



The Director's Digressions

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June Ramblings – Motorcycle distancing

Sorry – I skipped a month there. And this article isn't going to make up for it.

Every person, every community, every chapter is dealing with Covid-19 differently. For our chapter (the Minnows), we have people that will not give up on riding and riding with a group of friends. We have developed a new parking procedure at our ride point. It is the Foley Park-n-Ride and with most people working from home, the parking lot is even emptier than normal when we arrive. A suggestion was made to use a checkerboard pattern. This provides an empty parking space between every bike and diagonal parking for each row. People may make wide circles for discussions before we head out on the bikes, or just stand by their bike. But we can all talk loud enough to have conversations while we wait to ride. Parking at the destination is also spaced apart. Since our Thursday rides are normally 'dinner' rides and restaurants are all closed now, we are offering the option of stopping at a member's house and practicing distant socializing there before everyone heads home. Individual treats are supplied so people don't have to touch a common bowl of goodies. So we are adapting. In our own way. And we hope that all of you are adapting as well, until things go back to whatever the new normal becomes.

Thanks for reading! Be safe!
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