

MINUTES OF JUNE 2014 MEETING

Meeting held at Monmouth Worship Center

Introduction of 3 board members and 14 members present.

Guests Steve and Kathy Martini on the Kickstarter campaign for the Infinity Seat

The couple talked about a new seat design made by her brother-in-law who is a doctor and bike rider. The design is unique and will be available in different materials and price ranges. They had members sit on the seat to see how it felt. The idea is to reduce the pressure on the sit bones and soft tissue. Riders interested in the product can go to the website infinitybikeseat.com (also Kickstarter) or call 732-788-9506 for more details. Art Goldberg was given a seat to try out.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND MEMBERSHIP

Secretary Bob Spony read the minutes and Treasurer's report from the April meeting as there was no May meeting. Motion was made by Bill Weisler and seconded by Al McCormick to accept the minutes as read. Motion passed.

Treasurer Abe Chasnoff read the treasurer's report for April & May. With no discussion, motion made by Art Goldberg and seconded by Don Levy to accept the report. Motion passed.

Membership report was given by Joe Hewes. As of today, we have 245 individual and 49 family members, along with 7 bike shops for a total of 295. Joe said the figures are in line with what we had last year.

RIDE REPORT – BARBARA BENNETT

Barb said that after rides some members have been complaining about safety issues. We can't do anything about charity riders but we should try and make our members ride safe. We discussed how riders are obligated to be on time and sign in for the ride they are going to do. Members talked about posting unofficial rides on Face Book.

This month's summer tours are to Massachusetts and BIKE VIRGINIA.

Barbara said ride leaders are needed to cover for some of Everett's Saturday rides. If there are no leaders, rides may be cancelled.

OLD BUSINESS –

CHAMPAGNE RIDE:

Steve Karger announced the ride was a success even if it was a little chilly. A big hand was given for the hard work that Gail Stevens did organizing the event. It was slightly over budget but the food was great. Ed Marx has posted the pictures on the website.

PICNIC:

The date has been changed to August 3, 2014 and will be at Andy Melnick's house. A crew is needed to set up and clean up.

AUTISM RIDE:

Steve read a letter he received from Andy Aberer regarding the Autism Ride:

Steve,

First, thanks for your support not only yesterday but through the years.

Now onto some facts and figures. With the no-shows and the walk-ups we have about 350 riders, which made it a very comfortable event to manage. There were very few SAG calls and no long waits for SAG, food, or bathrooms! Everyone enjoyed themselves, the weather was great and the atmosphere was festive. I estimate we will net about \$50,000 -- a great success.

And JSTS was a big part of that success. From route design by Everett and Barb, recon of the routes by Barb and others, to marshaling and participating, they were an integral part of the event. Participants had great things to say about our marshals and the help they provided, especially to lost riders.

-Andy

NEW BUSINESS -

Summer Schedule:

Solstice Pizza rides will be the week of 6/23.

Discussion regarding parking at Holmdel Park was brought up because workers there complained about us taking up too many parking spaces.

Blue Claws Game: Steve announced that he and Fred Sweet are handling it and set a date of 8/8, with a rain date of 8/22.

Vermont Challenge: 7 are going and the dates are Thursday 8/14 to Sunday 8/17.

iCan Shine Program: This is a non-profit organization that teaches individuals with disabilities to ride a conventional 2 wheel bike. They are looking for volunteers to help

with a bike camp (iCan Bike) scheduled for August 18 to 22. It will be held at Brookdale Recreation & Events Center. People interested can contact Jane Kleiman @ jane.lincroftbike@gmail.com. Phone # 732-778-2912.

Century Ride: Our annual ride is on the Sunday of Labor Day weekend, which is 8/31, and will leave from Keyport. We are alternating years with the Brookdale start.

Fair Haven Proposal: Steve said he got a call from the mayor of Fair Haven about supporting a proposal for dedicated bike lanes and wanted our club routes. Members mentioned that there is a county map with streets that can be used. Steve will get back to him.

Club Jersey Order: We are looking for someone to chair this project and Barbara will have purchasing information. Steve will send out an email to see if someone will coordinate this order.

No other business, motion made to adjourn and seconded. Motion passed.

NEXT MEETING IS IN SEPTEMBER.