

North County Cycle Club Board Meeting Minutes June 2018

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

Call to order by NCCC President – Peggy Demery at 6:32 pm

Location: San Marcos Brewery – San Marcos, CA

NCCC 2017/2018 – Board Officers and Members at Large

Peg Demery–President

Dan Crane–VP

Michelle Saint-Germain – Secretary

Dolores Wells – Treasurer

Robert Abraham – Member at Large

Terry Delaney – Member at Large

Tom Hicks – Member at Large

Karla Johnson – Member at Large

Patty Knudsen – Member at Large

Maria Serrato – Member at Large

Club Volunteers

Karl Rudnick - Membership

Karl Rudnick - Website

Dale Delaney - Kit Coordinator

Attendance for Today's meeting:

Robert Abraham

Dan Crane

Dale Delaney

Peg Demery

Tom Hicks

Patty Knudsen

Norval Lyons

Michelle Saint-Germain

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING - 2018

President's Report – Old business:

Peg gave an update on **new** memberships for 2017 and 2018

2017

January = 10

February = 2

March = 3

April = 1

May = 1

June = 3

July = 3

August = 2

September = 4

October = 1

November = 3

December = 3

2018

January = 5

February = 7

March = 3

April = 6

May = 14

June = tba

There were 189 active members. There were 348 non-active and/or expired members. A New Membership Roster will be sent out July 1, 2018

New business:

Approval of last meeting minutes from March 2018.

It was mentioned that the NCCC's membership in the L.A.B. includes discounts for some establishments.

The issue of West Lilac Road was discussed. A resident emailed the club to complain about the behavior of some cyclists. Some of the complaints were not in keeping with California law and/or best practices for cycling safety as covered in various safety courses, e.g., riding in a traffic lane when there is no bicycle lane or shoulder. However, other complaints were of a personal nature, including some cyclists blocking her driveway or drinking from her garden hose without permission. It was observed that some east county residents/drivers seem to be less friendly to cyclists than residents in other parts of the county. The NCCC plans to hold a town hall with the City of Escondido to address community concerns as well as to present the most recent legislation and safe cycling practices. Local officials and representatives of law enforcement will be invited. Ken Okamura is the lead person (kenny_0@cox.net).

RIDE WITH GPS ACCOUNT

A reminder that all approved ride leaders are Route Managers in the NCCC Ride with GPS Account, which allows for route planning and organization for all club members. There is also a Club Route Library and the ability to tag routes specific to the various ride groups. All NCCC members have access via this link:

<https://ridewithgps.com/organizations/381-nccc>

CLUB POLICY on E-BIKES

NCCC adopted a policy on E-bikes but so far no E-bikes have asked to join any official club rides. The Board decided to keep the same policy. The NCCC policy is to allow on E-bikes on official NCCC rides providing the following:

1. The E-bike rider must have approval prior to the ride by the ride leader.
2. The e-cyclist must have completed the League of American Bicyclists Smart Cycling

class and demonstrated not only safe riding with traffic but also integrating with other cyclists safely.

3. Only Class 1 or Class 3 e-bikes are allowed on official club rides. California Class 2 e-bikes are specifically prohibited on NCCC rides since they can run by hand throttle alone without pedaling.

4. Since Class 3 e-bikes are not allowed on any portion of official NCCC rides that travel on separated bike paths, ride leaders will need to provide alternative routes in those cases.

5. No e-bike motor pacing the front of a pace line.

6. The e-cyclist should integrate with the group ride without changing the group dynamic by riding too fast or inappropriately accelerating or having poor control of their bike. In that context, we emphasize two things a ride leader always has at their disposal for riding any type of bicycle:

a. The ride leader reserves the right to ask the cyclist to stay at the rear until the group is comfortable the e-bike can safely be integrated in (already often done for new riders).

b. The ride leader reserves the right to ask the e-cyclist to leave the group if the e-bike is not safely under control (same as for any unsafe cyclist).

c. Ride leaders may post the rides on which E-bikes are allowed providing they have met club requirements.

The Board proposed to adopt the policy on a 3-month trial basis, starting with the first instance of an E-bike rider joining a club ride. The proposed policy, along with references to California traffic statutes and several commentaries, is available on the NCCC Forum. Please bring up any concerns with any NCCC ride leader and/or Board member.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

The web page has been upgraded to provide for easier enrollment for family memberships, which can include one primary member and up to three sub-users (subsidiary members). The annual cost for a family membership is \$25.00. Anyone experiencing difficulty with obtaining a family membership on the Club web site should let Karl know (rudnick.cooper@gmail.com).

NCCC JULY 4TH PARTY

The Board decided at the March meeting to not provide food for a July 4th party in 2018. A space for a pot luck party was investigated but none was found to be acceptable. Therefore there will be no official NCCC 4th of July party this year. Rider groups are welcome to organize their own parties; ride leaders should take this into account in

planning 4th of July day rides. After July, the Board will revisit the issue of Club financial support for the 4th of July event.

DUES INCREASE

It was agreed that there is no compelling reason to increase dues at the present time (see also report on the membership survey).

MEMBER SURVEY

A draft of the preliminary analysis of the Ridership survey was presented for comments. It was suggested that some further analysis be undertaken before formal actions be taken on the results of the survey. The final report will be posted on the club Forum.

RIDE LEADERS

Peg reiterated that all ride leaders must be approved by the President and Board. Ride Leaders should be nominated by NCCC members and/or current ride leaders. Ride leaders should represent the Club in a positive way to current and potential members.

Ken Chin-Purcell (ken@chin-purcell.org) was nominated as a ride leader for the Cruisers and approved by the board. Diana Winnerstrom had requested ride leader status but it was suggested that she first demonstrate sustained riding with one of the existing NCCC ride groups.

For information on approved ride leaders, please consult the NCCC web page. Anyone interested in becoming a ride leader should contact one of the current ride leaders or contact Peg for information.

Note that there is a place on the Forum to announce rides that are not officially sanctioned club rides. Non-official rides should not be posted on the Forum announcement space for official rides.

KIT COMMITTEE - DALE DELANEY

Dale Delaney announced that there would be one more opportunity to order official club kit before October, which is the end of the model year. The opening will be announced in advance, no later than the first of August, to give members sufficient time to place their orders.

A long-time club volunteer, Dale Delaney announced he is retiring as kit coordinator at the end of this model year. Club members interested in designing new kit, finding a new

vendor, and acting as or assisting the kit coordinator should contact Dale, Peg, or any of the other Board members.

BICYCLE TRAFFIC SKILLS COURSE - TS 101 FOR 2018

This course continues to be free in Oceanside but costs \$25 in Chula Vista and Mira Mesa. Ride leaders must complete the course and should encourage riders to complete it. New E-riders must also complete it.

DINNER RIDE

Official Thursday dinner rides may resume later in Summer, led by Dale & Terry Delaney. Watch for announcements on the Forum.

MISC Items

Old Membership Forms

Peg asked the Board about continuing to keep old paper membership forms. It was decided that these forms should be shredded.

NEXT MEETINGS

Note that the third quarterly Board meeting is planned for Tuesday September 11, 2018. The start time is 5:30 pm for dinner and 6:30 pm for the meeting to be called to order. Motion to adjourn at: 7:25 pm.

Notes submitted by Michelle Saint-Germain