

## **NCNCA Monthly meeting 9/16/13**

Livermore, CA (Marriott Courtyard hotel on Constitution Drive)

**Attending:** Board Members (8): Kristen Hill, Robert Leibold, Keith Defiebre, Ted Fisher, Marc Franklin, Carlos Soto and Mike Hardaway. Absent: Tim Burgess  
Guest: Warren Geissert

**Call to Order:** 7:08 p.m., by President Defiebre.

**August Minutes:** Old minutes need to be corrected--do this online. **Approved** 6-0.

**Presidents Report--** (Keith Defiebre) congratulations to:

State Hill Climb Champion for 2013

Masters Nats, participants and National Champions

Officials for improvements in cameras, radios, new officials clinic

BOD for helping to get the mentors program defined and providing guidance,

District Championships support, and for taking on and working through rider and participant conduct, and to keep safety in mind at races.

Women's Committee for helping to energize women's racing -all the planning and work that has gone into this.

Kristen --for ensuring financial transparency, for concluding the business with x7 chip system.

Ken Hernandez has decided to retire from keeping track of rider points. Richard Brockie is a possible replacement--we need to try to promote a smooth transition for next year.

**Treasurer report**(Kristen)--wait until next month

**Mentors** (Carlos)-- has some last minute cancellations, we need to work on contingency plans for next year. We need to recruit more mentors, web page presence, (Kristen) need web redesign-- Better exposure, also defined mentor roles and give them a higher profile--these things might bolster the program.

For the late season the mentoring has dropped of a bit--esp for Cat5s. But it seems that over the season, there has been a good mentor presence and lots of connections between the riders and mentors.

**Officials** (Mike)--nothing to report.

**Promoters** (Ted)--Tried to hold a meeting, maybe 15 people committed, the expense for the room was too high for such a small turnout, so the meeting was canceled.

Its late in the season and people are less likely to put energy into such a meeting- turnout can be a problem. Steve R rearranged his schedule to make the meeting and then was a little frustrated with the cancellation. Questions: When to have meeting? Agenda? (Warren) Why go? Insurance issues are not a draw. (Kristen) We need a doc online with all the FAQs online for promoters. Ted says he is putting a doc together.

**Policy/Procedures** (Ted)--Making a long list of motions/decisions of the BOD for a record. Action items that have not been acted upon--resource for BOD.

(Warren)--Tad Borek put together a BOD how to doc for newbies. This new doc needs to be formatted so it is easy to read/search.

**Women** (Hill): Committee putting together survey of riders in 2013 Women's Series to direct 2014's efforts. Are the Points series winners upgrading? (Yes, mostly 35+ and 4 and 5. Are Cat 4 men not wanting to upgrade? A letter will go out "Congratulations, you can now upgrade".

**Banquet:** (Hill) Will be October 19 at Clif Bar in Emeryville. Will be catered. Plan to invite general cycling public, and personally invite points and series winners, and USAC personnel. Mary Maroon wants photos for contest (?). NCNCA Legend awards (for Olrich, Bremmer and Leibold). New Board will be introduced. Times: 5:30-8; There will be an Officials Award as well.

**Competition** (Marc): Conducting survey of riders regarding points series, premiere series, etc.

**Membership** (Hill): Confirming voting contacts. Clubs list on NCNCA website is most current voting list.

**Moderation Policy for website: Proposal** to adopt policy as developed by Tim Burgess (DeFiebre, Hill) as follows (with addition of Track in the exceptions):

“NCNCA – This is an official communications tool for the Northern California Nevada Cycling Association. NCNCA is a local association for USA Cycling in Northern California and Northern Nevada . This email list is provided as a way to share race, event, and clinic announcements; news; and discussion of road, track, cyclocross and mountain bike racing in the Northern California & Nevada region.

This list provides a way to ask questions about upcoming races, finding a club to join, or just expressing opinions about the state of racing in the region are very appropriate on this email list. The focus of discussion should be on NCNCA (and USAC) permitted racing events, particularly for Road events where NCNCA has a robust racing schedule. Exceptions are made for Mountain Cyclocross and Track racing, to encourage the growth of these disciplines. The NorCal High School Cycling League is another appropriate topic of discussion, as NCNCA has provided grants to that organization to help it develop the sport.

Note that the NCNCA list and other sponsored media are not for advertising (races and clinics excepted), lost and found (except at races), for sale items, or looking for someone. Except as noted above, it is only appropriate for NCNCA/USAC racing topics, preferably ones that apply to or are near our region. Discussion should be civil and not devolve into personal attacks or inappropriate language. Please conduct your discussions as if they were subject to USAC rule 1N6(b) about the use of foul or abusive language.

Failure to comply with these requirements will lead to a person’s posting privileges being suspended or terminated, or their ability to send messages to the group may be subject to monitoring and prior approval. Suspensions and other disciplinary actions may be appealed to the NCNCA Board and are subject to its review.”

**Approved, 7-0**

**Elections Policy: Proposal** (Defiebre,Fisher): Warren Geissert and Alec Berger to run current elections as announced, via a new survey monkey account, only for elections. **Approved, 7-0.**

**Early Bird Training Program:** Larry Nolan retiring from program for 2014; who will run it in January?

**Mt Hamilton Motor Support: Proposal** (Hill, ?) District Championship Motor support: NCNCA to monetarily compensate Mt Hamilton (as it did for Giro di SF, Red Kite Champs, Menlo Park), paying for one motor and for two motor insurances (the \$200 for insurance). **Approved 5-2** Comment: The Board is making decisions on items that are not previously proposed (Fisher).

**Scheduling:** Presentation by Geissert. Long discussion on problems with head to head races, multiple race days, not enough officials, etc. Should there be a crit series, road series and tt series rather than points of premiere series? Scheduling moving ahead based on last year’s scheduling program.

**Training Program mentor/Upgrade issues:** Hill to retrieve policy that Ron Rouse, Hill and Larry Nolan developed last April to standardize requirements for programs to qualify for upgrade points.

**Adjournment:** 9:51 pm

**Next Meeting:** October 21, 7pm , same location.