

## **NCVA board of Directors Minutes of January 20, 2005**

NCVA Board of Directors meeting notes

20 Jan 2005

Hobee's Palo Alto

(approved at 17 Feb 2005 board meeting)

Meeting called to order at 1907 hrs by NCVA President Mike Hardaway.

Directors present: Walker, Rodamaker, Martinez, Petersen, Simmons, Miranda, Franklin, Hardaway.

NCVA member Rick Adams also present.

No notes/minutes from November presented for approval.

No formal treasurer's report.

Simmons notes purchase in process of seven single-speed bikes from the sponsor (bikes to receive simple retrofit for Hellyer use). Simmons also notes some repair/maintenance outlays to Cupertino BS.

Old Business:

1) Fleet

Rodamaker reports four frames regarded as past useful life in rental fleet were donated to charity at the advice of Vance Sprock and through Bruce Hildenbrand as the recycling agent.

Andante jr bikes believed delivered and in the Juniors-specific container.

Owing to recent net additions to the fleet, more hanging space is needed. Front part of container #2 to be set up for usable rental bikes of outlying sizes. Believed no work party required.

2) County/NCVA renovation and/or improvement projects

Hardaway has approached Webcor construction concerning the possibility of sponsorship in kind (construction and materials); has shown the plans approved under the county's project description. Webcor contact says:  
a) could use concrete where asphalt is shown (but asphalt would not require a new approval process).

b) the fact that the county has agreed the project could be split into parts (some of which are of most utility to NCVA, others of more utility to the county - irrigation notably) helps.

Further work on this to be advanced by Hardaway, Simmons, Rodamaker

3) 2005 Contract Renewal

Signed. Summary of changes:

a) we have more explicit right of control/approval of track use, eliminating or curtailing a back channel whereby outsiders with county connections could gain use of the velodrome facility without review by NCVA and without clear

process for establishing priority in case of conflict.

b) restriction on displacement size of parking motorcycles is eliminated

c) 15 parking passes (for Hellyer Park only) for 2005 provided by the county to help the volunteer facilitators support the general use of the facility.

d) The County has requested formally a copy of our 2005 third party indemnity coverage.

Walker moves that for 2005, administration of the passes be charged to the Chief Supervisor (currently Simmons, acting). Rodamaker 2nd. Motion carries unanimously.

4) Scheduling - Perennial events, other events

Petersen notes the Jr Championships date keeps getting overtrodden by bigger NCNCA event footprints. Suggests Friday night 5/27. No dissent, so it looks like that's it.

Also, Petersen now has a conflict on 28 May, previously scheduled date for Ed Steffani memorial SJGP. Invites dissent re a Sunday in July. None spoken. New tentative date: 31 July, which puts it against a road event in Markleeville.

Masters' nats now 24-28 August. Suggested we move joint Sr/Masters weekend to 16-18 September. No argument, so this is the tentative date for most of the events (Petersen hosted sr Keirin and Madison championships in his July Friday night events in 2004).

The NCVA has been approached regarding the use of the facility - the infield, primarily - for an international competition of trained police dogs, to be organized by a local training company. They want one whole Sat in Nov '05. They appear to be willing to pay commensurate with the opportunity cost of a lost Saturday AM beginner session and the burden of NCVA supervision which is required by our contract with the county to administer the facility. Hardaway will continue correspondence and negotiate.

NEW Business

RECOGNITION/compensation of volunteer work generally:

Franklin invites feedback for a February proposal for an annual Track user fee (he suggests \$25). In current concept, juniors and out-of-area riders, and saturday AM beginners would be excluded. In current concept some sort of accounting of volunteer work would allow recovery of the entire fee relatively easily by those who actually get involved.

An independent suggestion is made that those who organize or administer NCVA activities which benefit from volunteer assistance

be empowered to issue limited and commensurate "velo bucks".

Walker moves to authorize Saturday AM supervisors to issue up to \$10 weekly for competent assistants they enlist at their sessions, with the proviso that in all cases insurance surcharges be collected from all participants. Rodamaker 2nd. Budget = \$500 annually. Passes unanimously.

Walker moves that work party organizers be authorized to offer/issue up to \$10 in velo bucks per participant, with a maximum total authorization under this program of \$1000 for calendar 2005. Rodamaker 2nd. Passes unanimously.

### USCF Elite Nationals & Nationals Qualifying Events

USCF has backed down from earlier plan to conduct qualifiers as three-weekend series at local tracks. Details are still (at 20 Jan 05) being worked out, but Martinez wants to be the organizer for the qualifier(s), whatever format emerges. Remaining to be established by USCF:

- a) categorization restrictions
- b) licensing requirements

Note: Elite nats will be 3-6 August, at the ADT velodrome in Carson.

