

CALOOSA RIDERS BICYCLE CLUB
MEMBERSHIP MEETING November 17, 2011
Perkin's Restaurant Fort Myers

AGENDA:

1. Welcome – introduce new members and guests
2. Announcements
 - A. Great Outdoor Adventure Day – Lovers Key Oct 29
 - B. Ride For Hope Nov 20 – Bonita Springs
 - C. Everyone Rides - Dec 11
 - D. Recent Accidents - Jon - Larry
3. Minutes of the last meeting – Renee
4. Membership Report – Jo
5. Treasurers Report – Steve
6. Old Business
 - A. Bike Walk Lee/BPAC/government – Steve
 - B. Cape Coral Bike Lanes - Mike
 - C. Holiday Party – Maura and Renee
 - D. Overnight rides
 - a. Key West by Hotel – Deadline to sign up tomorrow
 - b. Chokoloskee - Linda and Ernie
 - E. Tour de Cape - Mike
 - F. Royal Palm Classic Mar 4 – Sunday - Ernie
 - G. Website redesign - Maura
7. New Business
 - A. Christmas Night Ride –
8. Elections -
9. Announce location and time for next meeting - January 19
10. Adjourn

MEETING MINUTES:

November 17, 2011

Start Time: 7:05 p.m.

Welcome:

- New members Terry and Val.

Announcements:

- Steve's wife fell and fractured her elbows; may need a couple pins put in. (Not a riding accident.)
- Great Outdoor Adventure Day.
 - Great representation for club, good event overall.
 - Many vendors, but not much traffic due to weather.
 - No new members.
 - Burrowing owl organization invited club to set up a booth at their 2012 event.
 - They are to contact us.
- Ride for Hope: November 20, 2011 in Bonita Springs.
- Horrible Hundred: November 20, 2011.
 - Steve has registration available to anyone who would like to take his place; needs to be home to support his wife.
- Everyone Rides: December 11, 2011.
 - Flyers available.
 - All proceeds go to buy bikes and helmets for the Boys and Girls Club of Lee County.
 - Over \$30,000.00 was raised last year.
- Recent Accidents: Jon Van Emst and Larry Tanner.
 - Both car related accidents; bikers okay.
 - Both cars were ticketed.
 - Important note to get full police form for any accident.

Minutes of the last meeting:

- Motion to approve minutes as posted to website.
 - All in favor, motion passed.

Membership Report:

- Currently 228 members.
 - 151 single.
 - 76 family.
 - 1 business.
- Met 2011 goal to increase membership by 10%.

Treasurers Report:

- Available to view.

Old Business:

BikeWalkLee/BPAC/Government:

- New Red Sox stadium grand opening scheduled for February 28, 2012.
 - Steve has been asked to be point person.
- Concerned about parking; encouraging people to ride bikes out to event.
 - Will have a bike corral.
- Caloosa Riders may put together something to start from Lakes Park.
- Steve to ask about police presence.
- Let Steve know of any ideas or input.

- Keith Kibby has been elected BPAC Chairman.
- Joe Beck Vice Chairman.
- Lee County has adopted a complete streets planning process.
 - Smart Growth Committee changed to CSAT.
 - Keeping county on track.
 - Felt BPAC should be a part of as well.

- Second half of Buckingham repaving to start the 15th or 16th of December.
 - Hope to see progress.
- Has been recent improvements throughout Lee County.

- 3 feet stickers have made it as far as county fleet manager.
- Will be applied to the back of all vehicles, except ambulances, that come in for maintenance.

Cape Coral Bikes Lanes:

- Vote by Transportation Advisory Committee was suppose to happen this week.
 - Slight change in committee and did not meet.
- Thank you to Peter and his wife for spreading yellow paint around Cape Coral on faded markings.

Holiday Party:

- December 3, 2011 @ Cape Harbor 6:30 p.m.
- RSVP and volunteer sheet being passed around.
- Bring a gift for Toys for Tots donation.
- Soda and water will be provided.
- The Joint has full bar available.
 - Can BYOB, but need to be very inconspicuous.
- Email to go out with specifics for volunteers.

Overnight Rides:

- Report on recent self contained Key West ride.
 - 3 riders; over 4 days.
 - Good ride.
- Key West by hotel deadline for sign up is tomorrow.
 - December 5-9, 2011.
 - Hotel, no camping.
 - Jim Baxter leading ride.

- Chokoloskee Ride.
 - January 7-8, 2012.
 - Ernie and Linda organizing.
 - Leaving from Ava Maria; approximately 90 miles round trip.
 - \$40.00; forms available.

Tour de Cape:

- January 22, 2011.
- Not a quorum at last membership meeting; board decided to continue support for this year.
 - To find out responsibilities up front before agreeing to next year.
- Caloosa Riders to supply one rest stop.

Royal Palm Classic 2012:

- Sunday, March 4, 2012.
- \$30.00 registration.
- Will have water bottles and bags with sponsors listed.
 - Club name will be included on bottles this year.
- Hot dogs and hamburgers to be provided.
- Capital Bank has BBQ trailer to loan for the day free of charge.
- Flyers and posters for local bike shops available.
- Maura and Ernie to check with bike shops for donation.
- Have jersey to raffle off.
 - Hoping it will bring people in.
- Volunteer signup sheet will be available at January membership meeting.
- If not volunteering, please support club and ride.

Website Redesign:

- Hired someone last month to redesign our website; to bring up to date.
- Demo site is available at caloosariders.com.
 - Not final product; needs to be made specific to Caloosa Riders.
 - Please take a look and provide any feedback.
- One time fee of \$900.00; approximately \$200.00 per year to host.
- Can update via administrator.
- Web editor will have full access to various information.
- Any member will be able to add rides.
- Blog and calendar of rides available.
- Maura to find out if routes can be downsized to a printable version.
- Any updates or postings can also be added to Facebook page.

- Newsletter Editor needed.
 - If no volunteer, we will not have a printable paper form and will become strictly email.

New Business:

Christmas Night Ride:

- December 14, 2011 @ 6:00 p.m. from The Edison restaurant.
 - Dinner @ 7:00 p.m.
- Jeff and Bill to organize.
- Decorate your bike with Christmas lights and such.

- Looking for membership coordinator.
 - Linda has volunteered.

Elections:

- No new results from nominating committee.
 - No volunteers for President or Vice President of Rides.
- Floor is open to nominations.
- Steve Rodgers nominated for President.
- Bill Garrison nominated for Vice President.
- Peter Ahlgren nominated for Vice President of Rides.
- Maura Granger nominated for Treasurer.
- Renee LaFehr nominated for Secretary.
- Motion for unanimous vote for 2012 officers.
 - All in favor, motion passed.
- Mike has agreed to continue some duties to make for an easy transition.
- Peter will be needing some road painter volunteers.
 - Need to paint 6 Buckingham routes and Everyone Rides route.
- Anyone interested, please let him know.
- Have not been able to make decisions during several of the last membership meetings due to lack of attendance.
 - Suggestion to lower quorum percentage to 5% from 10%.
 - Motion for board recommendation that the board address the issue of changing quorum to 5%.
 - All in favor, motion passed.
- Notice needs to go out to membership for viewing.
 - To go out after board meeting on December 7, 2011.
- It has been brought up at BikeWalkLee meetings about aggressive bicyclists on Captiva.
 - May not necessarily be Caloosa Riders, however:
 - We want to encourage the sport of bicycling; not upset those watching.
 - Ride safe and be cautious of what is around you.

Announce location and time for next meeting:

- January 19 @ Perkins Restaurant.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:25 p.m.