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AACC Spring Fling

John Seher

The homey Genoa Town Hall saw happy cyclists getting together to renew friendships and memberships and to get the lowdown on AACC activities for 2005. Race Director, Troy Walters, announced the Wednesday Night Race Series, and Keith Hart encouraged everyone to enjoy the 2nd Annual Gardnerville 125 on May 22. Jeff Ham and Jay Brown gave us a brief report on the Pinenut Cracker MTB race (May 14), and Jim Rhiner filled us in on the Carson Valley Classic (July 30-31). The CVC will, again this year, be the Masters District Championships. Mel Maalouf, AACC Junior Team Coach, introduced the "squadra" and overview of team activities planned for the year. Thanks to the Pearl Izumi outlet store at South Lake Tahoe for making a \$500 donation to the Junior Team to help with travel expenses.

Ides of March Mileage Contest

Last, but not least, awards for the Ides of March Mileage Contest were presented. The Junior category was a cake walk for **Micah Herman**, taking home the Gold with 462 miles. Runner up was **Nick Ruana** with the rest of the team in a bunch sprint for Bronze. In the Women's

category, **Christine Anderson** eked out a victory over **Jennie "dirt girl" Hamiter**, 695 miles to 610 miles. Get this...Christine was off the bike for two weeks sightseeing in France! **Kris Brown** took home the bronze with 503 gnarly miles of windy Smith Valley riding. Honorable mention goes to **Tammy De Giovanni** with 366 miles and **Tammy Lundquist** with 287. In the Men's division, **Tony Reid** soloed in with 1,620 miles. Some ways out front of the group, **Jim Rhiner** bagged the Silver with 1,210 miles, and **Tom Tittle** burst from the pack to snatch Bronze with 1,010 miles, leaving behind **John Seher**, 937, **John Axtell**, 899, **Steve Cooke**, 727, and **Todd De Giovanni**, 620. Winners were awarded prizes including chamois cream, Ibuprofen, soothing balm, and saddle sore medications, and some special club casual wear.

"...happy cyclists getting together to renew friendships and memberships"

Thanks to the membership for enduring some administrative tedium and confirming the changes in the club bylaws. This task was necessary to keep us on the good side of Nevada corporation law. **BIG THANKS** to **Michael Bayer** for getting us on the straight and narrow.

AACC Wednesday Night Race Series

Troy Walters, Wednesday Night Race Director

The Wednesday Night races are here! Some finer administrative details need to be worked out, and our website (AltaAlpina.org) will be updated soon with information. Most importantly, be there ready to race! **Races start promptly at 6:15.** See you at the starting line!

- 5/4 Genoa Time Trial
- 5/11 Club Challenge – Diamond Valley
- 5/18 East Valley Criterium
- 5/25 Fredericksburg Two-up Time Trial
- 6/1 Diamond Valley RR
- 6/8 East Valley Criterium - IntraTeam
- 6/14 Tuesday Club Challenge – Air Center Criterium
- 6/22 Diamond Valley RR
- 6/28 Emigrant Criterium

- 7/5 Tuesday Club Challenge – Franktown RR
- 7/13 Blue Lakes RR
- 7/20 Diamond Valley RR
- 7/27 Luther Hill Climb Time Trial
- 8/3 Club Challenge – East Valley Criterium
- 8/10 Genoa Time Trial
- 8/17 East Valley Criterium
- 8/24 Diamond Valley RR

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Bike-to-Work Week Christine Anderson

I am a commuter. I've also become a "cyclist" and a "racer," but I began commuting (okay, riding my bike to school) when I was 6. Ever since, I've been riding to school, work, the grocery store, the library...I'm hooked. I try to make excuses: "It saves money," or, "It's good for the environment," or, "It's healthy." They're all true, but the real truth is...I do it because it feels good. So try it - see how good it feels.

Bike-to-Work Week is May 16-20.

And...

Bike-to-Day is May 21.

I'll see you out there?



