

# Lehigh Wheelmen Association

## Monthly Meeting Minutes

July 28, 2021

### In Attendance:

*(Bolded people were in attendance)*

Board members: **Rich Ferrera** (President), **Roberta Kates** (Vice President Racing), **Kathy Crampton** (Vice President Touring), **Christine Penn** (Secretary), **Dave Sheffield** (Treasurer), Richard Baldock (Membership Administrator), **Rob Smith** (Assistant Membership Administrator), **Dave Drummer** (Website Manager), Bert Mukkulainen (Board Member), Dick McCreight (Board Member), **Larry Pickens** (Board Member), Bruce Kantor (Board Member), **Janna Baum** (Event Coordinator)

**Also present:** Karl Imdorf, Carl Zvanut, **Jack Helffrich**, Clyde Odom, Paul Smith, Miranda Alarez, Dean Hower, Ken Glogovsky, Timothy Foley, Claire Alyward, Marty Katz, Glenn Noack, **Mark & Tammy Doran**, Arun Sharma, Steve Crampton, Lynn D, Kathie Z, Catherine, Kemo, Ross Kohler, Steve Banko, Neil Dicker, Greg Schnabel, Kittie Reese, Jim Snake, Tim Salkauskis, Bob Evatt, Don Stewart, **Mike Solliday**

(Online Meeting)

### 1. Call to Order:

Rich started the meeting at 7:05 pm

Welcome to the first indoor meeting back at Ashbury and hybrid approach (with Zoom), which may continue in future. May have issues with audio listening and hearing the audience in the room.

Rich will repeat anything necessary until technology can be figured out...

### 2. Speaker:

(No Speaker)

Velodrome racers have important races tonight.

Photo Contest Review, right to the winners:

Cycling Photos:

- Bert Mukkulainen won Cycling Photo (currently in Sweden)
- Tammy Doran – Second place for cycling. Picture was taken at the D+L trailhead in Allentown. Mark is the cyclist in the photo.
- Mark Doran – Third place for cycling. It was the Fitness Central Great Big group ride and it's just a picture of Tammy. This charity ride is coming up on August 21st.

Scenic Photos:

- Bert Mukkulainen won for Scenic Photo. The photo contained trees and a nice sky taken in late winter.
- Jack Helffrich – second place. Nice farm photo from Bike Va.

- Kathie Zapotocki – third place. Another farm photo from Bike Va.

Dave has made a suggestion for Dick and Jack to put together photos for the Christmas party.  
Jack accepted..

Discussion about the upcoming Trek eBike demonstration.

### **3. Officer/Committee Reports:**

**Secretary** – Christine Penn

Motion was raised to accept last month's meeting notes:

Mike Solliday, Rob Smith 2nd – motion to approve.

**Treasurer:** Dave Sheffield

Good shape, as long as we have a good Donut Derby.

Financial Report for June sent out

### **LWA Financial Summary June YTD 2021 - Actuals**

	<u>Touring</u>	<u>Racing</u>	<u>Elim.</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Income</b>				
DD (Participant Dues + Donations)				-
Holiday Party				-
Membership Dues	3,076			3,076
Other	-	-		-
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,076</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>3,076</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
Major Events (DD, Eastern Shore, Etc.)	644			644
Insurance (Includes Special Events - DD)	2,000			2,000
VPCC		-		-
Holiday Party				-
Charitable Donations (DD - CBW & AFB)		-		-
Clothing & Equipment for Resale				-
Recognition Awards/Speaker Fees				-
Affiliation Dues				-
Web, RidewithGPS, Meetup & Postage	728			728
Ride Leader Awards, G&C, Picnic, Other	1,950	-		1,950
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,321</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>5,321</b>
<b>Net Operating Income/Loss</b>	<b>-\$2,245</b>	<b>\$0</b>		<b>-\$2,245</b>
<b>Assets</b>				
Checking (a)	\$5,044	\$3,969		\$9,013
Savings	\$5,079	\$0		\$5,079
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,122</b>	<b>\$3,969</b>		<b>\$14,091</b>

(a) Includes Restricted Funds of \$157 for Bike Aid Station.

**Membership / Grill-n-Chill:** Richard Baldock/Rob Smith

Membership has gotten close to where we were previously.  
Report:

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Total Members ~ 374 (+9)

Units ~ 301 (+8) [still down 27 from peak membership prior to March 2020 shutdown]; 300 units is the mid-point from the recent low point and the peak ~17 months ago!

Individual ~ 222 (+3)

Family 75 (+3)

Emeritus ~ 2 (0)

NewBicycle ~ 0 (0)

Annualized Revenue Projection ~ \$5235 (+\$150)

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Trending positively.

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**NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS (May/June 2021)**

JIM BASHI

HENRY FRIESS

CHRIS REBER

DAVE WIEAND & AUDREY

WILLIAM FARROW

DANNY SEYFRIED

SHARON WUNNER

AYAZ MATIN & FAMILY

ANDY LO

KRISTIN, CLINT, BROCK & BOOFHI EICHOLTZ

MURATCAN ERKUL

PHILIP VANNESS

DAVE GATES

NAIOMI TAPI

IAN GODDARD

TOM SAK

DAVE PRYOR

KEVIN & SUZANNE CLAYPOOLE

NICHOLAS HESHELMAN

CHAD RINGER

LAUREEN SMITH

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**Touring:** Kathy Crampton

Started a series of Blogs. Featured 4 new ride leaders, including a focus on gravel and trail. No alerts/notifications about blog updates. Dave Drummer will look into issues with the site.

