

February 18, 2009

PENTICTON TRIATHLON CLUB

Minutes of the monthly club meeting

Attending: Darryl Jones, Alan Kidd, Ryan Mahaffy, Gord Spelay, Laura Carleton, Brad Lee, Richard Szabo.

1.0 Meeting called to order at 6:39PM

2.0 Richard stated that he did not have a copy of last meetings minutes, and assumed that everyone was expected to read them off of the blogspot. Brad apologized for not sending out the minutes, as he rushed to get them to Alan to put on the blogspot and forgot to send them out. Richard asked if there are any comments regarding the minutes of the last meeting. Brad mentioned that Joanne had inquired about the criteria for “travel assistance” discussed at the last meeting. A reply was put up on the blogspot. Alan feels that the club must revisit the topic to ensure clarity. Gord said there needs to be a more specific listing as to how to qualify. Brad said it does exist, and was discussed, motioned, and voted upon, back around 2001. It is based on the criteria utilized by the Pounders, stating that the club will endeavor to reserve \$500 each year, to help club members who have a need, to travel to national or world championship events, and representing the Penticton Triathlon Club. Alan and Gord are worried that the subjectivity, or requirement of a means analysis may be required. Darryl and Brad stated that as executive members, and representing the club, these meeting can motion and pass the requirements to help club members to travel, and can change the requirements, if the environment requires such.

3.0 Treasurers Report – Ryan stated the balance as \$4682.76, less outstanding cheques for TriBC (\$990), storage (\$100), Annett (\$150), Penticton (\$86). Thus, club **net balance is \$3356.76.**

4.0 Old Business

4.1 **Tri Club logo:** Alan contacted Alison Nelson, who is currently working for Penticton Printers as a graphic artist. Alison would charge \$300 to refine and simplify the current logo such that it can be used on multiple garments, letterhead, and websites. Alison will work on this on her own, not through work. **Alan motioned “the club will pay Alison Nelson \$300 to refine and update the club logo for the purposes of being used on future club garments, stationary, and websites”.** Richard asked who is in favor. All members present voted in favor. Gord mentioned that at the next meeting we could vote on the design, and/or send it out to the club for comments. Darryl thought that will make the process much longer by soliciting all manner of comments. Ryan and Brad agreed with Darryl, adding that this has gone on for over 2 years, with suggestions of contests, and has gotten us very little. Conclusion is that these meetings can decide on the acceptable design.

4.2 **Website:** Brad stated that he and Alan met with Brad Crittenden to discuss a new website design. We showed Brad C. the current site, and listed the main components that we require, being a link for the Bare Bones, a gallery, ability to put up new minutes and newsletters, results, a forum or message board, a group email system, and a classifieds. Brad C. said that the cost to corporations is typically \$2500 to \$3500. He will create a new site for \$800, which will include the first years webhosting. Brad C. also suggested changing the domain name maintenance as we are currently

paying about 2.5 times more than necessary. Brad said that he has briefly discussed with Dave that we need to get the website done quickly, and asked if it mattered to Dave if the club got the design done elsewhere. Dave said that he accepts this change, that he has not been able to put the time into it, and accepts that the club needs to get it done quickly. Brad C. mentioned that he suggests changing the webhost and domain host to save \$100 and \$20 per year respectively. Brad C. said that he would be able to get such a new site active in a month. Brad C. stated that he will need to know the club colours for the website, since this will affect how the website looks. The background colour of white or off-white helps allow most text to stand out better. Any bright colours in the top bar of the site will affect the readability of the site.

Brad motioned that “the club pay Pacific Byte Web Services \$800 for a new web site design, to include the first years webhosting, a group email system, a link for the Bare Bones race, management for club execs on adding minutes, newsletters, photos, results, a message board, club workouts, and hosting of club registration forms.” Darryl 2nd the motion. Brad asked how many are in favor. All voted in favor.

