

**Southern Sierra Fat Tire Association (SSFTA)
Board/Advisory Team Agenda
January 8th, 2013**

Board members present: Tommy Bryant, Susan Bowen, Ernest Garcia-Diaz, Kristabel Garcia-Diaz, Bob Sughrue

Advisory Team Members present: Tim Strem, Steve Carskaddon, Cheryl Lamberson

Members and Guests present: Lisa Wade, Michael Wade, Malaika Bryant, Cameron Carskaddon, Gary Bryant, David Smith, Ian Bryant, Sam Ames

1. Opening/ Minutes

- 1.1. Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Tommy Bryant.
- 1.2. Motion to approve January's club minutes by Ernest Garcia-Diaz, Seconded by Susan Bowen.

2. Reports:

2.1. SSFTA general report

Tommy Bryant reported that our weekly rides are still being highly attended. On the weekend of 2/9 & 2/10, both rides had over twenty riders. The Foothill Classic course pre-ride lead by Sam Ames was very well attended on 2/2/12.

2.2. Treasurer's report

Kristabel Garcia-Diaz reported that the club currently has \$8,924.19 in our bank account and additional \$1,000 in our PayPal account. Kristabel has been transferring \$500 from our PayPal account into our bank account every month and will continue to do so until all funds have been transferred. Kristabel contacted Sydney Hessler to begin getting our taxes prepared. Kristabel requested assistance in contacting and locating Brad DeWitt as he currently has last year's tax filing.

- 2.2.1. Kristabel requested approval to pay the clubs PO Box annual fee of \$60.
Approval was motioned by Ernest Garcia-Diaz and seconded by Susan Bowen.

2.3. Membership report

- 2.3.1. James Pass reported he received \$80 in membership fees during the first part of the meeting. The club currently has 30 renewed memberships so far and has exceeded the amount of memberships from this time last year.
- 2.3.2. James requested insight on the status of Mike Scott who stated he was a lifetime member. Kristabel offered to look into the issue as she has all of the club's records on file.

2.4. Trail maintenance report

- 2.4.1. Ryan Brown was not in attendance but Ernest Garcia-Diaz reported that the trail maintenance scheduled with the Stewards of the Sequoia on February 9, 2013, was rescheduled due to weather conditions. Trail maintenance will be held on the February 16, 2013. All interested members were welcomed to join the group of three registered volunteers.

2.5. Volunteer report

- 2.5.1. Ernest Garcia-Diaz reported that the club's booth was set up at the Rio Bravo Rumble and the NorCal VS SoCal Cyclocross Championships. The booth was visited by several members of the club and each one took turns spending time behind the table answering questions about mountain biking in Bakersfield. Kristabel Garcia-Diaz reported that the club received three new members and sold four shirts during the two days the booth was set up. Tommy and Malaika Bryant volunteered to stay at the booth during the Foothill Classic on February 17, 2013.

3. Old Business

3.1. Club windbreakers

3.1.1. James Pass reported that as of the meeting, seven more windbreaker orders were needed to submit the club's windbreaker order. The club decided to cancel the current order and reintroduce the windbreaker order in September 2013. The two members who submitted payment for the windbreaker via paypal will be reimbursed by check.

3.2. Club Inventory & Reorders

3.2.1. Kristabel Garcia-Diaz reported that the club still has a large supply of XL jerseys, no large jerseys, and two sleeveless, large, men's jerseys. The club decided to not redesign the club jersey as it is only a year old and members are still receiving compliments on the design. The club decided to reorder club t-shirts in preparation for upcoming events. Kristabel will set up the order and give the Board all the information.

3.2.2. James Pass reported that the club will need to reorder club hats and club glasses as the club's stock has been depleted. Kristabel stated that she will get the ordering information and will let the board know the costs so that merchandise can be ready in time for Keyesville. Tommy Bryant stated that he will look for a new source for club glasses and report his findings to the board. Malaika Bryant offered to be in charge of reordering club hats.

3.3. Keyesville Pint Glasses

3.3.1. Susan Bowen reported that she had spoken with the Kern River Brewing Company regarding the Keyesville pint glasses and they were not interested due to the theft that occurs with printed pint glasses. Tommy Bryant suggested speaking with Sam Ames to see if he was interested in using them at this year's Keyesville Classic Stage Race.

