MINUTES OF OCTOBER 2014 MEETING Meeting held at FEDERICI'S

Pizza was served before the meeting Introduction of 4 board members and 15 members present

Approval of September minutes & correspondence:

Secretary Bob Spony read the minutes and Treasurer's report from the September meeting. There were no questions and motion to accept the minutes passed.

Treasurer Abe Chasnoff read the report for October. With no discussion, motion made by Al McCormick & seconded by Ron Daggett. Motion passed.

A final membership report for 2014 was submitted by Joe Hewes and presented by President Steve. As of today, we have 349 total members with 116 new members; 228 renewal and 5 lifetime members. It is in line with what we had at the end of last year. Joe will continue as the membership coordinator next year.

RIDE REPORT –

Barbara Bennett said that we need ride leaders. If there are no leaders, rides will be cancelled. She supplied a calendar of rides for the coming year.

There was a discussion regarding whether we make the Century ride a members-only event.

Pete Benton announced that the last Pizza ride will be this Thursday 10/23 @ 4:30 at Luigi's in Lincroft.

George Gregorio announced that Mountain Biking will start this weekend. He will lead mtb rides along with Bryan Hrycyk. Start time will be 9 A.M.

Everett Anderson will be back leading the Saturday all-pace rides starting in November. Al McCormick leads the "Frostbite" rides in December and Pete Benton will lead Sunday rides starting January 4 at 10 A.M.

Don Levy on the Italian trip:

Twenty-six JSTS club members and friends traveled to the Hotel Dory this fall (spanning 2 separate weeks). We flew into Bologna airport, where we were met by hotel staff for

the ~90 minute trip to the hotel in Riccione. The hotel is one block from a beautiful stretch of beach, with a bike bath along the length.

There was much happening that first day. After checking-in, we grabbed some lunch (a buffet set up in their dining room) then we got our bikes set-up and took a test ride along the beach. Before dinner, there was a reception in the lobby, describing their weekly cycling program. There we were asked to sign-up for a riding group for the next morning. There were 5 riding groups, rolling at varying speeds, distances and hill-climbing. Based on what we saw, it appeared that their top group, "Limoncino", would be suitable for A+/A riders who liked hills, the next group, "Cappuccino Super" would be suitable for A/A- riders (who liked hills), the next, "Cappuccino" would be suitable for B+/B riders who liked hills, the next "Bikeness" for C riders (still with hill climbing). I rode in the Cappuccino Super each day, but each day you get to choose which group you want to ride with on the following day.

The routes were great and the views were amazing. Most days, after the ride, there was a buffet lunch waiting for us. There were 2 days when lunch was on the route -- one at a farm house and the other at a winery. After lunch, some folks went to the beach, some walked into town, others just chilled. We all met for dinner at 7pm. The food was also amazing. Most of us gained a few pounds, despite the intensive riding program. Could have been the gelato we purchased every evening in town after dinner!

The trip was so much fun we're planning on going again. Contact <u>Barb Bennett</u> for details.

Lynne Fitzsimmons, a relative of Art Goldberg, spoke about Randonneuring:

Randonneuring is long distance cycling with bookkeeping. The rides have a route, a time limit, and controls through with the rider must pass within a specified time window. The distances are 100, 200, 300, 400, and 600km. The premier ride of the sport is Paris Brest Paris (PBP), which will be held next year; lots of members will be out doing their qualifying rides.

One of your members has ridden PBP twice; one time was 2007, which had terrible weather.

Lynne also talked a bit about her ride from Virginia to NJ. The route was an out and back to Alexandria, VA, which was a Randonneurs permanent route, then Arlington to Annapolis, with a car shuttle across the Bay Bridge. Then, Chester to Salisbury (another

Randonneurs USA permanent route), to Lewes, the Cape May Ferry, then Cape May to Tuckerton and Tuckerton to Freehold, with a loop up to Bradley Beach. The New Jersey route was based on the bike route published by the NJ Board of Tourism. For the curious: Randonneurs USA <u>www.rusa.org</u> NJ Randonneurs: <u>www.njrando.com</u>

OLD BUSINESS:

HARVEST RIDE:

Unfortunately, there was no cider or donuts, so the ride was postponed until November 3. Alan Zwiebel volunteered to get the provisions. Rides will start at the Freehold Y parking lot.

FROSTBITE 2013:

President Steve said that the shirts will be ordered.

Club Jersey Order:

JSTS has extra jerseys. We have 3 Extra large and 5 large. Anyone interested in purchasing a jersey (\$50) contact Steve @ SKCYCLES@gmail.com

FEES FOR REFRESHMENT SUPPLIED RIDES:

After some discussion, it was decided that no fee would be charged for the Champagne Ride. Bob Spony made a motion and seconded by Terry Basko that the Century ride would be advertised as a members-only ride.

Holiday Party:

This year's party is on Saturday, December 13 at the Lincroft Inn. Sue Scarola will chair. Members will pay \$10. and guests will pay \$15. Those willing to help can email Sue. More details next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election Committee:

Don Levy will chair the committee to include Bob Smith, Bill Weisler & Steve Schwartz. Steve Karger said he would be president again if no one wants it.

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

NEXT MEETING IN NOVEMBER. PLACE TO BE DETERMINED.