

2015 TBRA Annual Meeting  
December 12, 2015  
2:00 PM CDT  
Wingate Church of Christ Community Center  
Nashville, TN.

**2015 Officers present:**

Michael Edens – President  
Tony Falin – Vice President (present on phone)  
Rachel Hart – Secretary  
Shannon Mathis – Treasurer  
Marshall Bassett – Director of Cyclocross Racing  
Nathan Stone – Director of Road Racing  
Bill Parsons – Director of Points

**2015 Officers not present:**

Michael Long – Director of Mountain Bike Racing

- I. Meeting Opening
- II. 2015 TBRA Year End Review
- III. New USAC Changes
  - a. Local Association Rebate Increase
  - b. New Experienced Racer Anti-Doping Surcharge
  - c. Pro/International License Increase
  - d. One Time Experienced One Day License
  - e. No MTB Practice Day One Day License
  - f. Race Day Rider Surcharge Slight Increase
  - g. Insurance Changes
  - h. Club & Team Fees Annually
    - i. Collegiate up from \$75 to \$100
    - ii. High School up from \$50 to \$100
    - iii. Domestic Elite up from \$250 to \$450
  - i. Permit Fee Changes
    - i. No change in fees for road & cyclocross
    - ii. No permit fees for mountain bike
  - j. No Race Director Certification for 2016
- IV. Update on Race Clean/USADA
  - a. Miscommunication with TBRA and Race Clean
    - i. We didn't pay for the tests, and they didn't contact us about doing them.
    - ii. Price for tests going up
- V. 2015 Finances – Shannon Mathis
  - a. Start of the year - \$19,503 in account. Goal for the year was to deplete the account a bit
  - b. End of year – about \$4,000
  - c. Accounts Receivable
    - i. Still have one cyclocross race remaining

- d. Accounts Payable
    - i. \$182
  - e. Expenses
    - i. Jerseys - \$4,645.48
      - 1. Bought enough jerseys to last for 2 seasons
    - ii. Athletic events (marketing) – tents, flags, table cloths, etc. – \$4,695.00
    - iii. Reimbursements – supplies needed for mailing jerseys, mailing trophies, monthly catch-ups for Bill
    - iv. NICA - \$2,500
    - v. Trophies - \$1,580.44
      - 1. Mountain bike trophies for 2014 were bought.
    - vi. Webmaster - \$6,000
    - vii. Kinnick Consulting – 2 months of catch up from last year. \$5,600; \$400 per month
  - f. PayPal
    - i. Went well. A lot of clubs used it. Would like to continue using PayPal moving forward
      - 1. TBRA paid about \$1 fee per transaction
- VI. Presentation of preliminary 2016 MTB calendar
- a. 1/3/16 – Winter Montgomery Bell TT Series #1
  - b. 2/7/16 – Winter Montgomery Bell TT Series #2
  - c. 3/6/15 – Winter Montgomery Bell TT Series #3
  - d. 3/20/15 – Chickasaw Trace Classic, CONFIRMED
  - e. 4/23/16 to 4/24/16 – Memphis Velo Crank It Up
  - f. 6/25/16 to 6/26/16 – Montgomery Bell Classic
  - g. 8/6/16 to 8/7/16 – Lock 4 Old Hickory Classic
  - h. 8/13/16 to 8/14/16 – Legend of Stanky Creek
- VII. Presentation of preliminary 2016 road calendar – Nathan Stone
- a. No state TT yet
  - b. Waiting on confirmation on Devil’s Backbone. Will determine when Three Rivers Rumble will occur
  - c. Berry Peddler & MOAB Crit not yet confirmed
  - d. 6/4/16 to 6/5/16 – Johnson City Omnium
  - e. 7/16/16 – Rockabilly Revolution
  - f. 7/23/16 to 7/24/16 – Oak Ridge
  - g. 8/6/16 – Battle of Nashville
  - h. 8/27/16 to 8/28/16 – River Gorge
  - i. Music City Crits – 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month
  - j. Bells Bend TT – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, April through August
  - k. Goal was to start announcing state championships a year out... became difficult because race directors were still focusing on planning their summer events
    - i. Doing state championships two years in a row?
- VIII. Club Representative Roll Call
- a. 17 clubs present – met quorum of 14 needed for election
    - i. Amateur Cycling Club of Memphis
    - ii. Ride 615

