

## **STBC Annual Meeting Minutes – March 1, 2009**

Call to Order: 1:32 p.m.

1. Introduction of Officers and board Members – Denny U. absent, Don G. running the meeting.
2. Acknowledgements: Nancy M., Assistant Treasurer  
Nancy B., Membership Coordinator  
All ride leaders from past year  
GFLBT committee, Augie M.  
Regina L. and John G., web site  
Dan and Mona W., Highway Clean-up Coordinators
3. Nominations for Officers, discussion and vote
  - a. Secretary: Joan Hebb (passed)
  - b. Treasurer: Regina Losinger (passed)
  - c. Vice President: Don Gillespie (passed)
  - d. President: Denny Uhlig (passed)
4. Financial Report: Regina Losinger - Reports were distributed to members. Regina presented a request for ideas on using the undesignated funds, after making sure we retain enough to sustain the GFLBT. Ideas are as follows:
  - a. Underwrite the cost of club jerseys
  - b. Support members' participation in state wide rides
  - c. Continue to support Fresh Cycles and Sarah Jane Johnson bike programs (W2M raised \$200 which was matched by the Board. Stephen reported that Fresh Cycles is not a long term program yet.)
  - d. Promote/advertise local bike rides – a booklet perhaps?
  - e. Support Mike Zuber at BU Outdoor Club
  - f. Charge less at GFLBT for several years
  - g. Install air pumps and bike racks at Vestal Rail Trail (see Stephen Bard)
  - h. Make STBC part of bike path extension (support?)
  - i. Increase promotion of GFLBT
  - j. Encourage "Bike Friendly Binghamton" with bike racks, signs and lanes
  - k. Keep loaner bikes for new bikers and/or those in need
  - l. Helmet give-away at the Thater races (watch duplication of efforts)
  - m. Install Rt. 12 sign and flower bed at other end? A memorial?
  - n. NYBC – STBC has joined, support members taking courses, becoming instructors?
  - o. Helmets and locks given to members who could distribute them, money to support existing programs
  - p. Headbands
  - q. Hats with logo
  - r. License plates with names
  - s. Sponsor a bike repair class

- t. Life member account/endowment – manage it
  - u. Increase contribution to Chris Thater
  - v. Continue to subsidize the Annual Dinner? Maybe not?
5. Yahoo! Group change: Nancy reported that from now on, the default reply option will reply to the individual, not the group. To reply to the group hit “reply all”. She also reported that we have 401 memberships (some family, including those that expired in 2008 and over 100 lifetime members.
  6. GFLBT 2009, June 12-14: Augie reported that things are going well, everyone is doing their jobs. New rides have been added, some off road for the first time. 14 people have registered to date. Anticipating 200 this year. We’ll be giving away a new biodegradable water bottle to the first 150. Augie suggests have a “leader” for each ride to make people more comfortable.
  7. Highway clean-up: Dan and Mona have planned this for Saturday, May 2. Meet at 7am for breakfast at Laura’s Luncheonette in Hillcrest. Clean-up starts on Rt. 12 at St. Rita’s church. Ride to Greene for lunch after. Call to confirm breakfast and/or rain date. Information will be in the schedule.
  8. Annual Dinner: Scheduled for April 18 at Russell’s in Endicott. Good to reserve sooner rather than later. All info is on website with reservation form. All will be in the newsletter.
  9. Wheels to Meals: Jay gave a rundown of the group’s last season (complete with averages, total miles, riders and rides) and explained the \$200 raised for charity.
  10. NY Bicycle route 17, sign survey and BMTS activity: John Gerty is working with Don Powell to survey the bike routes. He requested 2 volunteers to check routes at the western end of the county and south on Rt. 11. Should there be more signs? Are there signs there? What condition are they in? Members can email John to volunteer. (NOTE: Should this be in the newsletter at some point? On the website? An email to members?)
  11. Request for spring ride leaders: Don G. asked volunteers to sign up this week. Schedule will be out for April and May.
  12. Nancy B. and Regina asked about interest in a bike touring 101 ride – a local, one-nighter, starting with the spring schedule for those interested in trying touring. Loaner gear available. There was enough interest to make this probable.
  13. Notice was given of the Marathon Maple Fest ride, Sat. March 28 from Whitney Point MacDonald’s to Marathon. 11:00, 18 miles or 10:00 at St Rita’s for 38 miles. Ride will be posted on website.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:45

Submitted by Joan Hebb 3/10/09

## STBC Annual Meeting Minutes – February 21, 2010

1. Officers and Board members were introduced.
2. Mona Wysocki (Highway Clean-up) and Augie Mueller (GFLBT) were acknowledged. All ride leaders were asked to stand.
3. Officers nominated and elected:
  - Secretary – Joan Hebb
  - Treasurer – Sam Russo
  - Vice President – Don Gillespie
  - President – Denny Uhlig
4. Financial Report: Regina Losinger presented the 2009 report. It was accepted as read.
5. Budget Discussion: Regina lead the discussion of how to use the Club treasury balance and ideas for charity donations. The following list was generated.
  - wickable bandannas (sample passed around – this is in the works)
  - sponsoring the tandem event with AVRE
  - bicycle safety training for high school P.E. Teachers (Stephen Bard)
  - ride and barbecue, STBC would fund the food, proposal form needed
  - photo calendar of local scenic rides (Jeanette Hrciga)
  - rail trails support – Catherine Valley – donation for upkeep
  - emulate Finger Lakes Club brochure
  - become “Friend of the Rail Trail” sponsor – alleviate problems with cyclists on trails?
  - Sponsor a ride at the Chris Thater or other weekend event (like the Bridge Pedal) with proceeds going to the organization holding the event
  - increase donation to the Bridge Pedal ride
6. GFLBT: Augie presented this year's tour, June 13 – 15, \$75. There are no major changes (registration fee increased) and the committee is working.
7. Highway Clean-Up: Mona presented this year's plans. Clean up is scheduled for April 24<sup>th</sup>. Reserve for breakfast by calling ahead. The more people the faster it goes. Ride to lunch afterwards.
8. Annual Dinner: Joan presented the details. Dinner will be at California Grill on April 17<sup>th</sup>. We will continue to take donations for CHOW. Thank to Nancy MacNeil for help in making the contact.
9. Wheels to Meals: Jay Kimmel presented the past year's statistics (784 riders on 61 rides). Jay is trying to add some shorter rides to appeal to more riders.
10. Newsletter discussion: New members have the option to get an electronic newsletter or a printed copy by checking a box. Current members can send an email to change. Some discussion but no real changes in the process. The Finger Lakes club representative reported the having their newsletter printed and delivered revived their club.
11. Ride Leaders: Don G. asked for ride leaders for April and May.
12. Finger Lakes Club from Ithaca: Earth Hour information – on March 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 pm. There is a movement to ask people to turn out their lights for one hour. The Ithaca club is suggesting a night time city ride for that hour. Maybe STBC wants to do it too?
13. Mueller miles: Cal Tech expert discussed several aspects of the Mueller mile, leading to the conclusion that the most apt definition involves the “delight factor”.
14. Meeting adjourned at 2:50.

Cal Tech "expert" - distances / mueller miles - 8000 ft. / C+D on the way from  
A to B  
Augie work unit - nothing  
Delight factor

## STBC Annual Meeting AGENDA Feb 21, 2010

### 1. Introduction of Officers and board members

- Dennis Uhlig (Pres.)
- Don Gillespie (VP)
- Regina Losinger (Treasurer & Web master)
- Joan Hebb ( Secretary and annual dinner coordinator )
- John Gerty (Web help)
- Nancy Botting (membership coordinator)
- Peggy Sniezek
- Don Robertson
- Nancy MacNeill ( assistant treasurer )

### 2. Acknowledgements (introduce and ask to rise):

- Mona Wysocki: highway cleanup chairperson
- Augie Mueller & the GFLBT committee
- all the ride leaders

### 3. Nominations for Officers, discussion, vote

- Secretary - re-elected Joan
- Treasurer - Regina retiring - Sam Russo nominated - Sam elected
- Vice president - Don re-elected
- President - Denny re-elected

### 4. Financial Report: Regina Losinger - read + accepted

### 5. Planned 2010 Charity Donation & Club treasury balance and budget discussion: Regina Losinger

- 4. GFLBT 2010, June 13-15, 2010: Augie Mueller - \$75.00 no major changes / group is working
- 5. Highway clean-up: Date, details, discussion: Mona Wysocki
- 6. Annual Dinner: April 17 at California Grill, Vestal - Joan Hebb. - CHOW
- 7. Wheels to Meals (aka Tuesday / Thursday daytime rides, aka W2M) - Jay Kimmel 784 riders / 61 rides / 12.9 riders per ride / 27.8 miles per rider per ride / 21,000 miles
- 8. Newsletter - electronic or mailed - opt in or out discussion - no real changes
- 9. Request for spring (April, May) ride leaders (Don G.)
- 10. Call for any other New business - Ithaca Club - Earth Hour - 8:30pm / lights out for one hour
- 11. Adjourn meeting 2:50 March 27th Ride?

