

February 2019 Quick Releases

(see email sent on 2/1/19)

Top Talk with Pat McManus, PWTC President

There are rumblings in the club about the new format of our monthly newsletter, the Quick Releases, so I want to address some of these complaints...

The new format is perhaps a work in progress, but I predict that in the very near future you may wonder why we didn't do this sooner.... [Keep Reading](#)



Exploring a Name Change for PWTC

A motion to change the Club name to **The Portland Bicycling Club** will be made at the February 7th Club Meeting, and the Board has decided that the vote will be held during the April 4th Club meeting. You must be present at the meeting to vote, and to change the name requires a two-thirds majority of the votes cast.

Future of the Pioneer Century

The Pioneer Century Ride is on hold for 2019, but [Events by Axiom](#) has expressed interest in providing services, and the board continues to discuss options for 2020. Stay tuned for more news.



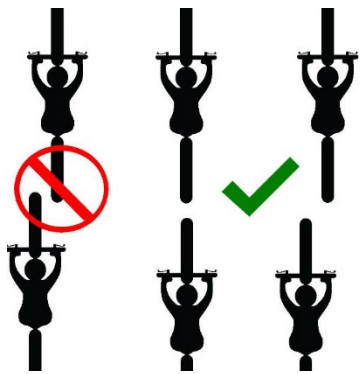


Photos and Ride News

Nope, we're still not printing and mailing glossy paper newsletters packed with printer-jamming color photos. But the [PWTC Facebook page](#) is open for your viewing pleasure 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Same with our [Instagram page](#). Have a look and post your own news and photos. We all want to see your fun!

East Bank Esplanade Closure

"Closure ahead? Use Better Naito instead!" That is the city's slogan for upcoming changes. [The Eastbank Esplanade will be closed](#) between the Steel Bridge and Hawthorne Bridge for upgrades/repairs beginning Feb 1 into April, but as compensation, Better Naito will open three months early.



Ride Safety: Avoiding Half-Wheel Crashes

By Fred Matheny, Road Bike Rider newsletter

It's the most common cause of paceline crashes. You overlap your front wheel with the rear wheel of another rider. Then she swerves slightly to avoid a chink in the road, the wheels touch and — boom! — you're in a heap. [Keep Reading](#)

Ride With Us in February!

With rides scheduled every day, and a variety of speeds and distances, there is something for everyone. Check out our [online calendar](#) at the PWTC website for detailed information about the rides. These are a few of the highlights for the month:

Start the week right with Don Spencer's [Monday Morning Meander](#).

Or a [Wednesday Morning Explorer](#) with Eric Hendricks.

Maybe you prefer a [Friday Morning Quickie](#) with Warren Ford?

Or perhaps you'd like to train for [Reach the Beach](#) with Dick Weber.

Click [here](#) for more Reach the Beach rides and information.

Don't Forget our Events Page

Another great resource on our amazing club website is the [Events page](#). From Bud Rice's [Tumalo Tour](#) to [The Idaho Tour](#) and the [Jim O'Horo Columbia Gorge Explorer](#), you'll always find an event to train for.

Non-PWTC Rides and Club Mileage

Each year the PWTC Board approves up to ten non-PWTC event rides to be included on the ride calendar and eligible for club mileage. These rides will be indicated both in the description and on the ride calendar.

Click [here](#) to view the club policy regarding qualifications, submission, and selection process for these rides.



I borrowed Rusch to Glory from the club library and was blown away by Rebecca Rusch's courage and accomplishments. You can see the full movie for free on the [Red Bull website](#).

