

Fraser Valley Chapter Steering Committee Meeting

Monday, January 9, 2023 via Zoom – 7:00 pm

MINUTES

Members present: Edward Dillon, John Evanochko, Ann Marie Liggat, David Liggat, Jenni Lynnea, Neil McNeill, Annemieke Quinn, Tom Siems, Ralph White, Clark Woodland

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

1. Adoption of Minutes from September 26, 2022 meeting moved by Edward, seconded by Ralph. Approved.

2. President's Opening Remarks

Neil McNeill is stepping down from his position of Past President but will continue to be a member of the Steering Committee. Edward thanked Neil on behalf of the Steering Committee and the Chapter members for his significant contribution to the Chapter beginning when the Chapter was created in 2018 and including 2 years as President Elect, 2 years as President, one year as Past President and his leading the Chapter's advocacy efforts.

Edward welcomed two new members, Jennie Lynnea and John Evanochko, to the Steering Committee.

The Executive Committee met in December and discussed a number of issues relating to continuing the Chapter's post Covid momentum into the 2023 riding season.

3. Membership

Clark reported that as of January 8th, 70 members had paid their membership dues for 2023 including the following new members.

- Brenda Worden
- Katherine Rivett
- Shirley Nelson
- Ramona Lee
- Paul Helms
- John Edworthy

Clark has had telephone conversations with Katherine Rivett and Ramona Lee and will contact the other new members shortly.

4. 2023 Subcommittee Members

Rides – David Liggatt, Jennie Lynnea, Tom Siems, Ralph White

Advocacy – Edward Dillon, John Evanochko, Neil McNeill

Social - Ann Marie Liggat, Annemieke Quinn. It was agreed to ask Maggie McNeill to be an ex officio member of the subcommittee.

Communications – Clark Woodland with Leslie Beleski serving in an ex officio role.

5. Subcommittee Reports

a) Rides

Ralph will send a letter to ride leaders indicating that a preliminary ride calendar would be developed using the same process as in 2022 where rider names and dates are drawn from a hat.

There have been no rides since late November due to wet and/or cold weather. The Rides Subcommittee plans to restart rides in February, weather permitting. Ralph suggested that:

- the members of the Rides Committee lead the first few rides until the 2023 leader schedule is completed, and
- The Ride Subcommittee make a special effort to welcome new members when they show up for their first ride.

Jennie proposed that the Chapter have more frequent relaxed rides on Wednesdays. Details (e.g., frequency, possibly a relaxed ride as part of the first ride of the 2023 season, recruiting relaxed ride leaders,) to be followed up by the Subcommittee.

It was noted that Tom and Jennie need to be given password authority to post rides and edit the ride calendar on the website. Clark to follow up.

b) Social

Possible events – lunch at the Farmhouse in Delta; post ride socials at the Delta Golf Club. Details to follow.

c) Advocacy – no report

d) Communications

December Newsletter was published.

6. New Business

John drew attention to the President's Report in the CCCTS December Newsbrief encouraging members who are considering enrolling in tours that require air travel to consider the negative impact of their travel on carbon emissions and the climate crisis.

The bank signing authorities need to be updated. Clark to follow up.

7. Next meeting – Monday, February 20th at 7:00 pm

8. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm. Moved by Neil, seconded by David.