

# PCC Board Meeting Minutes

December 18, 2017 6:30 pm

Champaign Public Library, Champaign, IL

Friends Conference Room, Room 215

In Attendance: Gene Grass, Ellen Hedrick , Alexx Heald-Alejo, Michael Fuerst

## AGENDA:

APPROVALS: Approve November Meeting Minutes: Moved, seconded and approved

TREASURER'S REPORT: \$6,495.18 balance 12/17/2017

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: 33 members for 2018 as of 12/18/2017

## OLD BUSINESS

1. **Board Retreat –January 2018** (Gene 2 min) -- Scheduled Sunday Jan 21 2-5pm, Ellen's home  
Invitations to members outside board? Should be board only and committee people, if we have any.  
Sue Jones, Audrey and Charlie, Cynthia Hoyle, Jeff Yockey  
purchase pizza. No agenda at this time

\*\* No regular board meeting in January

PCC Board Meeting 2/11 6:30 pm

2. **End of year Survey? Begin of Year Survey?** (Gene 2 min) Questions for survey. Club input for retreat? Gift Certificate raffle? Maybe.
3. **Annual Winter Meeting & Dinner Reservations Update** (Frank 5 min) --  
**Frank talk to Jasmine, event coordinator about different options.**  
Jan 28, 2018, 5:30 pm, dinner start at 6:30. Reservation paid. PCC paid \$10/meal subsidy in Jan 2017.

\$10 subsidy for Jan 2018 members?

Question about portion answers from Biaggi's? Gluten free, menu options, pricing, extra meals

Speaker Suggestions? Kim Isenbarger or Anne Robin

Publicity - emails? Michael

Website - Information and Payment? Get info to Michael, emails

Gift Cert raffle?

Ride leader recognition-pass out gift certificates-Ellen has a list for the ride leaders-encourage them to come to the meeting.

4. **Spring Start of Season Meeting & Pizza Party** (Gene 2 min) –  
Reservation confirmed Jupiter's downstairs; 5:30-8pm, Tues April 10. Start 6:00 pm Need credit card to order food 4 days before event.
5. **Winter Club Activities Updates** (Ellen 2 min) -- Happy Hour calendar first Wednesday and third Wednesday after New Year. Dates?. Activities? Trivia, Karaoke, Darts, Cards? Darwin Ride? January? Murphy's
6. **CU Food Cruise Update** (Ellen 5 min) Tabled from October Board Meeting  
Want to set a date for summer, maybe Saturday of Labor Day weekend? Ellen unable to organize for Spring event. No updates

7. **Board Nominations & Elections requirements** - (Gene 5 min)- electronic voting, Current positions and open positions information sent out to everyone. publicity/marketing. Do it at the annual meeting? Get people on committees. Steve Henkel, At Large, Kurt Bobin (Club ride)
8. **CPR & 1st Aid Certification Workshop Update** – (Gene 5 min) Offer certification for ride leaders, club members, then public. Pre-registration with payment required.  
**American Red Cross** - Classroom training \$725 (\$48.33); 5-6 hours  
**American Red Cross** - Online with classroom skills; 3-4 hour online, 2 hour skills will get online certificate--online password?  
New Price \$550 \$36.67 per person, [Old price \$625 (\$42 per person)]  
**ECSI** - \$575, 5-6 hour training

Reimbursements to all ride leaders and club member participants?

Training location to be CUMTD facility - January 13th. 10:30-12:30

PCC provide bottled water

*\*\* Gene knows of at least 7 interested persons. Go with American Red Cross training. Attendees to pay \$40 up front; PCC to refund \$20 to ride leaders after training completed. Those completing on-line training then have 3 months to complete hands-on skills training REIMBURSEMENT from PCC. Signups online for CPR/1st Aid class Michael will setup. Gene will verify, confirm times. Deadline*

9. **Prairie Cycle Club Bike Tour and Grand Fondo** (7 min -Alexx) Update on local tour rides, Ride to the Depot First Sunday of October, Rails to Trails, Ride for Ray June 9. Consider PCC partner with other groups to organize and promote. Analysis of dates River to Rail. **Saturday August 18**. Planners, Alexx--Kurt, Frank Location for beginning food options, partnerships.
10. **Ride Leader's Safety Training with Charlie** (Gene - 3 min) Charlie is organizing a curriculum. Considering late March or early April before ride season. Maximum participants per session? Other possible instructors - Valerie, Cynthia or Marcus  
*\*\* League of American Cyclists Certified Instructor (LCI) will give the training. (Charlie Smyth or other local LCI.)*  
*\*\* Gene and Ellen to consult with ride leaders and others to create agenda. Gene to send out email when agenda completed.*  
*Waiver?? Not a requirement for being a ride leader but encouraged and recommended.*

11. **Spring Members Only Ride** (Ellen 2 min) -- **Yes** , Date? maybe April or May, maybe just a spring Brews Cruise

*\*\* Ellen suggests her organizing this for early May - May Bike Month Event? Sat 5/19 PCC spring*

metric or with UPD? for make final decision. @ Weaver Park? Ellen will check on parking 10:00 AM start for ride? Gene will check with UPD. need a ride leader for Weaver Park weekly evening ride PCC- Nina? Second ride leader

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Urbana Park District Summer Leisure Guide** (Gene 4 min) - Rides from UPD parks, Bike Month Celebration event
2. Peter Davis' Eskimo Pie Ride Feb 11--need different date from Super Bowl Sunday (volunteers needed - soup?) bring crock pot of soup
3. **May Bike Month** - PCC organized Activities and Rides? Ride of Silence on the third Wednesday--May 16, 2018.
4. **Another panel discussion:** (Ellen 3 min) Cycling across the USA (have 3 speakers so far; Date TBD, will be at 6, Location ? Wed Feb 28 at CPL (larger room downstairs this time) Have 3 speakers, no reply yet from Illini 4000, thinking about asking Jay Yost or Martin Gruebele - they raced across the US (just another perspective)
5. **Set Date February Board Meeting-** 3rd Mon. is Feb 19th is President's Day- 4th Mon?
6. **Ideas for other rides** (Ellen): midsummer night ride
7. **Engaging Mahomet more with PCC** (Ellen 2 min) - need points for Bicycle Friendly Community status.
8. **PCC Jersey inventory** (Gene 2 min) - Reorder same? New design. Primal sales person contacted me. Different vendor? Minimum order? Logos changes? Contest for design for 50th anniversary of PCC. Two artists on board. Jerseys on demand?
9. **Future of River to Rail Ride** (Gene 2 min) -- Rob Grinder contacted me

