

CCCTS GREATER VICTORIA CHAPTER — BOARD MEETING

3 pm WEDNESDAY 15 SEPT 2021 @ Allen & ilka's home

MINUTES

Present: Alex Laird, President; Allen Olsen, Treasurer; Donna Kerkhoven, Ride-Coordinator; Don Mais, Social Convener; ilka Olsen, Secretary.

Call to Order –3.05 pm

APPROVAL OF AGENDA—Approved as amended

APPROVAL OF 3 JULY 2021 MINUTES—Approved as submitted

CARRY FORWARD – All Action items pertained to H & S planning; completed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT—Alex

- BC Society Act/Repeal AGM language—Discussion of AGM vs Special Meeting. The language in the chapter constitution cannot be changed or deleted until change voted on at the next AGM.
- Chapter AGM Meeting Plan—Discussion of venue options and possibly combining with a social. **Motion to postpone AGM until after COVID improvements.**
- Succession Planning—Discussion of possible candidates for the three open positions.

See further discussion under NEW BUSINESS below.

TREASURER'S REPORT—Allen

- Financial Report—Balance in account \$5,702.34. Hub & Spoke costs were \$160 for two Happy Hours. Allen has not heard whether funds from H&S would be transferred to chapter account and from which account costs would be reimbursed.

Action: Alex to contact Juergen to sort out.

- Invoice for Howl @ the Moon \$93.78. Allen reimbursed Don.

RIDE COORDINATOR'S REPORT

- Current Rides Report—Donna reviewed the weekly rides—Sunday, Wednesday & Fridays—offered during the summer; all well-attended.

The 1st Cowichan Valley Spring Classic on 20 June was well-attended with 25 riders. Postponed from 13 June due to weather, initially 40 had signed up.

Thanks to Bob Louie & Brian Collier for planning.

- Victoria Hub & Spokes 2020—Planners: Donna, Allen, ilka

Ride Leaders: Don Mai, Alex Laird, Jeanne McDonald, Mikkel Bonner, Allen & ilka Olsen

Reduced sign-up in February of 16 per week (14 came each week) due to COVID-19 went well. Restrictions had been lifted at H & S start but it was too late to change plans. As planned all riders were from outside of Greater Victoria. Infrastructure, history, weather and beauty were commented on and appreciated. For riders from the Interior the absence of wildfire smoke and lower temperatures were thrilling. James Bay Inn seemed the perfect accommodation. There were impromptu welcome Happy Hours, small group dinners and even a Farewell Dinner. Discussion re rides offered: Groups need to be better spaced if going to same location. The intermediate/fast rating was by far the most popular and speeds varied widely. Leisurely rides may not be offered in the future due to low interest.

SOCIAL CONVENER'S REPORT

- Howl at the Moon Report—27 members attended a bring-your-own food event at the Elk Lake Pavilion. Don reported that the CRD was good to work with: the area was found and left in clean condition. He suggested more games be planned at the beginning of the next event as many members left immediately after the meal. There was some recruitment for new board members without commitments. Don submitted a short report of event.

Action: Alex to include in October Newsletter.

- Winter Event—Graysons offered their home for a Christmas party; the limiting factor is the 35 maximum & configuration of interior which would be difficult to manage during COVID. Further discussion of possible venues.

It was agreed that no plans could be formulated due to the unknown nature of future COVID restrictions.

Action: Don will follow-up with Ute & Jim Grayson.

NEW BUSINESS

- Advocacy—Donna mentioned the dangers of no shoulders on Metchosin & Latoria Roads which led to discussion of letter writing campaigns. **It was agreed that cycling activism might be a good fit for the Chapter but that a committee should be struck from the membership at large.**

Action: Email to be sent to canvas membership in forming committee re cycling infrastructure shortcomings and bringing to attention of pertinent municipalities.

- Recruitment for Board Nominations—Considerable discussion. **It was decided to send out an email to membership to ask for interest by beginning of October. Action:** Don to draft a bulletin.

ADJOURNMENT—5.00 pm NEXT MEETING DATE—TBA