

## HUB Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows meeting Apr 9, 2015

In attendance: Peter, Dave, Jackie, Geoff

Regrets: Ivan, Tracey

### Notes

Upcoming events:

- Community Sport Strategy Meeting April 14 (Alex, Jackie).  
This is the last of four meetings where sports groups can give their input for the Sport Strategy. Alex has been invited for this meeting as well, likely to represent the sport aspect of cycling. Although perhaps questionable if our push for cycling for transportation to be taken seriously as a way of getting more people physically active, especially those who don't like exercising, and to have this idea incorporated in the Sport Strategy, Jackie will attend this last meeting. Jackie had mentioned the idea of a bike library to the organizers. Used bikes could be collected throughout the year, fixed up, and lent out for free by a bike library. The committee decided this would not work in Maple Ridge with the number of homeless/drug addicts in our town core.
- Sat. April 18, 10 - 2: Earth Day 2015.  
We have 20 bikes to give away at the Cycle Recycle. The committee decided with this many bikes it's better to do two draws instead of the one draw. The first one will be held at 11:30, the second one at 1:30. Ross Davies of KEEPS had been asked already to do one draw (at 1:30). Jackie to find another VIP/P for the 11:30 draw. (done 10/4: Cassandra Tracy as Queen Elsa/Snow Queen of Frozen will do the first draw. She only has half an hour for us). Jackie to find out from Patrick Cullen re status quo re pamphlet/poster for MRBERT.
- Sat. April 20: Bike safety workshop for 1st Haney Cubs (Alex).  
Jackie to remind Alex and provide him with necessary materials. (done 10/4)
- Sat. May 9: Amazing Disaster Rally New Westminster.  
Would be good to have some presence of MRBERT committee members at this exercise to learn from their experience. Jackie to ask if anybody's planning on registering. (done 10/4)
- Sun. May 10: Art Studio Bike Tour. (Jackie).  
Jackie has planned two routes, #1 is relatively flat in west Maple Ridge (one studio in Pitt Meadows), and #2 is a hillier one in east/central Maple Ridge. She will try to get people to pre-register so we have some idea of the numbers we can expect. If the numbers are low, we can just do the flat route.  
Peter will pre-ride route #1, Dave will do #2.
- Jackie met with Kathryn Baird of the Festival Office to talk about simplification of the process of organizing our bike rides. Rides that have fewer than 10 participants are

considered private and we don't need to send in any application forms for those. For rides with more than 10 participants, a special events application form (available [on-line](#)), as well as a highway use permit application form need to be filled out and submitted. The special events application can be saved on-line after filling it out, so should be a little bit faster to fill it out for subsequent events. The Festival Office will make sure the forms are forwarded to their list of people for either/both municipalities who need to know what we're doing. For events between 10 and 50 people, the forms are sent FYI only. For events with more than 50 participants, permits are required. Since we usually don't know if we'll have more than 10 people, we pretty much have to submit the forms for every ride. A map needs to be submitted as well. Of course insurance is required for all rides, with the City of MR, City of PM, School District #42, Parks and Rec all added as third insured as described in the forms. (we arrange the insurance through HUB). Preferably we would submit the forms 6 weeks ahead of time, but for our regular rides 2 weeks should be sufficient. Jackie has asked the Festival Office if the maximum number of participants for private events could be changed to 25 in the Highway and Traffic by-law.

- May 25 - 31: Bike to Work Week. FYI only. We're not running a station.
- Sat. June 6: Bike Tune-up Workshop. Date has been arranged with Eileen Dwillies of the Farmers Market. We will not have the bandstand, so we need two tents. Jackie has asked for the two bike stands + tool boxes from the Youth Centre. Jackie to arrange 2 tents + table, chairs.
- Sat. June 6: Pitt Meadows Day. The Pitt Meadows ATAC committee will have a booth + parking. Peter offered to put up the HUB banner at the booth, but we'll need it for the Bike Tune-up Workshop. Peter to let Jackie know what info materials he will need.
- July 1: Canada Day Pitt Meadows. There will be a cycling area, with a cycling demonstration, a bike rodeo (bike decorating + bikes riding around in a circle) and Cops for Cancer. We've been asked if we want to have a booth. Peter will not be around. Jackie will think about it.
- September 26/27? Meadow Ridge Bike Emergency Response Team (MRBERT) exercise.

Past events: none.

Other:

- Cycling for seniors <http://www.vancourier.com/sports/cycling/at-any-age-a-bicycle-is-made-for-two-at-yaletown-house-1.1789136> (Peter). Nothing to report.
- Purchase of helmet cam (Barry, Tracey). (Annual allowance: still remaining \$283.39). Dave thinks we may not use the camera enough to justify the expense. We should consider asking the office to see if there's an interest among the other committees to jointly buy one, so that we can take turns using it.