

Winter is Coming It's hard to think that soon we will be putting the bike away until the spring or at least keeping it handy for those few days when the roads are dry and the temperature is hovering around freezing. Although the weather was slow to cooperate in the spring and the summer was wetter than we would like, the fall weather has been really kind to us. Who knows, we might even have some club rides extending into November like last year.

Tour de Simcoe The second annual Tour de Simcoe was another great success. Tom and Rose have to be commended for putting together such a great weekend. Also thanks to past member Colin MacLean for opening up his home for Saturday lunch and, let us not forget, Harriet, jovial as ever, Deb and Leslie who made sure bags and beer made it safely to Barrie.

Century Ride Another resounding success down to Tom and Rose Thirty-one members took part most choosing to do the 162 km. Alyson McLelland has to be congratulated for completing her very first century along with husband Ed. This year's sag team of Jennifer (Tilk), Chris, Scott and Harriet (as always) did a superb job and our thanks extend to them.

Club Jerseys We had a great response to the new long sleeve design which arrived just in time for the cooler weather. Not only that, we also had requests for short sleeves. In total we sold 13 short sleeve and 17 long sleeve in addition to three short sleeve from our inventory. Templates for both jersey designs are now on file with Louis Garneau so further orders can be processed quickly. A minimum order is six in each design and sex. Anyone who missed out and would like to place an order should contact a member of the new executive.

Membership This year, in addition to our three life members, we had 97 paid members; an increase of 12 from last year. Furthermore we had 37 individuals who rode with us at least once but didn't join for one reason or another.

Annual General Meeting

The annual general meeting will take place at the Whitby Public Library on November 4th at 7:00 pm. See the website for more details. Please try to attend as this is your opportunity to voice your opinion on the functioning of the club and elect the new executive for 2015. Although the current executive have announced their intention to seek re-election that doesn't preclude other members from seeking election. You can declare your intention to run via the website or at the meeting.

Banquet November 13th is the date of this year's banquet and will be held at the Bear Pub (formally the Old Liverpool House) in Pickering. We will have a dedicated room with bar on the second floor and, unlike last year, there are no restrictions on bringing a significant other. If you plan on attending and having a meal it is important that you pre-order your meal choice by November 4th. To see the meal choices and make your selection please go to the club's website and complete the request form.

Winter Riding During the winter months we are sometimes blessed with the occasional day of dry roads and reasonable temperatures. This offers a chance to wrap up warmly and take a spin in the fresh air. Unfortunately such days are rare so once again the club has made arrangements with the Ajax Pickering Tri Club for the club to participate their spin classes. Classes are on Sunday mornings starting on December 7 through to March 30. Set up time is 7:45 am with wheels turning from 8:00 am until 9:45 am. The classes take place at SHED fitness, 1420 Bayly St. (just east of Liverpool Rd.), Unit #11, in Pickering. The cost is \$120 including HST for DCC members. To join in just show up with your bike, spinner and cash or cheque and ask to speak to Jim McLellan. Don't forget to mention you belong to the Durham Cycling Club.

Executive Message The year is almost complete and the club's executive would like to thank one and all for participating in all the great rides and camaraderie that is the Durham Cycling Club. The club has much to be proud of in bringing together riders of various levels all of whom share the same passion for cycling.
