

Rando minutes 2 May 2023

In Attendance (via Google Meet):

Mike Hagen
Anna Bonga
Dug Andrusiek
Murray Tough
Rob Nygren
Jacquetta Benard
Colin Fingler
Ron Stewart

Regrets:

Mark Payten

Meeting start 7:05

1. Minutes approval:

- Approval of agenda: Approved.
- Approval of March minutes: Approved
- Approval of April minutes: Approved

2. Presidents Report:

- Working on the CowPop.
- Insurance has been paid.

3. Treasurer's Report:

- Have written \$12,000 in cheques this week. Balance is now about \$17,000.
- Need to get more cheques signed.
- Still some Fleche expenses and getting a few expense claims from brevets.
- Still haven't received the Vancouver Police (for 2022 or 2023 PacPop) bill yet.
- Up to 146 members
- Colin is going to do the homologations over the next week. Will be away for the month of June.

4. Regional Co-ordinator reports:

- **Lower Mainland: Fleche** went well, a good time was had by all. Suggest we tweak the criteria for the "lungs for life" to expand the age range. Discussion about trophies and Fleche awards. Discussion about how we can get more involvement in the event.
- No one stepped up to do the 400 so Mike is doing it. Etienne may do the 600. Still looking for organizers for summer rides.
- **CanPop:** Russel has the permits on the go, leaving on May 20 so someone will need to take over. We may have someone to contribute socks, Deirdre is helping.
- **Gravel:** nothing new to report.
- **Interior:** Things are moving along
- **Island:** All good.
- **1200:** Vancouver Island 1200 Board Report (Murray)
- 2023-05-02

- Committee members (to date):
- Murray Tough
- Mark Payten
- Fred Fowler
- Gord Litster
- Stephen Hinde

- Dates: We have tentatively set Jun 20, 2024 as our preferred start date. July 4 is our second choice. I have reached out to the LRM president, Mark Thomas, to find out if there are other RM1200s around those dates. We hope to have riders from across North America and possibly the UK.
- Size: We are recommending a cap of 50 riders
- Support: We envision a supported ride with drop bags, hot meals each evening and a basic breakfast each morning.
- Accommodation: We hope to find hotels at each stop that will accommodate 50 riders and a handful of volunteers. The alternative could be community centres or schools but hot showers may not be possible. Providing bedding and clean towels for 50 riders adds to the logistics.
- Route: Stephen Hinde is going to propose a route. The basic parameters are:
 - Start at 5:00 AM at a hotel in Victoria or the Peninsula
 - Get over the Malahat in the early morning
 - Include Port Hardy in the route
 - Avoid the Malahat on the return (either with the Mill Bay ferry or by riding through Port Renfrew)
- Note that this route requires considerably more logistics than a cloverleaf or lollipop design. We will need to organize multiple hotels and multiple meal caterers. We will need to move drop bags every day. We will have volunteers spread across the Island. We will need to resupply our volunteers with food and drinks for the controls from multiple locations.
- Budget: TBD. The Granite Anvil was about \$40,000. This included \$25,000 for hotels. Riders and pre-riders paid \$650 not including the start/finish hotel or the jersey
- Pre-rides: Dave Thomas, the Granite Anvil organizer, recommends two pre-rides. The first verifies the route, the second is the week before and is primarily to capture the last-minute route changes due to construction or other road issues. Each was 3 riders and a volunteer (the pre-rides were supported rides). The pre-riders paid the full entry fee.

5. **PBP:**

- Nothing to report.

6. **AGM:**

- From Mark: I have been looking into the AGM. I approached the Mary Winspear Centre, The Pier Hotel and The Shoal Centre. The Shoal Centre never got back to me, so I eliminated them from my search.
- I initiated contact with the other two. Both of their room rental prices for a space for 40 people were reasonable. The Pier had the ideal setting for a resort type experience. They were unsure as to the ability of their inhouse Wi-Fi to be able to meet the needs of a hybrid meeting. Their catering also would not be up to what we have been accustomed over the past few years.
- That left Mary Winspear Centre. They have an LCD projector (actually 2). (\$50) They regularly have rentals that use those for hybrid meetings. They have a mic and podium (\$30)

- Activity rooms 2a and 2b will hold all of us and our bikes.
- It is located right on the Lochside Trail by Beacon Avenue
- The cost of both rooms (curtain divider if we wish) is \$113/hr. Colin recommends 6 hrs rental. See the AGM Timeline attachments.
- They have a catering kitchen. They have provided me with some choices for caterers. The meal prices seem to range between \$35-45/person. See attachments.
- I need the board's approval to move ahead with this. Mary Winspear would like a deposit of 10% to move ahead with facility booking. I guesstimate at that rate I would need approval for about \$950 for the space and about \$95 to hold the space now.
- Looking at food costs, if the meals were to cost us \$45/person (max) for 40 people and we had members pay \$20 each as in the past \$1800-\$800=\$1000 for our cost (before tax). That puts the whole event at about \$1950, an increase of about \$150 more than last year. Will this be okay? Should we increase member cost by \$5.00? Please discuss and let me know.
- Mike Hagen has mentioned he would be amenable to the VI hosting the AGM 200 here. I am willing to do that. Again, we can do a Sidney start.
- Mike to discuss with Mark about how to get people to the AGM 200.
- **Propose:** Booking Mary Winspear: **Approved.**

7. **Website:**

- Ron hasn't had a chance to reach out to Etienne. Will do it soon. Etienne won't be able to automate the homlogation feed before the end of June.

8. **Roundtable:**

- Nothing to report.

9. **Next meeting:**

- Thursday 8th June, 2023, 7:00 pm

10. **Meeting adjourned:**

- 7:51 pm