

Minutes
Chattanooga Bicycle Club
Annual Membership Meeting
January 18, 2020 6:00PM

The Chattanooga Bicycle Club's Annual Membership Meeting was held on Saturday, January 20, 2020 at The Feed Co. Table & Tavern. The evening kicked off with a social hour, and was followed by dinner. Desserts were provided by CBC board members.

Rich Rudner, who also served as Emcee for the evening, entertained members and their guests with videos of the 2019 Cycle Sequatchie event and CBC club rides.

Following the meal, Rich called to order the business portion of the meeting at approximately 7:30. After thanking social directors Patti Nihells and Beverly Short for their work in planning and coordinating the party, Rich called for a motion to approve the December meeting minutes. Motion was made, seconded, and approved with no dissenting votes.

Outgoing President, Joe Lodato, gave a recap of the very successful 2019 Cycle Sequatchie inaugural event, and discussed planned changes for 2020 - new routes and 3 optional mountain climbs. This event is co-hosted by CBC and Velo View Bicycle Tours, with Shannon Burke of Velo View taking the lead for the majority of the logistics and planning. The Land Trust for Tennessee is the named beneficiary of this event, with remaining proceeds split between Velo View and CBC. (This event is currently CBC's main fundraiser.)

Kerry Kerlin, with Jamie Pillsbury and Greg Houston of Lynskey Performance, introduced a planned fundraising raffle to benefit Bike Walk Chattanooga. Raffle tickets will be priced at \$20 with the drawing to be held during the Cycle Sequatchie event in October. The lucky raffle winner will be the proud owner of a brand new Lynskey bicycle – road, mountain, gravel – winner's choice! Chattanooga Bicycle Club and Lynskey will be helping with ticket sales. Lynskey has pledged a 50% discount off the cost of a bicycle to the seller of the most raffle tickets.

Ride Coordinator, Peggy Olson, gave a recap of the club rides:

- Total rides: 302
- Total riders: 2333

- Largest Rides:
 1. Z's Memorial Ride - Alan Voss – 23 Riders
 2. Riverpark Leisure Ride (Sep 6) – Chuck Puglisi – 21 Riders
 3. Riverpark Leisure Ride (Jul 5) – Chuck Puglisi – 20 Riders
 4. Spring Fling Intermediate Ride – Marty Pinson/John Poinsette – 20 Riders

- Most Rides by Ride Leader:
 1. Chuck Puglisi – 75 Rides
 2. Daisy Blanton – 42 Rides
 3. Peggy Olson – 37 Rides

As Peggy finished up the 2019 ride leader statistics, Jamie Pillsbury of Lynskey Performance surprised everyone by awarding a new Lynskey bicycle to Chuck Puglisi, who led a whopping 75 rides over the course of last year. Congratulations Chuck!

President-elect, Forrest Simmons, introduced an opportunity for the club to raise funds by selling some factory closeout inventory from former cycle wear manufacturer, Escadrille. Forrest brought samples of clothing items for members to look at. The items are high quality bibs, jerseys, gloves, rain jackets, and cold weather gear. Several members expressed interest in purchasing items.

The meeting continued with recognition of the 2019 board members, followed by a presentation of the proposed slate of officers for 2020 along with a call for nominations from the floor. With no new nominations forthcoming, the motion to accept the proposed slate was made, seconded, and approved by vote of members, with no dissenting votes.

Officers for 2020

President	Forrest Simmons
Vice President	Ben Keim
Secretary	Mariella Pechero
Treasurer	Sharon Russell
Ride Coordinator and Social Media Director	Margaret (Peggy) Olson
Membership Director	Lou Pape
Communications Director	Daisy Blanton
Social Director	Patti Nihells
Social Director	Beverly Short
Advocacy Director	Kat Volzer
At Large	Rich Rudner
At Large	Kerry Kerlin

The meeting wrapped up with drawings for several door prizes, some purchased by the club, and many generously donated or subsidized by the following local businesses:

- Owen Cyclery – Hixson, TN
- Suck Creek Cycles – Chattanooga, TN
- East Ridge Bicycles – East Ridge, TN
- Scott’s Bicycles – Cleveland, TN
- Handup Gloves – Chattanooga, TN
- Trailhead Bikes – Cleveland, TN

The meeting adjourned immediately following the door prizes, at approximately 8:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted by
Sharon Russell, Treasurer