JANUARY Board Retreat/Workshop Sun Jan 21, 2018

NO January Board Meeting

**PCC Board Meeting Minutes**  
**November 20, 2017 6:45-7:50 pm**  
**Urbana Free Library, Urbana**

In Attendance: Gene Grass, Ellen Hedrick , Alexx Heald-Alejo, Michael Fuerst

(Michael took the minutes, discussion of each agenda item preceded by **\*\* and in italics**)

Absent: Frank Modica, Richard Brannon

**AGENDA:**

APPROVALS

Approve October Meeting Minutes: **\*\* Minutes approved**

TREASURER'S REPORT: **\*\* Frank, via email, club balance is \$6446.50**

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: None

OLD BUSINESS

1. Panel Discussion review (Ellen 3 min)

**\*\*Ellen, Audrey Ishii, 4 presenters and 17 attendees present at Champaign Public Library for PCC sponsored discussion of bicycling in Europe.**

**\*\*Ellen plans to hold a similar discussion in Jan or Feb about cycling across the U.S.--3 possible presenters have expressed interest**

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**\*\* Ellen to publicize via emails, Michael to put on website**

3. Winter Club Activities Updates(Ellen 2 min) -- Wed 11/29. Thur Dec 14; Happy Hour calendar first Thursday and third Wednesday after New Year. (future locations TBD). Activities? Trivia, Karaoke, Darts, Cards?

4. CU Food Cruise Update (Ellen 5 min) Tabled from October Board Meeting

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**\*\* Ellen won't have time to do this in spring, suggested Saturday before Labor Day as possible date**

5. Board Nominations & Elections requirements-(Gene 5 min)- electronic voting, Current positions and

open positions information sent out to everyone. publicity/marketing.

**\*\* Gene suggested getting people on limited responsibility committees as preparation to being board members**

**\*\* Tentative Schedule**

*(i) Gene to email membership before Thanksgiving, seeking nominees*

*(ii) Michael to set up vote starting 3 December*

*(iii) Voting to close 10 December ,*

6. CPR & 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Certification Workshop Update – (Gene 5 min) Location secured. Offer certification for ride leaders, club members, then public.. and pre-registration. Pricing structure increases. American Red Cross \$625 (\$42 per person) 3-4 hour online, then 2 hour skills. ECSI 5-6 hours \$480 (12/30/2017) 5-6 hour training  
Reimbursements to ride leaders. January 13th or 20th for CPR/First Aid Training. CUMTD facility Charge \$20 and subsidize \$12  
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**\*\* No decision made as to date. June 2018 has 5 weekends, so maybe last weekend in June**
  
8. CUAP Survey (Gene 3 min) no questions received. Questions for survey. End of season survey and incorporate CUAP in the information? Suggestions for questions. 5-6 questions **\*\* Cancelled since too much time has elapsed**
  
9. CUAP left over 3 Gift Certificates (Gene 3 min). Door prizes at Holiday Dinner?  
**\*\* OK**
  
10. Spring Start of Season Meeting & Pizza Party (Gene 2 min) – Reserve Jupiter’s downstairs; Tues April 10. Start 6:00 pm Need credit card to order food 4 days before event.  
**\*\* The space has been reserved from 5:30-8 pm, April 10**
  
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*when agenda completed*

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14. May Bike Month - Consider future activities.\_

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DECEMBER Board Meeting – Monday Dec 18th 6:30pm, Location TBD

**PCC Board Meeting Minutes**  
**October 16, 2017 6:30pm**  
**Urbana Free Library, Urbana**

**In Attendance:** Frank Modica, Gene Grass, Richard Brannon, Michael Fuerst, Ellen Hedrick

**Absent:** Alexx Heald-Alejo

**APPROVALS**

Approve September Meeting Minutes:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SmlJJWu8cOLKNIKwUXtqFro0z9LkX8vFMEMqozy9R\\_I/edit?ts=59d266bc](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SmlJJWu8cOLKNIKwUXtqFro0z9LkX8vFMEMqozy9R_I/edit?ts=59d266bc) moved and seconded, and approved

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Current balance \$6,460.70 paid \$2000 to habitat, \$93.35 for Jimmy John's sandwiches, \$22 for supplies

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** 37 members for 2018

**OLD BUSINESS**

*Contribution to Habitat* (Frank 2 min)-- Frank delivered \$2000 check to Habitat office. Picture with Kim taken at the office. If Habitat publishes on picture on their website or in print materials, we should link to it.

*Annual Winter Meeting & Dinner Reservations* (Frank 2 min)-- Jan 28, 2018, 6:00 pm change start at 5:30 pm, dinner start at 6:30. Paid for reservation. PCC paid \$10/meal subsidy in Jan 2017 . Question about portion. Frank share attachments with the rest of the board. Frank talk to Jasmine, event coordinator about different options.

*End-of-Season Ride Report* (Ellen 2 min)-- weather a problem. 9 people showed up. Sandwiches. Maybe hot apple cider or hot chocolate. Incentive for new member: link for joining the club. document/system for advertising, order food. Research catering for food. People drank apple juice and not much soda. Ellen and Frank work on it. Additional notes from Ellen: Advertising: "Members Only! Not a member? Join now (insert link) and enjoy membership through next season." Include in newsletter and emails.

*End of Season Ride:* Food: bananas, chips, apple cider all good. Not as much soda (I guess you did have 2 litres which work a lot better than cans). Was there Gatorade? Depending on the temps, we can choose hot cocoa, hot apple cider, or Gatorade. Jimmy John's was fine, but there may be a better value out there. Firehouse makes awesome hot subs btw. A good thing about Jimmy John's is you can quickly get more on short notice. Make sure to include a vegetarian option.

*End-of-Season Ride options* - the quickest is 14 miles from Meadowbrook straight down Windsor and Homer Lake Roads. BUT there are much more interesting options! Offer a metric century. (Metric leaves 2+ hours earlier.)

*Minimum requirements/prerequisites for more advanced rides.* Expand ladies ride to include beginning riders. Nancy Yeagle Tuesday Evening. Ellen willing to lead ride out of Mahomet on Mondays. Nina Paley changed her ride to Wednesday-recumbent ride. Not a conflict with the pedaling for pleasure ride. Once a month family ride from Farmer's Market on Kickapoo trail (Gene can organize those). Consider two Level 3 rides as prerequisite to Jeff Decker's Level 4 ride.