April 24th  
Bkfst.  
Rebate needed

trying to add some  
shorter rides to  
appeal to more people

Ithaca Bike Club - opinion  
Newsletter printed + delivered  
Revived Club - physical imppt.

## **STBC Annual Meeting – January 29, 2012**

**Called to Order: 1:40 pm**

1. Introduction of Officers and Board Members
2. Nancy B. provided membership information: 420 family members, about 280 local  
175 members with 12/31 expiration  
170 life membership  
The membership list was sent around for corrections.
3. Augie M. presented GFLBT news and update. GFLBT will be June 8-10, 2012. 2 people had registered as of 1/29. 200 riders are expected. Routes will be the same as last year.
4. Augie M. presented news and update on the Sarah Jane bike give-away project. It will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in May. A bike, helmet and lock are given to each person. They have about 80 bikes now. Help is required for repairing ahead of time and on the day of the give-away. Bikes can be dropped off at the church or by calling Augie or Dick P.
5. All ride leaders from the previous season were thanked.
6. Election of Officers: All current officers were re-elected.
7. Dick P. presented the financial report in Sam R.'s absence. Lower totals overall resulted from the 2011 donation and the reduced income from GFLBT 2011, however, the club remains in strong financial shape.
8. Mona W. presented the Highway clean-up information. It will be on April 28. About 25 people will make it go quickly and well. Eric C. gave testimony of competency and satisfaction in participating in the clean-up. STBC will continue to pay for breakfast at Laura's for all participants.
9. Joan H. will make the arrangements for the annual dinner (May 5) at Endwell Greens. Announcements and the reservation form will be in the spring newsletter.
10. Nancy B. reviewed the procedure for the list-serve sign-up. A full name must be on the request. Instructions are in the newsletter. This is a closed membership. The web page, however, is open to all.
11. John G. gave the annual Wheels-to-Meals statistics, compiled by Jay K. 5100 riders over the last 7 years have ridden 144,000 miles.
12. Steve B. made a request for ride leaders for the upcoming season. Information needs to be sent to Steve for April and May by the end of February. Past schedules are on the website if members need inspiration. [Rides@southerntierbikeclub.org](mailto:Rides@southerntierbikeclub.org)
13. All information for the spring newsletter must be to Mona W. By March 1<sup>st</sup> or sooner.
14. New Business:
  - ▲ Peggy S. reminded members that the brochure of longer, more difficult rides from Bike Tioga was available on the back table.

- ▲ A question was raised about donation for 2012. Suggestions were for a bike rack on the Vestal Rail Trail, bike racks anywhere, and the annual Bridge Pedal.
- ▲ Steve B. was asked if he would repeat the bike repair workshop. Consensus was that he should. He will schedule is sometime in the next 6 weeks. Members should check the list-serve from information.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:35 pm

## **STBC Annual Meeting – January 27, 2013**

Call to Order – 1:30 pm

**President's Report** – Steve Bruno announced the resignation of Denny Uhlig as President and his consequent appointment to the Board.

**Secretary's Report** – Joan Hebb read the minutes of the November Board meeting which were approved with corrections to the number of jerseys (12) and do-rags (63) in inventory.

**Treasurer's Report** – Dick Porterfield presented the 2012 statement of income and expenses, explaining the bottom line. It was approved as given.

**Membership** – Nancy Botting reported that we currently have 424 members which includes family memberships so the actual number is uncertain at this time. Of that number, 195 are Lifetime members and 150 are up for renewal this year. Renewals are largely GFLBT memberships.

**Newsletter** – Mona compiles the list of out-of-bounds rides for the Newsletter and welcomes new additions. The spring newsletter covers April and May rides and events.

**Website** – John reported that we have lots of room on the website. He will be adding the link to an article and picture in memory of Dottie. Someone needs to write this.

**GFLBT** – Augie reported that plans are underway for 2013, the 33<sup>rd</sup> year, still operating in the black. This group needs an internet savvy person to boost the publicity. Contact Augie if interested. Bill Armstrong is the GFLBT mapper. He announced the rides for 2013:

Friday night – Fire Tower and Raceway

7 mile loop

Saturday – Senacyuga rides of 62, 87, and 98 miles

Remote start plateau rides of 25, 38 and 51 miles

Sunday – Keuka Lake loop

Catherine Valley Trail

**Rides** - Steve put out a request for ride leaders. It's okay to commit to a date and then cancel if you must. Substitute leaders are often available. March 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for the April/May schedule. Non-members are welcome to try a ride so bring a friend. After the first ride, they will be encouraged to join the club.

**Wheels to Meals** – Don and Lonnie are organizing the Tuesday rides, Pat and Carolyn organize for Thursdays. Rides always include lunch. 2012 stats: 33,303 miles/68 rides/31 Tuesdays/37 Thursdays/86 people/16.5 people per ride/27 on a single ride/Jan 31<sup>st</sup> was the 1<sup>st</sup> ride, Dec. 20 was last.

**Ride of Silence** – Dick described this annual event that takes place in many locations in US and internationally, always on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed in May at 7:00pm. STBC sponsored ride leaves from Recreation Park, about 1 hour/10 miles through Binghamton's west side, always in silence. Dick requested new leaders for this event. Regina and Yvonne volunteered.

**Bob Dannecker Century and Picnic** – Regina reported that about 50 people attended in 2012. This free event is held the last weekend in September at Hickories Park. Nancy provides most of the food, Don and Lonnie provide SAG support. Various loops add up to the 100 miles. All are welcome to ride and/or eat.

**JC Christmas Parade** – Nancy organized participation in 2012. About 14 people rode, walked and threw candy to spectators. This is good publicity for STBC. Pizza was provided for members after.

**Safety Committee** – Steve is gathering comments from the membership in order to elaborate on the safety policy stated on the website. The intent is to present the policy to the public.

**Highway Clean-up** – Mona described the annual maintenance of Rt. 12. Starting with breakfast at Laura's, volunteer's take about an hour or so to pick up garbage on the roadside. Equipment and safety vests are provided. A ride is often offered afterward. This year the spring clean-up will be on Sat. April 27.

**Sarah Jane Bike Giveaway** – Augie introduced Patty Cardin who coordinates the program, now in its 6<sup>th</sup> year of refurbishing old bikes to give to families participating in the Sarah Jane program. Bikes are collected and stored for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. in May when children are given the bike, a helmet, a lock and a safety course. STBC helps with refurbishing in preparation, providing tubes and parts and support on the event day. The next refurbishing day is Sat. 2/2 from 9 to 3. There are about 30 bikes to do. Volunteers were asked to see Augie. Dick and Steve were presented with wire brushes for their continued service in maintenance and repair.

**Annual Dinner** – Joan has booked Endwell Greens for Sat. April 13. STBC will bring dessert in this time. Registration form will be in the Spring newsletter and on the website.

**Repair Clinic** – Steve will hold this again this year if there is enough interest. The American Legion requires a per person fee to provide refreshments. The club usually covers this cost. It is \$8.47 this year. If there are about 20 people, it will be held the first week in March.

**Nominating Committee** – Lorraine thanked Denny for his 5 years of service. Regina was nominated for President. She spoke briefly about her priorities and asked if there were any other candidates. Regina was thanked for accepting the nomination. Lorraine nominated all other current officers who are willing to continue.

**Election of Officers** – Being no other nominations from the floor, the secretary was asked to cast a vote for the slate. It was done and all candidates were approved.

President: Regina Losinger

Vice President – Steve Bruno

Secretary – Joan Hebb

Treasurer – Sam Russo

Steve was thanked for his interim service as President.

**Constitution and By-Laws Revisions** – Nancy began the discussion by explaining the changes and reasons for the revision. LAB policy and procedure were followed in making the changes. Questions arose regarding 1) wording that might jeopardize the tax exempt status 2) Signatures on checks 3) dues structure relating to GFLBT and 4) voting by the membership. Bill Denman presented another option to a constitution. Given the concerns, it was voted to defer the decision for the time being pending



further work. Bill and Regina will work with the revision committee to address the concerns. The old constitution will remain in effect for now.

