

Fraser Valley Chapter Steering Committee Meeting

Monday, September 26, 2022 via Zoom – 7:00 pm

MINUTES

Members present: Ed Dillon, Neil McNeill, Annemieke Quinn, Tom Siems, Ralph White, Janet Whitehead, Clark Woodland

Regrets: Leslie Beleski, Ann Marie Liggat, David Liggat, Larry Weldon

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm. by Ed.

1. Adoption of Minutes from the July 25th meeting moved by Clark; seconded by Ralph. Approved.

2. Business arising

Century Ride – Ralph reported that it had gone well.

Post Ride Social – July 27th – Mieke reported that it had gone well and members attending enjoyed the venue.

Ride with Victoria Chapter members – Janet is waiting to hear back from Terry Chalmers, the Victoria Chapter President. Current tentative plan:

- A Tuesday or Thursday after Thanksgiving.
- Meet the Victoria riders at the Tsawassen Mills Mall (rather than the Rec. Centre).

New Member Orientation – As per process agreed to at the last SC meeting, Clark sent a “Welcome” email to the one new member (Ryan Cerezo) who has joined the Chapter since the last SC meeting (July 25th) and will make a follow up phone call shortly to answer any questions the member may have about the chapter and explain the “buddy” process.

As agreed at the July 25th SC meeting, new members coming to their first ride will be asked to introduce themselves and will be paired with a “buddy” for their first ride or two.

AGM Planning – Agreed to have a combined social lunch and AGM in the first 2 weeks of November with a guest speaker.

- Ed, Mieke, Janet and Clark (and possibly Ann Marie) to organize.
- Janet will contact Robyn Howe to ask if she would give a presentation on CCCTS’s rejuvenated tour program.

3. Membership

1 new member – Ryan Cerazo bringing the total number of members to 97.

4. Finance

Vancity bank balance = \$689; unchanged from previous report.

5. Subcommittees

Rides

- Winter Rides - Agreed to maintain regular ride schedule through the winter.
- Relaxed Rides - There was considerable discussion on whether the Chapter should be offering "Relaxed Rides" (i.e., slower and shorter than our normal Wednesday rides) to accommodate members that prefer to ride at a slower pace and whether such rides should be offered on Wednesdays along with our "regular" rides or on a different day. It was agreed that, on a test basis, there would be two relaxed rides in October (not on Wednesday) to be led by Janet and Clark.
- Ride Statistics - It was agreed that we should be keeping ride statistics as had been done in the past. Clark will compile the statistics and ride leaders will report the following information to Clark after each ride (he can get the other ride details from the calendar):
 - weather conditions
 - number of riders.
- Pop-up Rides - Members who only check the Chapter ride calendar to learn the status of the next Wednesday ride may not be aware of pop-up rides that are usually posted just a few days before the ride. It was agreed to advise members in the next Newsletter to check the ride calendar more frequently for information on pop up rides.

Advocacy - Neil reported that HUB had a meeting last week and continues to be actively involved with Surrey and Ministry planning activities.

- Early planning has begun to create a bridge on 20th Avenue over Hwy. 99. Hub to provide input on cyclist issues.
- 80th Avenue will be widened to 4 lanes between Scott Rd. and King George Blvd.

Social - AGM meeting/lunch.

Communications - Next Newsletter to include:

- Notice of AGM (details to follow)
- Continuation of rides through the winter
- 2 relaxed rides in October
- Check ride calendar for pop up rides
- Volunteers to join the Steering Committee.

6. New Business -

Steering Committee for 2023

The following members present agreed to stay on the Steering Committee for the coming year - Ed, Neil, Mieke, Tom, Ralph, Clark.

Janet indicated she will be stepping down.

Clark will contact the remaining SC members to determine their intentions.

7. Next Meeting – immediately after the AGM
8. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.