

Fraser Valley Chapter Steering Committee Meeting

Monday, December 7, 2020 via Zoom

MINUTES

Members present: Leslie Beleski, Ann Marie Liggat, David Liggat, Neil McNeill, Mieke Quinn, Dan Ramsden, Ralph White, Janet Whitehead, Clark Woodland

Regrets: Larry Weldon

1. Meeting called to order at 9:15
2. Minutes from November 2nd meeting – accepted as published.
3. Ride with GPS webinar

Those who viewed the webinar thought it was very useful and informative.

Agreed Communications Comm. to send an email to the FV chapter members advising of the upcoming webinars on Dec. 10th and 17th.

4. Membership 2021 renewal status
 - Of the 118 FV Chapter members, 58 have renewed their membership.
 - Of the 12 Metro Vancouver members on the FV Chapter weekly ride email list, 4 have renewed their membership.

Agreed that, in early January, a reminder email will be sent to all the riders on the weekly email list who have not yet renewed their membership.

5. Bank balance as of November 30th (Vancity) - \$501.85

Chapters may not receive an operating grant from CCCTS this year.

6. November Newsletter was emailed to the FV members on November 26th. Have received several positive comments.
7. Topics for next Newsletter (early January)
 - Proposal to discontinue weekly ride email with members accessing ride information via the FV calendar on the CCCTS website.
 - When Covid restrictions are reduced and rides resume – groups of 6 will continue and “Relaxed Ride” pace will be implemented.

- Expectation that riders should be capable of making minor repairs (e.g., flat tires) on regular and e-bikes.
- Membership renewal reminder (mention CCCTS draw prize- 4 copies of the book "Let's go Biking" by Colleen MacDonald).
- Member survey.
- Information on improvements to Hwy. 15/40th Ave. intersection and 32nd Ave. between 152nd and 160th Hwy. 15.

8. Week of rides

- Agreed to tentatively plan for 2 events in 2021, Covid permitting; one in June and one in September.
- Ralph and David will do some preliminary planning of routes, etc.
- Need to include post-ride socials and "tail gate parties".

9. 3 month rolling ride calendar

- David and Ralph will implement once Covid restrictions are reduced and group rides are permitted and qualify as "sanctioned".
- Summary information sufficient when first populating the calendar with detailed information added later.
- Shorter rides to begin with to accommodate people who haven't been doing much riding due to Covid restrictions and winter weather.
- Will consider trail rides based on feedback from the member survey. Maintaining adequate social distancing is a consideration on trail rides.

10. Century ride

- Agreed we should try to have a Century ride this summer (August or September), Covid restrictions permitting.
- David to give the matter some preliminary thought.

11. Post ride socials

- General support for the idea but idea is on hold until Covid restrictions are lifted.
- Post ride socials on this year's Week of Rides drew little interest so need to consider how to make future socials successful (e.g., better communication?)
- Another possible option would be longer lunch stops.

12. Increased use of Facebook for communicating chapter information

- Not much interest in expanding FV Chapter use of Facebook plus some concern expressed about security. Put on back burner for now.

13. Member survey - Agreed to:

- Use Survey Monkey (one month paid subscription).
- Send out in early January.
- Limit questions to no more than 17; some further finetuning of the questions will be done and the final version will be circulated to the SC.
- Offer a modest draw prize to encourage responses.

14. Advocacy

- Janet indicated that she will be recommending to CCCTS Board that the Club join HUB in order to have a stronger lobbying impact with local municipalities.
- Proposed change to intersection of 40th Ave. and Hwy. 15 – no further information to report.
- Improvements to 32nd Ave. between 152nd and 160th discussed. See links below.

<https://www.surrey.ca/renovating-building-development/engineering-infrastructure/capital-construction-program/32-ave-corridor-improvements>

<https://www.surrey.ca/sites/default/files/media/documents/32Ave154to160StProjectRenderings.pdf>

Neil and Janet to follow up with Surrey. Include links in the next Newsletter.

15. Adjournment – 10:50 am
