



2023 Spring Kickoff Meeting Minutes

March 11th, 2023; Wheelhouse, Elm St. @9:00am

Present: Jay Salge, Jama Salge, Lucas Salge, Gavin Salge, Bill Hanz, Renee Droll, Mark Droll, Nelson Morales, Tammie Joseph, Ken Simmers, Betty Blumenstein, Harvey Hover, Jim Gross, Ray Baker, Bob Leonard, Jim Walter, Paul Nusbaum, Matt Schmunk, Sarah Elsea, Caleb Elsea, Perry Neil Jr., John Simindinger, Laurie Dillon, John Dillon, Bob Money

Welcome:

- fall meeting minutes on website
- Enrollment forms/dues collected before and after meeting

1. Financials and Membership:

Treasurer Report – Balance January 1, 2023 = \$7,004.76. Paid the following: American Specialty Insurance (\$600); League of American Bicyclists (\$75); American Specialty Ins (\$578.95); Harrod Event Center Deposit (\$292). Balance as of March 11, 2023 = \$5,458.81.

Jay explained the insurance and coverage.

Membership counts – Enrollment begins today, March 11, 2023 (Membership dues have remained the same for years)

Note: FB Members “Group” will be eliminated in the near future and replaced by a club member only message/chat group. This will be a live chat and club wide info/discussion possible. Keep in mind all members, but only members, will have voluntary access to view/discuss/communicate. I.E. be responsible/respectful. More to come once this chat group is created.

Jay thanked the Wheelhouse for allowing us to hold our meetings inside. Also, Jay explained the ministry associated with the Wheelhouse and what an awesome concept we have in Lima. Donations to the Wheelhouse help them to help others with transportation and make a difference in our community. The Wheelhouse builds relationships while helping people in need, supplying them with a bicycle, helmet, lights, locks, etc.. They also educate on bicycle and road safety.

2. Limaland Tour:

Limaland Tour 2023 will be Saturday, June 24th at the Harrod Event Center located at 9520 Harrod Rd., Harrod, OH. We need volunteers to mark and sweep the routes, work the day of the tour and miscellaneous other duties. We need members to spread the word and plan to ride. Please “like” or “share” the tour information on Facebook if you see it. Postcards with the tour information will be printed and available for distribution in the upcoming weeks. The tour is advertised online in the Ohio Bicycle Events Calendar and online in the Bike Rides in Indiana websites thanks to Mark Droll!!

Sponsorship/Donation drive - Currently, we have commitments for \$1,150.00 (Dominion Energy \$500; Pete’s Ice Cream \$250; Visit Greater Lima Bags and chap stick; T&D Interiors \$250; Superior \$150; The Pickle Juice Company one gallon jugs if we pay the shipping) Please ask your place of business and any other businesses that you have connections so we can get sponsor money and make our tour one of the best.

3. Ride Schedule:

2023 Ride Schedule is posted to website. A couple of minor revisions for 2023 based on 2022 comments/requests. [We do look at the surveys and try to coordinate rides to meet the needs of our members.](#)

Out of town/destination rides to be set later in year if enough interest and ride leader volunteer(s). [If anyone would like to set a date for an "out of town" or "destination" ride, please contact one of the board members and we will help to spread the word and get riders to participate. We did not post on the schedule at this time.](#)

Encourage members and new riders to attend rides that suit their interests. We continue to host rides that reflect current membership which is very diverse. [Try to attend the club rides and avoid scheduling other rides outside of the schedule. This gives the perception of "clicks".](#)

Standard Rides: Tuesday No Drop 60-90 min.; Wednesday 25-30 miles @ 15-17 mph; Saturday destination/longer/alternate/multigroup; Sunday med. distance multi group if needed. SUNDAY 1 PM.

4. Community Service/Cycling Promotion:

Keep Right – Riverwalk update: This will start up with warmer weather in April or May. June if temperatures are too cold. Volunteers will be helpful/needed. [Jay did an excellent job marking the Riverwalk in 2022. He will ask for help in 2023.](#)

Plan to volunteer at youth / safety rodeos and events as they are organized in 2023.

[We will look into possible advertisements of the 3 foot law so more motorists are aware.](#)

>>New: Group meet up for "Ottawa River Clean Up" day. (Drolls, etc) [Contact Mark Droll if you are interested in participating in this clean up day. It is scheduled for Saturday morning, April 22nd 9:00 am - noon.](#)

[More information to come regarding the ordering of TRR jerseys and apparel. Each member will receive \\$5.00 off of their order.](#)

5. Special Presentation: Basic chain cleaning and lubrication demonstration/tips. [Jay explained the importance of keeping your chain clean and lubed.](#)

Thank you to all who attended our TRR meeting!!