*Winter Club Activities* (Ellen 2 min) -- calendar first Thursday and third Wednesday after New Year. Nov-panel 11/8-Happy Hour Thur 11/16 (Scotty's on Neil St.), Wed 11/29. Thur Dec 14 Happy Hour (future locations TBD). Kurt Bobsin interested in Trivia, Karaoke

*CU Food Cruise Update* (Ellen 5 min) Tabled to November Board Meeting  
o Committees? No updates.

*Gift Certificates for Ride Leaders* (Richard 2 min) -- Will distribute at the January 2018 Holiday party.

*Board Nominations & Elections requirements*-- electronic voting, Kurt Bobsin interested in being an at-large member. Change time of meeting?? Sue invited to meeting. Kurt has conflicts on Mondays. Current positions and open positions information sent out to

everyone. publicity/marketing.

*CPR & 1st Aid Certification Workshop* – (Gene 5 min) Offer certification for ride leaders, club members, then public. Need location and pre-registration. \$480 for 15 people. Training. Ellen says ride leaders are lukewarm about CPR. Reimbursements for ride leaders. Nov or Jan for CPR/First Aid Training. Where and when? Charge \$20 and subsidize \$12

*Prairie Cycle Club Tour and Grand Fondo (7 min)* Update on local tour rides, Ride to the Depot First Sunday of October, Rails to Trails, Ride for Ray June 9. Consider PCC partner with other groups to organize and promote. Analysis of dates River to Rail. Will discuss at next meetings.

*CUAP Survey (Gene 3 min)* no questions received. Questions for survey. Too late?? End of season survey and incorporate CUAP in the information? Suggestions for questions. 5-6 questions

CUAP left over 3 Gift Certificates (Gene 3 min). Idea: give as door prizes at Holiday Dinner

## **NEW BUSINESS**

*Spring Start of Season Meeting & Pizza Party* – Reserve Jupiter's downstairs; Tues April 10. Start 6:00 pm

*Board Retreat –January 2018 (Gene)* -- Scheduled Sunday Jan 21 2-5pm, Ellen's home

*Ride Leader's Safety Training with Charlie (5 min)* Feb or March. Maximum participants per session? Other possible instructors - Valerie, Cynthia or Marcus

*Ride Leader's Dinner Meeting 2018 (Ellen 4 min)* -- No for 2018. February as a meeting? ~Was 2017 meeting beneficial? Yes, but skip a year.

*Spring Members Only Ride (Ellen 2 min)* -- Yes , maybe April or May, maybe just a spring Brews Cruise

May Bike Month - Consider future activities.

*Panel Discussion (Ellen 5 min)* -- Nov 8. 6-7:30 (reserved room 5:50 - 8) Champaign Public Library-Foundation room. Steve Hankel, John Mudrick, Dan Metz traveled abroad on bike trips. Partner with library Programming Dept as part of a library program?? For future programs. Maybe. Question whether to encourage a short presentation or just allow a set # of slides...

*November Board Meeting* – Monday Nov 20th 6:30pm, Urbana Free Library



# PCC Board Meeting Minutes

September 18, 2017

In Attendance: Gene Grass, Michael Fuerst Ellen Hedrick, Frank Modica, Alexx Heald-Alejo and Richard Brannon,

**AGENDA:**

APPROVALS

Approve August Meeting Minutes: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/16uzyAnanVYnFlXpmvrLlhMp-wgTqbqrM1smFJ6xMg\\_Y/edit?ts=599b90fb#](https://docs.google.com/document/d/16uzyAnanVYnFlXpmvrLlhMp-wgTqbqrM1smFJ6xMg_Y/edit?ts=599b90fb#)

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- 5 years by year of CUAP income/expenses and net income by year

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Total expenses	\$617.74	\$673.44	\$774.94	\$1,023.67	\$1,007.10
Total Income	\$2,415.33	\$2,165.00	\$2,342.00	\$2,771.27	\$3,336.66
Net Profit	\$1797.59	\$1,491.56	\$1,567.06	\$1,747.60	\$2,329.56

- 5 year by year of paid registration numbers
- CUAP 2017

TOTAL RIDERS	CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS	CHECK PAYMENTS	PRE-REGISTRATIONS	DAY OF RIDE REGISTRANTS
109	73	7	69y	29

- \$8796.39 bank balance
- FM will work on more detailed expense breakdown for October meeting
- **Payment Chip Reader** - Richard / Frank - Is current payment system working? Only used 4 credit card payments with current card reader. No problems with good WIFI. Not needed right now.

Reimbursement checks for Richard and Alexx. Still owe money to Gene for CUAP expenses

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

- 5 year history:

2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
92 signups	123 signups	166 signups	147 signups	147 signups	26 signups
34 family	34 family	38 famil	38 family	32 family	5 family

\* Total membership registration income

OLD BUSINESS

CUAP and Gran Fondo financial statement from Treasurer \$2323.56 CUAP Contribution to Habitat for Humanity \$2000 donation to Habitat FM will write check-Alexx will contact Habitat to determine handover of check

NEW BUSINESS

- **CUAP name change discussion Prairie Cycle Club Tour & Gran Fondo--Ellen moved to changed name and Frank seconded. Discussion. passed**

