

## **JSTS MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 2007 MEETING**

Meeting called to order at Village House Diner by President Robert Leitner at 7:30pm.

Introduction of 4 board members and 7 members was announced.

**Guest Speakers** - Lisa Yan, Sam Liu, and Aaron Sun (juniors at Holmdel High School)

- They spoke about a research project dealing with various sports drinks and their effects on exercise. They are looking for 8-15 male cyclists to participate in this project. Subjects will be given either water, Accelerade, Gatorade. Subjects will be required to ride two 15 mile sets on a stationary bike on 2 consecutive Saturday mornings. They have asked us to help them out. Four members signed up at the meeting. The students answered questions from members regarding the project. Additional info about the project, and how to sign-up, is available on our web site.

**Minutes** – Bob Spony

- Treasurer's Report from September 10<sup>th</sup> meeting was read, and minutes were accepted as posted on the web site.

**Correspondence** – Bob Spony

- No correspondence was read (only a few advertisements were received over the past month).

**Treasurer's Report** – Mark Billon

- Motion made to accept report and carried.

**Membership Report** – Mark Billon

- We now have a total of 281 members for 2007 and that is up from 246 from last year. He said that we have 222 individuals, 54 families & 5 bike shops. We had a lot of on-line registrations. For 2008, we already have 8 Individual members and 2 families for a total of 10. Mark said that members can renew on or after October 1<sup>st</sup>, and it will be good through the end of next year.

**Ride Report**

- **Road Rides**

- **Ride Safety:** Rob spoke about riding safely in a group. Riders at the front should call out hazards in the road, and each rider in the group should repeat the call out so that all riders in the group know what's coming, not just those toward the front of the group. He also talked about riders that go through red lights, thereby creating unsafe conditions. He reminded riders that we must obey all rules of the road (just like cars), and asked members for suggestions to make riding safer. Members who continue to create a safety hazard will be asked not to ride with the club. The pre-ride safety announcements are good and should be continued.
- **Harvest Ride Recap:** Rob said that we had over 50 riders that day. The weather was good everyone enjoyed the cider & donuts. Thanks to Dan Hinton for picking up everything.
- **Covered Bridge Trip:** Bill Metzger is leading this ride in PA. Details are posted on the web site. The date is Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, and will start at 9:30am from Tinicum State Park. It will be a leisurely B- pace where all riders will ride together and will regroup as needed.

- **Charity Rides**

- **Ride for Missing Children:** Ride was held Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup>. Beth Katz had thanked Andy Abere for providing vests for the marshals. There were more than 200 riders that participated. She thanked our club for our help.

- **Timmy's Tour de Shore (pediatric brain tumor research):** Ride was held Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, and started from Sandy Hook. Steve Burke said that Timmy's mom, Susan, thanked JSTS for our support. They had over 550 participants, including 135 walk-on riders. They raised \$70,000 which is really great for a first-time ride. They are hoping to do the ride again next year. Steve spoke about the problems that riders had encountered due to Sea Bright's rules.
- **Ride for Autism:** Andy Aberer said that the Autism ride (held back in the spring) raised \$75,000 and next year the ride will be Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>.
- **Mountain Bike Rides**
  - Bill Cranor announced that the Sunday ride (first of the 2007-2008 MTB season) had only 3 riders, probably due to the unseasonably warm weather. He also spoke about what they do on the rides. He announced that a ride leader will be needed for this weekend as Steve will be doing the Covered Bridge Ride. Volunteers can sign-up on the web site.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- **Incorporation and Insurance**
  - Bill Cranor announced that he submitted the request for incorporation earlier that day. We should be receiving the paperwork for final execution shortly. Bill is also working to take care of increasing our insurance coverage, and hopes to have that completed shortly also.
- **JSTS Clothing**
  - Beth said that she has jerseys with her and anyone who wants them to see her after the meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Elections Committee**
  - Rob told the members that the club has to fill 3 vacancies on the board for 2008 (VP, Secretary, and Treasurer). We have one volunteer for Treasurer (Ed Marx). He explained the need for ride coordinator and bike shop liaison. Lydia Locke volunteered to be the bike shop liaison for 2008.
- **Holiday Party**
  - The party will be held on Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, from 7-10 pm at the Lincroft Inn. Members interested in going will soon be asked to contact Sue Scarola so she can get head count to supply to the restaurant.
- **Tour de Cure (diabetes ride)**
  - Paul Pierro said that next year the Tour de Cure will be a 100% beach ride with distances of 15, 30 and 62 miles (no century). The ride will take place on Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, and the start has been moved to Brielle Elementary School. Discussion followed regarding the wisdom of the ride along the beach, especially given the later date.

**Next meeting will be Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, at a place to be determined.**

**REMINDER – Elections for the 2008 board members will be held at the next meeting!**

No other business, motion to adjourn was accepted.