



WMNEMBA Dialed-In

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A newsletter to 'dial you in' to what's happening within the MWV biking scene!

GET IN GEAR

Support the trails by buying a WMNEMBA jacket. It will be available for pre-sale on Fri, Apr 8th. Stay tuned! A sizing kit will also be available at the Annual Spring Meeting on Sun, Apr 10th.

Thank you Maryanne Dunfey for a great design! See you all at the meeting.



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OFFICER ELECTIONS

We'll be holding officer election at our Apr 10th meeting. According to NEMBA Bylaws, Officers shall serve a term of one year or until a successor is elected. Existing officers may choose to run for re-election. Mike Simoneau, has decided to hang up his VP hat. Thanks to Mike for volunteering this past year. With that, we are accepting nominees for VP or any other position for that matter. See **Position Description** in section V of the NEMBA handbook. If there are multiple candidates, a written ballot will be provided to members for voting. If you would like to submit a nomination, please email the position, individual, skills for the position, their contact info, and a statement on their willingness to serve for at least 1 term to wmchapter@nemba.org by 31 March 2022. We believe any dynamic group benefits from new leaders with fresh perspectives and new energy.

COMMITTEES

Some of you may remember three WMNEMBA committees that were developed several years ago to aid in developing trail related projects and growing the sport in the valley. These committees were Trails, Community & Advocacy and Landowner Relations. These committees will be on the Apr 10th meeting agenda to discuss of reinstatement. Each committee will require a chairman; please read the description below to see if you might have the skills and want to volunteer.

1. TRAILS

Envisions, plans and implements all physical trail related projects. This includes all new construction and maintenance priorities, design and layout, overseeing the trail adopter program, organizing trail day logistics, bridge design and construction, and equipment purchasing and care. (con't)

TRAIL ADOPTERS

Calling all TRAIL ADOPTERS! Do you want to adopt one of your favorite trails this season? As a trail adopter, you will be responsible for:

1. Riding/walking trail as needed.
2. Pruning back vegetation and overgrowth.
3. Removing fallen branches and trees.
4. Cleaning out existing drainages.
5. Inspecting manmade structures.
6. Removing litter.
7. Inspecting trail signs.
8. Reporting executed work.
9. Referring improvement/changes.

Should you decided to be an adopter, please right click the link and select open to sign up on the **Trail Adopters Sign Up** sheet. Please use the pull down menu to select your trail(s) or add a trail by just typing in the name. Also, there are columns for you to document trail work on the same sheet. Many hands make faster work!

Committees (con't)

2. Community & Advocacy

Our goal is to grow the mountain bike culture in the area. This includes issues recruiting new chapter members, communication with the media and the general public, outreach to further grow our chapter, trail ethics & education, fundraising, public relations, group rides, social events, and other mountain bike activities.

3. Landowner Relations

We must continue to work with private landowners, cooperators, and Federal, State, and Municipal agencies to maintain and/or gain legal sanctioned access for mountain bike trails. This is the groundwork for expanding existing trails and building new ones. *Creating a greater land ethic and land owner respect*

Questions or comments? Please give your feedback to:

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