MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2013 B.C. RANDONNEURS CYCLE CLUB

Held: Sunday October 6, 2013 at the Coast Tsawwassen Inn

Committee Attending: Andy Reimer, Ross Nichol, Keith Nichol, Gary Baker, Mike Croy, Sylvia Lee, Ed Person

Regrets: Ryan Golbeck, Deirdre Arscott, Bob Goodison, Chris Cullum, Jeff Mudrakoff, Dug Andrusiek, Stephen Hinde, Jim Runkel

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:07 pm.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting: approved, seconded and carried.

Quorum: It was determined by head count that a quorum for meeting existed.

Buisness Agenda

President's Report

As Ryan could not attend, Andy read out the report that Ryan had prepared.

His report noted that this has been a quiet year with no 1200 event. Also, this is the first year in which voting by remote ballot is permitted, which was the result of an extraordinary meeting earlier this year where this motion was voted on. This year, there were more positions than candidates; however, an election was run anyways so that members unable to attend the AGM were able to submit a remote ballot.

Ryan pointed out that one of the most exciting achievements was new club branding, with consistent colours and logos. New clothing, mud flaps, and socks were designed with this new branding. No doubt, this will help make the BC Randonneurs more identifiable.

Also new this year was that membership renewal was made available online. No doubt, this helped to bolster the membership number to 312 members. There were 115 new members this year, 53 of which rode at least one brevet.

There were 42 super randonneurs this year, down from 46 last year. However, there were 8 rookie super randonneurs, down from 9 last year. Ryan congratulated the 8 rookie super randonneurs: Dave Campbell, Eric Guillemot, Malou Ignacio, Dave King, Yutaka Moriwaki, Patricia Plante, David Robertson, and Michael Tilitzky.

The schedule for 2014 is already well underway and will include the quadrennial VanIsle 1200 – thanks to Steve Mahovlic for organizing this.

PBP 2015 will use a similar pre-registration process as 2011 - the longer the ride you've completed, the earlier your registration date. New for 2015 is there will no longer by-country quotas.

Finally, Ryan thanked all of the volunteers.

Treasurer's Report

Ross was not able to attend, so Keith N. read out the report that Ross had prepared.

The numbers are approximately the same as last year, with approximately a \$4300 surplus this year. The Pacific Populaire had a \$9600 surplus.

There is \$27000 in the bank account, and \$23000 in term deposit. The Executive will address how to utilize these funds, but Ross noted that there needs to be a reasonable reserve.

The Treasurer's report was moved, seconded and carried.

Andy thanked Ross thanked for his contribution as he is stepping down for 2014.

Regional Ride Reports

Southern Interior

Bob Goodison was not able to attend, so Andy read out the report that Bob had prepared.

The weather and the challenging brevet routes affected rider participation, yielding only 3 Super Randonneurs from the Interior this year – Richard Blair, Randy Benz, and Bob Goodison. Bob noted that Randy has now completed 66 brevets without any DNFs!

The Kamloops 6-pack was a success. There were no DNFs. Notably, Nigel Press finished Salmon Arm 200k on day 4, with the second fastest 200k time in BC Randonneur history. Congratulations to Nigel.

There were 101 brevet starts by 33 different riders. Of those, 45 starts were from riders outside of the interior. A big thank you was given to all riders making the trip to the interior.

Vancouver Island

Mike Croy started by saying that it was a good year. A spring series and a summer series was run, with 3 populaires peppered throughout the season. There were 344 total brevet starts, up from 310 in 2012. Although numbers were down for Hell Week, it was successful nevertheless and will be run again next year.

There were 20 new 200k riders, up from 10 in 2012. There were 10 Super Randonneurs, with 3

rookies.

The volunteers did a great job and facilitated having at least 1 manned control for every brevet.

The schedule is already shaping up for next year with a spring and summer series planned as well as populaires.

A major milestone was reached this year by Ken Bonner, who hit the 200000k milestone. Congratulations to Ken!

Lower Mainland

Gary started by explaining that the Lower Mainland has been using 2 co-coordinators for the Lower Mainland Route Coordinator position for the last two years and it has been working well.

There were two rides that went sideways this year. However, thanks to volunteers Keith and Alex, the rides were held with minimal issues.

Spring rides participation was down this year. This year, there was less support. Expected participation numbers as well as the possibility of overwhelming local establishments were used to determine the level of support needed for each ride.

The executive committee will be meeting next week to finalize next year's schedule.