2005 Pinenut Cracker—The Race & The People (needed) Nevada State Championship MTB Series #1

Jay Brown, Pinenut Cracker Race Director

I hope you have been out enjoying the great weather and are ready to run with the finest at this year's **Pinenut Cracker!** The big day is **Saturday, May 14.** The event starts from the Douglas County Fairgrounds then on to great epic loops with plenty of climbing, exciting single track and exhilarating descents. And yes, I said "finest," because the Pinenut Cracker will bring top mountain bikers to our area. They will be racing as part of the **Nevada State Championship MTB Series #1.** More information about the race is posted on **AltaAlpina.org.**

AACC wants to show everyone a great time. We have a number of volunteers and can use quite a few more for the following areas:

- △ **Registration** (would be a good one if you are planning on racing)
- △ **Course Marshals** (get close-up race action)
- △ **Set up/Break down/Clean up** (another good one if you plan on racing)
- △ **Time keeper/Spotters** (get to see start & finish line action)

△ And we could also use an **EMT** and/or **anyone with significant medical experience.**

You can pick and choose a category that will work for you. If you plan on racing, help with the morning registration and/or setup, or with the afternoon tear down/clean up. And if you don't plan on racing that day, obviously, the opportunities are endless... And, remember, AACC members can race for only \$15!

Well that's about it for now. Thanks for reading and hopefully I'll be hearing from you soon!!! Or contact my cohort in planning, Jeff Ham at jeffham@wt.net or 775-782-5989.

Oh, and a little quote I picked up while riding up in Sun Valley, ID:
"Yesterday's history, tomorrow's a mystery, and today is a gift – that's why we call it the present."

ride, ride, ride...

-Jay
jay.brown@bently.com

VOLUNTEER. RACE. PLACE. AACC is sponsoring these races. Help us demonstrate our high-altitude spirit!

May 14: Pine Nut Cracker

July 30: Carson Valley Classic

July 31: Diamond Valley Road Race

Carson Valley Classic—July 30-31 Seeking Volunteers

Jim Rhiner & Mel Maalouf CVC and DVRR Race Directors

Volunteer now for the **Carson Valley Classic (CVC)** events on **July 30-31!** You have an opportunity to help host the **Northern CA/NV Masters District Championships.** Not only will you work with some cool people, you'll meet some of the top road cyclists, some who are former pros (or at least Cat 1).

AACC volunteers will provide all the event support. Many tasks can be performed before the events if you have plans the week-end of the races.

Remember... AACC members seeking ride and race reimbursements can fulfill some of their requirements by volunteering at the



Minden Criterium and/or the **Diamond Valley Road Race.** Previous years' feedback tells us that the racers greatly appreciate our high-quality courses, excellent organization and volunteer spirit. It depends on us to make this a success, so please contribute.

Contact me to discuss tasks that fit your schedule and interest.

Check out the race ads posted on our website for more detail, www.AltaAlpina.org.

Thanks,
Jim
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July 9

"The Death Ride"

A BIG Opportunity to make a difference!

Power in numbers keeps this ride at the top of riders "must do" list. Without our army of volunteers, The Death Ride would not happen.

We need many, many people for **PARKING.** Saturday morning. **FREE BREAKFAST** to start the day.

1. Contact Joe Marzocco
530.694.2475
info@deathride.com
2. Sign-up at:
www.deathride.com/volunteers/vsignup.php



Presidential 'Preciation

Jennie Hamiter

AACC Annual Spring Party— A Huge Thank You to...

...everyone who helped out this year! I arrived 5 minutes after we were allowed in the building, and 10 or 15 people were already setting up tables and getting things organized! A friend of mine who showed up, who's president of a different club, was jealous of how everyone in our club was just all over anything that needed to be done. I was impressed, too. THANKS!

Despite a lack of napkins, I think the party went really well. Special thanks to everyone for voting in the new bylaws—we needed 75% approval from members to ratify, and amazingly we got 84 votes out of 112 members = 75%, and all voted "yes!" The bylaws hadn't been updated in 16 years, and hopefully they won't have to be changed for an-

other 16 years. We're grateful to Kris Brown and Scott Doyle for their legal counsel on this.

Thanks also to the membership table crew, who gave up some of their socializing time to help out with the main reason for this annual meeting. They signed up 56 memberships that night!

The Junior Team, too, helped out in full force! A very big thanks to all they did, bringing the pizza, and especially cleaning up at the end. Mel owes you all milkshakes!

