



# Chinook Cycling Club

## Closed Board Meeting Minutes



January 7, 2021      Closed club meeting via Zoom, 6:00pm

2021 Board Members (with term ending year): **John Burke** (President, 21), **John Limbaugh** (VP, 22), **Chad Eder** (Treasurer, 21), **Melanie Hanson** (Secretary, 22), **Rod Scrimsher** (22), **Eric Jensen** (21), **Jeff Sedgwick** (21), **Mike Fisher** (22).

### New Business:

1. Approve previous minutes: Approved
2. Financial report: to be presented next meeting.
3. Friends of Badger support/outreach - Presentation, contribution, crowding, trail building, bike specific trail:  
We were joined by Dave Comstock (Project manager for the Little Badger project) and David Beach (FOBM vice president).  
They are building multi-use trails - 5ft width.  
Need \$880,000 more for land purchase.  
Hopefully the project on Little Badger will be done by the end of 2022.  
Possibility for dedicated down tracks for mtb on Badger, with common up tracks - long-term goal.  
Chinook Club is willing to help design and build future bike trails, especially down tracks.  
Get the word out that fundraising is needed - from individuals, businesses, corporations, grants. **Melanie** will send out an email once the FB post is made. Dave Comstock will post to our FB page. It can also be added to our website - **Chad. John Burke** will ask if PNNL is interested in donating.  
After Dave posts his blurb, Chinook will follow to rally our members to contribute individually, as well as a contribution from the club, to reach a goal over the next few months. Donate \$1000 to get our name on the rock.  
They will also need volunteers for trail work when ready.

Contact FOBM with any fundraising possibilities or trail work ideas -

David Comstock: [dccjmb@yahoo.com](mailto:dccjmb@yahoo.com)

David Beach: [davidbeach47@gmail.com](mailto:davidbeach47@gmail.com)

We would like to maintain a good relationship with FOBM.

Possible future expansion of the trail system to Kennewick?

4. The State Patrol Trails Think Group: Michelle Froh started a FB page with like-minded riders interested in preserving the state patrol area.  
The land does not belong to the City of Kennewick and it may not be able to be purchased from the current owners.  
Trail maintenance is also a long-term issue.
5. Gravel series proposal: February 27, March 13, April 10. **Mike Fisher**  
More info to come as it gets closer.  
Similar to last year's distances and routes.  
COVID-dependent - may need longer ride windows to spread people out.  
Probably will be able to hold it if the crowds aren't too big.  
It will be discussed again at the next meeting.
6. Chinook TT Series: new schedule posted at <http://www.chinooktt.club/>.  
5 miles all on Jacobs as point 2 point events.  
Keep the longer ride window.  
Shorten the ride window for the 40k on Stevens due to road closures. Be off the course by 6:30pm. Find out when the closures/transportations are scheduled.  
**John Burke** will talk to Craig about Merckx style riders - putting an asterisk by their name to denote Merckx, rather than trying to incorporate them into the regular pool with handicaps. It is difficult to calculate handicaps due to limited data.
7. Cycling Camp update: **Rod Scrimsher**  
Three people have signed up so far. Carol Simmons is willing to help drive the SAG.  
There are several "interested" and "maybes". Two people from out of town are interested. They would have to sign up to become Chinook members.  
It is still about 12 weeks out. Try to get it filled by 6 weeks out (16 riders). If spots are still available then, Rod will contact people.  
Send out FB posts with the routes every once in a while to keep reminding people about it.  
If it is canceled due to COVID, people will get refunds.

8. Tents update: King Canopy is functioning, EZ Up is not. **Rod** will throw out the EZ Up and contact Greg about getting the King Canopy back in the trailer.
9. 2021 Sponsors update: All sponsors have recommitted except Ice Harbor. We have not heard back from them. **John Limbaugh** will reach out to one of the co-owners, Bill, to see what kind of a year they are having. We may give them a free year if needed.
10. Other: **Chad** is racing a borrowed Specialized Epic in a mass start mtb race in Arizona this weekend - McDowell Meltdown.