

Rando Minutes 4 July 2024

In Attendance (via Google Meet):

Mike Hagen
Colin Fingler
Anna Bonga
Murray Tough
Rob Nygren
Deirdre Arscott
Mark Payten
Dug Andrusiek

Regrets :

Jacquetta Benard

1. Agenda:

- Rob would like to add schedules to the agenda
- Motion to accept agenda: Accepted Murray 1st, Mike 2nd

2. Minutes:

- From 6 June 2024: accepted, can be posted.

3. Presidents report:

- Dug helped out with the 1200.
- Trying to get hold of insurance company about the injuries from the CanPop

4. Ride Reports:

- **Lower Mainland:** July series is coming up: 200 is this weekend; 300 to Artist Point is the following week. Andrew will be at Mount Baker instead of the finish. Week after is the 400, to Yale. Mike Gottlieb is going to pre-ride it. 600 at end of month is logistically challenging because of the ferries. The August 600 needs an event organizer. Suggest contacting Barry Chase, Bob Koen, and Gary Baker. May go to Skykomish. Barry M is doing the August 1000.
- Put a heat warning into the Good to Go letter.
- June 1000: reverse Cariboo Loop, had one rider, from Seattle. Very impressed with his performance on the route. He did the 1200 the following weekend.
- **Island:** Only event was 1200. Upcoming is 200 which starts at Atkins, summer 300 is out of Parksville, on the 27th. Discussion about start possibilities for the 300.
- **Interior:** Made it through series with no wildfire issues. Rides for interior are finished for season.

- **Peace:** Nothing new from Wim.

5. **First Aid:**

- Made sure we had First Aid at each control.
- Still have First Aid kits to buy. Next year everyone will need to carry their own kit.
- Need to make a list and keep the kits stocked. Mark has a list of what needs to be in them. Mike will look at the kits that we have. **Action:** Mike to ask Dave if he will be a First Aider and kit manager.
- Suggest we advertise that regular riders can take a First Aid course and be reimbursed. Especially for people who volunteer at events.

6. **1200:**

- Discussion about 1200 and how it went.
- Most people finished the 1200. Feedback was generally positive. It looks like we are on budget. Still disappointed with the number who registered. Volunteers were fantastic.
- If going to do this again need to start planning 2 years ahead of time. Could do it as a tour 2 years before. Write the story, take pictures, to promote.
- What about a Vancouver to Calgary? Going up through Radium? Discussion about possible routes.
- Big thanks to Carol and Stephen for their efforts.
- Suggest having a party for the volunteers, or a gift certificate, some way to say thank-you.

7. **Brevet Organizing Aids:**

- Mark and Mike met on June 14th, and went over a document that Mark put together. Will create a document for organizers and have another meeting.
- Stephen wrote an email about what needs to be done on the website.
- Mark sent a link to 'Brevet Organization Aids' google drive as the document is on there.

8. **Schedules:**

- Discussion about co-ordinating dates so Lower Mainland and Island don't overlap. **Action:** Rob to put together an approximation of dates. To pick out a route beforehand, earlier than we are doing now to prevent scrambling.
- Is there an anniversary 600 next year?
- Organizers often have trouble getting into the events page. Need to get this working. Discussion about how to get things started earlier.

9. Website:

- Deirdre sent put a document about what has been done so far. Came up with a new menu for the website as navigation is lacking in the current website. Etienne did a mock-up of menu's, hoping for comments. Etienne is doing a lot. A lot of content will be archived.
- Lots of good discussion and co-operation. Dara Poon to look at it as well.
- There are changes that need to be made to the database. Want organizers to be able to verify the route sheets. Have to do with permissions to access site.

10. Pins:

- We have pins, Mike to try to get pins for this weekend for 200 km riders.

11. Finances:

- Most of receipts are in already. Wrote a bunch of cheques before the Populaire.
- No risk of us bottoming out.
- About \$13,000 in from CanPop.

12. CanPop:

- Discussion about things how the CanPop went. Organization at start went well.
- **Propose:** to send out gift certificates to volunteers. \$25 from MEC. **Approved.**
- Would be nice to have a party for the volunteers.
- Debrief: Administrative stuff went smoothly. Relatively few emails in run-up to event. Sold out, had 30 people on the wait list. Had a lot of positive comments from people. Had 4 incidents on the course. Had more First Aid people.
- Richard Bulpitt is not as good as Yorkson. Washrooms were far away, and didn't have water, so had to go to Safeway to buy bottled water. Some snags on route sheet.
- Discussion of things for next year. 37 people did the 50 km route.
- Had 4 incidents with requirements for First Aid. 1st: at railroad crossing on 208 St, northbound at 9900 block, transported to Langley Hospital with a broken arm. Jeff went to pick up his bike. Colin sent email yesterday to ensure he got his bike back.
- 2nd: on the 50 km ride a slow speed crash, distracted, rider in front slowed and collided, 20 m from a First Aid station where they helped him and he carried on his way. 3rd: at about km 42 on the 157 route. Appears to be a single cyclist accident, on bottom of Olund hill, there is a warning sharp left turn sign + 20 km/h. She didn't navigate the turn and went into a deep ditch just past the concrete barrier. Someone called an ambulance. She had a back injury and arm in a splint. She was using a time-trial bike. Ambulance took her to Abbotsford Hospital. Colin met her emergency contact at the hospital later in the afternoon to collect her bike, and then also her car from the Start/Finish. Then Colin drove her car c/w her bike back to her

- home in White Rock with her contact following. Following an MRI that evening, she was transferred to VGH for a blood clot impacting the nerves of her spine. 4th: Rider came into finish and said his wife had scrapped herself on 248th on the return. She finished the ride, no First Aid administered.
- Discussion about how to indicate hazards: Colin sent out info to registered riders telling them of hazards along the way.
 - Waivers were all signed and initialed.
 - Colin put together a time-line of the event. As everybody had his number, he was receiving text and he didn't know who it was. For future, all sweeps and volunteers should be in contact lists.
 - Discussion about what we should do next year. Create a Safety Officer role. Suggest collecting rider cell phone number, in addition to emergency contact.
 - Suggest collect addresses: Mark forgot the pins, so couldn't mail them out.
 - **Action:** Dug to reach out to Niel (insurance broker) and tell him about the incidents. **Action:** Incident reports to be completed. Colin to get details from incident reports. Discussion about information that goes to the broker.
 - Mark asks riders to report any incidents to him whether they are involved in an incident or not.
 - For the future: how can we help, in a situation. Colin would like to ask how the girl who fell into the ditch is doing. Planning to send an email of concern, and find out if she got her bike back. **Action:** Colin to go out to get photos of approaching the turn.
 - A 12-year-old rode with his mother and finished.

13. Next Meeting:

- August 15, 2024: 7:00 pm.

14. Meeting Adjourned: 9:01 pm.