4.3 **Memberships.** 33 Tri BC memberships were mailed off last week. A total of 36 club memberships received thus far. Last year was a very good year, with 84 memberships. Another round of emails must be sent out to get more of the registrations in.

4.4 **Jerseys.** Gord discussed the time required to get a new design each year for the IMC locals jersey, and that it is becoming more difficult each year. Gord suggests the club put together one design for a club garment, and add “Local Athlete 20xx” for the locals garment. Gord followed by saying it will be easier, and perhaps every 5th year a new design be put forward. This will make it easier to order club and IMC garments. **Gord motioned that “the club accept a new club design unifying both club garments and the special IMC garment (with “Local year” markings)”**. Laura 2nd the motion. This was voted on unanimously. Gord said he has already started talking with Ron Hayman at Jos about this. He has also received an email from Sugoi inquiring a new purchase, as they have dropped prices. Colours must be decided for the jersey design. Alan said that he could ask Alison Nelson her opinion. Suggested colours could be peach, white, black. Previous club colours are gold and purple.

5.0 New Business

5.1 **Seminars:** Feb.7 was a “Core Strength” training clinic given by Jim Clark at Lakeside Fitness. 5 people attended, with 3 no-shows. Brad said it was very good, and too bad that many people do not realize that strengthening the core helps your endurance on the bike, run and swim. Feb 8, the “Swim Technique Clinic” was full with 11 people, and 4 on a waiting list. Cost was \$20. Alan said it was a great clinic, with 45 minutes dryland instruction, followed by videotaping, then critiquing. We are still working on a Run Clinic with Scott McMillan for March/April, a possible cycling clinic with Ron Hayman, and a nutrition clinic with Jacquie Bird in April.

5.2 **Funding request for 2008:** Alan has received a letter from Jeff Symonds asking for assistance in his travel to the ITU Worlds event in June of 2008, where he was competing as a member of the Canada U23 mens team. Brad mentioned that he has told Jeff to write a letter on a number of occasions for this. As a club member, Jeff

has helped with the Jr Tri camp, and does have a very good chance of making the national team. Brad commented that the club tries to solicit valid requests for the end of the year, as compared to the start of the following calendar year. Accepted by all.

- 5.3 **Bowling night:** 16 people attended with another 3 arriving later. It was a fun night, with photos that are waiting to go on the website. Thanks to Sarah McMillan for organizing.
 - 5.4 **Snowshoe:** A full moon snow shoe event took place in January. Richard asked if another may happen soon. Gord said more snow will be required first.
 - 5.5 **Bare Bones:** This year the Bare Bones is not the provincial championships, thus expect that the attendance will be lower, around 120. Only one other race is taking place in the province. Gord said that few duathlons are being held across Canada. The club must decide if we will continue to permit 16-17 year olds in the race, as TriCan requests that the distance be different than the 18 year olds and above.
 - 5.6 **Pat Clements:** A new request for federal funding for equipment is being sent out by the Peach Classic Society, and Pat Clements is asking for a letter of support from the PTC. Brad will send a letter to Pat.
 - 5.7 **Swim Flugels:** PTC has the only swim flugels in the shared equipment storage. Gord feels that the club should purchase 2 more, and asked the cost. Brad said that the 2 we have cost \$56 each, but since they are used by BP Jr Tri, coaching, the Peach Classic, we should buy 4 more. Plus we could rent them out if necessary. Brad motioned that “the club purchase 4 additional swim flugels at an approximate cost of \$56 each, to be shared with our equipment partners”. Darryl 2nd the motion. Voted unanimously in favor.
 - 5.8 **Community Coaching Course:** We have 10 people interested in taking the course, but do not have a confirmation from Tri BC that it can be held here. TriBC was suggesting that interested people take it in Kelowna. We must contact TriBC to see if it can be given here. Gord said the funding is only available until end of March, and is a set amount available. We will continue to try to get it here in Penticton.
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- 6.0 Meeting adjourned 8:03PM. Next meeting is to be on WEDNESDAY March 11th at 6:30PM. Location Investors Group office.