

# THE BIKE FLYER - A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



## PEGASUS BIKE TOURS



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### 2020 San Diego and Willamette Valley Tours Still Open!

Did you make a New Year's wish or set yourself a goal to take part in a Pegasus Bike Tour? Well your wish/goal may easily come true. There's still time to get on our San Diego Tour in sunny California as well as the opportunity to join us in Oregon's beautiful Willamette Valley. As to the other tours, over the past years many folks managed to get on one of our tours from the Wait List! You can always check the status of a tour on the website at: <https://www.pegasusbiketours.com/tour-status>.

### Looking Ahead to 2021!

With the start of the New Year it's time to start thinking about tours for 2020. **Domestically**, although nothing is cast in stone, our co-leader, Dean Karlen is hard at work putting together either a single-base or limited base tour in the Sonoma **Valley** wine country of Northern California for late April. Our primary base will be in Healdsburg just north of Santa Rosa. Knowing Dean, this will be a gorgeous yet challenging tour as most roads in that part of California go up. Our 4-Day Eastern Washington and Omak Tours will certainly be back. In addition to these three tours we will also be offering a revised 8 - Day version of one of our most popular tours - along the **Oregon Coast**. Our plan is to run it after Labor Day when there is less traffic and usually still great weather. This tour will start in Forest Grove and proceed due north to the Columbia River. From there we will head to Astoria and the northwest corner of Oregon. We will then spend the next 4 days along the coast before heading back east from Newport to Corvallis. That stretch of the Oregon Coast is just one beautiful vista after the other. Then it's a beautiful ride back up the Willamette Valley through lush farmland and hills to Forest Grove. The third tour is a new week-long tour incorporating some of the most scenic by-ways **Washington** has to offer. Starting and ending in Bothell (just north of Seattle) we head north to Semiahmoo Resort a world-class 5-star resort on Birch Bay in the extreme northwest corner of the state. From there we head to the unforgettable Harrison Hot Springs in British Columbia—the perfect spot for a day off. We return back to Bothell via Lake Whatcom and Burlington. Both of these tours highlight the beauty of the Northwest. Look for more information about these tours in upcoming months.

**Internationally**, we are going back to our first international tour which was a Bike and Barge through the Heart of Holland. This tour starts and ends in Amsterdam, capital of the Netherlands. From there we will visit Zaandam and the famous windmills of the Zaanse Schans, the beautiful beaches along the North Sea Coast, Leiden, Delft, Rotterdam, Gouda and much more. Undoubtedly there will be a windmill tour, cheese farm and other wonderful excursions along the route. The Netherlands is flat and the mileages will never be more than 35 miles with many days shorter than that and there will be days when a short and long option will be offered. In addition, we have also been discussing a second tour in Europe, the most likely locations being **Greece** or a fixed villa based Italy tour. More information will be forthcoming.

### 2020 PEGASUS BIKE TOURS SCHEDULE

DATES	TOUR	LOCATION	LEVEL	STATUS
March 21-29	<u>Discover San Diego</u>	San Diego, CA	Intermediate	Open
April 30-May 4	<u>4-Day Omak Hill Country</u>	Omak, WA	Intermediate/Adv	Open (barely)
May 14-18	<u>4-Day Eastern Washington</u>	Chelan, WA	Intermediate/Adv	Wait List Only
June 1-10	<u>Andalusia, Spain - Fixed Base</u>	Ronda, Spain	Easy/Intermediate	Wait List Only
June 20-July 4	<u>Bolzano-Venice, Italy Hybrid Tour</u>	Bolzano, Italy	Easy/Intermediate	Wait List Only
August 8-16	<u>Willamette Valley Tour</u>	Salem, OR	Intermediate	Open
August 22-30	<u>Idaho Panhandle Tour</u>	Spokane, WA	Intermediate	Wait List Only