

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2015
B.C. RANDONNEURS CYCLE CLUB**

Held: Sunday, October 4, 2015 at the Delta Town & Country Inn, Delta, B.C.

Committee Members Attending: Andy Reimer, Stephen Hinde, Colin Fingler, Bob Goodison, Étienne Hossack, David King, Jeff Mudrakoff, Ed Person

Regrets: Darren Maclachlan, Sylvia Lee, Mike Croy, Chris Cullum, Jim Runkel

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:18 pm.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting: It was moved (Rick den Braber), seconded (Jeff Mudrakoff) and carried to adopt the minutes of the October 5, 2014 meeting as prepared.

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

Approval of Agenda:

The agenda was approved as prepared.

Business Agenda

President's Report – Andy Reimer

- Happy to report that the Rocky Mountain 1200 will be happening after all in 2016. Though it was a very near thing. Roger and Ali Holt, the organizers of the very successful 2012 event had given us plenty of notice that they were not available to undertake the 2016 version, and, despite several posted requests, as of the end of Aug we still had no organizers for this marquee event. Although it was evident by emails that there was plenty of rider interest, there was some real concern that we would have to cancel the event. With crunch time approaching in September, Jeff Mudrakoff managed to cobble together an organizing committee of about ten to take on this event. The committee is meeting regularly – they have confirmed a route and the ride is happening!
- Early thoughts of RM2020 include consideration of a one-way Banff to Vancouver route – stay tuned!
- New Web Site is very close – hopefully available by the end of the year. A major aspect of it is the direct linking of ride results and schedules to the database. There are some challenges making it mobile device friendly. Viewable at dev.randonneurs.bc.ca
- The emailer tool 'MailChimp' has proven particular useful to get messages out to the larger rando community – one example is for marketing the Pacific Populaire
- Andy and Sylvia successfully delivered a well-attended Canada Day Populaire – a good succession from Roger & Ali.
- And on that same theme, Will Danicek is being groomed to allow a smooth transition of the Pacific Populaire from Danelle Laidlaw.
- The 2015 Banana Pin design was very popular – submit your 2016 Pin designs now!

Treasurer's Report – Andy Reimer for Darren Maclachlan

- We are down about \$8000 from last year's balance, thought our balance is still healthy. This is not unexpected. The balance change was due to the transfer of the the John Hathaway bequest to the B.C Cycling Coalition, \$5600 in fees to date on the new website development, and the purchase of 3 new club canopies.
- We have had some currency exchange benefit.
- We have about \$20k of available cash and \$29k in term deposits
- The 2014 Financial Statements have been posted on the web site.

Moved to accept by Peter Stary. Seconded by Bob Koen. and carried to accept the financial summary as prepared.

Regional Route Coordinator Reports

Lower Mainland – Gary Baker for Chris Cullum

Generally a good year, though the rider count was lower than expected, especially during this PBP year. We should probably expect the traditional dip in numbers for next year. Cheryl's pre-PBP 200-300-200 mini 'touring series was well received. There are still challenges in recruiting ride organizers – first timers are encouraged to give it a go!

Pacific Populaire and Canada Day Populaire continue to be well run and well, popular!

Yesterday's glorious weather saw 26 riders take on Ron Steward's new tribute route – the Bridges for Harold 200 – which crossed every single bridge across the Fraser River from Golden Ears to the mouth.

Chris will continue on as Lower Mainland Route Coordinator next year. He could use some help.

Southern Interior – Bob Goodison

Bob thanked all the riders from the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island for coming out and supporting some of the Southern Interior rides as the participation of local riders continues to be low. In addition to the annual Spring Series, a full Make-up Brevet Series was offered - particularly to support those needing a final qualifier or tune-up for PBP – and it was utilized by several riders. These Make-up Brevets are only offered during PBP years.

Bob manned an info table at the Salmon Arm Bike Relay Century Ride. There was some interest, but nothing that yet translated into new SI riders. The fall 200 attracted 10 riders and will be offered again next year.

Vancouver Island – Brynne Croy for Mike Croy

2015 was another successful year on the island though rider numbers were down somewhat. The three populaires (New Year's, Victoria & Cowichan) were all solidly attended – even in spite of Victoria being on Easter Sunday. Hell week returned in 2015, and in its original April format and was a big success. There were 12 finishers of the entire series including two women, Kristy & Holland – only the 2nd & 3rd to ever complete hell week. Ken Bonner at 72 was the oldest rider to complete and Meyrick Jones became a first time Super randonneur with his completion.

We offered a few new routes with Saltspring 200 and the Coombs to Cumberland Explorer 200. We hosted several PBP information sessions early in the year. And managed to squeeze in the Gold River Eureka 1000 in June.

Thanks to a great volunteer group. We will be looking for a new island route coordinator next year.

Peace Region – Wim Kok

N/A.

Harold Bridge Bursary

Vanessa Bridge, Harold's daughter (& eager Brevet volunteer) and Andy Reimer discussed the legacy bequest to the club from long-time and much-loved randonneur Harold Bridge who passed away earlier this year. Details are to be finalized, but the objective is to use the funds to provide a financial award in Harold's name to support a BC Randonneur in attending their first PBP. One criteria is that award eligibility would require some volunteer experience.

Executive Committee Election Results

As the election officer, Rick den Braber solicited the members for ballot additions. There were three additional names (Nigel Press, Jeff Mudrakoff, Will Danicek) put forward to the original seven Members-at-Large candidates on the paper ballot. Rick then explained that because there are no other candidates for any of the officer positions, voting is by acclamation. He went through each position and asked for any more nominations during the meeting three separate times. No other nominations were made for any of the positions.

The results of the election of the 2016/2017 Executive Committee are:

President:	Andy Reimer
Vice President:	Etienne Hossack
Treasurer:	Darren Maclachlan
Secretary:	Colin Fingler

Members at Large:	
Jacque Bilinski	Mike Croy
Chris Cullum	Will Danicek
Bob Goodison	Stephen Hinde
Dave King	Jeff Mudrakoff
Nigel Press	Peter Stary

Andy thanked outgoing committee members: Sylvia Lee, Ed Person, and Jim Runkel.

Other Business

Stephen Hinde reported a situation whereby the executive felt it necessary to override an overly harsh rider disqualification decision made by an LM route organizer. The route was the very difficult Cariboo Loop 1000, held on the September long weekend. Said organizer was Nigel Press and the rider he DQ'd was himself – in his words: " ...on autopilot I rode straight up Taylor Way and onto the Upper Levels highway, missing the turn onto Marine Drive. Whoops! How embarrassing is that? This cut the <1004 km> route short by 1 km & lost some elevation. Sorry you're disqualified Nigel."

The executive decided that given the magnitude of the error in the context of the ride (1/1004), and that the rider 'did indeed ride the distance', that the rider, Nigel Press, should have his time reinstated with a 60 minute time penalty. (even with an official time of 57:30, he was in no danger of missing the 75:00 cutoff time)

Motion to adjourn by Rick den Braber, Seconded by Susan Allen and carried.
The AGM was officially closed at 2:05 pm.

Awards and Presentations

Volunteer pins

Pins were awarded to the volunteers at the meeting, and will be mailed to those who could not attend.

1000 km

BC 1000 km pins were presented to:

Barry Chase	Ken Bonner
Rick den Braber	Malou Ignacio
Ed Person	John Oswald
Gary Baker	Francis Hopcraft
Eric Fergusson	Graham Fishlock
Bill Maurer	Phillip Lennox
Nigel Press	Jim Runkel
Etienne Hossack	Daniel Simpson
Bob Goodison	

