

# **North County Cycle Club Organizational Meeting Minutes**

**March 18, 2025**

PO Box 2866 San Marcos, CA 92079 - Club Address

**Location:** Zoom Virtual Meeting

## **Attending**

Executive Board Members

President: Steve Fox

Vice President: Howard Garfinkel

Treasurer: Donna Fausner Ragan

Secretary: Kay Pfeiffer

Board Members

Sean Brennan, Ursula Cunnen, Jim Myres, Karl Rudnick

**Meeting called to order** at 7:00 pm by Steve

## **One Club Ride**

Steve will be out of town and Howard will act as the designated ride leader and give a brief presidential announcement before leading out the One Club Ride to occur on March 29th. Sean and Donna requested Howard lead out the Roadies and Clippers at a moderate pace until the route splits off between the groups at approximately mile 10. Howard agreed he would make this announcement at the beginning of the ride. Ursula confirmed she would be ordering the Pizza for the ride.

## **Bike Shop Shop Partnerships**

Steve updated the Bike Shop presentation with the meeting he had with Trek North County. While Steve liked the fact it was the closest shop geographically to the club starting locations, he didn't think the shop was being as generous as the other shops.

Trek offers:

- 10% off new bike purchases with sale bikes discounted on a case-by-case basis.
- 10% off full priced parts & accessories
- \$50 off Level 2 Service (\$189 discounted to \$139)
- Discount of custom Club Jerseys

Steve preferred Epic Cycles' discounts, and a Solana Beach start would give the opportunity for an occasional coastal starting location. Karl and Ursula both commented Epic was a high-end shop and probably not conducive for most members. Steve and Jim discussed the turnout requirement by Epic and Steve assured this was not a concern and the rideouts from Epic would be every 3 to 6 months. Ursula's was concerned many members would not want to start from Solana Beach, even for a One Club Ride, and the ridership level may drop for those ride starts. Sean stated most of us know the coast well, so the draw to ride from there is not necessarily appealing.

Steve moved to close the conversation and take a vote. It was decided to vote for Trek. The vote was in favor of Trek and the motion passed to have Trek as the "Official Bike Shop". This will not exclude creating relationships with other shops/mechanics.

### **Finance**

Steve initiated a motion to spend \$3,500 from the approximate \$7,000 of the club's excess leaving \$3,500 as a reserve. Sean, Ursula and Donna, expressed support for using the funds in line with survey results, particularly for social functions and club kits. Karl suggested allocating some funds for educational purposes related to ride leader training as well as rider education.

Steve made a motion to create a subcommittee to present ideas for budget allocation, and Donna agreed to lead the subcommittee. All agreed the board would need to approve any of these expenditures as they arise. Donna seconded the motion and the board agreed and the motion passed.

Donna inquired about the club's PayPal account status. It was determined the club has been using the Stripe payment method for the past few years and PayPal was no longer being used.

### **Events**

Howard proposed a motion to send an email to the membership querying interest in a bicycle scavenger hunt. He indicated there would be a lot of work to organize and wanted to ensure there was enough interest to warrant the board organizing the event. Steve seconded Howard's motion. The motion was passed. Howard will send out the email.

### **2025 Board Meeting Dates**

Howard made a motion to have a meeting every other month rather than quarterly. The reason being due to the number of agenda items addressed and to better serve club members. The quarterly meetings would be in-person with the interim meetings being virtual via Zoom. Karl indicated the bylaws require 4 quarterly meetings. Therefore, we will have 4 quarterly meetings and 2 interim.

Steve seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

2025 meeting dates are currently scheduled on the following Tuesdays:

February 13th (Quarterly)  
March 18th  
May 13th (Quarterly)  
July 8th  
September 9th (Quarterly)  
November 11th  
Holiday Event or Other TBD (Quarterly)

### **Ride Leader Subcommittee**

Karl provided an update on the Ride Leader Subcommittee. The group discussed potential changes to ride leader requirements, including replacing the current Smart Cycling course with a new online Group Leader course from Cycling Savvy. Steve mentioned the possibility of adding an apprenticeship period for new ride leaders. Karl plans to draft a one-page description of proposed changes and hold one more subcommittee meeting before presenting recommendations to the board.

Donna proposed revisiting the issue of defining ride speeds and possibly setting up additional levels for faster or slower riders. Karl suggested that the issue should be handled by ride leaders and that it's a recurring issue that needs to be addressed. The group agreed to consider the issue further and possibly discuss it with ride leaders.

### **Club Kit**

Howard presented a motion that NCCC not have any political or religious connotations or symbolism of any type on their clothing. Kay asked if this was all clothing or specific to the official NCCC club jersey/kit. Howard indicated it was specific to the official kit and NCCC specific club clothing. The motion was voted on, and the motion did not pass.

### **Motion to Adjourn**

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm by Steve, 2nd by Donna and approved.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kay Pfeiffer  
Secretary