**Community Bike Racks** – John received no input when he previously asked for suggestions on where bike racks were needed. He has 2 locations in progress; the west end of the Vestal rail trail and the Southside Commons. Ellen suggested that we consider Owego shopping areas. John responded that we are encouraging business to put in their own racks and suggested Ellen ask the merchants.

**Dottie Rice Gran Fondo** – Regina introduced Brie Schmidt, Dottie's niece, who reported on the progress to date. The event is being planned for early October with CVSP being the first choice for location. It will be family friendly with loops for kids and longer rides out of the park. There will be events at the park centering on safety and fund-raising. Money will go to the BCC Dottie Rice Memorial Fund for students in the ASL program. STBC will be approached at some point in the future with a proposal for specific support. Geri DeMarco volunteered to review this proposal and present it to the Board. She will need someone to work with her. STBC members were asked to keep the date in mind and volunteer to help as needed. Joan will send out an email and keep a running list of volunteers.

**Bridge Pedal** – Steve Bard announced that the date for this year's Bridge Pedal is 7-13-13 from 9 to 11 am, however, insurance rules have changed so the event itself is in doubt at this time. Stay tuned.

**LAB Insurance Regulations** – Dick reported on the webinar he attended. There are some concerns for 2013 including how we count who is a member, special events and coverage in general. Bill Denman, Gary Vanderbles and Dick will form a committee to look into the matter.

**STBC Jerseys** – Doug has been investigating possibilities for the next generation of jersey – probably the same design, different colors, women's styling. This is still a year or two down the road. John Norris will help make the decisions.

**Dues Structure** - Because the revised constitution was not approved, Steve asked members to vote on the new dues structure, which was included in the revisions. The motion was approved.

\$3.00 – individual

\$5.00 – family

Free – Student

Lifetime – 20x individual if under 50

10x individual if over 50

Lifetime memberships will be for 1 person only from now on, rather than a family.

**Financial Matters** – There was some last minute discussion regarding club spending on events- what is appropriate and what is not. The Board will revisit these concerns at the next meeting.

Adjournment – 3:35

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Hebb, Secretary

## **STBC Annual Meeting – February 8, 2015**

Call to Order – 1:30 pm

**Roll Call** – John Norris, Steve Bruno, Lorraine Loitsch, Nancy Botting, Dick Porterfield, Joan Hebb, Johanna Lovell, John Gerty and Don Doornbos.

**Excused** – Cheryl Brown, Denny Uhlig, Joanie Ticknor and Greg Laskowski.

### **Officers Report**

**President's Report** – John Norris welcomes all members and introduces the STBC Executive Board. John also announces he will be stepping down from the Presidency. John also stated that Joan Hebb and Johanna Lovell will be resigning from the Board of Directors effective at the close of this meeting. Joanie Ticknor and Greg Laskowski were welcomed as STBC's newest Board of Directors. Joan Hebb was appointed as Secretary for this meeting

**Vice Presidents Report** - Steve Bruno encourages members that they can volunteer their time by joining a committee and request that each Committee Chair seek volunteers after each report.

**Secretary's Report** – Joan Hebb read the Minutes from the December Board Meeting. Steve Bruno corrected the Minutes from Discussion of Proceeds of GFLBT 2014 from \$6400 to \$6200. Minutes were corrected and approved.

**Treasurer's Report** – Lorraine Loitsch reads treasure's report which was accepted.

### **Committee Reports**

**Membership** – Nancy Botting report is 506 combined individual and family. Pay Pal is now available to remit payment for new memberships and renewals.

**Newsletter** – Steve Bruno reports that Joanie Ticknor the new newsletter editor is well prepared as the Annual Newsletter is almost completed and ready for print. A PDF software program was purchased as an editing tool and Joanie Ticknor will submit the receipt of \$39.89 for reimbursement.

**Website** – John Gerty opens the floor for the Pros and Cons of Yahoo/Meet up with Meet up having \$15 a month fee. Information from Steve Bruno's investigation was given to the Board. There was some discussion on keeping both for a period of time to see if we like Meet up. There were some concerns expressed about problems some members are having viewing the yahoo calendar and that Meet up does not have a calendar. The Board will make the final decision on this matter. A request was made for volunteers for a committee to investigate issues involved with fixing the Yahoo site vs switching to Meet up.

**GFLBT** – Dick Porterfield reports 2014 event had 245 attendees. Survey results show people suggested changing caterers, provide ride leaders, not much interest in continuing mountain bike rides or time trials. New caterer hired, mountain bike rides and time trials removed from schedule. They will need volunteer ride leaders for next year's event. The event cleared \$6,200 in 2014. The event

registration is now available through pay pal. STBC members are encouraged to sign up for event early do to cap of participants on event. \$1,500 of the proceeds from GFLBT is to be set aside for STBC members to use for approved charity rides. \$25 per rider is available.

**Rides** - Steve Bruno reports, he is actively seeking ride leaders at this time and that any rides scheduled thus far are on the calendar and will be in the newsletter when printed.

**Wheels to Meals** – Jay Kimmel reports that the W2M rides are becoming too big for the eateries to handle with an average 21 people and a total of 56 rides this year. Don Gillespie reports that the Tuesday rides will be coordinated by Joanie Ticknor, Cheryl Brown and Greg Laskowski. The Thursday rides will be coordinated by Pat and Carolyn Gilligan.

**Ride of Silence** – John Norris reports he will again coordinated this ride being held on Wednesday May 20, 2015 at 7:00 PM. Starting at Recreation Park, Binghamton, NY. Need to have some publicity for this event.

**Bob Dannecker Memorial Ride and Picnic** – Nancy Botting reports 76 riders and 7 non-riders attended at the cost of \$5 a person. Addition of the softball game was a hit. Special thanks given to Steve Bard for helping the event run smoothly, also to Don Doornboss and Dick Porterfield for sagging.

**JC Christmas Parade** – Nancy Botting reported that 9 STBC members participated 2014 and thanked Dick Porterfield for his help. Nancy also reported that she will be stepping down from the chair of this committee. No volunteer stepped up and the chair remains open for this committee.

**Safety Committee** – Johanna Lovell reminded members of the educational resources on the STBC website. The contest to win a GFLBT free registration was announced with the cost to the club is \$92 How to participate in the contest was reviewed along with the rules. Johanna made a motion to accept the rules of the contest which was seconded and approved. How to participate in the contest along with the rules and will be put up on the STBC website. The drawing for winner will be at Annual Dinner.

**Highway Clean-up** – Mona Shabel described the annual maintenance of Route 12, in Binghamton, NY. Starting with breakfast at Laura's, volunteer's take about an hour or so to pick up garbage on the roadside. Equipment and safety vests are provided. A ride is often offered afterward. This year the Spring clean up will be on May 16, 2015, breakfast at 7:30 AM with clean up starting at 8:30 AM.

**Sarah Jane Bike Giveaway** – Augie Muller reports this is the 8th year this event has been held, with 1400 bikes given away to date. A request for money for locks and helmets from the club was made, no amount specified at this time. The event will be held this year on May 9th, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. They have 200 bikes at this time. It is announced that there is always a need for volunteers for the event, especially the morning of the event to help in the transportation of bikes from holding sites.

**Annual Dinner** – Greg Laskowski will take over the duties from Joan and Chair this committee. The Relief Pitcher, Conklin Avenue, Binghamton, NY was well received last year and we conduct this event there again on April 25, 2015 at 6:00 PM. The cost is \$15 for members and \$30 for non-members or guests. Pay Pal will be made available to remit payment. Special highlights will be he turning over of the Golden Gear Award and the drawing for the STBC Safety Contest.

**Repair Clinic** – Steve Bruno will be running this event this year on Sunday March 22, 2015 from 2:00

to 6:00 PM at the American Legion in Hallstead PA. BYO bike, tools and pump. Snack will be provided by the American Legion free of charge to STBC Members. \$170 is budgeted for the event. Registration is required. Steve requested the \$100 deposit to hold the event be drafted and sent to the Legion to reserve the date.

**Apparel** – Regina Losinger requested a show of hands to determine if a new jersey is wanted or a re-order of the old jersey. Regina had a sample of 10 jersey styles for the membership to look at and record their choices on a check list. Regina will report the results of the poll, looking for a consensus.

**Constitution and By-Laws** – Steve Bruno had no new report, but encouraged members to approach the committee with any concern that they feel need revision.

**Website / Pay Pal** – Lorraine Loitsch reported that the STBC website utilizes Pay Pal as a means to make payments for the GFLBT and Membership dues. The Annual Diner will be updated to accept Pay Pal for this year also.

