

Tripleshot Cycling Club
Annual General Meeting
September 22, 2019, 6:30 p.m.
Fernwood Inn

Meeting chaired by Martin Farnham, President

Tripleshot Executive present except Craig Bosenberg

Members moved at 6:30 that meeting commence.

Mary Griffin moved that AGM meetings from 2018 be approved. Seconded by Neil Forrest. Passed unanimously.

1. President's Report

Martin provided a membership summary:

- 278 members in club
- 7% growth from 2018
- 31% female or identifying as female
- ages range from 9 to 80
- median age is 49
- most members are between 40 and 60 years of age

Martin provided an event and race summary:

In addition to the regularly scheduled rides special events such as the Winter Solstice, Big Loop and Great Trail Adventure continue to well organized and attended.

Race event highlights included the following results from Canadian Master Nationals held in Victoria/Metchosin: Heather Simonson's first place in her age group's Time Trial, Andrew Neale's second place in his age group's criterium and Garth Campbell's third place in his age group's road race.

Several members travelled to Sardegna to participate in the Giro Sardegna.

Several members participated in the Whistler Grand Fondo and some qualified for 2020 Worlds.

Martin provided a summary of input by the club and members into the community noting contributions to act as ride guides for Soldier On and Ambriss, donating food and money through the annual back pack ride for the Mustard Seed food bank, and

organizing ride events including the VCL Speedway series, Cross-Fondo and Women's Clinic.

Executive activities included:

- working on refreshing club's website
- commencing consideration of a member's survey
- approving use of e-bikes on club rides when members need a little bit of additional power
- continually discussing safety issues
- discussing ways to develop members' riding skills
- cash awards for members riding in worlds
- purchasing a Tripleshot tent, bike stand and tools for Cross on the Rock races
- trying to organize a race team, winter gym training and summer party (none held due to low numbers or bad weather)

Martin noted there were a few rough spots including increase in incidents due in part to increase in number of riders, some negative public email and some members not riding courteously.

Direction ideas to discuss for 2019/2020 include coaching for better skills, speaking up on rides about problematic behaviour and making rides even more well-disciplined.

Martin noted that one element of the Town Hall to follow the AGM would be what the members want to do about racing as team with ideas including organizing a race skills clinic or a women's only race clinic and considering whether members just want to ride.

Martin and the attendees acknowledged the following contributions by certain club members:

- three executive members, Amy Errington, Neil Forrest and Marcus Gill are standing down
- volunteers in general and including Hugh Hart, Roland Rabien and John Taylor
- organizers of the cross fondo
- Shelagh Machin for the Rivet publication
- Ann Patrick and Martin Farnham for refreshing aspects of the website
- Rolf Warburton for organizing the photo drop site
- all the coaches including Lister Farrar
- advocacy by Lister

2. Treasurer's Report

Jill Plasteras presented the club's 2018/19 financial statement noting revenue sources and expenditures. No questions about the financial statement presentation were asked.

Jill also presented the club's 2019/2020 projected budget which was quite similar to the 2018/2019 financial results. One new line item was a \$1,000 expense for awards to club members who achieve exemplary results.

Dave Dallin moved that 2019/2020 budget be approved. Seconded by Ron Mierau. Carried unanimously.

Amy Errington moved that the audit requirement for the 2018/2019 financial statement be waived. Seconded by Jim Wallace. Carried unanimously.

3. Lister Farrar provided a youth report summary with highlights including:

- Isla Walker winning a stage at the Tour de L'Avenir
- membership is approximately 30
- there are 8 coaches and 250 training days
- members race about 60 days per year
- advocating for category racing based on ability rather than age
- alumnae results include Adam de Dos winning Canadian National Elite Mens' Road Race, Erin Attwell's Pan-Am Games Silver, Jay Lamoureux's Pan-Am Games Gold and top tens by Riley Pickerel and Sarah van Dam in track worlds
- new strength coach has been hired
- legacy of Hector Road connector
- new cross-fondo route to be announced

Lister also noted that costs are high for successful riders and revenue sources are limited. Riley is painting bikes, Erin is coaching and Jay is selling jerseys. Lister asked what club members can do.

4. Elections of 2019/2020 Club Executive

Martin proposed a slate consisting of:

- Martin Farnham, President
- Mary Griffin, Vice-President
- Jill Plasteras, Treasurer
- Tim Gijzen, Secretary
- Craig Bosenberg, Mikael Jansson, Andrew Neale, Ann Patrick, Heather Ranson directors at large

Martin asked three times if there were nominations from the floor. None were offered.

Hugh Hart moved that the slate be elected. Seconded by Mark Ford. Carried unanimously.

John Dower initiated thank you to Martin for his contributions.

5. Adjournment

As the formal portion of the AGM's agenda was completed Mary Griffin moved that the AGM be adjourned. Seconded by Amy Errington. Carried Unanimously.

Informal Town Hall and General Discussion

Fall Kit is available to order online. Thanks to Mary Griffin.

More volunteers are needed for the Cross Fondo including trail builders and race marshalls.

Need someone to transport tent to some cross races. Dave Dallin volunteered.

Need someone to help John Taylor transition away from organizing the VCL Speedway road races. Jim Wallace volunteered.

Need someone to lead organization of club parties. Mary Griffin volunteered.

Martin suggested that items that could be discussed further include safety, community input, race presence, rivet publication, web blog, women's race clinic, organizing a team for the Provincial Team Time Trials, holding a race clinic for B and C racers.

Dave Attwell provided a summary of a new travel club, the Bicycle Sportif Travel Club, that consists of members who organize travel rides for other club members.

Dave Dallin noted that Peter Lawless and others are attempting to bring the Invictus Games to Victoria in 2022. In regards to Tripleshot racing, Dave's view is that Tripleshot rides are an excellent training vehicle and that there are several race teams that contain and welcome Triplehot members.

A general discussion about Tripleshot racing followed. Opinions varied. Number of riders racing as Tripleshot is low. Wheelers club is discussing racing two teams with differentiating markers. Could consider racing as teams across clubs. However VCL points are important to some riders so club racing is desirable for them. Tripleshot "A" riders tend to race with other clubs. Tripleshot could focus on generating interest in racing from "B" and "C" riders. It may be difficult to add women's racing clinic to the general women's clinic because the coaches tend to be the racers.

Martin asked for input on communication strategies. Instagram was noted as being the best vehicle to reach younger members not Facebook. E-mail is okay for significant announcements. Good support for the Rivet publication.

Martin asked for input on riding safely. Consensus that two up riding that results in four abreast should be discontinued. Speed dating (slow rotation) is preferred except that a regular paceline might be more suitable for faster rides. Tighter formations on "C" rides could be encouraged bearing in mind that "C" riders may be less experienced and more nervous than other riders. Could have coaches on "C" rides. Could have "C" clinic on morning rides. Some members could ask others to speak up about unwelcome ride behaviour if member sees it but is uncomfortable about speaking up. All agreed that good ride communication is the key.

Town hall ends.