

**Lehigh Wheelmen Association**  
**Monthly Club Meeting**  
April 18, 2012 Meeting Minutes

**Board Member Attendance:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jack Helffrich	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geoff Rogers	<input type="checkbox"/> Pete Siegfried
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maureen Porter	<input type="checkbox"/> Sallie Urffer	<input type="checkbox"/> Phil Eempio
<input type="checkbox"/> Dean Hower	<input type="checkbox"/> Diana Valois	<input type="checkbox"/> George Mack
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Solliday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dick McCreight	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Keith Gourley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Zappe	

**Members in Good Standing Present:** Terry Terfinko, Richard Baldock, Bryan George, Sylvia Radvansky, Dave Moser, Ron Helmuth, Paul Smith, Elizabeth Solliday, John Eberhard, Dave Moser, Linda Helffrich, Dave Sheffield, Eric Rigler, Mike Wing, Paul Pietrosewicz, Geoff Brunner, Kent Hickey

Presentation by club President Jack Helffrich of his cross country bike trip with the Wandering Wheelmen. Door prizes were won by Eric Rigler (tee shirt) and Mike Wing (LWA insulated water bottle).

**I. CALL TO ORDER.**

**II. QUORUM ESTABLISHED.**

**III. REPORTS**

**A. Secretary's Report:** M. Porter

- ⤴ March 2012 meeting minutes emailed to Board members. Motion was made to accept the minutes.

**B. Treasurer's Report:** No report

**C. Junior's Report:** No report

**D. Touring Report:** G. Rogers

- ⤴ Phil Eempio's Smoothie Ride will start on April 21<sup>st</sup> due to illness.
- ⤴ Revive The Ride of Silence. Looking into riding the route used for the Pat Ytsma Ride of Respect which goes over the Fahy bridge and past the ghost bike. Looking into Police escort.

**E. Membership Report:** R. Baldock

- ⤴ Report was emailed to Board members
- ⤴ Since last Report (Sunday, 3/18/12), processed 65 membership units [31 prior to 4/1/12, 34 after 3/31/12].
- ⤴ Membership numbers stable (+1 unit) ~ 300 total units.
- ⤴ Expired units total ~ 261.

- ⤴ New units ~ 10, rest of units (55) ~ renewals.
- ⤴ Members need to check their email to be sure that [www.lehighwheelmen.org](http://www.lehighwheelmen.org) is safe or trusted sender so that membership renewals don't get rejected as SPAM

**F. Racing Report:** No report

#### **IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. Wool Jerseys** – Sallie was not present for further discussion.

**B. Club Bike Wear Fit Night**

- ⤴ Mark Zappe had talked with Primal and they did not have the fit kit ready. Recommendation to find another vendor.
- ⤴ Eric Rigler had samples of jersey and bib of a supplier he has worked with in the past. Custom Jerseys will cost \$47 each. Jack will call Martha Miller about a design for the jersey.
- ⤴ Eric Rigler can also get custom socks with LWA on them for \$4.85 per pair.

**C. Raffle Bike**

- ⤴ Rich has received his bike. Item closed.

**D. Club Meeting Speakers**

- ⤴ Suggestions for speakers needed. Someone needed to take charge of acquiring speakers.

**E. Club 'Away Events'**

- ⤴ Paul Smith reported that 43 people enjoyed the Maryland's Eastern Shore Weekend. Pictures will be posted on the website. The event was such a success it will become an annual event.
- ⤴ Paul Smith will organize information for The Great Finger Lakes Bike Tour in Watkins Glen June 8 - 10. Campsites are available at the Watkins Glen State Park and Paul will look into reserving some rooms for those who don't want to camp. Info will be provided soon.
- ⤴ A ride in Amish Country is being organized for May.
- ⤴ If any member has an idea for an Away Event, notify Paul Smith. However that person must organize the event.