Doug and Susan have proposed a 3x200 roaming tour next year. There are also suggestions for another 6 pack next year.

Chris Cullum has volunteered to co-chair the Lower Mainland Route Coordinator position next year. The lower mainland is striving for a good mix of rides that will likely increase in difficulty as the season progresses. There are ongoing discussions surrounding start locations.

Volunteers are still needed to help organize some of the rides – the Flatlander, Spring 400 and 600 need organizers.

The Eugene 1000 this year has the potential to be a repeat ride; however, there were 2 unfortunate injuries on this ride.

Peace Region

No report.

Report from BCCC

Andy introduced Richard Campbell from the BC Cycling Coalition.

Richard began by thanking members that checked the box on the membership form to become BCCC members.

He then explained that the key initiatives for the BCCC are to improve cycling infrastructure – for example, by increasing shoulder width; changing the motor vehicle act – for example re-defining what a safe passing distance is, being allowed to ride 2 abreast; and cyclotourism. The BCCC is also looking into improving maintenance on roads and bike paths. The BCCC will keep members updated on these initiatives.

Stephen Hinde sent a proposal for contributing funds to this program earlier this year.

The key objective is to investigate:

- how do people report problems

- what problems have people seen

- Goal is to put together a report with what we can do to improve cycling hazards. It is critical to see where the priorities are.

The kick off for this program will be at BCCC's AGM on Oct. 27.

More info is available at bccc.bc.ca.

Motion to Donation - John Hathaway Bequest

John Hathaway bequeathed \$5000 in 1997 with the stipulation it be used for improving cycling. It was moved, seconded and carried to go ahead with this motion, to donate the funds to the BCCC for the program mentioned above.

Introduction of the Rambing Randonneur Award

The Rambling Randonneur Reward is a one time award given to anyone that has completed a brevet in all regions of BC - Lower Mainland, Vancouver Island, Southern Interior, Peace Region.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adopt this new award.

Committee Election Results

President: Andy Reimer Vice President: Stephen Hinde Treasurer: Darren Maclachlan Secretary: Sylvia Lee Past President: Ryan Golbeck Member at Large:

- Gary Baker
- Mike Croy
- Bob Goodison
- Eric Fergusson
- Keith Nichol
- Deirdre Arscott
- Chris Cullum

- Ed Person
- Jim Runkel

In closing, Andy noted it would make a difference if more people volunteered to join the committee.

Andy noted there is some turnover on the committee this year - Ryan, Deirdre, Keith and Ross are stepping down. Eric also would like to turn over website duties to someone else and asked for volunteers.

Awards and Presentations

London Edinburgh London

Luis B. picked up some extra frame stickers for LEL finishers. The LEL finishers were:

- Luis Bernhardt
- Keith Nichol
- Ed Person
- Theo Wyne
- Ken Bonner

100000 km Award

Michel was asked to present this award. It has been a while since the last time someone received it - Ken Bonner received it a number of years ago. The award is a trophy fashioned out of a bronzed saddle mounted to a plaque. Ken wanted the trophy to be passed on so he removed the plaque from the bronzed saddle. The bronzed saddle was remounted to a new plaque.

Eric Fergusson achieved this milestone this year. Michel presented the award to Eric Fergusson.

<u>1000 km</u>

1000 km pins were presented to:

- Dave Campell
- Barry Chase
- Will Danicek
- Rick den Braber
- Eric Fergusson
- Colin Fingler
- Eric Guillemot
- Dave King
- Roy Neifer
- Keith Nichol
- Ross Nichol
- John Oswald
- Ryan Golbeck

- Nigel Press
- Ken Bonner

Volunteer pins

Andy noted the BC Randonneurs put on a lot of rides - thanks to volunteers. 344 members - of those, 134 were volunteers.

<u>Club Statistics</u>

Cheryl put together stats for this season, which are available on the website. The most notable statistic this year was the much higher participation from women - 21%.

Close of Meeting: The AGM adjourned at 1:01pm

2012-2013 Committee:

Ryan Golbeck	President, Database
Andy Reimer	Vice President
Ross Nichol	Treasurer
Deirdre Arscott	Secretary
Jeff Mudrakoff	Past President, Equipment
Dug Andrusiek	Member at Large (Resigned, moved to Australia)
Gary Baker	Member at Large: Lower Mainland Brevets Co-Coordinator
Mike Croy	Member at Large: Vancouver Island Brevets Coordinator
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