And finally, thanks to everyone who stayed for all the announcements. There's a great group of club officers this year, and I'm glad you got a chance to meet them.

FREE PIZZA

2005 AACC Board Meetings

- * **1st Monday ea month**
- * **6:00, Pizza Factory**
- * **Gardnerville Ranchos**
- * **Pizza, Beer, Soda, Salad...good food!**
- * **Next? Monday, June 6**

AACC Weekend Ride Schedule

John Seher, Weekend Ride Coordinator

Saturday, May 7—Wine Country Century This is another AACC "must do" century ride. The Santa Rosa Cycling Club does a great job with this event and Mother Nature provides the best in visuals and terrain. Get the details at <http://www.srcc.com>. Let's see those AACC jerseys descending to the ocean and winding through the vineyards.

Saturday, May 12 —Pinenut Cracker If you're not riding the event, come out and help. This will be a great MTB race and part of the NV State Championship Series. Contact Jeff Ham, jeffham@wt.net, and Jay Brown, jay.brown@bently.com, about volunteering.

Sunday, May 13—Wellington to Bridgeport and return We take another trip to rural NV, then cross over into a drug-induced state, CA, have lunch in Bridgeport and return. This ride features some gentle climbing with quiet roads and stunning vistas. It's about 90 miles and a good training ride for the longer events to come this season. Meet at the town hall in Wellington at 9:00. Bring plenty of water.

Saturday, May 21—Davis Double Century This one is a standard for AACC distance riding fools. Great support from the Davis Bike Club on this relatively easy double, though no double century is easy. Let's hope it's not too hot.

Saturday, May 21—Adopt-A-Highway 8:00am Turtle Rock Park cleanup, then ride after. Contact Dennis DeLange, 775-265-1348, dennis.delange@ge.com or the AACC hotline, 877-845-BIKE.

Sunday, May 22 —Gardnerville 125 & Poker Run Now this is a club ride! At 8:00 we'll roll from Keith Hart's house on Fredricksburg Road, head south on 395 to Topaz Lake, then up the east side of Monitor Pass. We descend to Markleeville and pedal over the hump to Woodfords, where the less inclined can bail out and head for the BBQ at Keith's. The more intrepid riders will head up Woodfords Canyon to Hope Valley, over Luther Pass to Lake Tahoe, over Kingsbury to Carson Valley, and back to Keith's. Riders will get cards at Topaz, Monitor Pass, Markleeville, and back at Keith's. Those doing the big one-two bit will also get cards at Hope Valley and the bottom of Kingsbury. Top three hands will win cycling merchandise prizes.

Saturday, May 28 —Indian Valley Century Greenville, CA If you didn't get an early start on the cycling season, this is a great first century ride. Get out and enjoy the scenery and virtually deserted back roads around the Indian Valley and the surrounding mountain scenery. Contact the Indian Valley Chamber of Commerce for the particulars. 530-284-6633 www.indianvalley.net

Sunday, May 29 —Downieville Downhill MTB Ride Stay over Saturday night and do a terrific MTB ride the next day. The Yahoo! Factor is high. Participants will be camping at the county park just outside Taylorsville. This ride is contingent on trail/snow conditions. If the snow is too deep, we'll find another venue. Contact John Seher for more info, JSeherNV@aol.com.

*The Yahoo!
Factor is high.*



NOTICE, NOTICE:

Changes to Ride Reimbursement Program

There have been some significant changes to the **Ride Reimbursement Program** for 2005. For those who aren't familiar with it, each year the club asks you to put in volunteer hours, and in return you can get reimbursed for organized rides and races in which you wear your club jersey.

Because we're holding more events, the new requirement for 2005 is 12 hours of volunteer time, and we're encouraging you to split some of those hours between the Death Ride and one of the club's two bike races. See elsewhere in this newsletter for info about volunteering for the **Death Ride**, **Carson Valley Classic**, or **Pinenut Cracker**.

Also, to ensure that we're reimbursing active club members, we ask that you attend one of the club's big social events: **Spring Party**, **G'ville 125**, or the **Fall Dinner**.

