details at rosecitybear@comcast.net.

Now that the winter weather has settled in we need to start thinking about summer camping. Virginia has picked two great camping sites. Memorial Day weekend will be at Tumalo State Park between Bend & Sisters. Labor Day weekend will be at South Beach State Park near Newport on the Oregon coast.

Many thanks to all of you who helped with everything that RCMC accomplished in 2018. I want to thank again all those who gave of their time and energy to help with the Grand Tour, 250, 500, and WS1000. Without such a wonderful group of individuals RCMC would not be what it has become today. All members are necessary to build our RCMC heart and soul. It is my privilege to be the President of such a terrific organization. Thank you for sharing you time and your spirit with me.

Take Care, Ride Safe...

Char

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From the Road Captain

by John Goff

So, 2019 is approaching fast!

The short list of up-coming RCMC activities:

As was announced at the October Club Breakfast Social, the annual Beaverton Motorcycles Vendors Show has been rescheduled to April of 2019.

The annual ABATE Toy Run (see info from Den Bair on this).

The annual RMC Christmas Dinner and White Elephant Exchange; Look to Virginia Berkey for info.

And the New Year's Day Polar Bear Run hosted by Trinity Road Riders.

Also – I see that Bill Flannery has sent the annual request for your miles ridden in 2018. I invite EVERY one to please send in your miles ridden for this year. **I would really like to see a higher percentage of Club members participate in this annual tabulation. Once again, Bill Flannery has offered to assist me with this.** “Thank you Bill !” ☺ And you will be sending your mileage to him.!

You may report to him in early December (like the day of the ABATE Toy Run)

at: Billflan@comcast.net.

The Boeing Air Museum of Flight Club Activity Suggestion (Jan / Feb time frame) - I have been talking about revisiting this winter time group activity that we have not done for over 10 years. We have done this twice separated by 4 years back then. And a good time was had by all. This is an all-day adventure to do. And in the last 10 years major changes and additions have happened. We can Vanpool up and back on that Saturday. I would like to have more RCMC members participate and need a list of members who are interested in doing this again. **So if you have this interest to, please send me an email !** 😊

With change of season our weather changes the condition of the roads on which we ride. Lots of summer accumulated oil that will be washing off each time it rains, which we have not had much of this Fall. So take care out there. I have always felt that Autumn in the great Pacific Northwest is a spectacular season to ride in as the leaves change color and fall closes in on us. Just remember that all those loose leaves make for a poor traction surface while you are enjoying the scenery!

And I find a certain seasonal fixation about turkey gravy is growing with eager anticipation!

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

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FROM THE SOCIAL DIRECTOR

Virginia Berkey

Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving with family and friends. We sure did!

Below is some information about the upcoming Christmas party and the two campouts for 2019.

The **Christmas Party** will be held on Sunday, December 9, 2019. It will be held at the Beaverton Elks Club. You need to bring a potluck dish to feed about 10 people, your wrapped white elephant gift and a small wrapped "Christmasy" thing. We have been doing this game/exchange for quite a few years now and we all probably have a lot more Christmas ornaments than we need for our tree. So this year, bring a small wrapped "Christmasy" thing. Anything you want, as long as it is small and "Christmasy".

If you have children who will be attending, I need to know their name, age, and what they want for Christmas. Anyone who is 14 and younger does not participate in the white elephant gift exchange.

The club will provide a gift for each of them which cannot be stolen, like the white elephant gifts.

Sign in starts at 4:00, with dinner at 5:00 and the awards, games, and white elephant gift exchange after that. See the flyer about the Christmas party on another page in this newsletter. If you plan on coming and haven't signed up yet, you can always call me at 503-703-9187 or 971-344-0832. You can also email me at virginiaberkey@yahoo.com.

Memorial Day Campout – This campout will be on Thursday, May 23 to Monday, May 27, 2019.

Reservations have been made at Tumalo State Park, near Bend. Our site numbers are B11, B19, and B20.

Labor Day Campout – We have reservations at South Beach State Park in Newport. The dates are Thursday, August 29-Monday, September 2, 2019. Our campsite numbers are B19, B20, C37 (ADA), and C38. Even though they are in two different "circles", the sites are right together.

The cost of the campout is \$25.00 per person per day for those 15 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 together at the campsite. Lunch is on your own. The cost per day is collected at the campout depending on 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.

TGIO – The Thank Goodness It's Over event will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2019. More information as the plans are firmed up.

For any other comments or questions on any events, you can call me at (503) 703-9187 or (971) 344-0832, or you can always send me an email at virginiaberkey@yahoo.com.

Everyone be safe and see you at the Christmas party.

Virginia Berkey

Social Director

From Member Benefits

Den Bair

Get your holiday spirit on!

Join us at RCMC for the 2018 Christmas Party / Banquet – details in Virginia Berkey’s article.