**Nominating Committee** – Lorraine Loitsch reported John Norris announces stepping down as President and Steve Bruno accepted the nomination for Presidency. Steve Bruno vacated his seat as Vice President and Denny Uhlig accepted the nomination for Vice Presidency. Lorraine nominated all other current officers who are willing to continue. Lorraine announced there were no new nominations from the Listserv and opened nominations to the floor. There were no new nominations from the floor.

## **Special Orders**

**Election of Officers** – Being no other nominations from the floor, the Secretary was asked to cast a vote for the slate. It was seconded and all candidates were approved.

President - Steve Bruno

Vice President – Denny Uhlig

Secretary – Cheryl Brown

Treasurer – Lorraine Loitsch

## **Old Business**

**Discussion of GFLBT proceeds** - Board needs suggestions from STBC members on how to best donate suggestions for worthy causes are to be submitted to the board for consideration.

**Discussion of use of Yahoo groups vs Meet Up or other group calendar** software - See Website Committee report. Regina requested Board reconsider an open list serve, Augie seconds this request. A discussion began the General membership was polled with some in favor of trial of Meet Up, The Board will decide on appropriate measures.

**Updates to Committee Personnel** - Steve Bruno confirmed and recorded all members that were on the STBC Committees. This information will be posted on the STBC website.

**Public Relations** - Outreach to community, response to editorials, ect. - Regina Losinger, BCC student rides, need undercover ~~bike raker~~ Steve Bard continues the Boys and Girls club rides. Request was

made to the general membership for volunteers to work with PR and outreach. No volunteers at this time. Members were encouraged to contact Steve Bruno if interested. Membership encouraged to join and to like the STBC Facebook page. A suggestion was made for developing an app for the club. Marie Riska volunteers to investigate how this is to be done.

**Outreach to younger cyclists** – was tied into Public Relations discussion.

**Discussion of what work well this year and what did not** - W2M rides are working very well.

**Request for access to bicycles from social services agencies** - John Norris & Don Doornboss sometimes get request for bikes, suggestions are solicited on ideas to obtain bikes to fill these requests. These requests have been referred to Sarah Jane in the pass.

### **New Business**

**Question to Board** - Can a minor, person under 18, be on a club ride. Answer is a minor on a club ride must have a parent, (who is a member), and the parent has to be with that minor for the ride.

**FLCC** - Steve Powell (President of FLCC) talked about bike touring with Adventure Cycling. Printed information was also available and distributed.

**Dick Porterfield Requested** - Steve Bruno read a Poem he wrote about the NYC century ride, that was published in Reclaim Magazine, Fall 2008. Dick mentioned Steve can keep the magazine as a souvenir.

### **For the Good of the Order**

Steve Bruno announced that Joan Hebb, Johanna Lovell and John Norris were an asset to STBC. The Membership thanked them for years of dedicated service and they were discharged from the STBC Executive Board.

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 PM, which was seconded and all were in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Hebb & Johanna Lovell, acting STBC Secretary's

# **STBC Annual Meeting Agenda**

Sunday, February 8, 2015

Introduction of Officers and Board Members

President's Report

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Committee Reports

- Membership

- Website

- Newsletter

- Rides

- Safety

- Highway Cleanup

- Repair Clinic

- Ride of Silence

- Apparel

- Sarah Jane Johnson Bicycle Giveaway

- Bob Dannecker Memorial Ride

- Johnson City Christmas Parade

- Constitution and By Laws

- GFLBT

- Nominations

New Business

- Election of Officers

- Discussion of GFLBT proceeds

- Discussion of use of Yahoo groups, Meet Up or other group/calendar software

- Updates to Committee Personnel

- Public Relations...outreach to community, response to editorials, etc

- Outreach to younger cyclists

- Discussion of what worked well this year and what didn't

- Requests for access to bicycles from social service agencies

**STBC Annual Meeting Minutes**  
**January 10, 2016**  
**Endwell Fire Station 1:30 pm**

**Call to Order** – 1:35 pm

**Roll Call** – Steve Bruno, Greg Laskowski, Cheryl Brown, Lorraine Loitsch, Nancy Botting, Don Dornbos, Dick Porterfield, and John Gerty. The STBC Executive Board are all present.  
Approximately 60 members in attendance

**Officers Report**

**President's Report** – President announced that STBC seeks volunteers to work on committees

**Secretary's Report** – Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

**Treasurer's Report** – Announced that insurance cost will increase. Bob Dalke offered to look into other, less costly options. Report was read and filed.

**Committee Reports**

**Membership – Dick Porterfield**

Elimination of lifetime membership effective January 1, 2016

The new membership applications are available on the STBC website in Membership.

**Website - Lorraine Loitsch**

This year, in addition to providing updates for general announcements and the Newsletter, the following enhancements have been made:

The Addition of PayPal for Membership, Great Finger Lakes Bicycle Tour and the Annual Dinner.

The addition of a Google based Ride/Event Calendar that will be populated for 2016. This eliminates the issues many people had with the one on STBC Yahooogroup

Improved access to Listserv/Yahooogroup. Eliminated the need for a Yahoo ID to receive club e-mail or to post.

Quick reference to ride codes (PDF version also still available)

Additional links to other local clubs were added.

STBC Yahooogroup is open to all STBC members as well as the biking community at large. There are currently 400 subscribers. New subscribers are always welcome and can sign up by following the instructions on the STBC website

(<http://www.southerntierbicycleclub.org/emaillistservyahooogroup.html>).

Reminder: "reply" goes to the author of the note / "reply all" goes back out to the whole

Yahooogroup...subscribers are asked to only use the "reply all" function when their response will be of use to people beyond the author. Having any problems with your Yahooogroup account? Please contact Larry Blumberg, Yahooogroup moderator, at [LBlumberg@stny.rr.com](mailto:LBlumberg@stny.rr.com).

**Pay Pal - Lorraine Loitsch**

PayPal was introduction to STBC in late 2014 to provide an added option and convenience when paying for memberships, the Great Finger Lakes Bike Tour and the Annual Dinner. We have found it to be highly successful with the following percent of usage in 2015:

53.3% - Great Finger Lakes

49.2% - Membership

51.5% - Annual Dinner

A personal PayPal account is helpful but not necessary.

**Newsletter – Joanie Ticknor**

Has reached out to 3 printers in the past week. Not one has called back. Need any articles and updates as they come in. Looking forward to putting this together again. Deadline for print is March 1.

**Public Relations – Steve Bruno**

PR is needed. Asked for volunteers to work with the local press/TV/Radio stations to secure publicity for club events and initiatives.

**Facebook Page - Regina Losinger**

Facebook link has been added to our website. Several cycling articles of general interest and photos are posted weekly. Cover photo is updated every month. Jerseys for sale were featured. Club rides were listed periodically.

Joan Ticknor was co-administrator most of 2015 - many thanks for her efforts. Don Doornbos has stepped forward to replace Joan as co-administer, and has been actively responding to posts.

**Rides Schedule – Steve Bruno**

Reminded everyone that we need ride leaders. Regina challenged members to lead three rides. Contact Steve to get your ride on the schedule.

**Wheels to Meals – Jay Kimmel**

52 rides conducted. Number lower than usual due to inclement weather. Average of 21 riders each ride, average distance 30 miles. Top ride had 38 attendees. 93 different riders participated.

**Safety – Faye Rafferty**

Faye will propose new safety instructions this spring. Dave Wells volunteered to provide safety materials. He is certified as an instructor by the American League of Cyclists.

**Donations - Lorraine Loitsch**

The following notice was sent out to the club in July 2015 and added to What's New on the STBC website: Fund Raising Rides

The season for fund raising rides is upon us and we wanted to remind you of the STBC policies regarding these rides. We encourage you to post your intentions to ride in these events on the Yahoo listserv and to ask for support from your fellow club members

The STBC has set aside \$2,500 to support their members doing these rides. The club will donate \$50 for each member for each ride. This will be on a first come, first served basis. Once this fund is exhausted the program will be reevaluated. We do ask that the rides be for recognized charities such as American Cancer Society or similar groups and that they not be affiliated with specific religious or political groups. To request funding, please send an email to: **Funds@Southerntierbicycleclub.org**



In 2015 we donated the following amounts:

\$100 - Bike MS

\$ 50 - American Diabetes Association

\$ 50 - Cycle for Cancer

\$200 - Total

The donation amount has been increased to \$50 per person for 2016. So, spread the word and bike for your favorite charity!!

**Annual Dinner – Greg Laskowski**

Saturday, April 23, 2016 at The Relief Pitcher, Conklin, NY at 6:00 PM

**Sarah Jane Bike Giveaway – Augie Mueller**

Saturday, May 14, 2016 - On schedule and on track.

