

Jan 23 BBC Meeting

7 pm Tom's Pro Bike

Thank you, Tom's Pro Bike for hosting the meeting and providing a full meal and beverages!!!

**Officers present:**

President: Robert Johnson

Vice President: Tim Williams

Treasurer: Steve Mongiolo

Secretary: Marit Ogin

**Treasurer report \$18,049**

**Larkinville**

Thursdays      May 25, June 1, June 15, June 22

Sunday            9-4 permitting not as much of concern as getting police staffing on corners

Thursdays will have regular race format:            women juniors with women 4/5, 123,

2 of the Thursdays will be kids races

Sunday June 11 format: Intent is to take advantage of the extended time available and have additional start categories. Still need to identify what categories would have start groups, masters, etc

Larkin series competition: considering excluding the Sunday race since there would be different categories and just having 4 Thursday race for series

Would look for marshall shifts vs full day marshalling assignment

Please contact Frank Grillo if you have potential sponsors! There are a variety of sponsorship levels from \$150 to \$8000 (series naming rights)

**Hamburg Road Race**

10-Jun            Original course in Hamburg, We have the park for registration

**BBC team Cat 123, 4, Women**

This year's team is open to Category 123, as well as Cat 4 and women. Have not had any applicants for 4s or women to date. It was noted that we have not done much promoting yet though. Frank advised that he would start promoting (thanks Frank!). If anyone has interest or questions, reach out to Frank, or, if you want a great perspective from a current team member, contact Steve Mongiolo. Copies of the application and criteria were distributed. Application due date of February 28 established. Questions posed on Facebook about the team were discussed at the meeting.

Intent is to have weekly rides but it is understood that people have different schedules and may not be able to make all rides. There are no mandatory specific races. The group typically gets together to see if there are races you could go to with other teammates. Team members are encouraged to do the BBC training races, have involvement and support for races and be strong ambassadors for the BBC.

Regarding other bike racing (CX, MTB, etc), no problem wearing the team kit – anything you can do to promote the club is great, but the team main focus is road. Frank Grillo is the educational director for the team. For kits, there is minimum 20 piece order (10 kits)

## **BBC promotional brochure**

Idea of having a paper promotional brochure (at training races, races, distribute to bike shops) was introduced last meeting and decision to proceed with this was made. Bob will reach out to a member who may have contacts for professional brochure. The club will reach out to members for photos, input on what to include/promote about the BBC. Ideas discussed include mission statement, pictures of fun, pictures of racing, list of training races, website information, phone contacts.

## **Draft race calendar was distributed and reviewed**

### **Other topics**

Racoon Rally (local race Allegany) will be Grand Fondo vs a race this year with various distances. BBC will help with permitting.

#### Skills Clinic

- Womens skills clinic that was slated for May will not take place.
- Bob Johnson working with Peter Cummings on certified clinic. 3 day format with in race mentoring.

#### Holland raceway track nights

Typically we have done 4 Wednesdays in July. Plan to hold these again in 2017. If they are Wednesday again, we would not have Thursday training events during those weeks. Joe also looking at having an exhibition ~15 minute track race at a regular car track race!

#### NYS Time Trial Championship

NYS still does not have a location, no one has put in a bid

R. Scaduto - would be great to bring it to Buffalo

possible opportunity to collaborate with BTC?

One lap of Grand Island?

Concerns with the work load and resource requirements to support a NYS championship vs a regular race or training race and the activities that the BBC is supporting already this year was raised.

No decision made – will explore further off-line

Local East Aurora business interested in sponsor for a circuit/road race in East Aurora area. Ideas for course/venues discussed including: The Recycle TT route as a circuit; a course that incorporates Hunters Creek BBC training course, integrating a dirt/gravel road for variety.

Discussion of including an open citizen/kids category" at some of the BBC training races. Could be a way to promote the club, cycling, and allow cyclists in the community to take advantage of a marshalled course. Thanks for the idea Nick!

Attendees:

Robert Leeper

Gary Ho

Ryan Scully

Rob Hengel

Frank Grillo

Rick Scadutto

Joe Giovenco

Nick DeMarchi

Jim Costello

Ray Zilliox