Dedication also did not go out.

Leaders for rides led so far - Dave Sprigle has 27, Tom Donnelly 18, Rich Ferrara 17.

Working on a Trek presentation. They want to know what and how many E-bikes to bring. Mix of Road and trail is likely best. Dave S suggests a presentation of the Trek line, what they are targeted to, and the technology. Could discuss having a meeting at Trek shop to aid in the presentation. Attendance? 10-20? Will need to advertise.

**Racing:** Roberta Kates

Pointed out that Christine Penn got 3<sup>rd</sup> in Women's 45+ PA State Championship at the Kitchen Road Crit.

Chip's Thursday Night training series is currently running.

Working on Racers.

**Activities:** Janna Baum

Had 2 tailgates. Weather was a bit sketchy but we were successful.

11/12 and 13 in the other group. Had home goods and adult beverages

Yoga – Can have a class without a fee? Should pay a fee to the county to use the park.

Stephanie Riggs has volunteered to do events. Available any Sunday in August.

Upper Macungie or Weir's Dam could be other options beside Rodale.

Still working out the details and gauging interest. May require minimum participation.

Non LWA Event – no insurance coverage.

**Donut Derby:** Bert Mukkulainen (not present)

Rich F – Anyone have any updates?

Dave S – do we have a permit? Roberta – Yes, Dick has it.

Township (Maxatowny) requested additional insured – Roberta took care of; provided the certificate.

Have a permit for the Pavilion. Need \$100 check for Kitchen deposit. (taken care of)

Idea for registration and donut servers to wear masks. Going to serve donuts instead of laying them out. Will require more volunteers to help, at least 8 for Bowers.

Measures will show us being responsible considering changing conditions.

Jack suggested that maybe Community Bike Works kids maybe need volunteer time. Suggest putting something out on meetup.

Food? Trucks? Need to sync up with Bert when he gets back.

**Promotions:** Dick McCreight (not present)

**Webmaster:** Dave Drummer

No updates

#### 4. Old Business:

(Unfinished Business)

**Bike Repair Stand Dedication** - Jack Helffrich & Rich

Very successful event. Over 40 members were present.  
One family attended; Elaina attended late.  
Dan Hartzel (county commissioner) presented us with a proclamation.  
Tammy and Mark did a flat repair demonstration  
Gave away 7-8 bottles to new members who signed up at the event.

**2021 Membership Drive** – Rich

Rich plans to work with Dick and Andy Vivian to use Meetup and FB to generate more members but this will not occur until later in the year.

**Update of Release/Sign in** – Rich, Dave, Bruce

A team got together and did some comparisons with the sample from USA Cycling. Added USA Cycling to waiver (insurance) Updated and sent to attorney (Steve Weiner). Added some changes based on recent case law due to a Philadelphia incident.  
Linking waiver into Meetup. Copy pasting with Excel.  
Need to send notice out to Leaders to update to the new Waiver. (Currently only on Shared Drive.) Two versions. One protected pdf and Excel spreadsheet.  
Dave S will update copies in the Barn by Monday.  
Dave D will update docs on Website.

## **5. New Business:**

**Grill and Chill** – Rich

Janna and Mike – Setting up for August 23<sup>rd</sup> and September 13<sup>th</sup>? Worried about light attendance as it typically drops off as sunlight fades.  
Rob Smith has the spreadsheet from Sue for what to buy.  
Propane? New tank was purchased with the new Grill.  
Volunteers needed for cleanup. – Janna Baum will work on setting up a cleanup committee.  
Tell people to bring nothing to share. Cooking team will be the servers. Team will buy additional side items and desserts.  
We decided to schedule Grill N Chills for August 23<sup>rd</sup> and September 13<sup>th</sup>

**Nomination Committee for next year - Rich.**

Need to start the process.  
Jack, Mike, and Kathie. Does anyone else want to join the committee?

**Hit up Dan Hartzel for putting mats down on Covered Bridges in the area.** – Jack

On one bridge, 3 more need them.  
Can we offer Dan and his wife honorary membership for help with this.  
Jack raised Motion, Mike seconded.  
Vote taken – All approved, no one objected.  
Suggest we have Dan come in and speak about their position.

**Spin a thon.**

Carl we believe coordinated in the past.

***E bike policy?***

Quantity, different levels. Some OK, but others questionable.  
Postponed further discussion till after the Trek presentation.

***Velodeck?*** Roberta

August 13<sup>th</sup> Being considered

***Injury on Ride*** – Rich

Steve Kelly clipped the car mirror of a car on Trexler road. Was passing a cyclist when a car attempted to pass. Called 911 taken to Lehigh Valley Hospital ICU. Hip injury, broke his left collarbone, concussion. Scrapes, helmet OK. Driver was definitely at fault attempting to pass.

Rich raised a motion to adjourn @ 8:45 PM.

Jack Helffrich, Mike Solliday seconded.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Christine Penn, August 1st, 2021

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