

MINUTES OF MEETING
B.C. RANDONNEURS CYCLE CLUB

Executive:	Position:
Jeff Mudrakoff	President, Supplies Manager
Ryan Golbeck	Vice-President, Database Projects
Ross Nichol	Treasurer
Deirdre Arscott	Secretary
Bob Goodison	Southern Interior Route Coordinator
Keith Nichol	LM Route Co-Coordinator
Gary Baker	LM Route Co-Coordinator
Lee Ringham	VI Route Coordinator
Susan Allen	Member at Large
Dug Andrusiek	Member at Large
Chris Cullum	Member at Large
Stephen Hinde	Member at Large
Malcolm McAuley	Member at Large
Andy Reimer	Member at Large

Tracy Barill	Permanents Co-Coordinator, Ride Organizer
Richard Blair	Ride Organizer
Bob Boonstra	Ride Organizer
Harold Bridge	AGM Ride & Brunch
Kevin Bruce	Ride Organizer
Barry Chase	Ride Organizer
Brynn Croy	Ride Organizer
Mike Croy	Ride Organizer
Eric Fergusson	Web Site Manager
Colin Fingler	Ride Organizer
Keith Fletcher	Ride Organizer
Doug Fox	Ride Organizer
Ali Holt Rocky	Mountain Co-Coordinator
Roger Holt	Rocky Mountain Co-Coordinator
Bob Koen	Permanents Co-Coordinator
Danelle Laidlaw	Pacific Populaire Organizer, Clothing
Doug Latornell	Rando Pony
Cheryl Lynch	Past President, Data Mgr, ACP Rep
Wim Kok	District, Route Coordinator
Dave Macmurchie	Ride Organizer
Jeff Oh	Ride Organizer
Alex Pope	Ride Organizer
Keith Patterson	Ride Organizer
Nigel Press	Ride Organizer
Karen Smith	Pins & Medal Coordinator
Gary Sparks	Ride Organizer
Patrick Wright	Fleche Coordinator

Held: Tuesday, April 10th, 2012 at MEC head office.

Executive Attending: Susan Allen, Deirdre Arscott, Ryan Golbeck, Malcolm McAuley, Jeff Mudrakoff, Keith Nichol, Ross Nichol, Gary Baker

Attending by Skype: Bob Goodison, Lee Ringham

Regrets: Dug Andrusiek, Chris Cullum, Stephen Hinde, Andy Reimer

Guests Attending: Eric Fergusson

Minutes are available on line, <http://www.randonneurs.bc.ca>. Look for the "About BC Randonneurs" section, bottom right corner of home page.

Please note that any club member can still request an email copy of the minutes by contacting the club secretary.

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:09 pm

Approval of Agenda: It was moved, seconded and carried to adopt the agenda as prepared.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

It was moved, seconded and carried to adopt the minutes of the March 13 meeting as prepared.

Agenda Items:

President's Report

1. Nothing new to report.

Treasurer's Report

1. The invoice for Fleche banquet has been paid. The cabin will be paid later.
2. There was discussion about the rate per kilometre paid to volunteers driving to controls. Also, what will the rate/km be for volunteers driving to controls on the Rocky Mountain? Keith Nichol will investigate.
3. Ross advised that our bank account is healthy. There are no anticipated problems meeting expenses.

BC Triple Crown

1. Luis Bernhardt emailed the executive to suggest that the BC Randonneurs hold a Triple Crown similar to that held in California. Luis did not attend the meeting to present the idea.

Here is the information sent by Luis.

"The California Triple Crown is three (Imperial) double centuries. Luis is suggesting three 300-km brevets in one season. However, there'd be a few changes between the TC event and a standard 300-km brevet:

- *the ride would be fully supported; i.e., all the controls would be manned and stocked.*
- *the entry fee would be higher, like in the \$80-100 range.*
- *if you complete the three rides, you get a BC Triple Crown jersey (one reason why the entry fee is higher!). Someone would need to design a really nice jersey. And of course, I would insist that it be full-zip.*
- *and the biggest difference: you have to complete a 300 in three separate regions: LM, VI, and one in the interior.*
- *the 300-km brevets designated as BC Triple Crown events would be noted on the schedule. Participants would get a different-color control card,*
- *all the other Cali Triple Crown rules and ACP rules would apply.*

I think this might be a good way to compete with or complement the popular Gran Fondos, using largely a ride organization/infrastructure that's already set up, so just leveraging what's there, and maybe expanding on it would manage the expense side. The major administration would be keeping track of an additional category throughout the season. I am willing to do some volunteering on this, but I'd need some guidance from more experienced organizers."

2. There were a number of concerns expressed. These events provide full sag which is not compatible with the randonneur rules. Bob Goodison had concerns that in the interior they could not provide the expected level of support.
3. The executive was wondering if Luis thought that this was a marketing opportunity. If so, we have the Populaire and the Canada Day ride for this. The executive will talk to Luis before setting next year's schedule.