The maximum annual cap is still **\$600**; however, no reimbursements will be paid out until December, at which time the

treasurer will tally up all the reimbursement requests. If we can't maintain the \$600 annual cap and still stay within the year's reimbursement budget, the annual cap will be decreased. Also, the reimbursement year is now from November to November.

To sum up, to be eligible for reimbursements, club members must:

- △ Volunteer 12 hours;
- △ Wear an AACC jersey in any organized ride or race for which you'll want to get reimbursed;
- △ Attend at least the Spring Party, G'ville 125, or the Fall Meeting;
- △ Submit reimbursements for November to November;
- △ Send in 1 reimbursement form for the Nov-Nov year;
- △ Return the form and receipts for all rides or races before December 5.

BIKE SPOKESman

Tim Rowe

Review of the Nevada Bicycle and Pedestrian Conference – March 29 & 30, 2005 @ Caesar's Stateline, NV

The 4th annual Nevada Bicycle & Ped Conference held March 29 & 30, 2005 was a huge success! There were over 130 attendees, up from 70 or so last year in Las Vegas. There were attendees from NDOT, Caltrans, TRPA, Bike Clubs, Bike Event Organizers, local agencies and organizations and others in attendance. Eric Glick and Bill Story, the Bicycle folks at NDOT, with support of the Nevada Bicycle Advisory Board (NBAB), organized the conference. There were three tracks of talks this year Design/Engineering (12 presentations), Safety/Education (11 presentations), and Advocacy/Event Planning (new this year) (12 presentations). Three AACC members gave 50 minute talks in the Advocacy/Event Planning track - Joe Marzocco "The Death Ride Legacy", Tim Rowe "The Seven C's of a successful

event", and Curtis Fong "Bicycle Tourism in Rural Nevada: The OATBRAN. The Events section was well attended and there were other good talks by Gary Brustin, ESQ-the Cycling Attorney on Liability issues, Ed McLaughlin-Chico Wildflower, Tim Healion-Tour de Nez, N0-Hill Hundred and Delta Century organizers.

The Keynote Speaker was W. Preston Tyree, the VP & Chairman of Education Committee of League of American Bicyclists. Second conference speaker was John Singlaub, Executive Director of TRPA on Tahoe's Alternative Mode Vision. Food was plentiful and good. Local bicycle and ped clubs used 9 of the 10 Scholarships for free attendance, put up by NBAB.

More information on the Conference will be available at

www.BicycleNevada.com, including the attendee roster and copies of presentations.

Mark your calendars for next year. The 5th annual Nevada Bicycle and Pedestrian Conference will be April 27 and 28, 2006, a Thursday and Friday, again at Caesar's at Stateline. This location is good as California agency folks can attend more easily. The conference dinner and boat cruise will be on the Thursday night. The change of date was necessary to avoid Spring Break and get better weather.

**GET INVOLVED
and SPEAK OUT
in SUPPORT of
BICYCLING!**



AACC Ride Board

What kind of rides do YOU want to do?

YOU can post rides on the **Alta Alpina Ride Board**.

HOW?

- ⇒ Go to www.AltaAlpina.org.
- ⇒ Follow the simple instructions.
- ⇒ Post your ride details.
- ⇒ Show up, and ride with others!

Ad sponsored by the AACC Ride Board, serving the needs of cyclists who ride on the Sierra/ Nevada mountains and roads.





Pearl Izumi Donates \$500 to the AACC Junior Cycling Team

Mel Maalouf

Pearl Izumi presented a \$500 check to the Junior Cycling Team at the AACC Spring Membership Party. "Thank You" doesn't fully express the Juniors' appreciation! Their generous donation will help us attend cycling events and represent AACC proudly.

Below is a snippet of their letter of commitment and support.

Mel,

Our store is confirmed for a \$500 cash donation for sponsorship of the Alta Alpina Junior Cycling Team this year.

In addition, we will be giving each member of the team a 20% coupon to help defray clothing, footwear and accessory costs.

As always, it is a pleasure to work with Alta Alpina as a club dedicated to a fantastic sport, and which inspires young racers and recreational riders to begin a lifetime activity that offers great rewards!

