

Penticton Triathlon Club
Meeting Minutes
August 5, 2009

Present: Karen Lannon, Jacquie Bird, Ryan Mahaffy, Carl Martin, Gord Spelay, Brad Lee, Richard Szabo,

Meeting started at 7:36 PM.

1 **Minutes** were read by Brad, accepted by Gord and Carl.

2. **Treasurer's Report** - Ryan reports that the current account balance is \$4784.94. Club to receive another cheque for \$1200 from Anthony's Pub. Gord has a bill for \$72.08 for supplies for the BP Jr. Tri to be shared with Bare Bones.

3. **Correspondence:** A coach from North Shore has asked if any accommodation is for rent for clients from Hong Kong. Also looking for a billet for Katya Meyer. Forwarded the billet request to James Palanio.

4. **Old Business:**

a. **Locals jersey.** 9 available as of today. Half of the money is collected. Club owes \$2525.60 for the jerseys. If all 48 jerseys are purchased, then full invoice amount is covered. Last meeting we had agreed that we could use carryover money from the jersey account. We decided on Wednesday Aug.19 for the group photo, and distribution of jerseys. Gord knows that a number of people will show up with money that night, so he will be busy. Gord will call the papers for the photos.

b. Still no volunteers have come forward to help with the Tri Club site yet. Also, it has been more difficult this year to get volunteers for the Triclub and Pounder events. Karen said that the softball league charges \$35 per year as a "volunteer fee". If a member volunteers during the year, they will get the \$35 back.

c. **Club awareness- considerate riding.** Group feels we should continue with promoting riding single file, and/or "considerate riding". The example from last month, where an employee of Fehlings has a photo, is so frustrated that his wife will not be volunteering for Ironman this year.

5. **New Business:**

a. Newspapers are looking for any special stories of local IMC competitors. Karen mentioned that Susan Schultz is raising money for MS. Brad commented that he thinks Susan also climbed Kilimanjaro to raise money for a charity.

b. **Junior Triathlon Camp.** Very successful. Filled up, and the city had to turn away 5+ potential registrants. Gord, Jacquie and Karen commented that it was good because the kids who signed up for the camp were interested to participating. Monday to Friday, 4 hours/day. This differed from the usual summer camp, where some of the kids did not really want to be there. A few adults had asked if there could be an adult camp, not for preparation for racing, but to become familiar with what is involved for the kids in triathlon. Gord said that the city would like someone to take on a contract for the camp next year. The city will do the registration, and keep 20%, but the remaining 80% can be compensation for the contractor. Also, Gord believes that the camp needs to have 2 groups, an introductory group, and an advanced group. People volunteering to speak at the camp included Jill Savege, Jeff Symonds, Jenny Andrews, Adrienne Stedford, Jacquie Bird, lifeguard from the pool, Ali from City Centre.

c. **Boston Pizza Jr Triathlon.** Very, very successful, but no monetary gain. Wednesday only 44 registrants. By Thursday night, 103 entrants, when limit is 100. Previous max was around 80. Turned away 30+ athletes. May need to consider a change of venue to accommodate more competitors. The race went well, except for the parents. There were more spectators than athletes, and the family spectators were getting in the way of the race. Karen said internal controls differ from external controls. We may need to put up fencing to provide safety for the athletes. Electricity was dependent on the alarm system for the Sicamous. Karen would like to help next year. Karen and Jacquie work with a diabetic group, and have a vested interest to get youth active.

d. Ironman week Pasta feed. Last year attendance was low. Since the food provider, Smith & Co. wishes to make some money, it will not work out. Worked in the early days because the Hog's Breath donated all of the food and work. Any money collected was donated.

e. Pool. No word on funding approval, and not looking so good at the moment.

f. People are now using the **Total Immersion "Freestyle Made Easy" DVDs**. Seems odd, as the expected time that DVDs would be borrowed is earlier in the year. Hopefully more members pay attention to the club library, and make use of it. There is also a book by Total Immersion.

Next Meeting Sep. 2, 2009 at 7PM.

Meeting adjourned 9:10 PM.