

# **TEAM ROADRUNNERS**

## **2016 Spring Meeting Minutes:**

April 16th, 2016

Present: 21 members – Jay S. Rodger R. Jeffrey R. Jeff S. David P. Joe P. Ray B. Jim G. Larry T. Mark/Renee/Conner/Ryan D. Tim H. Joe N. Troy/Lori H. Tim M. Brian G. Tammie J. Mary K.; 1 guest – Kevin H.

### **-Old Business**

-Jay reviewed Lulu's Winter Meal meeting

-Jay reviewed topics covered during Fall Meeting, 2015. Ride schedule variety, rides are free to leave a few minutes after scheduled time, i.e. 10 minute rule is not the rule. Contact other members if you might be late who are riding. Continue individual and group safety on rides: no left of center, safe rider distance to each other, safety at intersections/lights, no wheel crossing.

-Dave and Tammie reported that we have 34 members. Membership cards were distributed to all members present.

-TRR has received an offer from Crankers Cycling for 10% discount off product for club members as in past years if you show your membership card. No other member deals exist at this time.

### **-New Business**

1. Dave gave the 2016 Treasurer Report and outlook. Currently, just over \$4,600 in the bank. Most money the club has received in sponsorships and advertising ever. Dave is looking to find a company to make jerseys for a small quantity. Ray Baker suggested contacting John Safian.

2. Ride Schedule: spring schedule is on website, expect summer schedule meeting in May. Mark stated that we want to get more youth and more "new" riders and make them feel welcomed and comfortable with riding with a group. He intends to put a "new rider" ride on the schedule and needs people to compromise and help out.

3. Jay spoke about Community Involvement: Youth Bike Rodeos, Chamber of Commerce spring bike challenge and several other rides. Bike and Pedestrian Task Force is looking for volunteers to count. (info will be posted on Facebook)

4. Jay talked about the TRR Directors: No changes in directors. Directors are working on revised/new club bylaws. First draft is complete and progress will continue after Tour. If anyone is interested in being a board member let us know.

5. Limaland Tour Updates:

-Tour is June 18<sup>th</sup> 2016 at Ottawa Metro Park 2632 Ada Rd., Lima, OH 45801

- Need a Tour Chairperson if anyone is interested and lots of volunteers!!

-Tour Preparation - a lot of preparation has already been put into this Tour. Reserving Ottawa Metro Park, paying the required insurance for the park, permit for the pathway from the City, Reserving Lafayette Rest Stop, Lunch, printing out post cards, advertising, ride routes, etc.

-Day of Registration opens at 6:45am

-Routes: 18 (Paved Riverwalk); 35 and 65 miles of flat to rolling country roads. Longer routes on rural roads throughout Allen and Hardin counties are available.

-Family Friendly, optional guided Riverwalk route at 8:30 with TRR members, rest stops, sag/mechanic support, refreshments, free lunch for all 35/65 mile routes, give-aways, shower facilities, maps painted road markings/route signs and a great time!

-Free t-shirt and special reduced price if registered by June 5<sup>th</sup>.

-Reviewed status sheets and sponsorships. We have several sponsorships this year: Dominion, PotashCorp, Allan Nott, Raabe Ford Lincoln, T&D Interiors, Kohli& Kaliher Associates, Inc.

-Passed around sign-up sheet(s) for volunteer tasks prior and day of tour.

-Tour Banners, we will have two. Need high visibility places to display in May and June, 1-2 weeks at a time. Let us know if you know of a place to display the banner s.

-Get the word out about the Tour and pass out the post cards

-Please ride the routes and report any dogs or anything of concern so we can talk to the owners prior to the tour.

- TRR members should hold off on registering because we may offer a discounted rate

6. Kevin Haver, JAMPD Director was the Guest Speaker: He discussed the Johnny Metro Park History and the future planning of the bike pathway and the development and maintenance of the pathway.

- History of Parks – Started in June 1972

-New park dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony (Hermon Woodlands Mero Park) will be held on May 14<sup>th</sup> @ 10am.

-30 miles of hiking trails

-Johnny Appleseed Metropolitan Park Districts are governed by Park Commissioners who are appointed by the Probate Judge

-Staff of 16 members who make and enforce the laws and maintain the parks

-Paved bike trails are expensive but there are plans to extend the trails in the future

-Newsletter available upon request from the Park District Office