Best regards,

Scott F. Gibbons
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Pearl Izumi present \$500 check to AACC Junior Cycling Team

From left to right...

Aaron Kutzer, Pearl Izumi Assistant Store Manager

Darlene Wisma, Pearl Izumi Employee, mother of AACC Junior

Mel Maalouf, Coach, AACC Junior Cycling Team

Spring Cycling Trip in Solvang

Steve Orear

Those of you who have bicycled in the Solvang, California area know it is a special treat. For those of you who have not, we hope this information may entice you to join us in the future.

Eight of us merged our schedules and met at the Flying Flags RV Park and Campground in Buellton, California on Saturday, April 9th. The early birds got out for a ride Saturday afternoon.

This area offers many challenging routes including Figueroa Mountain which is only a 54 mile ride from Buellton but with plenty of UP and an outside chance to see the Discovery Team who are known to train there. The little towns of Los Olivos and Los Alimos provide lunch or just rest stops for some of the rides which incorporate Foxen Canyon, Drum Canyon, Cat Canyon, Ballard and Alisos Canyons. Mileage for the week ranged from a low of 300 to 400 for the more aggressive riders. The minimum amount of climbing was right at 18,000 feet for the week.

We enjoyed group dinners at the RV Park as well as some nights out which included the Firestone Walker Brewery and the Los Olivos Café. This trip was a good jump start for the season. Thanks to everyone who participated. Lets do it again!

-Steve

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New AACC Members for 2005

Michael Bayer, Membership Director

Membership in Alta Alpina is growing! Thank you to all who have joined AACC! We look forward to riding with you, sharing in our club activities, and supporting the local community. Another "thank you" to members who renewed membership and to those who updated membership profiles using our new Online Membership System. If you still have not done so, join/renew/update/ at www.AltApina.org—click on "Membership."

"Welcome" to the following new Members:

Manjula Antony

Jeff Bender

Corey Bolton

Ronald Caulley

Sarah Clement

Scott Doerr

Bill Eubanks

Todd Huckins

Sherri Lehman

Paul Martin

Lisa McKinney

Libby Oakden

Kurt Pastery

Jim Sacherman

Jess Sasano

Kathleen Sloan

Craig Steele

David Stewart

James Strange

Paul Taylor

Darel Tsuji

Junior Cycling @ Sea Otter

Mel Maalouf

The Junior Team again attended the Sea Otter classic. We teamed up with some of the senior racers, which is my intention—that the junior racers get involved in the senior race team races... that we all act as a team. I also raced the races. We camped in Campground E, which sounds worse than it really is. It was really nice to just essentially "live" right next to all the races. That means we had our "Hotel" (my mom's 13' trailer) basically right at the start lines, which makes morning preparations, travel, etc. seamless for racing. Also, we had hot showers and toilets (green self-sufficient ones) close by. This was really advantageous. I raced EARLY each morning, which was nice to have the hard stuff done early on, but I really don't like waking up early. The juniors had various successes and issues with their races.

Junior Sea Otter Goals

Our Goals were the following:

1. Get Experience (learn the courses, competitors, and race nuances)
2. Finish Races (If we weren't up with the leaders, we need the training.)
3. This is also key to know, how LONG the races can be.
If you don't ever finish a 40, 50, or 60-mile race, you will never know what it takes to finish with the leaders as far as hydration, nutrition and "economization"). I told them they could drop out if they were injured or going to injure themselves.
4. Try for results.

Of course, all this is in the name of fun. Well, they finished. Both Micah and Nick finished their Road Races and Circuit Races. Some really big teams showed up, and this will likely be the biggest race, as far as fields, they will see this year. They both have great aspirations for results next year.

They both learned about the importance of pack position at key points in the race and mechanical suitability of their steeds. It was a lot of fun to see them out there, mixing it up. I hope more kids can make it next year.

