

SVBC Social Meeting Minutes October 10, 2011

Membership: we're at all time high again, of course. ☺ But we're not sure the exact number, cause we're still counting Festival entries

Treasurer: over \$19,000 in checking account (income: \$6,666—century \$3,000; festival \$2,200 so far; \$545 membership; \$500 from Shenandoah Mtn Touring for staffing aid station 5!— expenses: \$332)

Weekly rides – still on

October 19th last Wednesday night for the season and then south main st. El Charro's restaurant.

Event Recaps

- DR 100—went very well; talking about maybe moving to MAY next year (bike month!), and perhaps eliminating running; preliminarily \$10,000 raised toward bike advocacy
- Jeremiah Bishop's Grand Fondo—over 280 riders, great for first year event; raised over \$7,500, most to prostate awareness; maybe approx \$2,000 will go toward club; rave reviews from riders
- Blue Ridge Cup Cyclocross cup – Tuesday evenings; 4th or 5th year. Charlottesville v. Staunton v. Harrisonburg —was the Burg for first two weeks; now at Staunton? Staunton's cycling scene is really growing...
- Festival – 215 registrants; lots of trail work on both Saturday and Sunday; 30 to 40 people at trail work each day—volunteer participation was amazing—people seemed to have fun
- NON CLUB EVENT—Dynamo was snowed out—new date is Oct 30, leave SBC at 6 am, so you'll need lights; 11 – 12 hours out there; wear a costume

Upcoming Events

- Oct. 15th—boyscout camporee at Massanutten—trail working! 12 to 5 pm ish on Saturday is trail work. Thomas thinks he has enough trail work leaders.
- Saturday Trail work – moved out of Lynn, now we're out at Narrowback
- GW National Forest planning process public comment period closes on Monday; SVBC has been working with a bunch of different folks on a collaborative agreement
- Cyclocross Race – Ken Bell – Westover behind the pool, on Sunday, Oct. 16 – 10 am to 3 pm, kids races, part of Virginia cyclocross series. Ken is looking for 100 to 150 people. Come race! Come watch!
- Adopt a highway trash pick-up. Oct. 22nd, 9am, Saturday, Amberly—off of Fort Lynn. We're missing bodies... It takes 1.5 hours. Ride your bike off there. MARCIA IS TIRED OF SEEING THE SAME SIX PEOPLE. We fill bags, and VDOT comes and gets them.
- OCTOBER 21st, JMU block party—this was Basil's thing, he's now biking across the country, so if you want to do this, step up!

Trailwork

- Six-Pack Downhill Invitational is November 5th—two trail works required.

- Thursday trail work is at Massnutten—Three Creeks

ADVOCACY Update

- Thomas, Thahn, PJ, Carl Jungs and one other person are part of the bicycle-pedestrian subcommittee of the City transportation Committee—PJ says to talk to our council members, it makes a difference. Bluestone Trail from Port Republic to Stone Springs through Purcell Park, through JMU; connecting Thomas Harrisonburg Middle School/Westover/High School/Hillendale; (We support Northend Greenway, if they raise 1.1 million, City will match it.) City Council has to go out on a limb to fund these projects, or to issue a bond, so if you tell your City Councilors that you want this bike project, it really helps
- October 17th public comment hearing for Ramblewood Park—proposal includes Hillendale-style trails! Includes Bluestone Trail

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