- **PCC Helmet Sticker Program AAR** - Ellen--not worth continuing. Don't need to buy more. Require ride leaders to pass out stickers? no
- **End of Season "Ride Leader" AAR** - Ellen and Ride Leaders--Ellen will contact ride leaders about rides this year
- **Gift Certificates for Ride leaders** - 18 ride leaders X \$20 Starbucks gift certificated moved and seconded. \$360. Richard will buy 18 Starbucks gift certificates for the ride leaders. Frank will reimburse Richard when he gets a receipt. Give at Holiday party and membership meeting.
- **Light the Night Volunteering** - Board members helping? FM has done it. Not an action item. Information emailed to members. There is an online signup
- **Trunk or Treat** - We discussed this event in 2017, Is PCC interested? pass
- **End of Season Ride** - Ellen  
Sunday Oct noon (?), Meadowbrook to Homer Lake. Announce ASAP. Jimmy John's, etc. Other supplies are in Sioux's garage. October 15 noon-start at Race St entrance. Frank shuttle sandwiches,
- **Parade of Lights** - Nov 25 (\$25?), (Notes from 2016-- Ellen has a friend with a truck and flatbed trailer for parade; can set bikes on trainers on trailer since it is hard to ride in the parade. Want to showcase night time visibility.) no participation
- **Winter club activity ideas** - Ellen happy hours Ellen will set up dates
- **The ride Planning Preparation**  
- Create committee to compile 2018 ride calendar and explore available date options Sunday before Labor Day, Sunday August 26, 2018 Moved and seconded. Proposal passed
- **PCC Website Development--website, different themes for pictures**
- **CPR & 1st Aid Certification Workshop** - Gene send out  
Offer certification for ride leaders, club members, then public.  
Need location and pre-registration
- **Annual Hoiiiday & Meeting & Dinner --size of portions a concern**  
Date - Sunday Jan 28th? Pro Bowl Sunday before Super Bowl motion & second for date  
Location - Biaggi's? Frank contact for reservations  
Secure Reservation Date  
One speakers - longer happy hour before dinner  
-- How cycling has changed their life  
-- Personal Cycling adventure  
Lead time to send invitation and register online orders?
- **Board Elections**  
Vacancies -  
Nomination process--Kurt, Barlow look for other people  
Call for Nominations
- **CU Food Cruise 2018** -- Ellen  
Go or No Go?  
Alternatives? Spring Century? GranFondo with Wild Card?  
Planning Committees and set date Saturday June 2 2018 and Rain Date on June 3  
Ellen and other people on committee--KISS, 4 routes, 5 places, Frank offered to help. Afternoon ride

newsletter-Steve Henkel Let's CU Cycle CCB, event calendar. He wants coordination??

Gift certificates left over--raffle drawing for people answering a CUAP survey. Email questions to Gene by the end of the week

Next Board Meeting

**Prairie Cycle Club  
Board Meeting on August 21, 2017**

**Present:** Ellen Hedrick, Frank Modica, Alexx Heald-Alejo and Richard Brannon,

**Absent:** Gene Grass, Michael Fuerst

**Minutes:**

**Agenda:**

CUAP--

- marking the routes
- food pickup
- volunteers-
- publicity
- pack boxes for rest stops
- donations

**Treasurer's Report:** There is currently \$5542.97 in the bank.

**Discussion:**

POST MINUTES? FROM OLDER MEETINGS?

Board also wants and needs an agenda for the meetings--send out call for items at least a week before scheduled meetings and then an agenda sent out a day or two before the meeting. It might facilitate more productive meetings.

question about route-route change for short ride changing mileage for the longer rides

- marking routes: Richard picked up paint and Frank will bring it to Parasol. Frank/John/Sue Jones/ Need fourth person-Alexx suggested Mary Biddle and possibly Barlow. Good day to paint? Usually Thur before the ride.
- Food--Frank waiting for word from Harvest Market and Meijer. Frank contact Ellen re food sponsors after confirmation If they don't contact him soon, he'll call. If no donation, Frank will pick up food items based on the list. Will also pick up items for Oatmeal. Richard will pick up bagels from Einstein Friday before they store closes.
- volunteers: people filling up the list. Individuals have approached board members asking to volunteer. Forward the signmeup website to them. Frank send info to Barlow. Sag drivers our biggest need.
- publicity; Ellen working on logos. Frank picked up clipboards and poster board from Target for poster at registration.for frozen food-Frank check with John sponsors on poster-- Champaign Surplus, Champaign Cycle Dancing Dog Durst Cycle, Midwest Potty House, Neutral Cycle--anybody else? Ellen to print four pages to print
- prizes
- 3 pages with sponsors
- pack boxes at Parasol-meeting there Friday night at 7:00 pm.
- prizes for early registration: Ellen will come up with a random number generator to determine prize winners.
- Frank contact Jeff about picking up canopies and tables from CCB. We still need more tables and chairs-- Alexx will contact Kim regarding equipment/supplies from Habitat warehouse-some time between Tuesday and Friday. Kim not able to help on Saturday because of prior commitments.
- OFFICIAL DIGITAL CLOCK FOR START AND FINISH -Alexx will check with Jeff
- bracelets--Gene?? drop them off at Parasol
- insurance--

Next Meeting: Monday, September 18th at 6:30 PM . Will determine location a week before the meeting.

**Prairie Cycle Club**  
**Board meeting minutes from 7/31/2017**

**Planning Session for CUAP Tour & Gran Fondo**

**Present:** Frank Modica, Alexx Heald-Alejo, Gene Grass, Michael Fuerst, Sue Jones

**Absent:** Jeff Decker, Ellen Hedrick

**Agenda/Discussion:**

Several rides coming up in August: Homer Apple Pie Ride

Planning for CUAP

Ride for Ray

**CUAP**

Rest stops: St Joe Rest stop at Wheelhouse Restaurant:inside set up, indoor plumbing.

Gene will contact wheelhouse about location of rest stop setup-

Richard reported that Bonnie Kemper will supply two porta-potties for the usual location at Parasol

Paint for routes: four colors-Richard will follow up

Tables,

Alexx will contact Habitat about volunteers for rest stops and registration

We updated flyer with additional info to clarify costs and rides—printed some color and b/w copies at library for immediate distribution—Alexx will also talk to Habitat about additional copies.

Richard will send out emails to over 1,000 people

Sue will work on press release and coordinate with Gene

After party-Parasol in the open space, pasta, music

Early bird registration Saturday 8/19 early prices

Pre-registration online 8/24 ends 5:00 pm

Who will mark routes? John Prince & Frank (?) **FM** call John Prince or Charlie Smyth

**FM TALK** to Sue about logistics of marking route using Strava for marking the route

**FM** Also call Charlie about coffee setup and supplies

One person at each rest stop responsible for checking numbers for century riders.

Encourage Ride to leaders bring their groups

Talk to ride leaders, no incentive for ride leaders

Registration from 7-10

Century riders should leave by 7:30

Lunch start 11:00 am

**Fm** pretest Dongle for credit crds and check with Charlie Smyth about fixing it??

Oatmeal bar stop by 9:30

**FM** check with St Pats/ Knights of Columbus about chafing dishes and sterno

discussion about needs for pasta after ride and oatmeal bar after the ride.

Updated Kelly's CUAP spreadsheet/task list: L7 and L8 for food

I also pulled out volunteer tasks and put them under a separate category for reference purposes.

