

HUB Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows meeting Apr. 17, 2014

In attendance: Geoff, Barry, Dave, Ivan, Jackie

Regrets:

Upcoming events:

- ≡ **Earth Day Cycle Recycle**, Sat. April 26, 10 am – 2 pm (Dave, Barry, Jackie)
 - This year's location has changed. Instead of our usual spot in front of Leisure Centre we'll be on the concrete "Amphitheatre" steps between the Bandstand and the ACT, which means a lot more visibility.
 - We'll be getting one tent from the events trailer, and 2 tents from the Haney Farmers Market (Eileen Dwillies). Market volunteers will set them up.
 - Barry and Dave will pick up and drop off all the bikes. Jackie has 7 and expecting about 5 more (about 3 from Alex?). Dave has 1. Jackie to let Barry know when at the latest bikes can be dropped off.
 - We'll need both bike stands + tool boxes from the Youth Centre. At least one bike stand is at Youth Centre in Pitt Meadows right now. Jackie will sort out pick-up and drop-off details with Adam Rieu of the Youth Centre. Barry will pick up from Pitt Meadows.
 - Volunteers: Barry, Dave, Geoff, Ivan, Jackie.

- ≡ **Spring Bike Tune-up Workshop**. May 10, 10 am – 2 pm. (Jackie)
 - The Farmers Market has reserved the Bandstand for us, so lots of visibility, and we won't need a tent.
 - Dave is not able to make it for the workshop. Jackie found 4 volunteers to help out, so we should be ok.
 - Both bike stands and tool boxes needed.

- ≡ **Art Studio Bike Tour**, May 11; 10 am (Mother's Day weekend) (Jackie).
 - Contact Art Studio Tour: Kerry McLaren kerrymclaren@icloud.com
 - Jackie's been jumping through all the hoops. Lots of forms to fill out and requirements to fulfill. (Highway Use Permit, Special Events Permit, map submitted. Permission needed from RCMP, Fire Department, Engineering. Insurance has been arranged through HUB. Various Parks & Leisure personnel involved. Lots of e-mails back and forth). Only **preliminary** approval given so far.
 - We've been asked to let participants know that: 1. Single file riding ONLY (no side by side); 2. Riders must obey all traffic rules/regulations specially at intersections. 3. Riders must yield to all emergency vehicles 4. Encourage riders/ participants to wear high visibility attire. As to #4: Jackie has informed Parks and Leisure that we will point out all the rules and regulations and requirements, but we will not ask participants to wear hi-viz attire, since it's unnecessarily putting too much emphasis on the dangers of participating with this event. We feel it's sufficient that the person heading up the group as well as the sweeper wear reflective vests. Depending on the reply we get, we may have to cancel the event.

- Participants will need to pay \$2 for HUB membership for the day, so they're insured. Also still need to sign a waiver.
 - Jackie's made a map. Dave will try out the route.
- ≡ **Bike to Work Week** May 26 – June 1, 2014; There will be no station in PM since the PM ATAC committee just had its first meeting this past week, and they felt it was better to wait until next time, since it's pretty short notice to still organize a station.
- Jackie will encourage participation through Mailchimp list, blog, facebook, twitter.
- ≡ **Bike to Farms ride** Maple Ridge (Kim of Golden Ears Food Co-op, Jackie, Dave, Peter)
- Jackie and Ivan tried a route in east Maple Ridge, but due to widely spread out destinations, disconnected roads, and trails without bridges to cross over streams, that proved to be too difficult. The plan is now to do a route similar to the one we did last September. We will not include Golden Ears Cheesecrafters this time, since 128th Ave. is too scary for the average cyclist. The planned destinations are: Red Barn Plants and Produce, Lorea's veggie gardens, Brookfield Farm, and of course starting and finishing at the Haney Farmers Market. Jackie made a map.
 - Kim Lauzon will be asking the farms if they're ok with participation. If yes, we'll put up a poster advertising the Bike Tune-up Workshop (May 10), the Art Studio Bike Tour (May 11) and the Bike to Farms Ride at 3 locations at Earth Day: our HUB booth, the Art Studio Tour booth, and the Golden Ears Food Co-op booth.
 - Hopefully we'll be able to set a date this coming week, most likely late August/early September.
- ≡ **GETI Fest**, Sept. 20 (Jackie).
- There probably won't be a parade this year.

Other:

- ≡ **HUB Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows facebook page.**
- Should start using HUB MR/PM committee facebook page more instead of Jackie's personal page. Preferably delete the word "committee" from the name. Jackie will talk to Alex, who set up the page.
- ≡ **HUB proposal for improvements 117th route**
- Good idea to come up with some suggestions for improvements of the 117th route (reversal of some stop signs; perhaps consider bike-permeable diverter(s) on the route to prevent it from being used as a rat-run once stop signs reversed.)
 - Plan an assessment ride at the next meeting?
- ≡ **Request for meeting with Sgt. Bruce McCowan** (replaced Dale Somerville, Traffic Section RCMP – potentially new HUB liaison?) (sent e-mail 25/3/14; no reply):
- To be discussed at next meeting.

