

## BC Randonneurs 2023 Annual General Meeting – D R A F T Minutes

15 October 2023

Mary Winspear Centre, 2243 Beacon Ave, Sidney, BC

Present in person (22 Voting Members, 2 guests):

Anna Bonga	Mike Hagen	Fred Fowler
Dug Andrusiek	Murray Tough	Colin Fingler
Markus Hirschbold	Mark Payten	Bob Goodison
Patrick Jackman	Deirdre Arscott	Buddy Bhandar
Gary Sparks	Gary Baker	Sheryl Henderson (guest)
Manfred Kuchenmuller	Stephen Hinde	Carol Hinde
Alard Malek	Dave Macmurchie	Rob Nygren
Sandy Szabo	Joyce LaRose (guest)	Willi Fast

On-line (9 Voting Members):

Dave King	Jacquetta Benard	Wim Kok
Cheryl Lynch	Ron Himschoot	Mike Martin
Eric Fergusson	Jocelyn De La Rosa	Geoff Rempel

### 1. **Welcome**

- from President: Dug Andrusiek, call to order 12:02 pm

### 2. **Quorum:**

- 31 Voting Members in attendance: 9 on-line, 22 in room. Per our current by-laws: quorum is 10% of the total Voting Members but shall not be less than 3 Members. 10% of 235 Voting Members is 24, so we have quorum.

### 3. **Last Years Minutes** and Agenda:

- **Approval of agenda:** motion: Deirdre; **Approved.**  
- **Approval** of last year's (2022) AGM minutes: motion Mike; **Approved**

### 4. **Presidents Report (Dug Andrusiek):**

- It's been a busy and successful year, as first year where didn't have to deal with Covid. Transition from Covid went well, but now we have to adapt to weather/conditions changes.  
- BC had the largest Canadian province contingent at PBP  
- Deirdre became the first women to complete 10 PBP's.  
- We introduced multiple start points for brevets and gravel rides on the Island.  
- Need to work on our IT stuff: database and website

### 5. **Treasurers Report (Colin Fingler):**

- Presentation of 2023 Financial Statement by Colin  
- Brevet net income is down a bit. Big money maker is the Populaires.  
- We are good for term deposits

- Pin expenses down as using old inventory for Populaires and giving out pins later
- Insurance costs are increasing
- Matt Lee received the Harold Bridge \$1k bursary for PBP and he said it helped a lot.
- During Covid we had a volunteer donation registration option, but not needed after Covid
- Dropped the BC Cycling Coalition collection, it is now done separately when registering for BC Randonneurs membership
- **Motion** to approve financial statement as presented: Alard 1<sup>st</sup> Gary B 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Approved.**

6. **Special Resolutions:**

- None proposed

7. **Member Proposals:**

- None received

8. **Lower Mainland Report (Mike Hagen):**

- All the rides went smoothly this year.
- Want to thank everyone who stepped up to run an event: Ron Stewart, Etienne Hossack, and Nigel Press stepped up in a pinch. Would like more people to step up next year.

9. **Vancouver Island Report (Mark Payten):**

- Had 20 events, one gravel, 1 Populaire. 2 social rides and 16 brevets
- 123 participants in Populaire
- Had 7 ride organizers, who did a fantastic job, 13 volunteers, made the rides happen
- Thank-you for all volunteers
- Next year will do a New Years Day Populaire, and add another gravel ride. Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> will organize a 200,300, or 600 make up ride.
- Have an SPOND app, where can put up the ride info and people can join
- Bringing back the VanIsle 1200 next year.

10. **Interior Report (Bob Goodison):**

- Been an interesting year: Jacquetta and Bob K and Barry C organized rides
- Cancelled late summer and fall rides due to wildfires
- Will no longer run a summer series due to wildfires and weather conditions (heat)
- Hoping to add lots of spring rides. Gave description of some of the rides.
- Will have a make-up day where any ride distance can be done.

11. **Peace River Report (Mike Hagen for Wim Kok):**

- Very good to see everyone and able to participate again
- Has recovered well from his accident and is riding again (on trainers especially)
- Put a schedule together for 2023 but due to forest fires and heat had to cancel
- Has put together a 2024 schedule
- Congratulations to everyone who completed PBP
- Thank you to everyone for their support.

**12. 2023 Directors Election (by Acclamation):**

- President: Dug Andrusiek
- Vice-President: Mike Hagen
- Treasurer: Colin Fingler
- Secretary: Anna Bonga
- Members at Large: Jacquetta Bernard, Mark Payten, Murray Tough, Deirdre Arscott and Rob Nygren
- **Motion to accept. Accepted.**

**13. Adjournment:**

- **Motion to adjourn:** 1<sup>st</sup>: Mark Payten, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Dug Andrusiek. **Accepted:** Meeting adjourned 12:58 pm
- Thank-you to Islanders for hosting, they did a great job

**14. Next meeting:**

- First meeting with new executive will be Tuesday November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

**Awards:**

- Medals from France put into the post in 2019, arrived beginning of September this year.
- 5000: 2019: Chris Cullum; Etienne Hossack; Paul Van Wersch; Dave King; Eric Fergusson; Deirdre Arscott; Mike Hagen; Colin Fingler; Bob Goodison; and Jeff Mudrakoff;
- 10,000 2022: Gary Baker; Bob Goodison; Etienne Hossack; and Bob Koen
- Golden Saddle: Nigel has passed 100,000 km.
- Deirdre: The only woman in the world who has completed 10 PBP's.
- 2022 Roger Street Award: Mike Hagen and Anna Bonga (joint)

**VanIsle 1200:**

- Fully supported end to end 1200.

**Gravel Rides:**

- Committee met 3 times, established initial parameters, (as Populaires) in database
- Following RUSA model for timing, don't have elevation gain correction
- Completed one ride last year. 13 of our new club members were young, had to turn away 3 minors, so suggest a policy for minors
- Adding some rides to the Lower Mainland.
- Want to look at gravel minimum speeds and distances
- Next meeting late January

**Fleche 2024:**

- Suggestion of first weekend in May as Seattle does last weekend in April.
- Going to try to get the schedule together this week

**PBP:**

- Mark: seminar in November went well. Points to consider: start the process 2 years before, with a board member assigned to this; a representative who is in charge of communications

- with people, including other provinces; need to register under the same club; have a make-up weekend just before the cut-off date to register for PBP
- Deirdre: very impressed with BC participants.

**ACP:**

- Working on the 2024 calendar;
- Rode Centenary 400 in 2023
- The 600 Centenary will be in a couple of years
- Cheryl has been our ACP representative for many years, and is handing the baton to Etienne

**Volunteer opportunities:**

- Volunteering is the bread and butter for our club. Need to encourage more participation in volunteering.

**Communication:**

- Would like to create a communications role.
- Website and database need to be updated
- Items the board is considering

**Pins:**

- Order a bunch for this year then hand out on an as needed basis
- Ali is working on the artwork for next year, but if you have a pin design idea, please let us know

**2024 Items:**

- Need to make the guidelines a bit more explicit: brevet difficulty rating; pre-ride rules; what is considered in-route support; event organizer handbooks; Mike working on a framework and will accept participation from others. so have more room on the page.

**Control Cards:**

- Control card design has been changed so we can read the control cards, with larger font size and elimination of information that we don't need

**PBP Party:**

- Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup> at 3pm at Dave King's place