

General Meeting 10/29/16

Maria/President

Welcome

Laurie G/ Vice President Excused

Peter/Membership

Current membership at 387, 5 new members this month, membership is down,
Please check your stats and if anything has been missed, let me know.

Steve/Webmaster

The Russians have been hitting our email

Cheryl/Newsletter

I appreciate your pictures, thoughts, and quotes. They are a great addition to the Newsletter

Iris/Treasurer

Surveys have gone out requesting sizing info for Jerseys as well as other awards

We have had a good financial year. We have donated to Bike MS, Bike Collective, Huntsman, Little Red cities, and Bike Utah

Next week I will be taking an accounting course on Quick Books with our accountant

Don/Road Captain

Total miles are down from last year. Last year we hit a 6 year high. The number of rides increased this year. Kean's Heinz 57 ride was # 1000 for this year

Winter is when I start on the Master Schedule. Cycling Utah has asked for our 2017 calendar. When scheduling rides we do our best to avoid routes that any paid rides are on.

Tomorrow there will be a Metric and a Super Series.

Winter Stimulus is about to start, this will change our posting of rides to a 2 day notice

We want more members to participate in the online 101 bike skills course. If you do the course, please print your certificate and get it to Don as there is currently a problem with reporting our info with the League. We will get a group together to follow up with an inside course and then an outside skills course.

Lori/Secretary

No info to report

Penny/Member at Large

Currently working on the Awards Committee and the January banquet

Tim/Member at Large

No info to report

Liesa/Past President

Term is done!

Maria/President

Thanks for coming out today and dressing up for this fun event

For those of you who may not be aware of what the Board has done this year, I'd like to mention our accomplishments.

- Expanded our volunteering to include all bike related charitable activities and work with advocacy and non-profits. I believe this can be publicized and expanded further in the coming years with more additions to the calendar and a specific Volunteer corner in each Newsletter. Also we should maintain our Volunteer Coordinator position and special color highlight on the calendar.
- Emphasizing increased safety when riding with "see something, say something" and "club ride, club rules" concepts.
- Expansion of our beginner rides which has been championed by a few noted ride leaders. This has included a special color designation on the calendar and many more opportunities for beginners to ride with the club and get comfortable riding in groups.
- We have taken a good look at finances and made concrete decisions regarding spending for meetings and events as well as charitable donations.
- The addition of the Group Page on Facebook which has been a popular forum for pictures and communication
- Securing of our brand with the trademarking of the verbiage Little Red and Li'l Red for events and textiles
- We were receptive to discussing collaboration with Bike Utah and although it was not a partnership we wished to get involved in I believe it is important to explore new ideas and options. And I hope no one will fault the Bike Utah organization down the road for the failed venture/presentation. I want to emphasize that Bike Utah is a great organization and does good work.
- Utilizing our Survey Monkey subscription to query the members and get feedback on the club that can hopefully be used to improve and strengthen the club.
- Utilizing Survey Monkey for opinions on Clandestine Awards after the election
- Banquet date and location set for the JCC on 1/21

There were additional things that I would have liked to have seen accomplished but did not:

*Expand mechanical help

*League Certification

*Expand Advocacy

Meeting Open to Membership

Sue Benedict gave thanks to Maria for all she has done this year

Dean Zenoni introduced a new rider, Mandy, who had her first ride today on her new recumbent bike. Dean explained his position in Project Hero and our local affiliate Ride to Recovery. Ride to recovery supports Injured Veterans, Law Enforcement, Fire Fighters & First Responders as well as civilians injured from an act of terror. An example would be those who were injured at the Boston Marathon Bombing. Our local chapter works with the VA to purchase special equipment such as adaptive bicycles. Nov 1st there is a great opportunity to ride and support this group through a ride in Las Vegas. You can contact Dean for more info.

Rusty

Founder of the Free Rider Motorcycle Group, Currently participating in a group called AIR12 adventure in recovery. He would like to have members of his group get into cycling as part of their recovery. They are recovering opiate addicts ages 15 and up.

Deb Kimbrough

Winter Ride will continue this season from December-March. We have a new starting location by Bandits on 6200 S 3000 E. It will be a 15 mile route

Maria

Thanks again for a great cycling year. The New Year begins on Tuesday. Be thinking about your goals.