

JSTS MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 12, 2007 MEETING

Meeting called to order at Brielle Cyclery by President Robert Leitner at 7:30pm.

Introduction of 3 board members and 17 members was announced.

Guest Speaker - Lindsay Taylor from the American Diabetes Association

- Lindsay presented a plaque to the JSTS for being one of the top fund raisers with over \$ 10,000. She appreciated our efforts and hope we continue our fund raising and marshalling for next year. Details for next year's ride (scheduled for June 21, 2008) will be posted on our web site, and will start at Brielle Elementary School. JSTS has already formed a team for next year's ride. A picture was taken with members in attendance.

Minutes – Bob Spony

- Treasurer's Report from September 10th meeting was read, and minutes were accepted as posted on the web site.

Correspondence – Bob Spony

- No correspondence was read (only a few advertisements were received over the past month).

Treasurer's Report – Mark Billon

- Motion made to accept report and carried.

Membership Report – Mark Billon

- As of October 31st, for the 2008 membership year, we have 21 individual members and 4 family members. Everyone was reminded that renewals after October 1st count for the following calendar year. The password to access the protected information on our site (like the route sheets) will be changing as of January 1, 2008, so members were encouraged to renew their membership before the end of the year.

Ride Report

- **Road Rides**

- Wes said that Saturday rides start at 10 AM as of November and Sunday rides will start at 10 in December. Rob said that he will check last year's schedule to see if these times are correct before posting. Ride start times in November and December will be the same as last year.

- **Ride Safety**

- Rob said that there were a number of minor injuries over the past year that seemed to just be accidents with no particular cause (i.e., not specifically due to unsafe riding, etc). Leaders are encouraged to talk about safety at the start of the ride. Rob talked about sticking to the route sheet to prevent people getting lost if they get separated from the group. Discussion among the members followed. Al McCormick spoke about posting rides for his winter rides from Allaire.

- **Mountain Bike Rides**

- Steve Karger encouraged people to come out and ride. He spoke about what's involved and said that there will be 5 mountain rides for the frost-bite series this year, as there are 5 Saturdays in December. All Saturday MTB rides start at 9:00am. If the trails are icy or there is snow they may hike instead of biking.
- Harden Fowler reminded everyone that mountain bikers always yield to everyone else (horses and hikers).

OLD BUSINESS

- **Incorporation and Insurance**

- Rob announced that now we are incorporated and known as "Jersey Shore Touring Society, Inc.". Thanks were given to Bill Cranor for all his hard work on this process.
- Now that the incorporation is complete, Mark Billon will look into the adjustments to our insurance coverage.

- **Holiday Party**

- The party will be held on Saturday, December 15th from 7-10pm at The Lincroft Inn. Please RSVP to Sue Scarola so she can get a count of the number of people coming to the party. Last year we had approximately 80 people. Fee is \$10 for members and \$20 for non members (spouses of individual members count as non-members). The D.J. will be the same as last year. Giveaways this year will be gift cards and possibly donated merchandise from member bike shops.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Proposal to compensate members who provide SAG for century ride**

- Sue Scarola was unable to attend the meeting, so this discussion was tabled for a future meeting.

- **Proposal to give credit for research project participants**

- Rob said that the students will be starting the project after the first of the year. He said those who participate should not be penalized. Steve Karger made the motion to allow them to be given credit for Frostbite and/or Winter Madness rides. Karen Dalton seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ELECTIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2008

Steve Karger said that the nominating Committee came up with a slate of officers for the upcoming year. They are: Robert Leitner for President; Laury Wills for Secretary; Ed Marx for Treasurer; and Dan Hinton for Vice-President. He asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There being no nominations, the Secretary cast one vote for each of the nominees. Steve and Rob thanked both Bob Spony and Mark Billon for their three years of service, and Bill Cranor for his assistance this year.

Next meeting will be January 14th at a place to be determined.

No other business, motion to adjourn was accepted.