

JSTS MINUTES OF September 21, 2009 MEETING

President Steve Karger called the meeting to order at 6:30 at Metz Bicycle Museum. Steve had some comments about the summer before the regular agenda. The club experienced a number of accidents and illnesses over the summer. Steve talked about former member David Hassine who recently died from cancer at age 53. David was a good ride captain and will be missed. The club observed a moment of silence for him.

Introduction of 4 board members and 15 members was announced.

Minutes

- Minutes from June meeting were accepted as posted on the website.

Correspondence – Laury Wills

- Nothing of note this month.

Treasurer's Report – Ed Marx

- Motion made to accept September report and carried.

Membership Report – Ed Marx

- As of August 31st we have 82 new members, 159 renewed, 2 lifetime and 11 shops for a total of 254.

Ride Report

- **Pace Rides**
 - Sunday rides shift to 9am start time in October
- **Mountain Bike Rides**
 - Season starts 1st Saturday in October with a ride at 6 Mile Run. 6 Mile Run offers 13 – 15 miles of moderate mtn biking. It is a fun place with some logs & stream crossings. Bring extra shoes & socks for the ride home. Bryan will design the route so the water crossing is on the last portion of the ride. The season schedule will include Tatum, Allaire, Clayton & Hartshorne.
 - On Nov 14th we will do our annual away ride to Minnewaska for riders & hikers. We always stop at the local Brew Pub for lunch afterward. See the website for details about carpooling.
- **Charity Rides**
 - Andy called to let Steve know that the Ride for Autism raised \$50k this year. This is great considering the economic climate.
- **Club Century**
 - There were no reports of accidents or injuries – way to go! Thanks to Trina Anderson & Dr. Z for help with the SAG. Everyone enjoyed the great September weather.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Holiday Party – Dan Hinton**
 - The holiday party will be Sat, 12/12 at Colts Neck Inn from 7 -11.
 - We still need to close on a DJ. Sue will check if the DJ we used the past couple years is available & let Steve know.
 - 50/50: Charlie will look into whether we need a license to run a 50/50 & how to obtain one if we do.
- **Harvest Ride**
 - Harvest Ride is coming up on Sun, 10/4. Check website for info. We discussed moving the Harvest Ride to a different start location in 2010. There is always a lot of traffic around Monmouth Battlefield this time of year and road conditions are not great coming back to the park.
- **Safety**
 - The ride captains always emphasize safety in their pre-ride talks. Remember to be careful. If you see anyone riding in an unsafe manner on a club ride, please courteously bring this to their attention.
 - It is respectful & promotes good community relations to single up when someone yells "car back".
 - It is safer to ride in groups of 10-12, so break up a larger group.
- **Registered Agent**
 - Corporations in the state of NJ have to go through a registered agent. Each year we have to pay a registered agent. The purpose is to have a designated representative for legal actions. We are proposing to change to a different registered agent in 2010. We have been using National Registered Agents, Inc but are looking at less expensive options. The membership voted to pursue another agent.
- **Newsletter**
 - Lee Beaumont needs more material for the newsletter. Please send him articles or ideas for articles.
- **Non-Members on Club Rides**
 - Reminder that non-members are allowed on one club ride only.
- **Thompson Park Ride –**
 - We've had low attendance at the Thompson Park away ride in the past few years. There was general agreement that we can do away with this one on the schedule next year in favor of a closer "away" location.

Next meeting will be the 3rd Monday in October.

The meeting was adjourned.