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GRAVEL UPDATE

Under the leadership of Deb Banks, we have launched a new gravel program and hope that many of you will want to participate. Riding gravel is the fastest growing sector in the bicycle world, and it is perfect for our sport: it packs adventure, quieter roads, beautiful scenery and self-sufficiency all into one.

Here's the dirt on the program:

- Starting out with brevets and populaires only, no permanents or team events.
- Participation is optional as with all RUSA offerings
- Gravel can be incorporated into any length of route
- Extra time can be given for kilometers of gravel in a route EXCEPT for Audax Club Parisien (ACP) and Randonneurs Mondiaux (LRM) events; extra time is not awarded in events of length >600 km.
- We are starting fresh – no grandfathering in of gravel events prior to 2022.

Additional details will be shared as they are finalized by the committee.

If you have questions or ideas, get in touch with the gravel committee:
gravel@rusa.org

RANONNEURS USA MEDIA PRESENTS:

Paris-Brest-Paris (PBP) Prep Seminar #2

Rob Hawks, RBA-L, San Francisco Randonneurs RBA presents the 2nd Paris-Brest-Paris Seminar which covers the 80, 90, 84 hour start groups, route discussion and an interview with a PBP Ancien.



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HAVE YOU EARNED A MONTHLY

NEW RANDONNEURS USA GOOGLE GROUP

We are pleased to announce a new [randonneurs-usa@ Google](mailto:randonneurs-usa@googlegroups.com) list for RUSA-specific discussions. This is intended to bridge the gap between regional lists and the global [random@](mailto:random@rusa.org) list.

In addition to providing a forum for member-to-member communication within RUSA, this will serve as an additional channel for RUSA announcements. You need not be a current or past member of RUSA in order to join and participate, and you are free to join and leave as you please. Additional details [here](#).

JOIN

RUSA STORE/AWARD UPDATES

- Reflective vests are in short supply in many sizes. We are working to find a replacement vendor as the former vendor is MIA.
- 2021 Audax Club Parisien Super Randonneur medals have been shipped from France and due to arrive at RUSA Headquarters soon.
- R5000 applications for 2022 are now open. R10000 applications are awaiting word on expected changes to the rules. We've not heard anything about medal deliveries from last year's orders.

Lots of other sweet swag & trinkets available, [take a glance](#) to see what bling-bling is available.

RANDONNEURING MOMENTS: A VIEW FROM...



Iwan Barankay (#12742)

Location: Philadelphia, PA

Details: Keystone Co 200k on November 6, 2021

RANDO-AWARD YET?

Details about R-12, P-12, Ultra R-12, Ultra P-12 awards [here](#). [Search](#) permanents near you in your quest towards these awards.

Are you are interested in developing a route near you? Refer to [guidelines here](#).

GIVE BACK AS A VOLUNTEER

Minimal time commitment. Many opportunities available [here](#) include: marketing, design, advertising, jersey design.

CALENDAR

Glance at the [RUSA website for the latest schedule](#) and adventures available to you in 2022.

WEBSITE UPDATE:

Members' US Grand Randonnée results now appear with event icons, in the member's [list of results](#).

BEHIND THE SCENES BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Interested in seeing what is going on behind the scenes? Archived meeting minutes [here](#).

Want to chat with RUSA Headquarters? We would love to hear from you either via email at board@rusa.org or reach out via phone [here](#).

got a favorite randonneuring photo?

We would love to see it and possibly include it in a future edition! Criteria includes: taken by member on any RUSA/ACP event, permanent, populaire, team event, and/or grand randonnee; only landscape and bikes at this time; provide location, event and date. Email enews@rusa.org

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