

JSTS MINUTES OF JANUARY 9, 2006 MEETING

Meeting called to order by President Steve Karger at 7:30pm. Minutes from November meeting read & accepted. Correspondence read.

Treasurer's report – Mark Billon

- Read and accepted

Membership report – Mark Billon

- We have 48 individuals and 11 families signed up so far. Of those, 30 are new and are 29 renewals. In March, Mark will send emails to those members from 2005 that have not renewed.

Budget for 2006

- Budget was submitted by the board of directors for approval.
- Mark said that approximately \$1,000.00 will be for the Bikes for Tykes program. Discussion followed about who we should buy the bikes from, and how they will be distributed. Steve said that he will speak to John Gillis about that.
- Steve said that we won't have to buy Jerseys this year, but if we do it will be the same design.
- Ride captains and others will get shirts.
- No other discussion, Rob Leitner made a motion to accept the budget and Pete Benton second it.
- Budget passed unanimously.

Rides

- Mountain Biking: Steve said to pay attention to the schedule, as hunters are allowed in the parks and start locations may have to change. John is planning a trip to Chimney Park. Members are encouraged to sign-up for the club's email distribution lists to receive notification of any last minute changes.
- Road Rides: Harold said that he and Fred are putting together a schedule for the year. The club still needs an "A" leader as well as a "B" leader. Pete will lead the "C" group. Harold said that the "A+" riders want 2 centuries in addition to the regular century. Steve thanked him for the time and effort they have put into the project. Road rides have been going well so far with no accidents.
- Charity Rides: Keith announced that the Diabetes ride will be on June 3rd and the Autism ride will be on June 10th. He is looking to form teams. The M.S. ride will be on May 20th & 21st, and will start from Monmouth University.

Bike Shops

- Mark said that no Bike shops have signed up yet but Joanne will be going around with our brochures.

Bike Advocacy

- Harden said that national organizations like LAB and IMBA represent us, and we should support them by joining them.

Web Site

- Everything is running smoothly.
- If anyone has any pictures that they want posted (like of the holiday party), please contact Rob at webmaster@jsts.us.

OLD BUSINESS

Holiday Party

- Steve announced that the holiday party was a big success and gave a big thanks to Harold. A good time was had by all and the best part was there was no clean up.

Frostbite Series

- Rob said that some road ride sheets have not been turned in. The mountain bike sheets are in and so far 11 riders have qualified (all MTB riders). We expect to see additional qualifiers once the remaining road ride sheets are turned in.

NEW BUSINESS

Bike Show

- Steve said the date for the show is March 18th & 19th. He got a call from the director, who said that more vendors are signing up and it will be bigger than last year. JSTS will be there with our Jerseys. It will be held at the Raritan Center in Edison.

Holiday Party 2006

- Allison Lehman checked out Ft. Monmouth and the dates they have available were Friday night December 8th or Saturday afternoon December 9th. Members felt Saturday night was more appropriate, so other options will be explored.

Champagne Ride

- Date is set for April 23 and officially starts our 2006 riding season.

Club Picnic

- Andy Melnick has volunteered to host this year's picnic and a date will be selected. It will be either the second or third Sunday in July.

Awards Dinner

- Will probably be in May at a restaurant in place of our regular meeting.

Next Meeting

- The next meeting will be on Monday, February 13th.
- Steve will look into having the meeting at the Metz Bike Museum in Freehold .

No other business, meeting was adjourned.