

Rando minutes 4 Mar 2024

In Attendance (via Google Meet):

Mike Hagen
Anna Bonga
Colin Fingler
Dug Andrusiek
Deirdre Arscott
Mark Payten
Murray Tough
Rob Nygren

Regrets:

Jacquetta Benard

Meeting start 7:11

1. Minutes approval:

- **Agenda:** approved, add communication with club.
- Minutes from February: **Accepted.**

2. Presidents Report:

- Discussion about where we are as a club. How can we improve. The club has moved on and there's lots of things that we haven't embraced. We need to decide whether or not we adopt new procedures. Eg: website; e-strategies; manual; set processes; putting ourselves into the 21st century;
- Discussion of re-structuring of directors group. Discussion of jobs/portfolios. **Action:** Dug to come up with a framework for portfolios.
- Good job with Island gravel rides, went smoothly.

3. Financial report:

- Account balance is \$22,000
- Memberships are coming in
- Wrote a check to paypal
- 79 riders who signed up with the BCCC option. Will contact them about returning the BCCC fee if they wish.

4. Pins:

- Will be putting in a pin order soon. Getting the pin prices, giving Karen the okay to get pins using last years numbers. Can add more pins later. Going with the same company as previously.

5. Fleche:

- Organizing is in progress. Gary has booked The Coast Chilliwack Hotel in downtown Chilliwack.
- Riders check in to start their ride, have the ballroom for the banquet. Not a lot of hotels there, the hotel we are in is expensive.

- Still can't register on-line, Etienne says it will be ready soon. May have to do the 'Populaire' route like last year.

6. **Social:**

- Spring social: need to get an email out. Thanks to Shiro for organizing that. Will be doing much the same route for the Roger Street ride.
- John Hathaway trophy will be presented. As will 5000 and 10,000 medals.
- Have the funds to support a social on the Island.

7. **Regional Report:**

- **Lower Mainland:** Not a lot of changes from last month. Dave King is doing the May 1000. Someone from Japan is planning to do it. A few people from abroad are doing the June 1000. Don't have co-ordinators for the later rides.
- **Island:** Mark Payen:
 - We had a great start to the season with the gravel ride. Markus Hirschbold chose an interesting and challenging 100 km route. The responses we received from the participants were all extremely positive. There were twenty participants. Of these twenty riders, only six had been club members before. Markus modified the start time and route slightly for two riders who came over from the mainland so that they could start and finish close to the ferry.
 - The Chili is next up on the weekend, Saturday, March 9 th. I have not posted it anywhere yet. I expect that people are waiting as they always do for the weather report. There will be great vegan and meat chilis awaiting the finishers as there have been every year that this has been run!
 - Fred and Stephen are putting the finishing touches on the next 200 which will take place on Saturday March 23 rd. It will be a Red Gate ride with a lot more road than in previous years. The 'Goose' still features prominently in it as it is the only way out to the Gate. But it looks like Gillespie and the new intersection with Sooke Road will be involved.
 - We are then into April. Gord Litster will be organizing the 300 again. We will see what he comes up with. Dug is doing the May 4 th 400. The route has not been confirmed.
 - The Glenora Community Hall has been booked and paid for. There was a \$450.00 cost for the facility. The damage deposit of \$500 was also presented. We will be talking to Glenora Store to provide post event nutrition. Stephen and I will be heading out there to make arrangements and check on the course.
 - **Interior:** Book hotels for those doing interior rides. Has all the rides filled
 - **Peace:** Have not heard from Vim. **Action:** Mike will contact him to check in.

8. **Communication:**

- We have Chat Rooms and Google Groups, but have issues with message sending. Reports are that Rando Chat is hard to use.
- Want to be able to communicate with other club members.
- A lot gets communicated through the minutes.
- Mark uses SPOND: a free, easy to use app that can be used for many things. Knows of clubs that use it. Works off computer and cell phone. Demonstration of features by Mark. **Proposal:**

To try SPOND to see if we like it, with the Island Randonneurs. **Accepted.** Can tell Etienne we don't need Rando Chat.

- Working on a newsletter, will use MailChimp. In the newsletter have: social, social ride, nominations for RSA, minor policy, no PacPop, yes CanPop, ride fee increase to \$20 and intermediate control changes.

9. **VanIsle 1200:**

- Registration is at 13 fully paid, from 19 pre-paid.
- Change: originally planned to have riders order jerseys from manufacturers, but have to order en-mass at a fixed price.
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10. **Minors:**

- At CanPop: will tell insurance company 10 minors participating.
- Working on wording and registration process for a parent or guardian at the same time as a minor. Discussion about waiver language. Add wording to the registration page that says minor and guardian must register and pay in person at the beginning of the ride.
- Need to change the paper forms and the annual on-line membership forms to accommodate minors. Need to add in that minors must register in person. Responsible/accompanying adult participant must be registered for the event.
- Eric has updated the minor's rules for the website.
- Nothing longer than 200 km and Traces for a minor.

11. **Policy:**

- **Action:** Mike is going to send out a policy document for review. Working with Mark on this.
- Part of the document is how to run a brevet. Other part is how to classify brevets.
- Discussion about getting younger people involved in the club. Mike going to try to push this a little harder.

12. **Website:**

- Needs to be several people involved in the decision making. Deirdre has ideas on what to do.
- Need to make the decisions before hiring someone to work on the website.
- Discussion about website possibilities: Deirdre suggests WordPress: Murray happy to work on this with her in April/May.

13. **Next meeting:**

- Wednesday Apr 3rd, 2024

14. **Meeting adjourned:**

- 8:57 pm