Coach's Race Goals

I finished my races. I could not even think of dropping out of my races... given my discussions with the juniors. My best hope was the Circuit Race, in which I placed 13th last year in the 4s while being dead sick. The 3's race was 90-minutes long: my perfect race length. I was hanging tough, not losing ground on the climbs, and moving up on the descents when necessary. (The 3s aren't as skilled as you might think.) All looked good for a sure top 10 when with 1.5 laps to go, I cramped up terribly. I executed the perfect lag climb. I was at the front and seized until the back of the pack came through. I was able to tack on to the back and draft on the back of the pack for the last lap. I was still cramping but was able to pedal and keep up at the back. On the final 1k, I was able to move from ~50th to 22nd. I was so disappointed, but this race shows my lack of racing intensity. My Road Race was a question if I could finish my longest road race... ever 67 miles. There were 6 laps on the circuit, and I made it with the pack till the 5th lap (not from cramps but just from fatigue). It was a beautiful day, a beautiful circuit, I needed the miles, there were people handing me water bottles, I had to finish my race yada yada... so I rode out 2 laps by myself and had a blast, even though I was off the back. I rode the rest at tempo. Next was the MTB XC. I usually just ride this race as hard as I want, but don't expect results. I probably should race Expert, but after two days of racing, I was happy to do the Sport 1 lap. I don't feel too guilty, since I still finished more than 4 minutes of the leader for 12th. Again, great course, great temperature for racing, just an all round blast. I finished right behind the Classy Mark Trujillo from Reno. Jeff Ham and Scott Roby were racing too. We all had a great time. Others were there racing, but I won't steal their thunder.

If anyone is thinking if they should do it or not, you should. It is a unique opportunity to race in large fields on "uber" safe courses. Both Road and MTB races are just too much fun. Maybe next year I will try Short Track?

Godspeed, Mel

Local Merchant Discount Program

We're excited to announce that local merchants who support AACC will be offering discounts to club members.

Details about local merchant offers for club members will be listed on a new "Local Merchants" section of our website at www.AaltaAlpina.org. We'll do our best to get this information online soon. Visit the merchant, peruse their shops and find out what you can buy as a benefit of being an AACC member.

Show your AACC Membership Card at time of purchase.

[If you are an active AACC member, your mailing label of the first Paceline you received upon renewal has the club logo and note indicating this is your membership card. If you are receiving the Paceline because you are on the list and were previously a member, sorry. Your mailing label is plain Jane, and you are not eligible for membership discounts. Fix that now, so you won't miss out. Visit www.AaltaAlpina.org, and click on "Membership."]

A special thank you to our supporters!



Big Daddy's, Gardnerville



Pearl Izumi, Lake Tahoe

For discounts from these local merchants, please visit the AACC website at www.AaltaAlpina.org.



Roadie Ride Previews

Riders & Previewers: John Axtel, Bart Narter, Jennie Hamiter

May 14, Central Coast Double—never done it, though it is the third CA Triple Crown Stage Race this year, and I have heard good reports on it. It starts in or near Paso Robles, CA. The club that hosts this double reportedly does a great job. —John

May 21, Davis Double—easy, very well supported double; a good first double. —John

May 28, Heartbreak Double—put on by Planet Ultra, no frills, in S. CA, good double, worth doing at least once, even if you live far away. Starts and ends in Palmdale. There has been a group rate at the hotel where the start finish is, very convenient. —John

May 15, Strawberry Fields Forever—Starts in Aptos and has the obligatory climbs out of Santa Cruz/Aptos to the summit and some long flat stretches through strawberry fields near Watsonville, hence the name! What sets this century apart is the food at rest stops. Each stop has an international theme. Blini (blintzes) made-to-order at the Ukrainian stop. Lattes w/biscotti at the Italian stop. Chocolate covered strawberries at the end of the ride. I think you get the idea. —Bart

June 4, Sierra Century—Well attended by AACC'ers, only a couple hours away, really nice ride. Starts in Plymouth and then east into the mountains. Slug Gulch is the famous steep climb, named perhaps for how you feel when you're riding a bike up it! The Gulch feels like

the hottest part of the ride, but if you can survive that, the rest of the ride is on nice roads; it's well worth the pain of that one harsh climb. A good Death Ride training ride: the 100 mile version: 7,500 ft of climbing; the 200K: 10,000 ft. —Jennie