**F. 2012 Club Events**

- Ride Leaders Kickoff ride
- May 16<sup>th</sup> Ride of Silence
- Grill and Chills (Karen O'Brien and Deb Terfinko will organize)  
 Dates will be May 14, June 18, July 16, August 20, September 17. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.
- August 4 Club Picnic at Covered Bridge Park Pavilion
- Donut Derby (Brian Cincera will organize this year. Anyone interested in organizing next year's Donut Derby needs to work with Brian this year to learn how to organize this event. Sallie Urffer will continue to assist Brian and the new event organizer

- Gap Gallop will remain on October 7
- Holiday Party

### **G. General Information**

- ⤴ Thanks to Dave Sheffield and Don Levermore for marshaling at the March Racing Series.
- ⤴ Safe Biking Act Passed.
- ⤴ Frank Pavlik from CAT was hit while riding on the Fahy bridge.
- ⤴ Thank you to George Mack for editing and publishing the newsletter.
- ⤴ 1<sup>st</sup> Grill and Chill of the season had 75 people in attendance. Thank you to Debbie, Karen and Mary for the excellent burgers and hot dogs.
- ⤴ Pat Ytsma Ride is June 10.
- ⤴ You have to be a member to post a ride on the Wheelmen ride calendar. If a member is posting a ride for another organization the Wheelmen sign in/ waiver sheet must still be used.

### **H. Club Meeting Night**

- ⤴ A motion was made and accepted to change the night of the Club Meeting from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month to the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month. May's club meeting will be May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Item closed.

### **I. Financial Audit (Review)**

- ⤴ Dave Sheffield did a Financial Review of the club.
- ⤴ The following suggestions were made as a result of the review:
  - ⤴ The Treasurer will have an assistant to help maintain a segregation of duties (dispersal and reimbursement of funds).
  - ⤴ Receipts must be handed in to the Secretary for club expenditures.
  - ⤴ Any check written for more than \$500 has to have two board members signatures.
  - ⤴ Dave Sheffield will assist Sallie by picking up the mail so membership dues and bills can be managed in a timely fashion.

### **J. Club Car Magnets**

- ⤴ Richard Baldock has received the car magnets. A motion was made and accepted to sell the magnets for \$2.00 per magnet. Buy 5 magnets get 1 free. Richard has sold 50 magnets. Ride leaders can get magnets on consignment to sell at their rides.

### **K. Velodrome Sign**

- ⤴ An offer was made to the Velodrome to reduce the cost of the advertising board to \$1000 since the sign from last year is being reused. The cost of having the ad remains at \$2000. A motion was made that Racing division pay \$1000 and Touring Division pay \$1000 for the ad board presuming the sign is moved to a more favorable location to be approved by Jack Helffrich. The motion was denied due to a tied vote of 9 in favor and 9 opposed. Item closed.

### **L. Adopt A Highway**

- ⤴ The club will have a section of Trexlertown Road. Members interested in

helping will need to watch a video provided by PennDot

**M. Proposal for a Mountain Biking Division**

- ⤴ Mark Bowman who made the proposal is not a member of the club. No one else has approached the club regarding this. Item closed.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Race Across America**

- ⤴ Club member Geoff Brunner is riding in the Race Across America. He will have a 6 member crew helping him however he only has 4 people on the crew at this time. 2 spots are available. All expenses are paid. Crew members will travel in an RV and 2 Mini Vans. Geoff did the ride in 12 days last year but hopes to do it in 11 this year. Crew members need to be available for 13-14 days. The ride starts in Oceanside CA on June 13<sup>th</sup> and finishes in Annapolis.

**B. Items Borrowed from the Barn**

- ⤴ Dick McCreight will serve as 'quartermaster', keeping track of our equipment. Please sign out items on the sign out sheet when borrowing them from the barn. 2 ice chests are missing

**C. Edit Waiver Form**

- ⤴ Jack Helffrich asked for someone to edit the Waiver form to include the pace of the ride and a space for the leader to record # of rides led to that date. Terry Terfinko will send Jack the PDF of the form for Jack to edit.

**D. Distribution of Quick Release Newsletter**

- ⤴ Jack asked if you are going to a local bike shop, print out a few copies of the Quick Release Newsletter to drop off at the shop.

**E. Bike License Plate/ID**

- ⤴ Ron Helmuth made laminated 'License Plates' that can be hung from the seat of your bike. First name is in big letters, last name in small letters. On the reverse side emergency information can be included. Jack proposed that the license plate be sent with the membership card.

**F. Background Clearances**

- ⤴ It was agreed that the club will pay for the PA State Police Criminal History and Child Abuse Clearance that are required when working with children for the club. Jack will contact Phil about this.

**VI. MEETING ADJOURNED.**

**Next Meeting May 23, 2012 at OAA**

Respectfully submitted.

MAP 4/24/12