I didn't make any changes with Businesses in section K or section M for where we advertise

# Prairie Cycle Club

## Board meeting minutes from 6/19/2017

**Present:** Frank Modica, Michael Fuerst, Alexx Heald-Alejo, Jeff Decker, Gene Grass

**Absent:** Richard Brannon, Ellen Hedrick

**Agenda/Discussion:**

**Minutes:** The minutes from the May 2017 board meeting were approved.

**Discussion:**

Treasurer's Report: \$5343.76 balance for June 19, 2017

Insurance as a co-sponsor for a ride-MDA Ride for Ray

Insurance would cost a minimum of \$233 or \$4.54 per person non member participants

CUAP event planning agenda

Need something descriptive in the title decided to change name to CUAP Gran Fondo

Various suggestions for changing the name

Defining Purpose for the ride

Timing options: chip options-or analog timing

Change insurance--investment for future rides?? Timing??insurance implications? Volunteers needed for timing

Route(s)

Volunteers

Food/Sponsors/Donations

Budgets

Spreadsheet information CUAP costs the past three years.

Annual Expenses	Category	Typical Due Date	Actual	Actual	Actual
			2014 Amount	2015 Amount	2016 Amount
Facility rental for CUAP (Ford Harris)	CUAP	4April	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$35.00
Event Insurance for CUAP (August)	CUAP	8August	\$176.08	\$158.00	\$302.57
CUAP/Volunteer events	CUAP	9August	\$102.71	\$165.10	\$137.00
CUAP Food and related Expenses	CUAP	9August	\$369.65	\$426.84	\$549.10
CUAP prizes/in kind donations (est value)	CUAP	1September	\$100.00	\$150.00	1250

**Do we have**Canopies, Tents

**Upcoming Events:**

**Next Meeting: Monday, June 26 at 6:30 pm**

# Prairie Cycle Club

## Board Meeting on May 24, 2017

**Present:** Gene Grass, Michael Fuerst, Ellen Hedrick, Frank Modica, Alexx Heald-Alejo and Richard Brannon,

**Absent:** No one

**Minutes:** The minutes from the 04/20/2017 board meeting were approved.

### **Agenda:**

**Personnel Changes in the Board:** John Prince resigned from the PCC Board. Jeff Decker joined the Board as an At large member. There are still two open vacancies on the board, Secretary and Publicity.

**Treasurer's Report:** There is currently \$5643.24 in the bank.

**Bike Month Wrap Up:** There will be a traffic skills class on Saturday, May 27th.

**Food Cruise Update:** The Food Cruise made a profit of \$133. Expenses were \$252 for insurance and a Facebook advertisement. A decision was made to donate \$120 to Champaign County Bikes. A survey is going to be sent out soon to the riders who participated.

**Change the Board Meeting Day:** The Board decided to change the meeting day to the 3rd Monday of the month instead of the third Wednesday. This was done to allow all members to attend each meeting. The time was also changed from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM.

**CUAP (August 26th):** Alexx and Jeff will be organizing the ride this year. The name of the ride may change to something like "Flatland Fun Tour". There will also be a "write up" about the ride that can be sent to the media. The event also needs to be posted on Mike Bentley and Bike Rides Indiana. The same template as last year will be used. Decision was made to have fewer prizes. Ellen will work on getting two or three gift certificates from the local bike stores. The same sponsors that were used last year will be contacted again.

**Website:** Has been updated by Michael. The site still needs more pictures.

**Full Moon Rides:** Will take place on both June 9th and July 8th. Each one will go to the Sidney Dairy Barn. Since the distance is only 22 miles round trip, Jeff will design a longer route for the faster riders. Announcements will be sent for both rides.

**PCC Participation in First Fridays in Urbana:** Gene thinks we should create an awareness and exposure of the Prairie Cycle Club at this event. We could perhaps set up a table to communicate with people and have some flyers to pass out.

**July 4th Freedom Celebration Parade:** Champaign County Bikes is participating in the parade and has invited PCC members to ride along with them.

**Strava:** A social network for cyclists and runners which contains ride, speed and distance information. It is also a way to meet up with people who are looking to ride on a certain day. Alexx and Jeff to help set this up for the Club.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, June 19th at 6:30 PM at the Dancing Dog Restaurant in Urbana.

## Prairie Cycle Club Board Meeting on April 20, 2017

**Present:** Gene Grass, Michael Fuerst, Ellen Hedrick, John Prince, Frank Modica, Alexx Heald-Alejo and Richard Brannon,

**Guest:** Annie Adams (Imbibe Urbana)

**Absent:** No one

**Minutes:** The minutes from the 03/15/2017 board meeting were approved.

### Discussions:

**Spring Pizza Party Review:** Some members in attendance expressed interest in talking about their biking trips to other countries. This may happen at a future club "get together". There were problems with taking credit card payments. The Dongle did not work correctly. Frank will work on getting it fixed. Some of the guests expressed interest in having rides start from Mahomet. Long discussion about inappropriate behavior at the party--need to communicate needs before events. Approximately 50 people attended the event. There was plenty of pizza. We have 110 memberships and approximately 130 members in the club.

### Upcoming Events:

**April 29th, Imbibe Urbana Try Athlon:** Annie Adams, the organizer, attended meeting to find out about getting insurance for the event.

**Monthly New Member Ride:** Board decided this ride was unnecessary because other weekly rides supplement this. Ride will not take place.

**May 1 Bike to Work Rally:** 6 to 8 PM in downtown Urbana. Organized by Annie Adams.

**Bike to Work Day** is May 2. Register online at <http://cubikemonth.weebly.com/> (gives you an opportunity to tell the Cities how they can improve bike infrastructure - Alexx mentioned sweeping the roads where there is glass and other debris.

**May 10 Full Moon Ride:** Meadow Park, 6-8 pm, Live Music, bicycle ride for kids, drawing for giveaways and ride to Sidney Dairy Barn. Bikes leave from Windsor Road parking lot. 2 PCC volunteers needed starting at 5:30 PM. Ellen will do the recruiting (ride leaders). Frank signed up to help at this event. (Rain date is May 11)

**May 11 Lunar Cycle Ride:** Starts at 6 PM from Common Ground in Urbana. Goes to Riggs Brewery for a beer then returns.

**May 17 RIDE OF SILENCE:** Sweepers needed for this ride. Meeting at Houlihan's in Champaign ½ hour before the start time of 7:00 pm

**May 18 KRT Fund Raiser at Cowboy Monkey:** There will be a short PCC bike ride starting somewhere downtown at 5:30 PM. After the ride, people will gather at the restaurant to socialize. There will also be a regular Thursday evening ride at Zahnd Park. - will also check with Jeff Decker to see if his ride wants to participate

**May 20th Food Cruise:** Signups just starting. Gene created a link from Facebook page to web site, so riders can register. More advertising needed. Richard to send an invite to both PCC and Second Wind Running Club. A second reminder will be e-mailed as well. Volunteers will be needed also. Annie Adams made a fantastic looking flier for the event - full sheet and quarter sheet handouts.

