Northbrook Cycle Committee Meeting Minutes

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| Location: | Village Green |
| Date: | 02/15/2017 |
| Time: | 7:00 PM |
| Attendees: | Tyler George, Tony Ruffalo, Rich Weiss, Carl Wilkins, Tim Harrison, James Calvetti, Matt Fox, DeeDee Scandron, Val Brostrom, Josh Ryan, Aram Bayzaee |

# Call to Order: 7:05 PM

**Approval of Previous Minutes**

* Minutes from January 19th, 2017 were approved.

**Old Reports and New Business**

Chuck Martin (Treasurer)

* Account Totals (Via Text)
  + Capital: $70,162
  + Bank Account: $12,723
  + Total: $82,885

Aram Bayzaee (Sponsorship Director)

* The committee felt like we should press forward with using credit cards this year.
* We need to perform a dry run with Chuck, providing print outs of what he’ll receive. Carl will provide.

Matt Fox (Vice President)

* St. Louis just got approved for an outdoor 250m track.
* Raffle ->
  + Matt to find raffle tickets.
  + Discussion led by DeeDee around whether or not to do 200 tickets at $10/ea or 100 tickets at $20/ea. No conclusion.
  + Raffling off both a year of free racing and a set of wheels from Psimet.

Tyler George (Secretary)

* Discussion on ‘Most Courageous Rider’ award was pushed from doing red numbers to doing stickers (Matt Fox).
* The committee generally felt the award shouldn’t be named ‘Most Aggressive Rider’, the term “Most Courageous Rider” had been floated by James. Alternate names are welcomed to be brainstormed.

Val Brostrom (Race Director)

* Schedule
  + Delivered the preliminary schedule. Similar to last year with a few exceptions. 1) We’re going to run an International Omnium Night under the new rules with condensed racing. 2) We’re going to add another Timed Event day in preparation for Nationals in conjunction with a Sprint Omnium day. 3) Roger DeLanghe and Elaine Nekritz races will be the same night due to scheduling conflicts and the women’s race will have a bigger crowd.
  + Important Proposed Dates: Mo/Tue Clinics Begin (4/24), Kevin’s Upgrade Clinic (5/6), Opening Night (5/11), Cat 5 Nights (5/18, 6/29, 8/3), Tomasz Pac (6/8), Ladies Night / Tremelling (7/13), RDL/EN (8/10), Keirin State (8/17), Points State (8/24), Madison State (8/31). Sprint Omniums (5/13, 6/10, 7/8 + Timed), State Timed (8/12, 8/13), Juniors State @ Kenosha (6/17, 6/18), Masters State (7/30), Closing Night (9/7)
  + Need to Pick a Garner Keirin Night (Either 6/15 or 7/20)
  + Need to Follow Up on 2017 Sponsors (Aram / Val)
  + 6/3 is ATRA/USAC’s International Track Day where USAC will waive fees. We might have a community outreach event that day.
  + The idea of a Regional Competition between Blaine, Kenosha, Northbrook, and Indianapolis sounds like it’s being pushed. Our current proposal will be to include the International Omnium Night as a part of it as it leads into the Midwest Challenge and we’re incredibly tight on calendar. Carl said the proposed prize list was $2000-$3000 for the series with each race footing $500.
  + Keirin State is set to be the day before Fixed Gear Classic tentatively. The thought of moving the Madison there instead was on the table.

DeeDee Scandron

* ICA Grants for Cat 5 Women and Men training are available and will help offset costs. Matt Fox mentioned we were awarded grants two years ago and inquired as to who filled those out. No conclusion. Val to reach out to Kelly Clarke on this.
* Cat 4/5 women will race on Thursdays. To upgrade from a 5 to a 4, women can count those race days as training days. Val to reword upgrade procedure.
* USAC won’t need training nights permitted for upgrades (can be ATRA, etc).
* USAC waiver to be updated to include Northbrook, NCC added to it. Should the NCC have a policy for itself? Aram stated the Park District’s should cover us.

Carl Wilkins

* Went to the USAC meeting.
* Surrounding our question with having some recourse for riders upgraded prematurely racing our track. Provided some detail.
* USAC will review Cat 1’s on an annual basis and there may be sweeping downgrades occurring this year.
* USAC is encouraging participation in the international track day.
* USAC Masters Madison is taking place on a 166m track in Detroit. Open Category. October timeframe.
* Carl ran through new election results.
* Surrounding the new UCI rules around the Keirin, the consensus between tracks was a lot of concern and his guess was that all tracks will probably move forward doing the event in the same way.
* USAC can’t do ATRA insurance because of limited amount of policy.
* USAC broadened mission from solely Olympic performance to also goals to help all members.

Tony Ruffalo

* Provided Kenosha Updates. Larry Otter stepped down, John Horton is the new President.
* In order to be race ready: stripes need to be painted (have contractor, May timeframe) and the track needs to be officially measured.

Other Items

* Tony proposed redoing a bleachers section in honor of George Garner. It was brought up that a bench for George is already being done.
* Rock Hill has rumors about surface issues, sounds like dates for Masters Nationals is still set.
* The Ed Rudolph Velodrome is currently not listed in good standing with the ICA. Chuck informed us via text that we need to send him addresses to proceed.

# Call to Close: 9:09 PM