Barring details in the above which cannot be made to work in the context of the FNBA series, Martinez would like to include the mass start qualifiers in that series, most likely on July 8 and 15. If the requirements for the qualifier events are irreconcilable, he will conduct them as separate events with separate registration/entry on the same Friday night sessions. He wants to organize the qualifiers for the TT events on Saturdays in the same part of July.

### LONG-format midweek evening racing series

Franklin speaks for Larry Nolan's desire to organize 6:30 PM long-format racing on Tuesdays from 6 April to 24 August. The obvious issues of arranging for "after hours" ranger presence and late closing, and the apparent overlap of what would be the warmup period with Farid's jr program, particularly during early summer when Dusk is much later, as well as a clear presentation/proposal, preclude formal approval of the program at this meeting. This one is sent back for more details to be specified and for reconciliation with the existing Tuesday juniors/espoirs program.

### NCVA web site evolution:

Walker will be moving away from the area in the next few months, and with it the current hosting of the NCVA web site content will go away. Franklin will replace Walker as webmeister.

Walker moves that up to \$300 be budgeted for calendar 2005 to pay for domain registration, web site co-hosting, and related charges as Franklin sees fit to secure for the NCVA. 2nd Rodamaker.

Motion carries w/o dissent.

Rick Adams has volunteered to coordinate Wed PM racing in 2005. His resume includes experience as a licensed official over 20 years ago. Martinez is also interested in organizing the series this year. These two are urged to work out a division of labor; Walker offers to supply Adams with software "tools" used in 2001-04, but it sounds like these will only be a starting point as Adams contemplates a more versatile racer database system than has been used previously. No action items.

Adjourned at 20:58.

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## **NCVA board of Directors Minutes of Febuary 17, 2005**

Hardaway calls meeting to order at 1911 hrs.

Attendance: directors Petersen, Franklin, Hardaway, Simmons, Rodamaker, Walker. Also NCVA community member Ruggy Holloway.

Approval of Minutes:

July 2004 - approved

Aug 2004 - approved

Oct 2004 - approved

Nov 2004 - approved

Jan 2005 - approved w/removal of redundant nested copy

Simmons presented 2004 end-year annual statement.

26,878.58 currently on account, with ~\$3600 in accounts payable on 2005 ATRA insurance and bike fleet additions.

Hardaway reports that residual issues with the County concerning correct identification of the County in the 3rd party insurance documentation are essentially resolved.

Walker moves to approve Nolan's plan for a nine-Thursdays endurance racing series from 31 March to 26 May, with Franklin to develop publicity, and subject to County's willingness to supply the ranger labor necessary for after-dusk racing. Rodamaker 2nd. Passes unanimously. Sessions will be listed as 5:30PM to 9:45 PM on the

Use Calendar.

HPV Fun Day: in absence of objection, the HPV group will be scheduled for 22 May. It's up to them to secure and pay supervisor(s) who will secure user fees in the usual way.

Followup from January: the local police dog trainers who have negotiated for use on the 1st weekend in November have requested use for a local event on 15-16 May. Existing commitments notably including the Brockie/Worley/Ryan/Woo sprint tournament make this impossible; Hardaway will see whether another week might

Discussion of a request made to have more weekend sessions this time of year, beyond the Beginner sessions and not exclusive to women or juniors. Answer seems to be that in the end if there is not a supervisor who can be found who will do it then it won't happen; we need more supervisors, and it's feasible for an adult who is beyond Sat Beginner sessions and available on weekends to be trained as a supervisor. Interested parties are invited to contact chief supervisor John Simmons.

The alleged shortage of locks for the cables inside container #1 was determined to be due to both locks being used at opposite ends of one cable rather than looping the cable on itself at one end.

Petersen claims that Jr championships only take 2-3 hrs and that some thought was given to feasibility of fitting it in a single evening session before scheduling it. Race ads are already done, so although the next afternoon (5/28) is free, he's going to stick with 5/27.

ATRA will host an athlete reception on 3/25 at worlds, with the purpose of giving velodrome reps a chance to pitch offers to the international riders. Simmons reports that Matt Martinez is working on securing local funding to support such a pitch, for a Hellyer (Title Sponsor) Invitational in the July 15-16 timeframe. Wants NCVA support too but has not reached the level of a proposal. Expect a pitch at the March meeting.

Summer scheduling: Petersen will move Burbank Memorial and Earthbound Farm events back to July, in conjunction with Martinez's plans to host Hellyer Park's qualifier races for Elite nats on June 10/17/24 in combination with FNBA racing. Burbank will be 8 July, Earthbound farm will be on 15 July if not in conflict with the Invitational event Martinez will pitch at worlds. TT qualifiers will be on one of the 2nd/3rd/4th weekends in June. Martinez also offers to host districts, in August rather than tentative date in mid-September from January meeting.