**Saturday rides:** During May start at Meadowbrook 9:00 am and end at Lincoln Square/Urbana Farmer's Market. Can PCC help man bicycle booth at the Farmer's Market? Need PCC Flyers for the Market.

### Treasurer's Report:

\$209.07 reimbursement check to Ellen Hedrick for printing expenses (PCC Stickers)

Current balance as of 4/19/2017 \$5459.67



**Next Meeting:** May 24th, 5:30 PM at the Dancing Dog Restaurant in downtown Urbana  
(postponed one week due to Ride of Silence on the 17th)

# PCC Board Meeting

March 15, 2017

In Attendance: Richard Brannon, Frank Modica, John Prince, Alexx Heald-Alejo, Michael Fuerst, Barlow LeVold  
(absent Gene Grass, Ellen Hedrick)

## MINUTES:

### APPROVALS

Approved February Meeting Minutes: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1NS3nZKE-JVWiKQrAzQMVD3EJ6fVloOj9SEkipgK5b1c/edit>

Moved, seconded, and approved

### SPRING START UP MEETING

- All set. Need to send out announcement--email, flyers--tri-fold flyer publicity, John printed off posters--for bike shops. John, Alexx, Frank, and Richard Brannon will help with distribution. TBP in Urbana and Campus. Jupiter at the Crossing, in the basement.
- Need to be able to sign members up that day (applications, cash and credit cards) Frank will dongle for credit card.
- Ride fliers/business cards--will check with Ellen about business cards.

### DISCUSSION FOR BOARD

- CIBCL - Gene and Ellen attended this on Saturday Feb 18
- Lots of notes on membership #s and cost
- Every club has a metric of some sort; ridership is down for all
- It was noted that only one club ride was talked about outside of the club reports and that was (Ellen, of course, talking about) Bike BlonNos Tour de Taco (maybe this means that it is time for something new)
- Everyone told what they charge for their metrics and Peter thinks we are not charging enough (of course something needs to be offered for the money - discuss under CUAP)
- Got a list dates of rides from all of the clubs
- Will need to set a date or two for ride leaders' coaching ride before season starts (or maybe just close to season start (Peter Davis, Charlie Smythe, Valerie Sivecek) have someone act as a sweep- but depends on the type of ride.
- **I was told that you all discussed the next three bullet points and decided to do New Member Meeting rides on the first Wednesday of each month and have ride leaders from all speeds be present - is that correct?**
  - "New Member Ride," offer all speeds (can this be done in conjunction with the Pedaling for Pleasure ride on Wednesdays? Maybe first Wednesday of the month? Let's decide! Nobody gets dropped during this ride. A level one ride. Need leaders for each speed to encourage more participation.
  - "Member Meeting Rides" where we rotate thru the week days, month by month, and encourage all leaders and members to come, \$1/person toward a treat, need destination - can be Casey's :) we won't do member meeting rides as a club event.
  - Need to work on this schedule some more. Want dates for Moonlight rides first: May: Monday, June: Tuesday, July: Wednesday, August: Thursday, September: Friday (need to designate 1st, 2nd, 3rd...) need Gene's input on Moonlight rides.
- Website Refresh: any updates? (Michael and Gene)
- Weekly ride page is up to date
- Bike Month
  - May 10 (Wednesday) Moonlight ride, Meadowbrook, with Urbana Park District
    - 2 PCC volunteers needed for info booth
    - PCC donation to band at Meadowbrook? Need more information about the bands from Gene. electronic vote about \$ for bands.
  - May 17 Ride of Silence same day as our scheduled meeting. Will need sweepers for this. ride. Meeting at Houlihan's in Champaign ½ hour before start of ride. Start ride at 7:00 pm
  - May \_\_ Bike to work day. John will contact Jeff Yockey about CCB date
  - FYI Note: Live Grit Weekend Getaway Champaign of Rides May 19-21
  - Saturday rides - all start at Meadowbrook and end at the Market (before noon)
  - PCC booth at market? (or just CCB?) PCC should help man the booth and have PCC flyers. Ask for volunteers--need flyers for Market at the Square.

- CU Food Cruise: (Ellen)
  - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/15BOQivaLodJjB8PAzKKmpsrHlwZoR8KXi5tGZxHo2lg/edit>
  - Info sheet that is being sent to bike shops, restaurants, food trucks and breweries
  - Have many confirmed vendors
    - Reserve Hessel Park pavilion for start location (for free) -
  - Have committee for route planning, requested and have a few volunteers at start and to lead and sweep rides. Ellen will have planning meeting @ her house March 19th--4:00 pm
  - Marketing and promotion--flyers, website, email announcements--bike shops?
  - Web registration. Proposal: \$15 entry with the option of bringing 1 child under 12 for free tech shirts will be available for purchase at time of registration at \$10/each. It should be set up so that the kids are counted and that someone can order a shirt for themselves and for the child. (if possible, I would love to be copied on registrations)
  - Expenses: Bright orange tech shirts for volunteers (For participants: optional tech shirts for purchase) not date specific on the tech shirts
  - Need to set up online registration and advertise at April 11 meeting
- CUAP
  - **Date set for August 26 to coincide with Urbana Sweet Corn festival.**
  - Are we raising money for a charity? Not decided yet--support lights for bikes in underserved communities through the Bike Project. Do again.
  - Volunteers to get gift certificates or discounts at a bike shop (CC willing to do this)
  - Use local business food at SAG stops; Food trucks at end for lunch? (just an idea) not if we coincide with Sweet Corn Festival
  - Start at Parasol Records
  - Who is organizing what?? Gene, Alexx and John are organizing. John has preliminary routes mapped out.
  - Food donations--need to work on. Schnuck,s Einstein Bagels
- MEMBERS ONLY RIDES
- Spring Century - members only, no cost
  - **Changed date to saturday May 6 so it doesn't conflict with Champaign Cycle's used bike sale**
  - John will organize; make up routes
  - Need to set up online registration and advertise at April 11 meeting
- Destination ride ideas
  - Just doing some thinking:
  - Gibson for drive in; camp overnight; ride back next day
  - New Glarus from Freeport (need a long weekend)
  - Mini bike packing trips to Clinton Lake, Moraine View, Fox Ridge, or Kickapoo, for example
  - Dinner rides from meetup point to local restaurant--make it family friendly--no drops and sweeper of those rides.
  - Can someone compose message on Facebook or email to solicit other volunteers to step forward to organize impromptu events--with TBP
    - ?? Sunday or Saturday evenings?
- Logoed merch - PCC merch other than jerseys.
  - Window stickers, small stickers for bikes, socks (Ellen will get quote from UpClose on logo stickers - about the size of a quarter, maybe half dollar) Ellen got a quote
  - **Board gave Ellen the ok to order 500 helmet stickers for \$250 from UpClose Printing**
  - John will check out pricing for socks. Sock Guy one possible vendor
- Inaugural Ray Spooner Memorial Ride Update (formerly Tour de Casey's) on Aug 5, 2017. Gene and Charlie working with this ride. But PCC will cover ride for insurance purposes.