New personnel at SJ have been contacted. We have been assured they would like to continue the program in 2016, 2017. 100 - 150 Bikes currently ready and in storage. Plans and details are to be put on the listserv.

**Highway Clean-up – Mona**

Saturday, April 30, 2016 and Saturday, October 1, 2016

**Ride of Silence – John Norris**

Wednesday, May 18, 2016. Recreation Park, Binghamton, NY at 7:00 PM

**GFLBT – Great Finger Lakes Bicycle Tour – Dick Porterfield**

The 2015 GFLBT went well and just like the all of the 34 preceding events, the weather was perfect. Almost anyway, other than rain and floods of biblical proportions, downed trees, power failures, smoke alarms we couldn't silence and toilets that wouldn't stop flushing. In spite of these issues, or maybe because of them, most of us had a good time. All in we had about 225 guests and cleared about \$5,500 to finance club activities and most importantly, no major injuries. A big thank you to all that worked to make the event a success. No major changes are planned for this year, the rides will again be West of Seneca, same caterer, same price but hopefully less rain. The website is up at

[www.greatfingerlakesbiketour.com](http://www.greatfingerlakesbiketour.com)

Please help to get the word out about this year's event. Due to the high fixed costs of the event, we do walk a fairly fine line between having enough attendance to be profitable and not having so many that we exceed the capacity of the facility. Please register early as we do advertise widely and will have to cap the attendance. Fri, Sat & Sun, June 10, 11 & 12, 2016

**Chris Thater Activities – Gene Clarke**

33rd Chris Thater Memorial, Downtown Binghamton

Saturday, August 27 and Sunday, August 28, 2016

The Stop DWI Program Chris Thater Memorial is held in memory of Chris Thater who was killed by a drunk driver.

The STBC will setup a tent on Court Street Saturday 9am – 6pm and Sunday 9am – 1pm.

This year the STBC will host 7 self directed rides starting and finishing at the STBC tent. The theme of these rides will focus on Southern Tier Parks. A rider sign-out / sign-in and mileage board will be posted outside the tent along with detailed queue sheets.

1. Otsiningo Park / River Road / Chenango St Loop – 20 miles

2. Vestal Hills – Jones Park / Arnold Park / Binghamton University – 28 miles
3. Dorchester Park via Rt 11, Rt 79, Rt 12 – 46 miles
4. Cole Park – 28 miles
5. Carousel Circuit / Vestal Rail Trail (ride 6 Carousels) – 26 miles
6. Hickory's Park / Owego – 48 miles
7. Glendale Park / Greenwood Park – 60 miles

Again this year, anyone participating in a ride will receive a free sports drink ticket to use at the Mission-in-Motion Women's Cycling Team tent. All proceeds go toward supporting the Lourdes Mission-in-Motion Mammography van. If you would like to display unique or antique bikes, security will be available during STBC tent hours. Volunteers are always welcome to host the tent and answer questions from the public.

The Thater will have more on tap this year and the Chris Thater Planning Committee will post the 2016 event schedule soon.

### **Bob Dannecker Memorial Ride and Picnic – Nancy Botting**

Sunday, September 25, 2016 at 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM

### **JC Christmas Parade – Narani O'Shaughnessy**

The 2015 Parade participation turned out with great weather and a fun time passing out candies to the children and ending at the Binghamton Brewery in Johnson City, NY for beer soup and pizza.

Next year's event will be Thursday, Dec 1, 2016 at 7:00 PM

### **Constitution and BY-Laws – Steve Bruno**

The STBC Board of Directors has voted on July 20, 2015 to eliminate new lifetime memberships as of January 1, 2016 and have also voted in favor to change the By-Laws.

The By-Laws are to be rewritten as follows

Note the addition of "payable in advance up to a 5 year max."

#### **Article III: Dues**

Annual dues are \$5 for an individual membership, payable in advance up to a 5 year max.

Annual dues are \$10 for a family membership, payable in advance up to a 5 year max.

A student membership will be free of charge annually, to be renewed on a yearly basis.

#### **Article IV: General Membership**

Membership in STBC shall be separated into the three categories as follows:

1. Individual: Any person, who's age is 18 and above years old.
2. Family: A family membership shall include an individual's spouse, living partner and children under 18 years of age.
3. Student: Individual full time students between the ages of 18 to 23 years old.

### **Apparel – Regina Losinger**

100 STBC jerseys were purchased in December, 2015

33 sold to date, nearly all on Dec 19th at sales event

Goal: sell remainder by end of 2016

Two color combinations: original hi-vis orange- yellow - lime green, and royal blue - lime green –

yellow - \$40 each. Will be offered for sale at 2016 annual meeting and GFLBT 2016. Available by contacting STBC member Regina Losinger

Men's and women's from XS to 3XL, sleeveless option for our lady riders. small number of full zipper men's jerseys are available (sold like hot cakes). Improved material, zippers and women's fit.

Our two current jersey colors were reordered because great interest was expressed at last year's annual meeting in a jersey that was nearly identical to our original hi-vis orange-green-yellow jersey, and many new members have asked for our sold out blue-green-yellow jersey.

### **Garden Tenders - Regina Losinger**

Our garden at the STBC highway maintenance sign on Route 12 in Chenango Forks, NY was in beautiful full bloom this year with a variety of perennials including Stella d'oro day lilies, sedum autumn joy, geraniums, daffodils, tulips, and crocus. The garden was weeded, fertilized, and mulched several times last year.

STBC Volunteer(s) are sought to mow the grass that surrounds the garden. It is estimated to take 30-45 minutes every two weeks from May through September. Logan H volunteered to mow.

### **Nominating Committee – Lorraine Loitsch**

The current officers we willing to run for office in 2016.

President – Steve Bruno

Treasurer – Lorraine Loitsch

Secretary – Cheryl Brown

The floor was opened for nominations.

There were no nominations that were accepted for the office of the Vice President.

There were no new nominations for the other remaining offices.

## **Special Orders**

### **Election of Officers:**

The current slate of officers were re-elected.

President – Steve Bruno

Treasurer – Lorraine Loitsch

Secretary – Cheryl Brown

Greg Laskowski was appointed, temporally to fill the office of the Vice President.

Anyone interested to fill the office of the Vice President should contact Steve Bruno.

## **Unfinished Business**

### **Participation in Earth Day Southern Tier – April, 24 2016 - \$30 fee**

Joe Wolfer volunteered to seek STBC's interest in participation for 2016.

## **New Business**

Ivan Pewterbaugh was appointed as a new member to STBC Board of Directors.

Motion to post the Minutes of all meetings, on the STBC website, was seconded and approved.

Gene Clarke proposed that we form an advocacy group to promote our advocacy agenda. Motion made, seconded and approved. Gene will head this committee. Bob Dalke & Dick Porterfield will participate.

Discussion of the expectations of ride leaders. Reminded that instructions are posted on web. Group encouraged to develop an additional, easier ride category to encourage new and lower-mileage riders.

### **For the Good of the Order**

#### **Door Prizes Winners**

**STBC Jersey** – John G

**STBC Tee Shirt** – Bob Dan

**STBC Bottle w/ Patch Kit & Levers** – Elmer Z

**50 / 50 Raffle Winner** - Mona

### **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
STBC Secretary

# STBC Annual Meeting Minutes

January 22, 2017

**Call to Order** – 1:45 PM

**Roll Call** – Steve, Lorraine, Dick, Don, Ivan, Roger & Dave

**Excused** – Cheryl & Greg

## Officer's Report

**President's Report** – No Additions to the Agenda

**Secretary's Report** – Reading of Previous Annual Meeting Minutes were waived and approved.

**Treasurer's Report** – The Annual Financial Report

Balance as of 12/31/2016: \$13,708 (\$2,669 checking)

Change in Net Assets 2015-2016: -\$3,190

Detailed financial report posted on website under About STBC

Report is filed

## Committee Reports

**Yahoogroup** – Larry - There are currently 477 subscribers to the STBC Yahoogroup, it's open to both Club members as well as interested bikers from outside of the Club. If you have any questions about the Yahoogroup, or need any help with your subscription, please contact the moderator, Larry Blumberg. Contact information is on the STBC website, click on the "Email Listserv/Yahoogroup" tab.