Membership

1. Ride organizers need to get memberships in as soon as possible.

Database and Web

1. Database. Nothing new to report.
2. In the previous meeting there was a request for volunteer sign-up on the Rando Pony. Doug Latournell is collecting the requirements and will make the changes over the winter. It was noted that volunteers need to sign-up well in advance of the event.

Canadian Randonneurs

1. Ryan and Deirdre will start working on this. There was some discussion about what the bare minimum is to meet ACP requirements and whether or not payment would be required? Deirdre and Ryan will discuss this with Cheryl Lynch.

Pins

1. From the ACP perspective, the November 11 brevet is part of the following year, not the calendar year. For

administering the pins, it is easier to provide the pin from the current year. It was decided to use the pin from the calendar year, not the ACP year.

2. Everyone liked Bob Goodison's suggestion of a "Rambling Randonneur" pin and decided to go ahead. Riders completing a brevet in all four regions within a four year period would qualify for the pin. The pin will be awarded retroactively to the handful of people who already qualify. Bob Goodison will ask for submissions for pin designs.

There were some concerns that regions have come and gone over the years. If this happens again, it will be dealt with at that time. There were some suggestions on how to handle this, such as qualifying by riding a permanent in the former region.

Fleche (May 4 – 6)

1. No news.

Regional Route Coordinator's Report – Lower Mainland - Reported by Gary Baker and Keith Nichol

1. The early bird 200 went well.
2. Jeff Oh has a new route for the April 14 LM200 km.
3. Gary and Keith are asking for route submissions for the other rides and will remind organizers to get the membership information into Cheryl Lynch as soon as possible after the rides.

Regional Route Coordinator's Report – Vancouver Island – Reported by Lee Ringham

1. Vancouver Island has now hosted its second really successful 200 of the year. Many thanks to Martin Williams and his volunteers for their efforts. There has been one new randonneur at each event.
2. The VI 300 and 400 routes are online. The 600 is still in the planning stages.

Regional Route Coordinator's Report – Southern Interior – Reported by Bob Goodison

1. The 200 route has been pre-ridden. The route is online and Rando Pony sign up is available.
2. As previously reported, the interior 300 will start in Penticton and will cross into the US. The 400 is planned to start in Kamloops and follow Westside Road to Kelowna and return via Vernon.

2012 Rocky Mountain 1200km Update

No update.

Jerseys

1. 30 people have expressed interest. Chris will talk to suppliers, set a cut-off date, send out a "last call" and then take firm orders.

Identifying Club Members during Events

1. No update

Signs - Jeff Mudrakoff

1. Ali Holt will investigate flexible signs

Feedback / Discussion List – Susan Allen

1. There was discussion about whether the John Hathway award was attractive enough. It was decided to leave the award as is.
2. There was a request that the routes posted in advance of the rides should show the location of the controls. This is especially important for new randonneurs. Again organizers were asked to supply Excel spreadsheet to the web master so the riders can download the route and adjust the font size etc to their liking. Also archived spreadsheets are easier to reuse at a future date.

Other Business

1. Deirdre has contacted CCN (provide online payment and registration) to request changes for the Canada Day ride registration. Login should not be required and riders should not have to give a date of birth. Others also noted that for the Pacific Populaire there should be a tick box for under 19. Another suggestion was that there could be a question for "type of bike".
2. CCN will be asked to provide online membership sign up for 2013. It would be good if this could be available after the AGM.
3. There was a suggestion that we recycle one of the previous surveys to solicit feedback on a number of specific rides. Participants would be emailed after the ride with the link to the survey. The LM200 in June, either the Interior 200 or 300 and the Island 400 were picked. For generic feedback, the feedback page on the web can be used. Keith will follow up on the survey.
4. Late starts. There was a reminder that even though participants are allowed to start late, the clock has already started. This is of particular concern when the first control is close to the start.

There being no further items, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting will be the Tuesday May 8th at 7:00pm, 2012 at the MEC head office, 149 West 4th Avenue, Vancouver. Those wishing to Skype should contact Jeff Mudrakoff in advance with their address.

Future meetings:

June 12

July 10

August 14

September 11

Action Items:

New Items:

1. Keith Nichol to investigate price per kilometre to be paid on Rocky Mountain.
2. Keith Nichol to follow up on survey for specific rides.

On-going Items:

Signs

1. Jeff to investigate flexible signs and jugs.

Route Sheets

1. Malcolm will create an "informative" htm route sheet for a few 200's this season.

Route Coordinators Reports

1. Jeff to have a sign sent to Bob Goodison.

Fleche

1. Patrick to ask Harold Bridge, Rita Pollock and Dan McGuire to present the awards.

Pins

1. Jeff to talk to Karen about a gift for Flag.

Completed Items:

1. Deirdre to ask Tracy for clarification on requested rule change for permanents.
Outcome: No changes required.
2. Susan to discuss volunteer sign up on the Rando Pony with Doug Latournell.
Outcome: Discussed above.