# CCCTS Fraser Valley Chapter News

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#### **Relaxed Ride Program**

In response to interest expressed by some Fraser Valley Chapter members for rides that are a bit slower than our Wednesday rides, we created a trial Relaxed Ride program rides taking place every second Friday in April and May. Three rides have taken place so far with 12 to 16 riders participating in each ride with the fourth trial ride is scheduled for Friday May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Based on the positive response so far, the every-second- Friday Relaxed Ride program will be continued until the end of August.

### **Spring Social**

The Chapter had a successful coffee and cookies social on April 5<sup>th</sup> at Redwood Park with 25 attendees before our ride to the JD Turkey Farm.

Thanks to Ann Marie Liggat and Maggie MacNeill for organizing the social.





## Thank you Mieke

Mieke Quinn has stepped down from the Steering Committee after 5 years of service with particular involvement with the Social Subcommittee. Thank you, Mieke, for your contribution to the Fraser Valley Chapter.

We invite anyone who may be interested in serving on the Steering Committee to contact the President, Edward Dillon (drecdillon@gmail.com) or the Secretary, Clark Woodland (clark@woodland.bc.ca).

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Pop up ride** - Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 to Emma Lea Farm on Westham Island.

Week of Rides - July  $10^{th} - 14^{th}$ , 2023. There will be 5 days of rides to a variety of destinations.

Century Ride - Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Details on these events to follow in future Newsletters and in the ride calendar on the Chapter website.

#### **Proposed Changes to the BC Motor Vehicle Act**

After years of lobbying by various cycling advocacy groups, the BC Government has tabled amendments to the Motor Vehicle Act that establish a new vulnerable roaduser framework that requires drivers to take proper precautions when pedestrians and cyclists are using a roadway including the requirement that motorists give vulnerable users of the road, such as cyclists, a 1-meter space on passing and a minimum of 3 meters when following a cyclist.

However, what has been passed is called "enabling legislation", which starts the process of setting regulations which will occur over the next 8-9 months or so. And public education can't start until the regulations are completed. So, we are on the right track but nothing changes until the regulations are brought into force.

# Welcome New FV Chapter Members

Kathleen Beaton

Chris Hartman

**Bob Saunders** 

Heather MacNaughton

**Welcome Back** 

Sheila Kerr

Monica Zack

## **0-5-0 Workshop**How to Get the Most Out of Your Ride

FV Chapter members were invited to attend the 'How to Get the Most Out of Your Ride' workshop organized by the 0-5-0 Bicycle Club on April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Centennial Arena in White Rock. Andrew Brink who works at MEC, was the guest speaker.

The FV Chapter members who attended the workshop reported it was very useful and informative.

Stay tuned for news on future workshops.