

# ***JSTS General Membership Meeting Minutes***

**Date: October 10, 2016**

**Location- Monmouth Worship Center**

Executive Board in Attendance

David Lee- President

Steve Surowitz - Vice President

Ron Daggett- Treasurer

Michael Cronan- Secretary

There were 12 JSTS club members in attendance including the Board Members.

President David Lee called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Joe Hewes the Membership Coordinator was the first to report, as he had to attend another concurrent meeting

So far in 2017 we have 2 members renewing for 2017

Overall membership was down in 2016. It was noted that the high water mark was about 350 members in 2009. There were no follow up questions.

The Secretary, Michael Cronan, read the previous months Treasurer's report into the minutes. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Steve Karger and seconded by Al McCormack. All in attendance were in favor. Motion was passed.

The Treasurer Ron Daggett read the current Treasurer's report for the September. Copies of the report will be made available to any JSTS member upon request to the Treasurer. Several questions were brought up regarding the jersey inventory and their physical location. Steve S has 3 and we have 2 left over from last year. Another question arose regarding where the money to purchase the jerseys came from this year. It was explained that we simply expedited ordering and paid out what we were given during the ordering process from our members. It was noted we may have taken in more than we paid out due to shipping and other actual charges being less than the estimated numbers Charlie Kirlew asked if the checks and other outstanding debits should match a corresponding amount in the top section of the Treasurer's report. Ron explained, due to the dynamic nature of checks clearing it is simply not the case. The report was motioned for acceptance by Steve Karger and seconded by Pete Benton. All present were in favor and the motion was passed.

## Committee Reports

### Ride Coordinator

*President Lee read Barbara's report to the membership*

There have been no volunteers to date for the position of Assistant Ride Coordinator.

Gran Fondo NJ (Sept 11): ~18 riders (not all did the 100 mile route; some did the 75, some did the 62) – an extremely well run event.... Very scenic, though hilly, route; great rest stops.

Registration for 2017 (Sept 10) is currently open; we have created a JSTS team (contact me for the team code)

Unsupported Century (Sept 17): ~10 riders

Club Century (Sept 18): ~31 riders (many fewer than the usual 60+; probably due to the date being rescheduled)

Planning for (the remainder of) 2016:

Frostbite series – need to confirm that Everett will lead a Saturday ride; Need to twist some arms for a Sunday ride(s); need to put up the Frostbite rules on the website (4 ½ weekends?); need to find a volunteer to do tracking

Mountain Biking – need a few ride leaders

Planning for 2017:

Proposed event dates – attached;

2017 Italy trip – rooms are filling fast; interested parties need to sign-up at the website, and leave a deposit soon!

Will we be doing a “souper Saturday”? At Wegmans, or will a club member host? Date?

Club Century (Sept 3) will be the Brookdale to Bordentown route

Need to twist some arms for ride leading ☺

Need to confirm that each of these rides (with ride leaders) will continue into 2017

Tuesday night MJT – A+, A/B+, C+,

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Wednesday night Holmdel Park – A/B+, B/C+

Thursday night Brookdale – All, B, B+

Thursday night MJT – A+, A/B+

Scenic Saturday – rotating start locations

Saturday MJT – A, B+, B/C+

Saturday Allaire – C

Sunday Brookdale – A, B (longer distance), B, C+, C

In addition Al McCormick volunteered to do the Sunday Frostbite rides from Allaire

This year Christmas is a Sunday so Monday Dec 26<sup>th</sup> will qualify for Frostbite. There are 5 Saturdays in December but to qualify for Frostbite you'll need to ride any of the four.

The Harvest Ride was rained out on 10/9. It will be rescheduled for either the first Sunday in November or sooner Alan Zweibel has offered to run the rescheduled festivities on the date that is ultimately decided upon.

### **Election Committee**

Steve Karger has volunteered. It should be noted that a member of the Election Committee may not run for executive board positions.

All Nominations are to be in by November 1, 2016

Steve Surwitz will check with Romeo's to see if they can host our Election meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup>- the first Monday of the month. Due to multiple absences this meeting will be the first Monday of the month and not the second Monday as usual.

### **Holiday Party**

This year the Holiday Party will be held at MJs/Buttwood in Matawan for Sunday December 11 from 2-5pm. IT will be a buffet with 4 entrees and a carving station. There will be appetizers and salad, pastries and a cash bar. It will cost use \$38 per person including tax and tip. This is a good deal compared to what we had been getting in the past at the Lincroft Inn. We must guarantee 50 people minimum and with MJ's we must pay up front. We can add extras at the door, but if less than 50 show up we still have to pay the minimum of 50 people. Payment must be in about one week before the party and they will throw in a bartender (usually a \$75 charge). Steve S has paid the deposit and David L will begin the advertising and promotional work for the party.

### **Old Business**

Regarding the CJ Bike Clubs request for our assistance i.e. sponsor or help run the Farmlands Ride this coming spring – we have asked questions about several aspects of what they expect from JSTS in resources, assets or personnel. Questions about shared revenue and liability insurance topped the list of most popular questions from our membership.

Adam D'Agostino has approached JSTS about working with us as a trained coach. It was decided we should invite him in to a future meeting and have him give a talk and give him a bit of publicity. If anyone wants to work with him that will be a private contract between the member and Mr. D'Agostino and have no bearing on JSTS. The members present recommend allowing Adam to come to a meeting and give his presentation. Terms and Conditions of the presentation to be set by President Lee.

### **Other Business**

Dan Hinton emailed the club about purchasing brochure and business card holders to place at various

locations. The business card holders were \$2.49 apiece as Staples and the literature/brochure holders were \$3.99 at Staples. Who has brochures and do we need to create new ones? What are the costs? Bob Spony to find a previous version and email it to the Executive Board for review.

Bob Spony mentioned he has several boxes of business cards for anyone who wants some to distribute. Pete Benton mentioned that the meeting in July at the Library to discuss bicycling was good. David Lee will stop in at the Library and see if we can present again – but earlier in the year in 2017. Pete B volunteered to look into another venue to attract new members.

With no other business before the board and without any further questions, statements or observations from the membership, Steve Karger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob Spony seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm by President David Lee.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Michael Cronan*

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JSTS Secretary