**Newsletter** – Roger – Deadline for printing Articles' is March 1, 2017.

Delivery to members by April 1st

Labels on the newsletter will have status in RED to remind members who need to renew (otherwise status will be in BLACK)

**Rides Schedule** - Roger - Rides Scheduling is open for 2017.

Leaders of 2016 rides have been asked to lead the same rides as 2017

Members are welcome to lead rides on open dates

Post the ride on email listserv

New rides for entry level riders/family rides

Ride schedule is reflected on Ride calendar and/or updates via emails

STBC Facebook page also available for posts

**Wheels to Meals** – Don G.– 2016 Yearly Summary has been added to the “Wheel 2 Meals Rides”

**Donations** - Lorraine - \$50 max. Donation for member sponsorship

\$50 for member sponsorship (\$550)

Chris Thater (\$500)

Bike helmets for Sarah Jane Bike Giveaway (\$1090)

**Repair Clinic** – Steve – Sunday, March 26, 2017 at American Legion, Hallstead, PA at 2:00 PM

**Annual Dinner** – Greg – Saturday, April 22, 2017 at The Relief Pitcher at 6:00 PM

**Earth Day Fest** – Joe – Sunday April 30, 2017 – This date may Change.

**Sarah Jane Bike Giveaway** – Augie – Sat, May 13, 2017 at SJJMUMC in Johnson City.

**Highway Clean-up** – Mona – Saturday, April 29, 2017 and Saturday, Sept 30, 2017

**Ride of Silence** – John N - Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 7:00 PM – new venue may be incorporated.

**GFLBT** – Dick – Fri, Sat & Sun, June 9, 10 & 11, 2017

New routes this year

Currently working with cafes and wineries to provide incentives

Earlier check in to facilitate hike in the gorge

Registration is now open

No price increase for last 3 years

Income is used to fund club activities and surplus is given back to the community.

Paul N. suggested a better Menu, so Dick will work with Caterer.

**Kirkwood Parade** – Renee N. – Saturday, Aug 12, 2017 at 10:30 AM  
**Chris Thater Activities** – Roger - Saturday, Aug 12, & Sunday Aug 13, 2017  
To be moved back to Recreation Park  
No longer on USA Cycling Schedule  
Organizers are asking for STBC volunteers to help with the event  
STBC has set up a tent in the past  
STBC rides to be scheduled during the weekend  
**Bob Dannecker Memorial Ride and Picnic** – Don D. – Sunday, Sept 24, 2017  
**JC Christmas Parade** – Narani - Thursday, Dec 7, 2017 at 7:00 PM  
**Apparel** – Regina - 27 Jerseys Left - \$40 each  
**Nominating Committee** – Don D. – There were no New Nominations

### **Special Orders - Election of Officers**

**President** – Stephen Bruno  
**Vice President** – Roger Westgate  
**Secretary** – Cheryl Brown  
**Treasurer** – Lorraine Loitsch

Officers were elected for a 1 year term which will terminate at the Annual Meeting in 2018.

### **Unfinished Business**

Steve reported Volunteerism has kept STBC vital for many years. We Really need Your Support!!  
Please thank all those who have volunteered their service and ask How can I help.

### **New Business**

Joyce was the Grand Prize Winner  
Many winners were awarded other Door Prizes  
Bob P. won the 50 /50 Raffle, Twice

### **I -81 Pedestrian Bridge Planning** – Bob Dalke

STBC had voted in Favor of Supporting this Project  
Bob will Draft a letter of STBC Support, to be sent to the Planning Committee

### **"Involving Younger People"** - David W. and Renne

Easy Riders □ Entry Level Rides  
Parents / guardians with children / youth  
Easy and safe riding environment  
Coordinate repair clinics and/or cycling safety classes as part of the activity  
School Clubs  
Road bike or mountain bike  
Discussion on supporting Scouts to help recruit younger riders.

Ray has volunteered to be the STBC Coordinator to work with the FLCC Advocacy Committee.

### **Other New Business**

Thoughts of promoting more weekday evening rides will encourage Younger Riders.  
Please submit your interest in leading a Night Ride to Roger.

**Adjournment** – 3:30 PM

# STBC Annual Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2018

**Call to order:** 1:45 PM, Endwell Fire Station

**Roll call of members of the board and officers:** Steve Bruno, President; Roger Westgate, Vice President; Lorraine Loitsch, Treasurer; Cheryl Brown, Secretary; Dick Porterfield, Don Doornbos, David Wells, Ivan Pewterbaugh, Greg Laskowski all present.

## **Officer's Reports:**

**President's Report:** Requested corrections or additions to previous minutes. Minutes posted on website.

**Secretary's Report:** Prior year's minutes accepted and entered

**Treasurer's Report:** \$13,571 assets. Change of -\$567 from last year. Detailed financial report posted on website.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Yahoogroups :** Larry Blumberg. 520 subscribers. Open to members and non-members Reminder of courtesy rules to respond individually to sender rather than to entire group. Group will move from Yahoo to Google groups.

**Newsletter:** Roger Westgate. Will be mailed by April 4. Solicited ideas for topics for articles.

**Ride Schedule:** Roger Westgate. In progress, can be viewed on web. Ride leaders always welcome. Rides are invited to be posted using group email address.

**Donations:** Lorraine Loitsch. \$50 sponsorship for charity ride and \$357 for bike rack for JC library.

**Membership:** Dick Porterfield. Announced new member benefit: Ride with GPS available to all members. Contact Dick for sign-in procedures.

**GFLBT:** Dick Porterfield. June 8-10, 2018. Event being publicized, sign-up available. No change in cost. As this is the club's primary fund raising activity, encourage all members to attend, invite others!

**Advocacy:** Steve Bard. Reported on activity on the Chugnut Trail. Located behind UE high school, plans underway to extend trail to the west along the river. Cooperative activity with Town of Union, Broome County and the Village of Endicott.

**Apparel:** Regina Losinger. Few jerseys remain and are being sold at club's cost: \$33 each. Plans are underway to revamp order process.

**Garden Tenders:** Regina Losinger. Garden is located on Route 12, across from the Chenango Forks fishing access. Garden has been weeded, edged and trimmed back. Perennials will be planted in spring. Logan has mowed the area for the club.

## **Important dates:**

Annual Dinner: Greg Laskowski. Saturday, April 28. 6:00 PM. Held at the Relief Pitcher

Highway Clean-up: Sue Hendrey, Saturday, April 28 and Saturday September 29.

Sara Jane Bike Giveaway: Augie Mueller. Saturday May 12

Ride of Silence: John Norris. Wednesday, May 16, 7:00 PM

Bob Dannacker Memorial Ride and Picnic: Don Doornbos. Sunday, September 30

JC Christmas Parade: Narani O'Shaughnessy. Thursday, November 29. 7:00 PM

**Other Committees: No news to report.**

Website: Lorraine Loitsch

PayPal: Lorraine Loitsch

Public Relations: Yvonne Newell

Facebook: Regina Losinger

Safety: David Wells

Wheels to Meals: Carolyn and Pat Gilligan

Repair Clinic: Steve Bruno

Earth Day Fest: Carolyn Norris

Chris Thater: Event has been cancelled

Constitution and By-laws: Steve Bruno

**Election of Officers for 2018:**

All current club officers agreed to stand for election. New nominations solicited from the floor. None received. Vote was conducted. Current officers (listed above) will serve for 2018.

**New Business:**

David Wells presented information on the New York Bicycle Coalition Summit Meeting.

For the Good of the Order: no topics presented

Meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM



# STBC Annual Meeting Minutes

## 50 Year Anniversary

February 17, 2019

**Call to Order** – 1:45 PM

**Roll Call** – Steve, Roger, Lorraine, Dick, Don, Ivan & Dave – Excused: Cheryl and Greg

### Officer's Report

**President's Report** – No Additions or Corrections to the Agenda

Don was Appointed acting Secretary.

**Secretary's Report** – Reading of the Minutes were Waived and Accepted

**Treasurer's Report** – The Balance as of 12/31/2018: \$13,457 (2,150 checking)

Change in Net Assets 2017 to 2018: -\$581

Detailed financial report is posted on website under About STBC “Meeting Minutes”

### Committee Reports

**Membership** – Dick - I will stay with membership committee until after the GFLBT at which a replacement is needed.

Mark Goodwin volunteered and Dick will help him get up to speed with the responsibilities.

**Googlegroup** – Larry - Thank to those who read the notes and participate by submitting notes, and to remind folks that replies should generally just go to the author unless it's going to be of interest to the over 500 subscribers we now have on the Googlegroup !

**Newsletter**- Roger – I will take care of preparing, printing, and mailing of the newsletter for 2019. I will also keep the online calendar of rides up to date for this year.

The 2019 STBC newsletter is underway and will include a printed copy of the 2019 rides

Rides can be added to the online calendar at any time.

Some feature articles in the 2019 newsletter include the Bicycle stand donated to the Johnson City Library by the STBC

The 300 square foot topographic map of the Southern Tier covering Erie PA to the Catskills. You can find your street on the map. 321 Water Street on the Chenango River Trail just north of Clinton Street.

