

Message from the HRER President.

With the warm weather we have been experiencing recently (March 20-24) I know we are all feeling the need to get on our bikes and go riding on the roads of Haliburton County. Very understandable, especially given the fact that last season didn't happen for group riding. However, we all know that a number of HRER members (including yours truly), did venture out (solo or in their bubble) and enjoyed their rides, whilst adhering to the applicable restrictions at the time. (see the 2020 photos on our Gallery).

With the start of public vaccinations in Haliburton County (March 22nd), we are hopeful that we will at least have some Group riding this season. This, of course, will depend on the usual statistics of Covid infections, plus speed of vaccination and any further possible restrictions.

We have updated our website with 2021 information on rides etc. as usual, and we will continue to monitor Covid and Health Restrictions until such time as we feel we can safely ride together again. We will not open with a "Let's Get Rolling" meeting this season. Nor will we be able to have a Spring Trip, although we are hoping for an away Trip in the Fall. Keep a watch on this site, on our Facebook Group and Club emails, for further announcements regarding the starting of Group rides.

Our member registration for the 2021 season will be on-line, via this website (Join). The Board made the decision last year to extend the 2020 season into 2021, so if you were a member last season, then you are already a member for this season and do not have to Join. If you were not a member last season, then please join as above (only \$40).

Our 'guest' policy allows members to bring guests, free, to one Tuesday ride and one Friday ride per season without joining the club. The member bringing a guest will be responsible for printing off a Guest Waiver and its attachment, the HRER Risk Management Policy, (both from our website), for their guest to read and sign. These should be given to the Ride Captain or a Board member prior to the ride.

We urge all members to join our 'private' Facebook Group, where not only will they be able to interact with other members, ask questions about bikes, biking and the club, post and view photos of rides, but also where they will see notices of interest to members, posted by the club. Important notices will, of course, continue to be sent directly to all members via email in addition to being posted on our Facebook group.

Should any member have questions or suggestions about HRER, please approach a board member directly or use the Admin email contact on our website.

Let's have a great season, I look forward to meeting and riding with you all in 2021.

Ride safely, have fun and may the wind be always at your back!

Robin Bell, President