Help us support ABATE on their 2018 Toy Run for Shriner’s Hospital on December 1st – bring a toy and ride with us or just show up at this great event to show support Details here:

<http://www.abateoforegon-se.org/files/2018%20Toy%20Run%20Flyer.jpg>

Membership renewals are heading out in the mail, please watch for it! You can also bring your renewal to our Christmas Party! And sign up for the Air Museum field trip – see John Goff!

And More Fun Stuff!!

Please share stories of your rides, mc safety articles, and events with us in this newsletter. Just submit them to Marjie Brock medbrock@gmail.com. Also, members can take advantage of the Ramblin’ Rose newsletter to advertise motorcycle related items for sale. Just submit an ad to Marjie at the same email address.

Happy trails!

Den Bair

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Happy Birthday to RCMC Members born in December!

Sable Balmes, Julia Bowcutt, Becky Cuerden, Scott Rossow, Leroy Seal, Paul Sharp, Doug Stapf, John Sunseri, Gary Wasserman, and Chris Winn!

Get The Green Light!

Loop Detection

Many traffic signals are triggered by electrically charged wire loops buried under the pavement. They sense metal in arriving vehicles. Near intersections look for circular, rectangular, or diamond cut in the pavement and filled with tar. These loops can generally detect your motorcycle if the wheels are located over the loops.

Video Detection

Some traffic signals are triggered by video detection cameras. You can improve your chances of being detected by waiting on the correct side of the white stop bar (to the left of the signal light) and wearing **high contrast, reflective, or light colored clothing**. Dark colored clothing blends in with the pavement color, making detection by the camera less likely.

Problems with a Signal?

Let us know about issues. For city and county streets, call your local road department. For state highways (e.g. OR22, US101, OR214) see the information below:

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| Portland Metro (ODOT Reg. 1) | 503-283-5859 |
| Willamette Valley, N. Coast (ODOT Reg. 2) | 503-362-0457 |
| SW Oregon & Klamath Falls (ODOT Reg. 3) | 541-858-3103 |
| Central Oregon (ODOT Reg. 4) | 541-388-6180 |
| Eastern Oregon (ODOT Reg. 5) | 541-388-6180 |

Oregon Revised Statute

811.360 Vehicle turns permitted at stoplight; proceeding against traffic control device; improperly proceeding at stop light; penalty.

(1) The driver of a vehicle, subject to this section, who is intending to turn at an intersection where there is a traffic control device showing a steady circular red signal, a steady red bicycle

signal or a steady red arrow signal may do any of the following without violating ORS 811.260 and 811.265: (a) Make a right turn into a two-way street. (b) Make a right or left turn into a one-way street in the direction of traffic upon the one-way street.

(2) In addition to the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, a bicyclist or motorcyclist does not violate ORS 811.260 and 811.265 if: (a) The bicyclist or motorcyclist approaches an intersection where there is a traffic control device showing a steady circular red signal, a steady red bicycle signal or a steady red arrow signal; (b) The traffic control device is controlled by a vehicle detection device; (c) The bicyclist or motorcyclist comes to a complete stop and waits for the traffic control device to complete **one full cycle**; and (d) After the vehicle detection device fails to detect the presence of the bicycle or motorcycle and change the traffic control device to a green signal, the bicyclist or motorcyclist proceeds with caution through the intersection.

(3) A person commits the offense of improperly proceeding at a stop light if the person does any of the following while proceeding as described in this section: (a) Fails to stop at the light as required. (b) Fails to exercise caution to avoid an accident. (c) Disobeys the directions of another traffic control device, other than the device described in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, or a police officer that prohibits the driver, motorcyclist or bicyclist from proceeding. (d) Fails to yield the right of way to traffic lawfully within the intersection or approaching so close to the intersection as to constitute an immediate hazard.

(4) A driver, motorcyclist or bicyclist who is proceeding as described in this section is also subject to the requirements under ORS 811.028 to stop for a pedestrian before proceeding.

(5) The offense described in this section, improperly proceeding at a stop light, is a Class B traffic violation.

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**It's time for the annual
RCMC Christmas Party**

Sunday, December 9, 2018

At

Beaverton Elks Lodge

3464 SW 106th

Beaverton, Oregon 97005

4:00 PM – Sign-in & Social Hour

5:00 PM – Potluck Dinner

6:00 PM – Awards, White Elephant, and Ornament Exchange

Each household needs to bring their potluck dish to feed about 10 people. There will be a bar where you can purchase alcoholic drinks and also get soft drinks, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and water.

Spiral cut ham will be provided by RCMC.

Each person needs to bring a wrapped White Elephant Gift and a wrapped small "Christmasy" thing. It doesn't have to be an ornament.

The cost is \$10.00 per person, 15 years of age and up which is paid at the door.

Any questions, please contact: Virginia Berkey, 4665 SE 133rd Drive, Portland. Oregon 97236

Phone: 971-344-0832/503-703-9187

Email: viriniaberkey@yahoo.com

I hope to see many of you at the Christmas Party!
And I am saying my annual prayers for a WHITE CHRISTMAS!
Not too much snow; just enough to make it beautiful!!!

