



Polar Bear Grand Tour

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AMA District II



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Ready to Ride!

Bob Hartpence, Chairman

This is the 42nd season of the Polar Bear Grand Tour. It is the only organized winter riding schedule in the world. The destinations, the website, the photos, the points, the patches and pins – and of course you



the riders – there's nothing like it anywhere else.

Our volunteer staff work very hard to make it fun and enjoyable for you. Your flight leaders are there every week with the books for you: Flight A leaders Jim Conway and Pat Bachota; and

Flight B leaders Joan Roselli and Amy La Sorda. Each week while you're eagerly anticipating the next Sunday's ride and checking the weather forecast, your flight leaders are working on the books.

Quartermasters Gary Rosen and Alex Meller make sure we have shirts each year. They've branched out into other areas of merchandise as well. (I love my short sleeve summer shirt.)

Ride Coordinators George Piegaro and Roy Bober work during the summer setting up new stops. During Polar Bear season they make sure all the stops know we're coming.

Webmaster Walter Kern does a great job on our website. He posts the schedule and then

each week the new photos and videos. We are also on Facebook: @polarbeargrandtour with in-season posts of photos and videos. Walter even logs in from Florida when he's out of town. You can email Walter your photos and he will post some of them.

Photographers Bernie Walsh, Dave Thompson and Gary Rosen are outside and inside our destinations each week taking lots of pictures for the website, one of our most popular features.

Newsletter Editor Chris Loynd manages to make me look smart (and that is a big job).

So as you can see, when everything goes right it is because I'm doing a good job, and when things go wrong it's someone else's fault.

Email List

Any schedule changes or inclement weather notices will be by email only. If you did not get a copy of the newsletter by email, you're not on the list.

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Schedule Changes

There are a few key changes to this year's schedule.

One of the biggest is that we have moved the toy run to O'Connor's American Bar & Grill, 1383 Monmouth Road, Eastampton Twp, NJ 08060.

They are very happy to have us and look forward to us coming.

The Cabin was no longer interested in hosting the Polar Bears. They didn't want us to park near the building. They complained that we got their floor wet. We have been going there for a long time, but they are off the schedule.

You'll also notice we are no longer posting directions for our destinations. When Polar

Bears started 42 seasons ago, you were given the name and address of the destination.

You had to find your way there, so the directions helped. We relied upon maps printed on paper. Key turns were affixed to your tankbag or written in grease pencil on your mirrors.

Now most members are using a GPS or the internet. So we'll give you the name of the destination, the address and the destination's web page. That way if you make a wrong turn, it's not our fault.

Shirts

Remember we have ordered a limited number of shirts. So if you want one, do not wait too long. See Gary or Alex to get yours.

October 27, 2019 CAPE MAY V.F.W. post #385, N.J. 419 Congress St., Cape May, N.J. 08204 Ph# 609-884-7961.
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Perfect Bears

Congratulations to our 2018-2019
Perfect Attendance Polar Bears

Flight A

James Conway, Jr.
Charles Miele
Claudia Porrington
Gary Reddick
Natalie Ross
Ed Schwartzbach
Sal Simonetti
Salvatore Spinale
Jim Walter, Jr.
Kenneth White

Flight B

Jeffrey D. Ashen
John Bittner
Timothy Culver
Peter Dalidowicz
Shaun Gordon
Michael Heater
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Alex Meller, Jr.
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