1st and 4th weekends in August are out due to Elite and Masters' nats.

Miranda is looking for any Supervisor to cover his session on 3/26 so he can attend worlds in LA.

Franklin requests that in subsequent printings of NCVA forms, there be a line provided for racer email address, to assist buildup of rider database. Example: race session registration sheets. Simmons will implement at next printing.

Rodamaker moves to adjourn; Petersen 2nd. Motion carries, meeting adjourned at 2034 hrs.

## **NCVA board of Directors Minutes of March 17,, 2005**

Hardaway calls meeting to order at 1914 hrs.

Attendance: directors Petersen, Franklin, Hardaway, Rodamaker, Walker, Bohl. Also NCVA community members Larry Nolan, Rick Adams, and Steve Ryan, and coach Peter Simmons, interested in FNBA announcing and becoming a supervisor.

Approval of Minutes:

February 2005 - approved w/amendments requested by Petersen.

No treasurer -> no treasurer report.

Scheduling notes from the past month:

HPV Fun day moved to 6/26.

Dog Trainers' deposit for 5/21-22 now due.

Linelle Northcott's 3/25 and 4/3(motor) sessions approved.

Juniors Championships scheduling Feasibility.

Steve Ryan repeats a point made earlier in email that there are 152 km of racing in Jr championships, which at 50kph take over three hours.

Petersen rejoins that his email is broken; that flat demand over the last ten years suggests that many groups will be combined. Ryan explains junior demand is up. Petersen says more riders means faster racing. Petersen is directed to produce a timeline for the Friday championship session as a reality check. Petersen says he will use the rain date of Saturday afternoon 5/28 if the session can't be completed by the normal lights-out time. The 5/28 AM beginner session will stay in place.

Steve Ryan reports on the twice-monthly Sunday PM juniors 10-14 session co-hosted with Steven Woo. Top priority is safety for the newer riders; fastest workout for the more experienced ones is secondary. Since program inception, 37 unique riders have attended, 264 rider-hours of training. Good balance across age and gender. At least nine riders in each of the last nine sessions, except for the superbowl-CherryPie combo date. Steve thanks the board for the new small-sized bikes; if demand grows, may ask for more.

Steve reports for Patty Holloway that there appear to be at least three different backside (non-county) releases in use this spring. This is an issue for Simmons (liaison to ATRA insurance aggregator Mike Murray) to resolve, and communicate to webmaster if a fresh doc is needed online.

Holloway requests that supervisors inspect both sides of new releases, as many are showing up incomplete.

Rental bikes for Wed PM, Thu PM racing:

Rodamaker postulates it's a no brainer for As (NO!) and Cs (yes, possibly with limits). What about Bs? What about numeric categories? Adams and Nolan both want to run these series as ABC, and Hardaway says the historical backlog of upgrades was resolved to completion last year, so may as well stick with self-selection and peer pressure for the training race series. Consensus for Bs is...No. Rodamaker moves to allow rental to Cs for the duration of Wed and Thu PM 2005 series. Walker 2nd. On questioning, agrees to a limit of \*five\* racing sessions with rental bike per rider for the year. Motion carries without dissent.

Walker moves to keep entry fees for WedPM as in 2004: \$10 nightly, with an offer of a \$99 season-WedPM package to include membership in the NCVA and the franchise for the general meeting in September. Rodamaker 2nd. Motion carries without dissent.

Rodamaker introduces idea of an all-session pass. Some discussion of how many sessions a track nut might attend, and how much one could actually spend. No comprehensive database exists of existing rider base use patterns to see how many could break even based on various price points, so the discussion dies.

Rick Adams asks for direction concerning actual implementation of WedPM programs. Apart from several tips, conclusion is that Simmons and Martinez are the people Rick most needs to get on same page with...and since they're both absent, he'll have to pursue them outside the structure of the meeting.

Chair recommends that Nolan procure a USCF officiating license. Adams is current.

No update on Track repair/improvement project; no update on project to secure sponsorship-in-kind.

Rodamaker reports that there were 30 attendees at the 1st Worley/Brockie sprint session and that this seemed near the limit for a single session in terms of duty factor for individual riders. Walker suggests consideration of the devotion of a small fraction of the session to mass start racing; makes for less sprinting, but higher overall duty factor for the restles. Ryan notes it's a self-correcting problem: people who most vastly more sprint chances will not attend, and smaller cohort will allow moderately more sprints/rider.

Meeting adjourned at ~8:45 PM.