

San Angelo Bicycling Association (SABA)  
Annual Meeting  
October 26, 2011 at 6:15 PM

The annual meeting was held at the San Angelo Visitors Center. Members and guests in attendance: Steve Nelson, Gene Potter, Gary Walker, Justin Smith, Brian Backlund, David Durbin, Donna Durbin, Velma Ogan, Rick Ogan, Tony R. Wilson, Christine Jones, Roy Jones, Christine Buckstead, Johnson Brown, Marlon Miller, Joy Smith, Jenny Hock, Neal McSpedden, Connie Dunagan.

With 15 members and four officers present, a quorum was reached.

### **I. Minutes**

The minutes from the September meeting were posted on the website for review after the last meeting. The minutes were approved by the members.

### **II. Treasurer's Report**

Roy submitted a written report. The current bank balance is \$4491.60. Income from registration fees for the 6 Hour race was 1074.64. Sponsor donations totaled \$225. The expenses from the 6 Hour race totaled approximately \$1670. The expenses related to the 6 Hour race are integrated into the financial report from Jan. 2011 - August 2011. The cost of lamination for the signs was \$176. The race directors for subsequent events plan to re-use the signs.

### **III. 6 Hour Dinosaur Race Post Race Review**

- Members would like to see more advertising, distributed earlier. Choose the date much earlier.
- Mark the course two to three weeks before the event. Post a course map online two to three weeks before the event.
- Choose a race director a year in advance to start with planning. Justin Smith volunteered to be race director for 2012.
- Neal thanked Kevin and Becky Dierschke for their many hours of work on the event.
- Connie suggested that Justin and Kevin work together to put on the race next year.
- Justin would like to find corporate sponsors and offer a cash prize to winners. SARL has corporate sponsors that are recognized on their home page.
- 3D Plumbing gave an in kind donation this year - two porta potties for the price of one.
- List corporate sponsors on the race t-shirts.
- Special thanks to Joy for soliciting a food donation from Sam's Club.

### **IV. Election of new club officers**

- The nominating committee presented the following slate of club officers:  
President                      Gene Potter  
Vice President                Gary Walker  
Secretary                      Connie Dunagan  
Treasurer

There were no additional nominations from the floor. **All officers were approved unanimously by members.**

Roy Jones will continue to serve as Treasurer until a new officer is elected. See Section 5.06 of the bylaws for more information. Christine Jones explained the duties of the Treasurer, which include obtaining permits for events at the State Park and club insurance.

#### **V. Change in Membership Fees**

Membership fees were reduced in 2011 due to the late start of club activities. **A motion was made to increase membership fees for 2012 to \$15 for students and military, \$25 for individuals, and \$30 for families. A family membership will receive one vote in club business. Individuals will be asked to show a student ID or military ID to receive the special membership fee.**

The motion carried.

#### **VI. Club activities 2012**

- Time Trials - The club will hold six road time trials and six mountain time trials, one of each every month from April to September. Two Burma time trials will be the first and last time trials of the season, in March and September (or October) respectively. The Burma time trials will be moved to Sunday afternoon in order to avoid Sunday morning conflicts. Members discussed moving mountain time trials to Middle Concho Park. There was little interest in changing the course. Club membership will be required for participation. Members discussed moving the location of the road time trial back to Susan Peak road. The exact start and stop location was not determined. Most members expressed a preference for a flat course.

- 6 Hours of the Dinosaur Race - Justin has volunteered to be the race director. He would like to coordinate the event with the IMBA Kids Mountain Bike Day on the first Saturday of October. A separate director will be needed for the Kids MTB day. IMBA will provide goody bags. Justin would like to encourage teenagers to participate in the 6 Hour race. He suggested a shorter course and reduced entry fees. No children participated in the 2011 6 Hour race. The \$40 entry fee was a major factor. Parents will be required to sign waivers. One insurance policy should cover both events, since the Kids MTB day is a ride, not a race. The date has not been set. Justin will consider the IMBA Kids MTB day and fall TMBRA and West Texas series when selecting a date.

- Tour de Burma

**A motion was made to schedule a Tour de Burma ride on the 2nd Saturday of June.**

Members participated in an enthusiastic discussion. Roy commented that skipping the ride for two years in a row would be disastrous for the reputation of the club. Gene suggested involving another organization such as the Lion's Club. Neal suggested presenting a shorter 100K course. Justin suggested moving the staging area out of the State Park, to a location such as Jim Bass Ford or Suddenlink. The Biscuits and Gravy ride is sponsored by the Rotary Club. That event was cancelled for 2011. It is unknown if they will put on that event again. Christine Jones suggested pairing up with a non-profit organization and making the event a fundraiser. Historically, the Tour de Burma was paired with the Fiesta del Concho event.

Gene Potter volunteered to be race director. He would like to consider Jim Bass Ford as a sponsor and staging area.

- March 3 is the Ultra Marathon event organized by SARL. SABA has committed to providing volunteers to lead the runners through the course and provide support on bicycles.

## **VII. December Activities**

- Christine and Roy Jones are the SABA representatives for the Concho Christmas celebration. SABA is invited to participate in the official opening ceremony and the December 3 parade. The parade is a slow, easy ride, and is suitable for families.

**A motion was made that SABA members participate in the Concho Christmas parade on December 3, 2011.**

The motion carried.

- Christmas Ride Through the Lights will be December 4, 4:30-6:00 PM. Hot cocoa and cookies will be provided. Santa will be leading the ride. Participants are encouraged to decorate their bicycles. Helmets and lights are required.

- SABA will provide volunteers at the Christmas Lights Booth on December 19, 6-10 PM. Three or more volunteers are needed for two 2-hour shifts. A volunteer sign-up sheet was passed around, and members volunteered to cover both shifts.

- The club Christmas Party will be hosted by Roy and Christine Jones on December 17. Start time will be 6:00 or 6:30 PM. Members informally voted to have a pot-luck style meal.

## **VIII. Recognition of Volunteers**

Roy gave his best effort to keep track of volunteers and volunteer hours during 2011. A self-reporting form was added to the web site, but most volunteers choose not to self report. The officers would like to recognize club volunteers and asked for suggestions from the members. It is not possible to recognize every volunteer. It was suggested to recognize those who participated in the greatest number of events, and those who contributed the most hours. Most volunteers do not care about being recognized. Justin suggested a system like that used by DORBA. Each volunteer receives one "buck" for each hour of volunteer work. The "bucks" can be exchanged for gifts at the end of the year. The club will give away unclaimed socks and t-shirts to volunteers. Volunteers will be recognized at the club Christmas party.

Neal commended all the members who continued to support SABA during its difficult times and worked to keep the club going.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Submitted by  
Christine Buckstead, Secretary