**NEW BUSINESS Stuff that requires board approval:**

**Board approved:** price for C-U Food Cruise: propose \$15 + \$10/Tech shirt; one free <12 kid/adult (\$5 for PCC expenses, \$5 for insurance, \$5 to donate to CCB)

Need approval to buy Tech shirts for ride leaders and sweeps.

Need online registration.

Also need online registration for Spring Century (tie to membership app/renewal)

Will hold electronic vote about the tech shirts. Don't have enough information-about sizes and quantities.

Why are we having so many problems with accessing Google Docs (or is it Google Drive?)

Free ride pass suggestion from Peter Davis. Need clarification about the mechanics of the Free ride pass. Conference call with Peter

for clarification about details. Table until next meeting  
Suggestion by Alexx--"free ride pass" on back side of business card

#### UPDATES FROM OTHER CYCLING ORGANIZATIONS

- Bike Project-distribution of lights April 2. At Douglas Center. Pre-volunteer meeting to help prepare the lights for installation. Need volunteers for lights prep and installation.
- CCB has had no meetings

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

- Reimburse Ellen \$85 for first round of drinks for Ride Leader's meeting, \$6 for parking and \$59.92 for mileage for CIBCL Workshop (total \$150.92)
- Ellen needs check for \$100 made out to Champaign Park District (refundable deposit for use of Hessel park for C-U Food Cruise
- (Frank, please give both checks to John or mail to me)
- Current balance as of 2/15/2017 is \$5000.76

#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

- 90 sign ups so far
- Richard sent e-mail asking both members and non members to sign-up for the 2017 season

# PCC Board Meeting

February 15, 2017

In Attendance: Gene Grass, Frank Modica, Alexx Heald-Alejo, John Prince, Michael Fuerst, Ellen Hedrick

Absent: Richard Brannon

## MINUTES:

### APPROVALS

Approved January Meeting Minutes: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1\\_mMZp7VPC4T3QAIJTvkh6w5m\\_MubK6xycCbVNZgkBY/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_mMZp7VPC4T3QAIJTvkh6w5m_MubK6xycCbVNZgkBY/edit)

### SPRING START UP MEETING

- John made reservation: Tuesday April 11 6-8pm downstairs at Jupiter's at the Crossing (½ price pizza, soft drinks); John will set up the order, Alexx will select vegan options.
- Need to be able to sign members up that day (applications, cash and credit cards)
- Pass out club business cards (leaders need a supply) - who?
- Fliers for special rides (Nina made one for recumbent ride; CU Food Cruise)

### DISCUSSION FOR BOARD

- CIBCL - Gene and Ellen are attending this on Saturday Feb 18
  - What info do we want to get from this event?
  - Find out what other clubs do; get ideas
  - Find out dates of their rides (want to know for CUAP)
- Ride leader's meeting: Sunday Feb 12, 5-7 pm Destihl (room reserved)
  - Went well, good discussions
  - Suggest every ride have a designated "sweep" (can assign on ride by ride basis)
  - Want to have a leaders' coaching ride before season starts (or maybe just close to season start (Peter Davis, Charlie Smythe, Valerie Sivecek)
  - Talked about bringing back a once a month "New Member Ride," offer all speeds; this will be done in conjunction with the Pedaling for Pleasure (which already focuses on new members/beginning riders, but not all new members will be beginning riders, that's why we need leaders for all speeds) ride on Wednesdays. first Wednesday of the month
  - Talked about bringing back "Member Meeting Rides" where we rotate thru the week days, month by month, and encourage all leaders and members to come; Peter Davis suggested a raffle at a ½ way meeting point - \$20 cert. From CC
    - Need to work on this schedule some more. Want dates for Moonlight rides first: May: Monday, June: Tuesday, July: Wednesday, August: Thursday, September: Friday (need to designate 1st, 2nd, 3rd...)
    - Gene - provide dates for Moonlight rides; want to post on website
  - Mahomet start rides: will probably just call show and go rides, maybe random Sunday afternoons (Teri Stoerger, Ellen Hedrick, Andrea Stack)
  - Website needs to include expectations (Michael added both bullets)
    - required : helmet, lights if riding after dark is involved
    - Strongly suggested: eye protection, water bottle, energy snack, cash
- Winter activity ideas (bike mechanics) - Ellen sent request to Drew at CC, never heard back, not pursuing (winter is almost over)
- Website Refresh: Michael reiterated that the only change Clif made was the them
  - It does look cleaner and works well on mobile devices
  - But it is impersonal
  - Gene wants more feedback from board members
  - Weekly ride page is updated
  - CU Food Cruise page has been added

- Bike Month
  - May 10 (Wednesday) Moonlight ride, Meadowbrook, with Urbana Park District
    - 2 PCC volunteers needed for info booth
    - PCC donation to band at Meadowbrook?
  - May 17 Ride of Silence
  - May \_\_ Bike to work day
  - FYI Note: Live Grit Weekend Getaway Champaign of Rides May 19-21 (Chicago people)
  - Saturday rides - all start at Meadowbrook and end at the Market (before noon)- member recruitment
  - PCC booth at market? (or just CCB?)
- CU Food Cruise: (Ellen)
 

