

Cyclo-Vets Board Meeting November 11, 2002

Present: Adrienne Brian, Gordy Shields, Sherry Newsham, Ray White, Darryl MacKenzie, Darryl Oge, Don Peters, Victor Comana, Scott Mansberger, Gary deVoss, Rosemary Ennis

Treasurer's report: (Scott) The balance in the treasury at the end of October was \$8169.66. The account summary does not include checks received from the Senior Olympics (\$500), recent proceeds from clothing sales (\$135) and a check written to USCF to reserve race dates (\$250). The treasurer's report was approved and accepted.

Secretary's report (Adrienne): The minutes from 10/15/02 were read and accepted.

New Business

Holiday Party (Rosemary): There was discussion about whether awards should be presented at the party. Ray moved that National Champions and record holders be acknowledged, but that no awards be presented. The motion received a second and passed with 1 opposed. Darryl offered to sign up new members and renewals. Raffle prizes will be contributed by Hi-Tech Bikes and Home Accents.

MasterLink (Gordy): The next issue will be sent out at the end of December.

Race Points (Ray): With the extended deadline, the number of submissions now totals 15. Ray submitted a proposal listing individual awards based on the \$4000 allocation. Ray noted that Dave Spangler had submitted an application but had not volunteered, as policy requires. After discussion of this problem Gordy moved that Dave be paid this year, but notified that some volunteer effort would be required in future years. The motion received a second and passed with 2 opposed.

Membership (Darryl): As of the meeting date there were 87 members. Sign-up via the web with payment through Pay Pal is now active. Sign-up through Active.com will soon be possible. The e-mail list with Topica.com is also in progress. Members who have not yet renewed will soon receive e-mail reminders. Darryl noted that some members have expressed a preference for receiving the MasterLink via e-mail. All members currently receive the MasterLink via regular mail; so those who want an e-mail version will now get both.

Omnium (Don): Don has had discussions with Chris Evertsen of Red5 Racing about promoting the Cyclo-Vets Omnium. Chris could work on raising money for prizes and primes. Sponsorship funds raised could also be used to pay organizations on a donation basis for volunteers to assist with registration, race staging, etc., similar to the arrangement we have with the Leukemia Society. There was general agreement that having the services of a promoter available would be helpful and that the additional cost could be offset by increased sponsorship money. Don also reported that there was discussion at the race calendar-planning meeting about disbanding SCNCA. The purpose of this organization was originally to publish the Bicycle Racing Monthly. The BRM is now independent, so SCNCA does not have a clear function and there is no clear benefit to member clubs in return for their dues. It was proposed that Cyclo-Vets delay paying SCNCA membership dues until there was some decision about the future of the organization (MSP).

Clothing: Victor brought clothing samples from a few non-U.S. manufacturers, including jerseys and shorts made in Poland and used by Eddie B's team. Although the quality was good, import duties and shipping costs would make small orders prohibitively expensive. However, these manufacturers might be considered when the club does a new design and orders in quantity. Meanwhile, there is a need to fill-in the club's inventory of clothing, as some sizes are completely out. The minimum order is 25, but there are currently only 2 pre-paid orders. It will cost about \$1500 to place an order. Gary suggested selling clothing at the Saturday ride.

Miscellaneous: Scott suggested that the club might be interested in custom socks and that we could get a special price from Sock Guy of \$3.95/pair for an order of 10 dozen. There was not much interest among those present. Sherry expressed her wishes that race planning begin earlier than last year. Oge discussed the hill

climb time trial he has been planning. He has an agreement with Dave Pain to hold the TT in conjunction with the Senior Olympics. Senior Olympics will do registration and pay for the insurance, but the event will be open to riders of all ages. Scripps-Poway Parkway has been tentatively identified as a course for the event and the city of Poway seems to be agreeable. The event is tentatively planned for March. Proceeds will go toward funding the club picnic. Sponsorship issues were raised. Darryl wants to put sponsors on the roster, but it is unclear what arrangements we have with sponsors for 2003. The club needs a sponsorship brochure that makes clear what our mutual obligations are with sponsors. There were doubts that Buzz would be willing to prepare a brochure. There is also an immediate need to send current sponsors letters and invoices for 2003. Darryl also expressed his feeling that the club needs to improve communication and to publicize itself better. Gordy asked about insurance payments. As a way of eliminating the ongoing expense of storage for equipment belonging to the club, Oge suggested that the club should buy a shed and place it in his back yard.

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