# MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2016 B.C. RANDONNEURS CYCLE CLUB

Held: Sunday, October 2, 2016 at the Delta Town & Country Inn, Delta, B.C.

**Executive Members Attending**: Andy Reimer, Étienne Hossack, Colin Fingler, Jacques Bilinski, Chris Cullum, Will Danicek, Bob Goodison, Stephen Hinde, Jeff Mudrakoff, Nigel Press, Peter Stary

Regrets: Mike Croy, David King, Darren Maclachlan

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:08 pm.

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:** It was moved (Etienne Hossack), seconded (Bob Goodison) and carried to adopt the minutes of the October 3, 2015 meeting as prepared.

Quorum: It was determined by head count (36) that a quorum for meeting existed.

# Approval of Agenda:

The agenda was approved as prepared.

#### **Business Agenda**

# President's Report – Andy Reimer

- Stepping down as president after a three year run
- Overall, another successful year
- The Pacific Populaire, the Canada Day Populaire & the Victoria Day Populaire were well received and the big revenue generators for the club as usual
- We continue to be in a good financial position.
- The Rocky Mountain 1200, which was no sure thing at this time last year, but thanks to the organizing committee that stepped up, put on a successful event in July, though with fewer riders than previous events. And it looks like it may actually break even or better! (last call for receipts)
- The new Web Site is still a work-in-progress mostly Andy & Etienne
- Expects to be involved with next year's LM populaires and also the 2020 Rocky.

#### **Treasurer's Report** – Andy Reimer for Darren Maclachlan

- Financial Statements ending Sept 2015 have been posted to the web site
- This year was essentially a break-even year, though we still have money and expenses coming in from a few rides.
- Of particular note the Rocky 1200, which we all thought would lose money due to the lower than expected rider count, may actually make an event profit perhaps up to \$4k.
- The new "Harold Bridge' account has been established to leverage the \$5k legacy bequest to the club from long-time and much-loved Randonneur, Harold Bridge who passed away last year. The intent is to use the funds to provide a recurring financial award in Harold's name to support a BC Randonneur in attending their first PBP.
- We have also this year established our own Pay Paul account (3% charges vs 7% from CCN), which is starting to catch on with event organizers
- The club has about \$17k in available cash and about \$29k in term deposits

Moved to accept by Stephen Hinde, seconded by Michel Richard and carried to accept the financial summary as prepared.

#### **Regional Route Coordinator Reports**

#### Lower Mainland - Chris Cullum

Business as usual. 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 popular!

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

# <u>Vancouver Island</u> – Stephen Hinde for Mike Croy (sick)

2016 hosted the usual slate of rides, though brevet turnout was somewhat spotty. However, at 215 riders, the participation for the 2016 Victoria Populaire was about double that of 2015. Roxanne Stedman will be succeeding Steve Mahovlic as the organizer of the event next year. Thanks Steve!

We are still looking for a new VI Route Coordinator. Thanks Mike!

Overall, 2016 was a good year on the island.

# Southern Interior - Bob Goodison

2016 saw about the average number of riders on the SI brevets. No DNF's on any of the SI events this year (excluding the Rocky 1200).

There were some new routes this year and some updated old ones. All BCR riders are encouraged to take in one or more SI brevets next year.

There will be no SI 1000 next year, but the usual spring series will be offered. Instead of a fall 200, there will be a fall 300 event – from Revelstoke to the Mica Dam and back.

#### Peace Region – no report

# **2017 Executive Committee Election Results**

The 2017 Ballot distributed prior to the AGM consisted of :

President - Etienne Hossack
Vice-President - Nigel Press
Treasurer - Jacques Bilinski
Secretary - Colin Fingler

Members at Large:

Jodi Caddick Chris Cullum
Will Danicek Stephen Hinde
Dave King Cheryl Lynch
Jeff Mudrakoff Peter Stary

Darren MacLachlan

The Election Officer, Andy Reimer, noted that one additional member had since been added to the ballot – John Oswald.

Andy then explained that because there are no other candidates for any of the officer positions, voting is by acclimation. He went through each position and asked for any more nominations. No other nominations were made for any of the officer positions nor for Members at Large.

Voting then took place by a show of hands. All candidates were elected.

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

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Stephen Hinde then thanked outgoing committee members: Bob Goodison, Mike Croy and Andy Reimer, noting Andy's three consecutive years as president.

#### Other Business

Stephen Hinde described an exciting new event addition to the 2017 Schedule. Proposed by Ron Stewart and agreed to by the executive, the 2017 Rambling Hell Week will consist of a full Brevet series, beginning with a 300 km brevet in Fort St. John on Sunday June 18. The idea is to traverse the four regions of the province eligible for the Rambling Randonneurs Award, in a Hell Week format. The final 200 brevet would run from Duncan to Victoria.

Karen Smith noted that it would be helpful to identify the potential # of ramblers to assist in making sufficient pin orders.

There was some discussion as to the criteria for the Rambling Randonneur award and whether a Fleche or Trace would count as the LM contribution. Agreed that this was an issue for the new Executive.

Peter Stary noted that the current BCR membership is getting somewhat 'long in the tooth' and with that the potential for club atrophy. With societal cycling interest on the rise, he feels we should be able to attract new members. He encouraged any members with ideas to attract new members, particularly of the younger crowd, to please contact him or any of the new executive.

Motion to adjourn by Chris Cullum, seconded by Manfred Kuchenmuller and carried.

The AGM was officially closed at 1:55 pm.

# **Awards and Presentations**

# 100,000 km Award

Andy Reimer acknowledged Ron Himschoot for the 100,000 km award which he had received earlier this year. In the tradition of the award, Ron then presented it in turn, to the newest BCR member to reach this event mileage, Manfred Kuchenmuller.

Manfred is member number 175 and he rode his first brevet in 1987.

The award recognizes event distance including all Audax Club Parisien sanctioned brevets and Flèches, as well as Randonneur Mondiaux brevets.

Manfred is the fourth rider to receive the 100,000 km award. Ron was the third, Eric Fergusson the second and Ken Bonner the first.

# 2016 1000 km Brevet

BC 1000 km pins were presented to:

Ken Bonner Mike Hagen Bob Goodison

# Volunteer pins

Pins were awarded to the volunteers at the meeting, and will be mailed to those who could not attend. 157 volunteers!