**Rides Schedule** - Roger - Rides and ride leaders will be continuous sought for 2019.

The 2019 ride schedule is underway. Rides have already been posted on the online calendar.

The response from previous leaders has been good but additional leaders are needed.

David Wells will lead Thursday evening rides from Awestruck Ciders near Sidney

The ride calendar for 2019 is available for those who can sign up today

The ride calendar and newsletter will go to the printers in early March.

Dave reports organizing Thursday Night Rides at 6:00 PM, starting May 16, 2019

Mina reports having Tuesday & Wednesday Evening Intro Rides for this May & June.

**Wheels to Meals** – Jay report on the W2M Statistics for 2018. 98 members participated.

**Safety** – Dave - All activities undertaken as LCI in 2018

April 21- Milford, NY Earth Day Celebration, Taught Youth Bicycling Skills 123, Sponsored by ORCA, 4 participants.

May 11- Cooperstown, NY, Taught Youth Bicycling Skills 123, Sponsored by ORCA, 4 participants.

Sep 27-29, Saratoga Springs, NY, Attended NYBC Summit Meeting and LCI Refresher Training

Nov 10, Ithaca, NY, Taught Smart Cycling, Sponsored by Bike Walk Tompkins, 11 participants.

For 2019- Intend to organize some instruction opportunities in the Binghamton-Norwich area.

**Donations** - Lorraine - \$50 min. donation for member sponsorship

\$150 Member Sponsorship  
\$119 Raffle Money to Chow  
\$100 donated to Double H Ranch  
\$100 Donated to Relay for Life

**Repair Clinic** – Steve – Proposed date Sunday, April 7, 2019 at American Legion, Hallstead, PA

**Annual Dinner** – Greg – Will organize for Saturday, April 27, 2019 at The Relief Pitcher, 6 PM  
Member suggested having Dancing added to the format.

**Earth Day Fest** – Carolyn – would like the STBC to support the Earth Fest again Sunday, April 28, 2019. Many members have volunteered to help.

**Sarah Jane Bike Giveaway** – Augie – Will organize for Saturday, May 11 2019. Volunteers ??  
David Wells will be leading a ride following the giveaway.

**Highway Clean-up** – Sue The STBC Highway Fall cleanup was held on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> and 15 club members participated. Everyone worked efficiently and completed the work in time for a ride to Whitney Point. The spring cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, April 27th. We begin our community service day at Laura's for breakfast donated by our club. Mark your calendar and join us at 7:30 for breakfast followed by the cleanup and ride to Whitney Point. We need lots of help after this long winter! The Fall Clean-up is Saturday, Sept 28, 2019. There is a need for a ride leader after the clean-up for both dates.

**Ride of Silence** – John N – Will organize for Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 7:00 PM  
A longer Ride is proposed to meet the requirements for an Official Ride of Silence.

**GFLBT** – Dick – Is up and running for Fri, Sat & Sun, June 7, 8 & 9, 2019.  
Regina is re-vamping of the GFLBT ride routes.  
Dick is open for suggestions to add to the venue for this year 50th Anniversary.  
This will be Dick's last year organizing the event.  
Dave, Don & Steve has joined the committee to take over in 2020.

**Bob Dannecker Memorial Ride and Picnic** – Don – Will organize for Sunday, September 29, 2019

**JC Christmas Parade** – Narani – Will organize for Thursday November 28, 2019 6:45 PM

**Advocacy Group** – Steven B - As representative of STBC I attend GMTS meeting and Broome County Traffic Safety committee meetings. The report is there is very little to report. Progress on the 434 Greenway project and the 363 Gateway project both have stalled. I will check on these and will be ready to report any news of public meetings. One project taking shape is an interest by members of both the BMTS and County Traffic Safety committee to set up some Bicycle Service Stations, places where folks might go to get some basic bicycle service. This may develop over the next year. I will stay informed.

**Apparel** – Regina – will pursue development of new design for club apparel

1. Explore an updated jersey design for 2019 with assistance of Peak-1 designers (offer in addition to current jerseys?)
  2. Design and Offer an STBC windbreaker in through Peak-1
  3. Design and Offer an STBC wicking technical t-shirt through Peak-1
  4. Explore hi-vis STBC socks (safety item) and offer if possible
  4. Repeat custom apparel sale annually; re-evaluate in 2022
- Yvonne has joined this committee.

**Nominating Committee** – Don - The Floor was Opened for Nominations.  
There are no new nominations.

### **Special Orders - Election of Officers - Current Candidates**

**President** – Stephen Bruno

**Vice President** – David Wells

**Secretary** – Cheryl Brown

**Treasurer** – Lorraine Loitsch

These offices will be filled by these members for the year 2019.

**Door Prizes** – 3 winners (2 Crank to Cooperstown Books and 1 Bandanna)

**50 /50 Raffle** – 1 Winner, Wayne Matthews, and donated winnings back to the STBC

### **Intermission**

### **Unfinished Business**

Dennis Savoie donated 100 copies of the Cranks from Cooperstown books to the STBC back in June 2018. He stated, I donated the books to say thank you to STBC for decades of friendship and joy. Also with support, to thank STBC for extending its role to include bicycling advocacy. He has given us fully permission to dispense the books according as they are now the property of the STBC. The Board has approved selling them for \$10.

### **New Business**

Mark Goodwin and Wayne Matthews were appointed to the STBC Board of Directors.

Steven Bard - Undergo the installation of Bike Pump Stations & Service in Binghamton for use by those who are economically disadvantaged and the need for volunteers in the near future.

Lorraine conducted a survey to see if the Annual Meeting would be better attended on another day or time. The survey will also go out on the Listserv.

Mina spoke of the publication "My Town: a Great Place to Live" and has suggested that members feel free to submit any stories or human interest topic revolving around the STBC.

### **For the Good of the Order - *Members can offer Comments or Observations***

### **Adjournment**

Motioned, Seconded and Approved at 3:15 PM

# STBC Annual Meeting Minutes

February 9, 2020  
Vestal Public Library

**Call to Order** – 1:45 PM

**Roll Call** – Steve, Dave, Lorraine, Don, Ivan, Mark, Wayne & Mina - Excused Cheryl & Greg

## Officer's Report

**President's Report** – Mina was appointed as Acting Secretary

There were no additions or corrections to the Agenda

**Secretary's Report** – The reading of the Minutes from the previous Annual Meeting were waived and there were no Corrections to the Minutes. The Minutes accepted.

**Treasurer's Report** – Balance as of 12/31/2019: \$10,770 (\$2,526 checking)

Change in Net Assets 2018-2019: -\$2483

Detailed financial report posted on website under About STBC "Meeting Minutes"

There were no Questions and the Treasurer's Report was filed

## Committee Reports

**Membership** – Mark – The Registrars Report - Data current on 2019-01-16

Membership

823 registered memberships

Of the 823 total:

188 current annual renewal memberships (through at least 2019)

225 lifetime memberships

410 stale memberships (not current on dues)

Of the 413 active memberships (current annual and life):

91 family

322 individual

Constant Contact

667 email addresses

Of the 667 total:

646 active recipients

21 unsubscribed

GFLBT 2020 Registrations

3 registrations

**Website** – Lorraine – No Significant Updates

**Pay Pal** – Lorraine – No Significant Updates

**Googlegroup** – Larry - Googlegroup is open to STBC members and friends

- Used for discussion of STBC events / activities, and issues of concern to the biking community

- Currently over 550 subscribers

- Folks are added at time of dues payment, or upon request

- Subscribers include out-of-town GFLBT participants to keep abreast of GFLBT news

- Posting to the Googlegroup -- [southerntierbicycleclub@googlegroups.org](mailto:southerntierbicycleclub@googlegroups.org)

- Please contact Larry Blumberg ([LBlumberg@stny.rr.com](mailto:LBlumberg@stny.rr.com)) for Googlegroup address changes and questions!

**Newsletter**- Dave – The newsletter will be sent to the printer by early March and mailed to STBC members for arrival in early April. It will include the ride schedule and a few timely articles. Deadline for articles is March 5, 2020

**Public Relations** – Yvonne – No Significant Updates

**Facebook** – Regina - No Significant Updates – survey revealed about ½ of the attending membership use Facebook. Don will create an event Page for the GFLBT

**Rides Schedule** - Dave - The ride schedule is underway and is publicly available in the Googlegroups calendar for those rides which have already been scheduled.

Dave Wells will again be leading rides on Thursday nights, beginning in mid-May. Ride locations will vary week-to-week, rotating between Sidney, Gilbertsville, Oxford and Norwich.

