

# **PORTLAND WHEELMEN TOURING CLUB**

Club Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2018

Respectfully submitted by Joan Cullen, Rec. Secretary

Attendance: Attendance was estimated at 43 members.

PWTC President Chip Kyle called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm at All Saints Episcopal Church. Due to a later arrival time for Jennifer Peterson, her South American loaded tour presentation will be held after the business portion of the meeting.

First time attendee Mark Klein was welcomed.

A MOTION to approve the December Club Meeting Minutes as published was made by member Dave McQuery and seconded by Phil Brown. The motion passed unanimously.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Corey Eng reported there were approximately \$41,000 in the operating and checking accounts and an additional \$4,272 in a savings account. Currently there are two outstanding checks. He reminded all this was the time of year when our accounts are drawing down as we await incoming revenues from the Pioneer Century and STP.

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

Member-at-Large Eric Hendricks reported he was getting in 2-3 rides a week and he felt the riders were improving in giving 'car back' warnings to other riders in the groups.

Member-at-Large Pat McManus announced the formation of a committee to create a Reckless Rider Policy. Suggestions and feedback on the project can be directed to her. A member asked if there was consideration to resurrect the QR's recently discontinued safety column. Pat indicated this could be added to the committee's agenda.

Member-at-Large Jeff Marshall did not have a report at this time.

Road Captain #1 Sarah Hill reported 57 rides are on the February calendar! Three new ride leaders have stepped forward: Craig Hill, Ashley Reynolds and Warren Ford. Andreas Mantzke had volunteered to add some longer mileage STP training rides to take place between the Pioneer Century and STP events. These longer routes would include the ability to shorten mileage to adapt to individual's distance needs. The Reach the Beach Training Rides, with ride leaders Ann Morrow, Dick Weber, and Scott Poindexter, had been added to the calendar.

Road Captain #2 Patrick Cecil reported the February ride calendar was filled and he thanked all the members who had stepped forward to lead rides. While the weather had been wet, he was looking forward to improving forecasts.

Membership Secretary Lori Buffington reported 405 memberships and 548 members.

Recording Secretary Joan Cullen did not have a report at this time.

V-P Ashley Reynolds announced she would be leading her first Club ride on February 18. The route will be a flatter version of the Carver-Oregon City loop. She will be the 2018 Club Picnic Coordinator and was looking for suggestions for the event.

President Chip Kyle announced the following:

- The Awards Banquet had a great turnout. A thank you was extended to coordinators Benn Schonman, Bud Rice, Arden Shelton, and emcees Cheryl Speer and Phil Brown.
- February 24 would be Cheryl Speer and Phil Brown's last PWTC led ride as they prepare to move out of area.
- Individual Rider Mileage was now accessible via the website member accounts. Once the Statistician has received the ride sheet, he is able to update an individual's mileage under their personal profile. Access to a listing of Missing Ride Sheets is now available to members through the new access. Mark Hartel was thanked for his hard work on creating this website enhancement.
- Ride Leaders can take a smart phone picture of their ride's sign in sheet and send the photo to [stats@pwtc.com](mailto:stats@pwtc.com) and Statistician George Ammerman will upload the mileages.
- Cascade's 2018 STP Portland pre-ride packet pickup at REI has been cancelled.
- The Non-PWTC Event Rides list for PWTC mileage will be decided at the February Board Meeting. Ten events to be considered for mileage need a PWTC member to act as Ride Leader. Written submissions can be sent to Chip or any Board member.
- A new Program Coordinator is needed. Barry Emmerling will be stepping down from that position in July. Barry is willing to pass on his pearls of wisdom to any member interested in taking on the task.
- For those wishing greater expose, The Naked Bike Ride has been scheduled for June 22.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Committee Reports were given at this time.

#### NEW BUSINESS

STP Ride Passes: Bill Hamilton announced that as a perk for the Friday truck drivers they will be entered into a drawing for a free STP ride pass. Members interested in volunteering to drive a truck up to Seattle on July 13 need to do so before February 23 to be eligible for the drawing.

Jim O'Horo Memorial Columbia Gorge Explorer: Bill Hamilton announced the 4-day loaded tour will take place Memorial Weekend. Cost is \$20 per person to cover campground fees for the 3 nights of camping. Participants can sign up at [CGE@pwtc.com](mailto:CGE@pwtc.com).

#### OLD BUSINESS

There was not any pending business at this time.

#### OPEN FLOOR

Ride Sign In Sheets: See Patrick Cecil if you need blank sign-in sheets or envelopes.

Route Maps Available: Cheryl Speer announced her surplus of route maps were available for any interested member.

Pioneer Sign Up: Corey Eng, Pioneer Volunteer Coordinator, had the sign up board available for volunteers to sign up to work the event. Volunteers still need to go into Sign Up Genius to complete the sign up process and guarantee their spots. Corey has written instructions on the process. Members will receive an email blast when registering to ride the Pioneer on EventBrite was available.

STP Volunteer Sign Up: Corey, STP Volunteer Coordinator, also had the STP sign up board available for volunteers interested in working the event. Volunteers would need to guarantee their spots by signing up on Sign Up Genius when it is available at the end of the month.

Pioneer Century Update: Brian Hammer, Event Coordinator, announced Thrive Sauce and Bowl would be the lunch vendor. Different this year is the ability for participants to purchase lunch directly from the vendor. Also new this year was the 'bundle & save' ride option in which riders could pay a single \$90

fee, which includes cost for the ride, an event jersey purchase, and lunch. Kathleen Hellem has created an event-specific Facebook page and encouraged members to go in 'like' and 'share' to spread the word of the event and the Club on social media.

2018 Awards Banquet: Bud Rice reminded members it is never too early to start looking for nominees for next year's awards.

Stolen Bikes: Jim Buchanan reported he had unfortunately lost his four bikes when they were stolen from his garage in early January. He encouraged members to record frame VINs and take photos of their bikes to help when reporting such thefts to law enforcement and insurance companies, and to lock their bikes up even when they are stored in their garage. The on-line bike registry [bikeindex.com](http://bikeindex.com) is also an excellent resource for documentation.

Program: Member Jennifer Peterson showed slides and talked of her solo 6-month, 6,000 mile loaded bike trip in South America, traveling through Chile, Argentina, Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador, and Columbia.

Monthly Raffle Drawing: Chuck Dorr won the \$25 bike shop gift card.

President Chip Kyle adjourned the meeting at 8:45 pm.