Velo Club Monterey Board Meeting Minutes - 3/21/17

at the home of Edmund Gross in Monterey

Call to Order: 7:20 p.m.
Present: Mark Kaufmann, Chris Swainson, Ed Bredthauer, Cath Tendler-Valencia, Suzanne Kroeze, and Edmund Gross

Minutes from 1-24-17 were unanimously approved.

Treasury Report: Ed Bredthauer reports that revenues up $600 from membership since January, but down $1,500 from last year.

Membership Report: Chris Swainson says that currently there are 119 members, down from last year's 178, so Mark emailed past members in arrears. Applications will be snail mailed in April. At SOC Merchandise there will be brochures and applications to recruit new members.

TAMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Subcommittee: Bill Boosman told us about the North Fremont project, from 218 to Casa Verde in Monterey will have protected raised bicycle lanes in median! There will be light signals and double crosswalks, work starting in the fall. Lower Broadway in Seaside will have one lane in each direction, for traffic calming. Bike lanes are more for commuting and shopping rather than for recreation. The Golden Helmet Award goes to: Youth, Adult, Organization and Event. Mari Lynch is a nominee. Sue and Gordon Martine deserve a nomination. Plans for Wayfinding for the County were stopped at the state level.

Summer Picnic: Saturday, August 19, 2-5 p.m., sending a Save the Date with food assignments and RSVP on Evite. There is a swimming pool, too! Set up and clean up crews (3-4 people) need to be recruited.

Intro to Group Riding: Mark says group rides for three Sundays starting 4/30, 5/7 and 5/15 at 9 a.m. Riders will learn how to hold a wheel and other techniques for riding in groups. Videos with instruction will be on our FB page.
It is a Welcome Wagon for induction into the Saturday 8:30 ride. Flyers in bike shops will recruit riders.

Sea Otter Classic Gran Fondo Volunteering: Saturday, April 22, 6:30-10:15 at Talbott's with Suzanne and 7:15-12:30 at Zabala's with Ed. BBQ follows at Zabala's. Volunteers need to go to Laguna Seca at their leisure in advance to sign in, get a wrist band, get the volunteer shirt, get a lunch, and visit the Merchandise Booth!

VCM Kit: Mark will take on managing the orders for VCM clothing. Huzzah's to Robin for managing this for so many years.

Twilight Ride: VCM Sponsorship Wednesday, October 11

Club History Update: Edmund reported that VCM started 1963, so we've missed the Golden Anniversary. George Fraley said the Cypress Cycling Club which started in 1960 lasted two years years.

Bocce Ball: Sunday, June 4, 12-2 p.m. at Talbott's Tasting Room in Carmel Valley with a limit of 30. Jeff Wallace is our club host. We will buy wine and can bring our own snacks. Folks can ride to Cahoon in the morning.

Sponsor: Alvarado Street Brewing may sponsor us.

Adopt-A-Highway: The club has adopted the bike trail at Highway 1 and Route 68, top of Carmel Hill. We sweep the pine needles and clean up trash. Caltrans trained Mark who has bags, vests, gloves, goggles, and will get hard hats.

Ft. Ord Dunes State Park: Tuesday mornings, 9-noon, once each month, consider volunteering to clean up, May 16, June 13. Trail improvement, planting seeds, etc., they like people to register so they know who is coming and have tools and protection to wear.

Next Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, May 23 at Cath's home.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20

Respectfully submitted,

Cath Tendler-Valencia
Secretary