We need ride leaders. Response to personal requests has been positive but a lot of open slots remain in the calendar.

Would like to encourage more weekday evening rides in addition to weekend and weekday daytime rides to better serve working members. Deadline for ride to be printed in the newsletter is March 5, 2020

**Wheels to Meals** – Greg - Jay will present “The W2M Annual Report” 54 rides in 2020 – 28 on Tuesday and 26 on Thursday with an average number of 16 Riders per Ride. Jay noted a slight decline from the past year due to weather. Overall there was a slight decline in attendance over the past 3 years due to members switching over to the PB & J rides instead. . Average age of Riders has been about 70 years old.

**PB & J Rides** - Gary - No Significant Updates

**Safety** – Dave - **2019 Events: April 13**, Earth Day Celebration at Milford NY Central School. Organized and conducted a bicycling safety learning exercise in the form a multiple-choice quiz game. Six young people (ages approx. 7-12) participated. All left with front and rear light sets (partially paid for by STBC donation) and greater knowledge about bicycle safety.

**June 3**, Bike Rodeo/ Traffic Safety Event at Charles F. Johnson, Jr. Elementary (Endicott, NY) sponsored by school PTO. Participated with three other STBC club members, Doug Chamberlain, Steve Bruno, Steven Bard. Safety checks of bicycles, basic safety instruction on avoidance maneuvers, handed out bike safety items and information materials.

**June 14**, Safe Summer Fun Day event held by Norwich City Youth Bureau together with Morrisville Cooperative Extension through the Liberty Partnership program. Organized and conducted a bike safety Q&A booth as part of the Safe Summer Fun Day event.

#### **2020 Event(s) Planned**

**Wednesday May 20**, 5-7 PM, Summer Safety Kickoff event sponsored by Maine Endwell Key Club at Maine Memorial School. Exact nature of bike safety participation to be determined. Dave has noted that the program is well organized. He will be asking for STBC volunteers to help! Steve Bruno has volunteered. Please contact Dave Wells at 607-316-6625.

**Donations** - Lorraine – for 2019 ***\$50 max. donation for member sponsorship***

\$350 for member sponsorship (\$50 each)

Raffle money to Chow (\$79)

Bike Safety Skills (\$50)

Bike Walk Tompkins (\$500)

**Repair Clinic** – Steve – Will conduct at the GFLBT a Bicycle Safety Check Friday at 8:30 PM

**Highway Clean-up** – Sue – Saturday, April 25 & Saturday, September 26, 2020. Sue reported that an average number of 17 volunteers take about 1 ½ hours to Beautify our highway. She encourages you to come for a good breakfast paid by the Club and then enjoy a social ride after the clean-up. Jack has volunteered to lead that ride.

**Annual Dinner** – Greg – Saturday, April 25, 2020 at The Relief Pitcher at 6:00 PM

**Earth Day Fest** – Carolyn – STBC participated in 2019 with a good response from attendants.

This year is Sunday, April 26, 2020 from 10:00 to 3:00 PM at SUNY Broome Student Center. As a part of the STBC commitment to the Earth Fest, Steve Br will lead the Bike Cruise (open to the public) at 1:00 PM. Sue H., John N. and Steve B. volunteer to help with the STBC Program.

**Sarah Jane Bike Giveaway** – Augie – Saturday, May 9, 2020

1. The SJJMUMC DREAM CENTER and the BC PRISONER RELEASE PROGRAM were given 300 refurbished bicycles to distribute in 2019.
2. 35 STBC volunteers joined others in assembling 258 small bicycles with training wheels at Gault Toyota in December to be given away via various agencies during the holidays. Some seen at FRESH CYCLES in the UNITED WAY LEE BARTA facility on Liberty Street, Binghamton. Job well done.
3. We have over 200 refurbished bicycles in storage for the 2020 May Give Away. They keep coming!! Many in showroom condition. Storage is tight and we continue to look for suitable storage space. Ideas welcome.
4. A special thank you for the many volunteers who helped haul and fix bicycles. Our 7 monthly repair sessions at the church were well attended and well-staffed. Likely to repeat in 2020. Dave W. will lead the unwinding ride afterwards at about 3:00 PM.

**Ride of Silence** – John N - Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 7:00 PM. If anyone else is interested in joining this committee for 2020 & assisting with getting the word out they can contact me ~ John at 785-1166. In 2020, I would like to expand the route to the required mileage specs in order to make an “official R.O.S.” so we can have it listed with other internationally held R.O.S.’s.

**GFLBT** – Don – Fri, Sat & Sun, June 12, 13 & 14, 2020

Website is updated for 2020. Registration underway – 20 so far – Please give your support !! Routes basically the same as last – scouting trip soon to confirm. All Venue Vendors have been contacted and 75% of the schedule is verified. The committee is always looking for new ideas.

**Bob Dannecker Memorial Ride and Picnic** – Don – No Significant Updates

**JC Christmas Parade** – Narani - Thursday December 3, 2020 6:45 PM - Not a fabulous turnout for 2019 regarding quantity, but in terms of quality, excellent. A good time was had by all, safe to say, and our presence brightened and bike-ified the parade. Looking forward to next year!

**Advocacy Group** – Steven B - Communicating with the City of Binghamton Parks department about the Jim Bryden bike route is going along well, maintaining pleasant exchanges, with no commitment yet. There is work in planning to redo some intersections on Grand Blvd. and bike route markings (part of the Jim Bryden route) are in consideration.

- Have been keeping the STBC members informed on Greenway progress.
- The STBC bike pump is in the Discovery Collection at the Johnson City Library. We are maintaining a good relation with Chenango Point Bike Shop to insure service of the pump. The Johnson City Library sent the STBC a Thank You note, which was presented to Steven Bard. Steven also donated the funds for the purchase of the Pump

**Constitution and BY-Laws** – Steve - No Significant Updates

**Apparel** – Regina – No Significant Updates

**Garden Tenders** - Regina - No Significant Updates

**Nominating Committee** – Don - *Open the Floor for Nominations*

**Special Orders - Election of Officers - Current Candidates**

There were no other candidates and no new nominations for the 2020 STBC Elections.

Mina cast the one vote necessary for the election, which was seconded and unopposed.  
The current STBC Officers for 2020 are

**President** –Mark Goodwin  
**Vice President** – David Wells  
**Secretary** – Cheryl Brown  
**Treasurer** – Lorraine Loitsch

The STBC Executive Board was thanked and is looking for your support.

### **Unfinished Business**

Mark is working on getting the STBC Books archived and is looking for a copy of the 1998 newsletters.

Mark Goodwin will organize a joint bike ride with the Lockheed Martin Outdoor & Adventure (O&A) Group this year, which is still in the works.

### **New Business**

None

### **Program**

#### **Rides, Rides & More Rides**

We all got to meet the 2019 Ride Leaders who were present

Mina Tio  
Greg Laskowski  
Dick Porterfield  
John Gerty  
Regina Losinger  
Patrick & Carolyn Gilligan  
Larry Blumberg  
Steven Bard  
Don Doornbos  
David Wells  
Jim Conroy  
John Norris  
Logan Hurst  
Karen Koschanski  
Vinny Columbo  
Narani O'Shaughnessy  
Bob Dannecker  
Anita Wasson  
Annie Simpson  
Gary Vanderbles  
Denny Uhlig  
Jonnie Ticknor  
Cathy Neil  
Dewitt Brundage  
Stephen Bruno

Mina donated and presented a tube, which dispense Hand Sanitizer & SPF 30 Sun Screen from either end, to the Ride Leaders for their service. It's a handy little gadget to have in your Bike

Bag.

We explained the different Rides

Suggest some different rides.

Sign up for rides

Set up a Piggyback Ride

And we got 4 volunteers for the shared joint Ride Leader Program, in which veteran ride leaders will teach new leaders how to have fun with leading Rides.

### **Door Prizes & 50 /50 Raffle**

Assorted members won some great Door Prizes.

Bill Ondrako won the Grande Prize – a Bike Rubber Ink Stamp

Don Doornbos donated his half of the winnings of the 50/50 raffle to the STBC.

The other half of the 50/50 is being donated to CHOW.

### **For the Good of the Order –**

John Norris presented a big, beautiful “Thank You” cake on behalf of the STBC to Steve Bruno for all of his years of service on the executive board of the Club. Steve replied, that the STBC Board, have been very easy to work with over the past years and that it has been a true pleasure serving the STBC. Steve will continue on in 2020 as a Board of Director as per the By-laws.

Anita then, was asked to cut the Cake !!

### **Adjournment**

Motioned, seconded and in favor at 3:30 PM