



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

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

It was moved, seconded and carried to adopt the minutes of the July 10 meeting as prepared.

Agenda Items:

President's Report

1. News to report upon will be saved for the relevant agenda items.

Treasurer's Report

1. The expenses for the Rocky Mountain 1200 are being paid, but the volunteer claims are not all in yet. The remaining claims are being sorted out with the help of the organizers.
2. All other expenses, such as other ride expenses and a deposit for the jerseys order, have been paid.

Jerseys

1. A 50% deposit for the jerseys has been paid and the remainder will be paid within 2 weeks.
2. The order is proceeding as expected.

Canadian Randonneurs

1. The other Canadian club contact persons have been contacted, and so far there has been only one response, viz. Mark Beaver from Nova Scotia.
2. Nova Scotia Randonneurs, as a very small club, are content to "go with the flow" with respect to the other clubs in order to meet ACP requirements
3. It was recognized that the lack of replies was likely due to people's busy summer schedules, and that it would be appropriate to reach out again to the other Canadian clubs and to try and move ahead with Mark.

Database

1. Functionality has been added to the database interface, such that members can now log in with the email address they have entered on the registration forms. After login, members have access to the membership contact list
2. Event numbers are being used for events (brevets) as they enter the system. These are arbitrary numbers generated according to a naming scheme going back to the 1990s. It was noted that it would be desirable to use these on event waivers/registrations, as there is currently no consistency in the way riders are filling them out.

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

1. The August 18th 200 was well-received and the Aug 11<sup>th</sup> 400 was a success despite lack of services/support available at Mt Baker.
2. There will be some minor changes to the Flatlander due to routing problems around Ft Langley.
3. Participation overall in the lower mainland appears to be down.

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

1. Relayed by email: *"The start for the Southern Rambles 1000 km on Sept. 15 has been moved to Kamloops at the Gateway Travel Center. Start is at 05:00. I will be handling the registration. The route is posted on the website. The SI fall ride and bbq will be held in Vernon Sept. 22. Anyone who rode or volunteered at a SI brevet (RM1200 excluded) in 2012 is invited. A new 300 km route is planned for 2012, and ideas are being considered for other distances. We have organizers for most events."*
2. A \$5 subsidy for the Southern Interior social Barbeque was approved, as many of these members will be unable to attend the AGM, which is subsidized.

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

1. Things are in order on the island for the remaining four brevets (400, 600, 200, 200.)
2. Similar to the lower mainland, ridership seems to be lower than last year, possibly the result of a "PBP hangover".
3. The fall social on the island will also offer a \$5 subsidy to attendees.

2012 Rocky Mountain 1200km Update and Exit Survey

1. The finances are not yet in (see treasure's report.)

2. The committee was in favour of conducting an exit survey for the 2012 RM 1200. Cheryl Lynch will be asked to generate the survey and Ali Holt will be asked for input.
3. Congratulations and thanks were offered to Stephen Hinde for his extensive photography archive.

#### Next Year's Schedule

1. Lee is contemplating a schedule of 17-18 events
2. The popular Eau de Hell series will likely be moved to May, with the 600 tying into the spring series 600.
3. The proposal is for a spring series, summer series, EdH series and a few misc brevets.
4. There was much discussion about how to set up a meeting for the lower mainland coordinators to include potential organizers, and how to settle on a schedule.
5. There was consensus that it is desirable to set routes earlier and to have organizers committed earlier than has been done in the past few years. It was noted that at times in the past, this was the norm.
6. A rough timeline for setting the schedule was draughted:
  - i.) Lee will send his schedule to Gary and Keith
  - ii.) Gary and Keith will have a partial, "bare bones" schedule ready by the second week of September
  - iii.) A message will be sent to the membership for potential organizer input, and a mailing list will be created to discuss it
  - iv.) The schedule will be finalized in early October for submission to ACP

#### ACP Approval of New Routes

1. Concerns have been raised that we should be submitting routes to ACP to be approved along with the schedule, and that we have not been doing this.
2. Stephen explained that this rule was intended more for areas of the world where nearby clubs had been organizing events on the same day with routes that ended up sharing roads and control points, and that since this is not a concern in our area. Stephen also pointed out that our agreement with ACP says that routes should be approved by the ACP representative, and the representative is listed as Cheryl Lynch.
3. It was agreed to carry on without submitting routes unless specifically asked by ACP.

#### Items for the AGM

1. A new venue will need to be found, as the Bedford House restaurant is closed. It was agreed to find a venue in Tsawwassen, which would help encourage members attend from Vancouver Island. Jeff and Andy will work to find a venue.
2. Randopony will be setup for registration when the notice goes out to members.
3. Jeff is working to compile a list of nominees, and to have ballots ready in the event that a vote is necessary to determine the directorship for 2013.
4. It was agreed that we will have a vote on reducing membership fees to \$10 and increasing brevet registration cost to \$20, as was discussed during the meeting in July. A reading of the constitution revealed that it is the discretion of the directors to set membership fees, but that a vote would be taken nevertheless.

#### Rebranding

1. It was suggested that the notation "Executive" has been divisive, and that the group of directors ought rather to be referred to as a committee.
2. It was noted that in the past there were less directors, but more guest members would come to the meetings, such as ride organizers prior to the running of their brevets.
3. No resolutions were reached, but it was agreed to remind members with the notice of meetings that they are welcome to attend.

#### Verbal Abuse

1. It was suggested that we craft a rule such that members are prohibited from abusing volunteers or other members.
2. It was noted that although it is not necessary to have a rule for the committee to act, having a rule would compel action.

With time running short, other items on the agenda were tabled until September, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Next meeting will be the Wednesday September **12th** 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:  
AGM September 30

**Action Items:**

**New Items:**

None

**On-going Items:**

**Equipment**

1. Stephen Hinde will organize (or find someone to organize) the purchase of additional equipment and organizers kits for the Island.
2. Gary Baker will organize (or find someone to organize) the purchase of additional equipment and an organizers kit for the Chilliwack area.

**Cost of ACP fees**

1. Ross Nichol will determine the cost of the annual ACP charges.

**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.

**Identifying Club Members**

1. Malcolm will investigate where identifying plaques (name plates) can made and the associated costs.

**Pins**

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