4. New Business:

4.1. Rider of the Month Nominations

4.1.1. Ernest Garcia-Diaz nominated Elyse Goin as February's rider of the month. Approval was motioned by Kristabel Garcia-Diaz and seconded by Ernest Garcia-Diaz.

4.2. Out of Town Ride Ideas

4.2.1. Ian Bryant suggested setting up a club ride around the campus of Cal Poly.

4.2.2. Tommy Bryant reported that Mark Bledsoe is planning a ride in Utah sometime in May 2013. Tommy suggested that the club arrange a meet up for all of the members who will be attending Sea Otter this year and reminded the club that the Santa Cruz Bike Festival as being held the weekend before Sea Otter. Tommy also suggested setting up rides in New Mexico, Oregon, and Utah for later on this year.

4.3. Request to Purchase Supplies for Club Booth

4.3.1. Ernest Garcia-Diaz requested approval to purchase a folding table to be used at the club booth. Approval for the expense not to exceed \$50 was motioned by Tommy Bryant and seconded by Bob Sughrue.

4.3.2. Ernest Garcia-Diaz requested approval to purchase a Feed Back Sports portable A-Frame bike rack to be used at local events that the club booth will be set up at. Ernest quoted a price of \$270 from an online retailer, Competitive Cyclist. Tommy Bryant suggested looking into purchasing this item from a local supplier as the club may receive a discount on the price. Ernest will be contacting Snider's Cyclery and Bob Sughrue will be contacting Action Sports to request a quote. Ernest requested approval on the expense with the stipulation that it does not exceed \$300 and that each rack cost no more than \$200. Approval of the request was motioned by Tommy Bryant and seconded by Bob Sughrue.

4.4. Membership Drive

4.4.1. Kristabel Garcia-Diaz announced that the club's membership drive will be held in March 2013. Each ride leader will be given membership forms and encourage ride attendees to become a member or renew their membership.

4.4.2. Sam Ames suggested creating a post card to be given out along with race packets at local events to promote the club. All members agreed that this was a great idea and plan on implementing it as soon as possible.

4.5. IMBA Club Membership

4.5.1. Kristabel Garcia-Diaz requested approval for the club to become an IMBA club member at the cost of \$50 per year. A list of membership benefits was provided to the club for review. Approval was motioned by Susan Bowen and seconded by Bob Sughrue.

4.6. Project Proposal Form

4.6.1. Kristabel Garcia-Diaz brought attention to the "Framework for Proposing Projects That Use SSFTA Resources" form that has been posted on the club's website. Malaika Bryant shared that the form was created to help the board members make a good and informed decision on ideas presented to them. This form will enforce preplanning on the creators part and will aid the board in understanding all aspects of what the what the proposed project entails. The board agreed that all future club projects will be submitted using this form.

4.7. Spring Events

4.7.1. Kristabel Garcia-Diaz requested that the board decide a date for the SSFTA Spring Barbeque. Saturday, April 27, 2013, was selected by the board.

5. Announcements

5.1. Public Comments

5.1.1. Sam Ames attended the meeting to inform the club of upcoming events

5.1.1.1. The Foothill Classic race is coming together nicely. On Saturday, February 16, 2013, Sam, along with other members, will be marking the race course. All interested members were encouraged to help on Saturday morning. The club booth was welcomed to be set up at the event. The Foothill Classic will not be using timing chips to record racer's times, but Sam will be implementing printed time sheets and several individuals to record and post times.

5.1.1.2. The Keysville Classic Stage Race is also coming together nicely and the main venue area will be set up in the meadow. Pint glasses have been ordered and will be delivered soon. The Live Out Loud Trailer will be set up in the event area to host podium awards. Several vendors will be in attendance. Sam is very excited about the short course that he has set up for the event and stated that it will be a very fast course and perfect for spectating. Sam invited any club member who was interested in volunteering to contact him. Sam stated that any member who volunteers one day will be able to race on one day for free. Sam will be emailing the club with any volunteer needs he may have as the event gets closer.

5.2. The next SSFTA board meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 12, 2013.

6. Adjournment:

6.1. Tommy Bryant motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:29pm and was seconded by Kristabel Garcia-Diaz.