

Edmonton Masters Cycling Club
Monthly Meeting Minutes
7:30 pm Wednesday April 2 2008,
at GMCC downtown campus

present- Jim Yeske, Gordon Sustrik, Mitch Davidson, Willem Langenberg, Marcey Dibbs, Joe Zombor, Peter Heppleston, Rod Tiedemann, Richard Henderson, Tom McKee, Doug Wiens, Dan Zazula, Dennis Cebuliak, Leonard Berg, Bill Doyle, Shane Rush, Anna Paton, Linda D'Ilio, John Chung, Al McAlder, Peter Bigg, Brian Johnston.

1. Call meeting to order at 7:30 by Gordon Sustrik.
2. Minutes of the last meeting Approved (Jim Y/Al McAlder).
- 3, Presidents report – Nothing to report
- 4, Financial report – Jim reported, via Gordon S, \$6000 in the bank with no outstanding bills.
- 5, Racing Director reports – Final racing schedule has been posted – changes to the date of the RR Championship and TT Championship distance.
 - WMTTC is growing fast with a number of new teams expressing interest this year.
 - Velodrome presentation will be on Monday April 7th; all are encouraged to attend to show support.
- 6, Volunteers – Karen will provide the current volunteer schedule for posting on the web site.
- 7, Memberships – Karen reports 53 members paid up before the start of this evening meeting.
- 8, Advertising – Ed has had 20 posters printed and distributed to a number of local shops.

9, Clothing – Order has been placed and Karen is waiting for proofs of the design from Biemme.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 pm Jim Y/Richard H.

Rod Tiedemann
for
Ed Heacock
Secretary.

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Scott Kelly, Road/Track/Cyclo-cross Sport Coordinator for the ABA, attended our meeting in order to present and discuss some of the plans he has for the ABA and in particular, for Master's racing.

Scott has previously worked with Ontario Cycling, has worked as race mechanic, and has written articles for Pedal magazine.

The following are some of the issues and discussions.

- The racing calendar has been expanded for all cycling disciplines.
- A race organizers handbook has been produced and is available for download as a PDF from the ABA web site.
- The Banff/Lake Louise Stage Race has been approved and is being embraced by the tourism board. It will consist of a downtown crit in Banff and an ITT near Lake Louise as well as an 'Invite Only' Cat 1/2 Road Race. There will be a 250(?) rider cap.
- The ABA web site has been / is being redesigned. Results should be available much sooner.
- The ABA handbook has been redesigned (look for a picture of our very own Peter Bigg) and should be arriving in the mail in the next few weeks along with a copy of Pedal magazine.
- There was discussion about how to recruit, advance, and retain commissaries; training, recognition, chance to attend national level events.
- The ABA has applied to hold the 2009(?) Nationals in Edmonton.

- The ABA is considering modifying the Road Cup to comprise a smaller number of premier events that a larger group of riders would attend while smaller events would become more of a local focus.
- The Bow race is trying to get UCI status so that it would attract larger teams.
- The ABA is considering creating Master's Ability Categories, i.e. Master's 1, 2 & 3, for certain races and is looking for feedback. The hope is to create more participation amongst Master's age riders in a more competitive group than age group alone. Provincials would remain as Age Category. *There was much discussion about this as well as the other issues; however I made no attempt to keep further notes.*