

BBC Meeting Minutes – Tony Romes Restaurant, West Seneca

December 7, 2009 – 7:00PM

Attendance: Adam Trost (Pres.), Lucinda Griswold (V. Pres), John Garrett (Tres.), Frank Grillo, Terry Griswold, Ken Thomas, Mike Cormier, John Roden, Ben Badagliacca, Dan Hughes, Lance Johnson, Tom Robinson, Jay Joslyn, Attilio Nicosia, Andy Cummings, Joe Saviola, Jon Rosen, Joe Giovenco, Peter Cummings (B.O.D), Steve Forrestal

- **December 2009 Treasury Report – submitted by Treasurer John Garrett**
 - **Current Balance \$6,727.80**
 - **Outstanding bills - \$300 bill to Holland Speedway**
 - **Other Club Commitment - \$1500 rough estimate for trailer advertising (vinyl graphics)**
- **Discussion of use of BikeReg.com for BBC Race Registration**
 - **John Roden suggested the use of BikeReg.com to sign up for dues / crits / club races**
 - **WIP**
- **Thursday Crit Series – 2010**
 - **Frank Grillo instructed the club that there may be a new course due to construction at the Casino**
 - **Series already approved from city**
 - **Working on sponsorship, waiting for proposal from Mike Bridges**
 - **Frank requested volunteers for Crit Committee. Need man power to help with setup and tear down. Approximately 15 total people or 5 – 6 people per race. One suggestion was that B racers help A race marshalling and vice versus. Without commitment from volunteers for this committee this series in jeopardy.**
 - **Marshals to be determined like all other club races**
 - **Talk of change of day but Thursdays seem to work well**
- **Track**
 - **Possible Lancaster Speedway for 2010 – P. Cummings mentioned the track is under new ownership. P. Cummings volunteered to contact Speedway**
 - **Holland 2009 – F. Mesi has informed the club that this years track revenue did not cover the bills.**
- **Cyclocross (J. Roden)**
 - **Would like BBC to include Mountain Biking to encourage kids**
 - **J. Roden already has USAC approval for mountain bike race in May**
 - **Motion to include mountain biking in BBC and include on website (J. Roden)**
 - **Second by F. Grillo**
 - **Voted and approved**
 - **J. Roden was asked to submit expenditures and profit of race to keep track of accounting of races**
 - **F. Grillo suggests standard form be created to file, any director or promoter using the BBC to permit races.**
- **Hamburg Race Weekend - 2010**
 - **Discussion about possible date change due to conflict with state championships**
 - **Decision to apply for race permit and let the association decide if it will allow. Local Association (LA) has already put the race on the official NYS race calendar.**

- Hamburg race to happen at same time as state championships
 - No vote but discussion centered around keeping date as was so that out of town racers get use to the dates
 - Suggestion to target Canadian racers
 - L. Griswold to contact Stu Green re: contact with the village board and advise
 - Ken Thomas would like to be on committee.
- **ESG Qualifiers and Games – Buffalo 2010**
 - Club responsible for qualifiers only, June 6th, Boston course and to support ESG in July.
 - P. Cummings reported that new Regional Director has been named (Dan Ames AD of Newfane Central Schools) and that Larry Reade has already been in contact with municipalities and working toward getting the Games crit course at UB. Has already spoken with officials in Boston (Road Race) and Grand Island (ITT and TTT) about using courses there. Response was positive from both municipalities.
 - Club should proceed with preparing for qualifiers as if the Games are to happen
 - **Possible Changes to BBC Race Categories**

Reasons for discussion: Confusing upgrade system, not enough opportunity to get upgrade points, need for Qualified Race Directors.

Questions / Concerns/ Issues discussed. No decision has been made. Suggested that people in attendance take back info to teams to see how other members feel.

- **Suggestion to go USCF model. Using USAC Officials as Directors. A race would be cat. 1, 2 and 3. B race would be cat. 4 and C race cat. 5. And Masters.**
- **If we adopt the USCF model, club races could be used as points to upgrade category. Would help alleviate problem with inconsistency of current upgrade system between A and B race. Members would race whatever category is on their license.**
- **Suggestions for helping new racers learn racing skills and to help Cat 5's upgrade quicker. One possibility is the creation of L.A. Certified Rider Clinics (see USAC rulebook) for Cat 5 racers only that could be used as points toward upgrading category. Also, asking experienced A racers with good bike handling skills to assist in non-USAC Club B and C races to provide guidance.**

Minutes submitted by Lucinda Griswold (V. Pres). Edited and posted by Peter Cummings (B.O.D.)