- iii. Clarksville Velo
  - iv. Friends of the Great Smokey Mountains
  - v. I AM Racing
  - vi. MOAB / Middle TN Velo
  - vii. Riverside Bicycle Racing
  - viii. Team Belladium
  - ix. Bikers Choice
  - x. Team WE
  - xi. TN Women's Cycling Project
  - xii. Trace Bikes
  - xiii. Treehouse Racing
  - xiv. KnoxVelo
  - xv. Scenic City Velo
  - xvi. Southern Cycling Operations
  - xvii. Tri-Cities Road Club
- IX. Nominations & Elections
- a. President
    - i. Seeking re-election: Michael Edens
      - 1. Michael Edens elected as 2016 President
  - b. Vice President
    - i. Seeking re-election: Tony Falin
      - 1. Tony Falin elected as 2016 Vice President
  - c. Secretary
    - i. Nominated: Kevin McGill
      - 1. Kevin McGill elected as 2016 Secretary
  - d. Treasurer
    - i. Nominated: Cali Ewing
      - 1. Cali Ewing elected as 2016 Treasurer
  - e. Director of Road Racing
    - i. Seeking re-election: Nathan Stone
      - 1. Nathan Stone elected as 2016 Director of Road Racing
  - f. Director of Mountain Bike Racing
    - i. Nominated: Marsha Williams
      - 1. Marsha Williams elected as 2016 Director of Mountain Bike Racing
  - g. Director of Cyclocross Racing
    - i. Nominated: Jim Farmer
      - 1. Jim Farmer elected as 2016 Director of Cyclocross Racing
  - h. Director of Points
    - i. Seeking re-election: Bill Parsons
      - 1. Bill Parsons elected as 2016 Director of Points
- X. Team Southern Performance vote to join TBRA
- a. No opposition to include them in TBRA, so they will become a TBRA club.
- XI. NICA Update
- a. Saw good cross-over this year between TBRA junior races and NICA races
  - b. Kat Williams – update

- i. 150 kids participated in 2015
  - ii. Expanded into middle school
  - iii. Harpeth Cycling Team – cyclocross race next weekend as their community event
  - iv. Geographic range – Knoxville, Chattanooga, Middle TN, Memphis, and largest team out of Kentucky
- XII. Junior Discussion – Izzy Israel
  - a. Keeping momentum here in middle TN and spread it across the state
  - b. Catering to all skill levels – creating a safe environment
  - c. Getting local shops more involved
    - i. Bike recycling programs?
    - ii. Race bike rentals?
  - d. Consider staging process that addresses juniors with little to no skill set, to protect them and other riders
  - e. Small fee for racing instead of free racing for juniors?
  - f. Follow USAC age categories for state races
- XIII. New Women’s Masters Categories Proposal – Marsha Williams
  - a. Propose to award TN State Championship jersey to Master Women 40+ at the state championship road race and criterium.
  - b. Currently, a 35+ jersey is awarded at the state championship time trial, and this could be upped to 40+ to stay in synch with the proposed RR and Crit ages.
  - c. Consider having the Masters Women race at a separate event in order not to dilute the Women 1/2/3 and Women 4 category based races.
- XIV. Discussion of 2016 Road Masters Categories
  - a. Discussed pros and cons of current Masters configuration with alternative configuration: 35+ (1-3), 45+ (1-4), and 55+ (1-5) with 45+ and 55+ normally being run in a single field.
  - b. Current configuration tends to favor increased participation, while the alternative configuration tents to favor age based racing with minimal regard to category.
  - c. Request an email from each club summarizing their feelings on the Masters categories
- XV. Chip Timing Discussion – Izzy Israel
  - a. Izzy has begun some research into chip timing for TN races, with the hope of demoing and further researching the technology at some of the Tuesday night Harpeth rides at the Nashville Fairgrounds.
  - b. Izzy will also research and document a cost model for the technology
  - c. Michael Edens notes that most neighboring LA’s do implement some form of chip technology at either the LA level or 3<sup>rd</sup> party level.
- XVI. Club of the Year Changes
  - a. Suggested to change the current Club of the Year competition from being club based to being team based.
  - b. Larger clubs with multiple teams have an advantage and going to a team structure will level the playing field for some of the smaller clubs and teams.
- XVII. Open Discussion
  - a. Statewide Cyclocross Series: Mark Peet noted that he would like to see a return of a statewide series.

## XVIII. Close Meeting