June 5, Sequoia Century—Starts at the VA Hospital in Palo Alto and climbs the infamous Redwood Gulch to Highway 9 and the to Skyline. We headed south on Skyline towards Santa Cruz and Summit Road. There's a great downhill on Old Soquel San Jose Road. Then get ready for a serious uphill battle on East Zayante! You eventually head north on the rolling hills of Skyline with bay and ocean views and then down Page Mill Road to the finish. —Bart

Board Minutes—April 2005

Attendees: John Seher, Jennie Hamiter, Michael Bayer, Jeff Ham, Dana Lookadoo, Chris McMillen, Mel Maalouf, Christopher Rowe, Tim Rowe, Christine Anderson, Rick Miyashiro

Agenda Items

I. Monthly Status Reports:

- △ **Treasurer's Report:** \$46,553.75 balance as of today. Largest expenses so far have been the clothing order and the Carson Valley Classic.
- △ **Weekend Rides:** Weather cancelled many of the scheduled rides so please check the ride board. Keith has committed to hosting the Gardnerville 125. It will be a poker run with a BBQ at Keith's post ride. You must be a member for this ride! \$300.00 in prizes for the first three winners.
- △ **Wednesday Night Races:** The Board approved and passed race ticket prices to \$5.00 pre-race, \$7.00 race day-members and \$10.00 race day-nonmembers. Troy to be submitting a budget for the races. He is also interested in feedback regarding the race ticket system.
- △ **Memberships:** 65 total memberships registered so far. Flyers were completed by Michael and distributed to bike shops.
- △ **Newsletter:** Dana reports good participation by members with enough content for each issue.
- △ **Carson Valley Classic (CVC):** Jim Rhiner absent. Mel reported he is trying to include a category in the criterium for <30 racers.
- △ **Pinenut Cracker:** All permits have been filed for and awaiting response. Many volunteers are needed.
- △ **Adopt-A-Highway:** Next highway clean up is on April 16, 2005. Meet at Turtle Rock Park at 8 AM.
- △ **Death Ride:** Joe Marzocco absent. John relayed the report from Joe that everything is moving as planned and running well.
- △ **Clothing:** The order has arrived, and Chris McMillen will

inventory and distribute the clothing after the Spring Membership Party, if any are left.

II. AACC Bylaws:

Michael presented the revised and amended bylaws for the club to reflect our current operations. He also updated the job descriptions for the board positions. Many thanks to Michael for a tremendous job and taking the time and effort to complete this project.

III. Spring Membership Party:

Dave Simpson cannot help with the food that day as he may be out of town. Mel and the juniors will pick up perishable items and Michael will pick up non-perishable items. John will pick up prizes for the mileage contest. The Board passed a motion to fund \$300.00 for the prizes.

IV. Local Merchant Discount Policy:

A policy was proposed by Jennie in the effort to promote membership and support of local merchants. The Board approved the new policy.

This policy is available for review upon request from the Board.

V. Ride Reimbursement Policy:

Changes to the policy were approved as follows: \$80.00 limit per event, \$600.00 limit per member per year, must volunteer 12 hours at the Death Ride/CVC/Pine Nut Cracker and one club event, and member must wear any AACC jersey. Policy changes regarding reimbursement for the senior and junior race teams were also approved. A policy for sponsorship of athletes was also discussed and approved. All the above policies are available for review upon request from the Board.

VI. AACC Budget:

Jeff presented the proposed 2005 budget for the club. The budget was approved by the Board. The Board also approved \$500.00 for the weekend rides and \$1,100.00 toward two new bikes for the Junior Race Team.



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Pinenut Cracker MTB Race 5/14
- AACC Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup & Ride 5/21
- G'ville 125 & Poker Run 5/22
- Death Ride 7/9
- Carson Valley Classic 7/30 & 7/31
- Wed Night Races every Wed @ 6:15

MOVED? GOT NEW CONTACT INFO?

Have you moved? Has your e-mail address changed?
Don't miss out on the latest AACC happenings!
Update your info at AltaAlpina.org; click on "Membership."

Alta Alpina Cycling Club Board Members

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All AACC members are welcomed to participate in our **Board Meetings** held the **1st Monday of each month, 6:00 pm** at the Pizza Factory in the Gardnerville Ranchos. The club is about and for you, so help us plan some great cycling opportunities for 2005. See you **June 6th!**