JSTS MINUTES OF APRIL 10, 2006 MEETING

Meeting called to order at Brookdale by President Steve Karger at 7:30pm

MS SPEAKER - Ms. Marie Tresa talked about the MS TOUR being the largest tour with 1700 cyclists and raised almost a million dollars. This year's start will be at Monmouth University. Theme is "Cycling For Health" designed to get people ready for the Coast to Coast ride. The ride is basically the same except for the first 30 miles. She said they need marshals and she left brochures & cards.

TOUR DE CURE SPEAKER - Ms Tina Anderson said that the ride starts from Brookdale as previous. Last year there were 26 members from JSTS and they raised \$36,617 (the second highest amount raised). She thanked members for our involvement.

Minutes from March meeting read & accepted. Thanks were given to Jean Roy for taking minutes in place of Secretary Bob Spony. Correspondence read.

Treasurer's report – Mark Billon

• Read and accepted

Membership report – Mark Billon

• We have 113 individuals, 37 families and one Bike shop have signed up so far. Of those, 57 are new and are 93 renewals. Mark has sent emails to those members from 2005 that have not renewed. Report accepted.

Bike Advocacy

 Steve reported that Harden went to a meeting & met Michael Flatley, a board member of JORBA. He sent an email to president Steve explaining the objectives & goals of Jersey Off Road Bicycle Association. He wants the club to support a chapter to promote the goals of the group. Information can be found by going to WWW.JORBA.ORG

Rides

- <u>Mountain Biking</u>: Steve, reporting for John Gillis, spoke about what's involved. He wants the club to support aims of JORBA
- <u>Road Rides</u>: Steve said that we have captains for all categories of rides. The "B" Captain will be Jim King, who is a new member in the club. He spoke about the weekly rides from various locations.
- <u>Charity Rides</u>: Keith announced that a Cancer ride will be on June 11th, the day after the Autism ride. The George Washington Bridge Ride will leave from Fort Lee and goes over the George Washington Bridge, the longest route will be a metric. The Autism ride will be on June 10th. The MS ride will be on May 20th & 21st, and will start from Monmouth University. "No Short Cuts/JSTS" is the name of the team. This year's Rett's ride will be on October 1, and our team will be posted soon. Anyone who wants to support another Charity ride, please contact Keith Dickson so we can start a team.

OLD BUSINESS

Awards Dinner - We need a chairman & Steve discussed what's involved. Steve looking to have it at the regular meeting date of May 8th.

Champagne Ride – Will be April 23 and Gail Stevens is in charge. We will be having subs & members are asked to bring an item either a salad or dessert. We are hoping for good weather.

Time Trial - George wants to run another time trial and an email will be sent out for members to sign up. It will start at Brookdale and the time is 7:30am.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

May meeting will be at a restaurant.

No other business, meeting was adjourned.