# JSTS MINUTES OF May 19 2009 MEETING

Meeting called to order at Beacon Bikes by President Steve Karger at 7:30pm.

Steve expressed thanks on behalf of the club to Beacon for hosting our meeting.

Introduction of 3 board members, 12 members and 2 prospective members was announced.

# Minutes

• Minutes from April 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 April report and carried.

## Membership Report – Ed Marx

• As of April 30<sup>th</sup> we have 45 new members, 143 renewed, 2 lifetime and 7 shops for a total of 197. There are 152 individual, 38 family memberships and 7 shops.

## Bike Advocate

• There is a recall on Cannondale Scalpel mountain bike frames. See this site for details <u>http://www.cannondale.com/tech\_center/recalls/en\_recalls.html</u>

## Bike Shop Report

• Dan registered several more shops including Bike Haven. He is still working on up to 23 shops including the holdouts from last year and some new shops.

## **Ride Report**

- ADA
  - o Scheduled for Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from Brielle Elementary School
  - o Check <u>www.diabetes.org</u> for details.
  - Traffic was not an issue on the route last year even though it passes through shore towns.
- Autism Ride
  - o Scheduled for Saturday, June 13th
  - o Check <u>www.Ride4autism.org</u> for details
  - We still need marshals. Marshals pay the \$40 entry fee but receive lunch and a tee shirt
  - E-mail Steve K or Andy A if you want to marshal
  - o JSTS will set up a tent at the ride to recruit members.
- Pace Rides
  - **A Ride Captain** We still need an A ride captain but the A guys have been doing fine signing themselves in.
  - **C Time Shift -** The C ride will move to 8am start time in June.
  - Saturday Ride from MJ Tighe Park This ride starts at 8am and is generally a 50 mile ride at 17- 18 mph pace. The rides have been well attended. The routes head west from MJT into some of the best riding areas.

#### • Ride Safety

- William Cruz brought up that we all know the safety rules but don't always observe them during the rides. He has observed several examples of unsafe behavior on rides so far this year.
- We discussed the need for ride leaders to reinforce safety guidelines at the start of every ride. Steve will remind the ride leaders to emphasize safety before the start of the ride.
- We agreed to emphasize one safety tip each week which will be published on the website and should be discussed by the leader.
- William will assemble a list of safety tips to get this started. We will review it at the next meeting.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- Champagne Ride
  - Huge thanks to Gail Stevens for another successful Champagne Ride.
- Club Picnic
  - For anyone who is hesitant to tackle the hills of Middletown on their road bike, Steve and John Gillis have an option – they are organizing a ride along the Henry Hudson Trail. Riders will carpool to the HHT from the picnic site.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Sunshine Fund
  - Sue presented a proposal for a sunshine fund with guidelines for who, when and how to send congratulations, get well and condolence gifts.
  - Motion made and passed to set up the fund.
- Club Clothing
  - There has been interest lately in submitting another order for clothing. We don't want to commit to this before we know there is enough interest to fill the minimum order. We found a company that will take orders for a minimum of 10 jerseys and their prices are good. We need to find out more about the quality of their product.
  - Existing clothing stock is listed on the website.
  - o Steve will solicit a volunteer to coordinate the clothing.
- June Meeting
  - Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at Brookdale There will be a 6pm club ride prior to the meeting.
- Solstice Pizza Night
  - The annual tradition where the club sponsors pizza night for the Tuesday MJT ride and the Thursday Brookdale ride will continue this year.

#### Next meeting will be in June 8th at Brookdale.

The meeting was adjourned.