

JSTS MINUTES OF November 10, 2008 MEETING

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

Introduction of 4 board members and 12 members was announced.

Minutes – Laury Wills

- Treasurer's Report for 9/1/08 – 9/30/08 was read and minutes were accepted.

Correspondence – Laury Wills

- Nothing of note for this month.

Treasurer's Report – Ed Marx

- Motion made to accept October report and carried.

Membership Report – Ed Marx

- Time to start all over again - as of 10/31 (2009 memberships) we have 4 new, 6 renewed, and 2 lifetime members for a whopping 12 members total. This is a decline from October in 2007. We had 23 members at this time last year. If you haven't renewed your membership, now it the time to do so.

Remember... the password to access the route sheets (and other member-only information) will be changing on January 1, 2009. You must renew your membership to get the new password.

Ride Report

• **Road Rides**

- **Covered Bridge Ride** – 6 showed up, 5 rode and 1 shopped. The weather was perfect for pedaling and for retail therapy. The 5 riders cycled through every covered bridge in the state of NJ – that's a grand total of 1! The hills weren't too onerous and there was a good deli stop. Dan is thinking about leading another ride in May.
- We're all sending out good wishes for a speedy recovery to Jeff Lambert who injured himself on a club ride recently.
- Also positive thoughts go out to Sue Scarola who is recovering from non-cycling related injuries.

• **Mountain Bike Rides**

- About 12 people showed up for a gorgeous day at Minnewaska State Park on Saturday, 11/1.

• **Frostbite Series**

- Feel that nip in the air? It's almost time for the Frostbite Series to start. This year December only has 4 weekends so you must ride on 4 **different** weekends in December to complete the series. Both road and mountain bike rides qualify. Check the ride schedule online for logistics. Remember to write your name clearly on the sign-in sheet. Ride leaders can only give you credit for the ride if they can decipher your name!
- Clyde will be wintering in Florida this December but wishes everyone good luck!

• **Winter Madness**

- Everyone agreed we should do this again because it's a fun way to motivate people to ride over the cold, dark NJ winter.
- Ricardo D'Orazio volunteered to track participation in the Winter Madness Series.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Holiday Party** – The party will be at the Lincroft Inn on Saturday, 12/13 from 7pm – 10pm.
 - At the October meeting we agreed to charge members \$20 and non-members \$30. Spouses of individual members are charged the non-member rate.
 - Last year we had about 85 people at the party and a good time was had by all. If anyone has any suggestions to make the holiday party even better this year, please speak up.
 - We're planning to do a raffle again this year for the gift cards that the club is purchasing from our member bike shops, and any donations that they make to the club. We asked that we conduct the raffle similar to the way we did it last year.
 - While the Foodbank is grateful for all the food donations we've made over the years, they can use their purchasing power to greater result if we donate money instead. At the October meeting we agreed to run a 50/50 to raise money that we will donate. Tonight we agreed to sell individual tickets for \$2, 3 tickets for \$5, and 10 tickets for \$10.
 - Remember, this is your chance to show off how good you look off the bike! Leave the bike shorts at home, and come dressed to impress.
 - Guests could make it more festive if they were to use the coat check, instead of draping coats over the chairs.
 - Since Sue is recuperating Dan volunteered to help track RSVPs this year.

NEW BUSINESS

- **League of American Bicyclists** contacted the club asking for an additional donation of \$1 per member. There was general agreement that although LAB is a worthy organization, the club already donates through our regular club dues. If any members want to donate further to LAB, they can become individual members or make further donations on their own. A motion to decline the \$300 donation was made and passed.
- **Elections** – the following candidates were nominated:
 - President – Jody Rubin
 - Vice-President – Dan Hinton
 - Treasurer – Ed Marx
 - Secretary – Laury Wills

A motion was made and passed for the secretary to cast one vote for each candidate. This was done and all candidates were elected. Congratulations to Jody, Dan, Ed and Laury. Special thanks to Jody for being willing to lead the club in 2009.

A motion was made to adjourn and passed.

The next meeting will be January 2009 (date and location TBA)