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  - Info sheet that is being sent to bike shops, restaurants, food trucks and breweries
  - Have many confirmed vendors
    - Reserve Hessel Park pavilion for start location (for free)
  - Need Committees (leaders & sweeps), route planning, volunteers at start
  - Marketing and promotion
  - Web registration
  - Make May 11 the last day to register (that allows us to register folks at the May 10 moonlight ride event)
  - Expenses: Bright orange tech shirts for volunteers (For participants: optional tech shirts for purchase)
  - Need to set up online registration and advertise at April 11 meeting
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- CUAP
  - Gene proposed a different date: Saturday September 9 (CCC is Sept 10)
    - Let's set the date in stone - not done yet, wait until we get dates from all the other clubs at CIBCL workshop to avoid conflicts
  - Are we raising money for a charity? Not decided yet
  - Volunteers to get gift certificates or discounts at a bike shop (CC willing to do this)
    - Need to get non riding volunteers
    - People outside of PCC so members can ride
  - Use local business food at SAG stops; Food trucks at end for lunch? (just an idea)
  - Who is organizing what?? Gene Alexx and John
- MEMBERS ONLY RIDES
  - Spring Century - members only, no cost
    - Set date for April 29
    - John will organize; make up routes
    - Metric route from Mahomet, can ride out and back for a full century
    - Need to set up online registration and advertise at April 11 meeting
    - **Need a members only email google group**
  - Destination ride ideas
    - Gibson for drive in; camp overnight; ride back next day
    - New Glarus from Freeport (need a long weekend)
    - Dinner rides from meetup point to local restaurant--make it family friendly--no drops and sweeper of those rides.
    - ?? Sunday or Saturday evenings?
- Saturday rides - all start at Meadowbrook and end at the Market (before noon) Member recruitment
  - After KRT opens, add a Saturday family ride from Market to St Joe (Gene lead?)
  - Club fliers at bike shops
  - With member application
  - Members only events - advertise to the complete list, but make it a sign up for members only
- Logoed merch - PCC merch other than jerseys.
  - Window stickers, small stickers for bikes, socks (Ellen will get quote from UpClose on logo stickers - about the size of a quarter, maybe half dollar) **find vector logo file**
  - John will check out pricing for socks. Sock Guy one possible vendor
- Inaugural Ray Spooner Memorial Ride Update (formerly Tour de Casey's) on Aug 5
  - Will PCC commit volunteers and support?
  - Needs to encourage all speeds; multiple distance options.

- Music at St Joe
- Start of NW corner of parking lot at Urbana Walmart (1st leg on KRT)
- Fundraiser for MDA (will have a minimum to raise i.e. \$25; will be able to set up a fundraising page and get sponsors) - organizing this with MDA

#### NEW BUSINESS

Rides mentioned under leaders meeting

PCC logo stickers for members - helmet stickers, bike stickers

#### UPDATES FROM OTHER CYCLING ORGANIZATIONS

- CCB (Ellen, no report, no Feb meeting held)
- Bike Project (John)
  - April 2: Light your bike event - would like PCC volunteers
  - 251 /600 lights bought with CUAP donation
  - Will have battery install party with pizza a few days before the event.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

- Insurance got paid
- Reimburse Ellen \$85 for first round of drinks for Ride Leader's meeting Frank can send check or drop off at office--or mail? (can wait until next meeting)
- Current balance as of 2/15/2017 is \$ 5336.51

#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

- 85 sign ups so far
- Will send e-mail asking both members and non members to sign-up for the 2017 season when I get back to Champaign from the trip. (02/25/2017)

Prairie Cycle Club  
Board Meeting on January 18, 2017

**Present:** Gene Grass, Michael Fuerst, Ellen Hedrick, John Prince, Frank Modica, Alexx Heald-Alejo and Richard Brannon

**Absent:** No one

**Minutes:** The minutes from the 12/22/2016 board meeting were approved.

**Items/Discussions:**

**Dinner/Annual meeting:** Good turnout and the food and service were well done. However, there was a consensus that the portions were too small. Next year it might be better to have a buffet. Also, one speaker spoke too long.

**Spring pizza party:** Tentatively scheduled for April 11, 2017 at Jupiter's at the crossing from 6:00 PM till 8:00 PM. Club will buy pizzas and soft drinks. John will reserve the room for the party.

**CIBCL:** Prairie Cycle Club is sending Gene Grass, president and Ellen Hedrick, Activities Director. If there's room, Alexx Heald-Aljeo, at large member, will go if her work schedule permits.

**Web Site:** The Club is going to hire somebody at no cost to redo the look of the web site. Once this person is done, the board will review the work to decide if we should incorporate the new design or not. Michael is going to renew our Domain name with Start Logic for 5 years at \$17.00 per year.

**Ride leaders Dinner meeting:** Set for Sunday February 12 at Destihl from 5:00 PM till 7:00 PM. Club will pay for the first round of drinks. The room is already reserved.

**CUAP:** Set for Saturday August 26. The starting place is still under consideration. Volunteers and sponsors for the event will be needed. Board Members realize not to wait too long to start looking for help and sponsorship. Both last year's sponsors and last year's volunteers will be contacted, plus an e-mail sent looking for new helpers.

**Bike Month:** On May 10 (Wednesday) there will be a Moonlight ride held in conjunction with the Urbana Park District. We are going to have a booth manned by two people.

**PCC Fund-raiser Event (C-U Food Cruise)** Will take place on May 20 and start from Hessel Park. Registration will start at 2:00 PM and the ride will be from 3-6 PM. Pre-registration is required.

Ride is limited to 150 participants. CCB will loan bike racks and may have bikes to rent as well.

Committees and route planning still need to be done. The volunteers will get bright orange shirts to wear. The funds will go to Champaign County Bikes.

**Members only Ride:** Will be April 22 with a back-up date of April 29. The ride will start and end from JT Walkers in Mahomet. The route will be a metric century. John to organize this event.

**Saturday Rides:** Will all start from Meadowbrook Park and end at the Farmer's Market in Urbana for the first month of the season – May.

**Treasurer's Report:** \$6501.92 in bank. Board approved renewal of membership for League of American Bicyclists -\$100, and renewal of membership for Ride Illinois, also \$100.00. Additionally, approval was given to pay \$800.00 for bicycle insurance through LAB (This amount is based on there being 200 members in the club.). Approval was also given to pay the Post Office Box rental fee.

**Membership Report:** 69 people have now signed up for 2017 membership. This equates to roughly 80 members so far for 2017, because some of the 69 signees paid for family membership.



**Next Meeting:** February 15 at 5:30 PM at Research Park.