

MVTR GENERAL MEETING NOTES 5 October 2016

FREEDOM CYCLE - CONCORD

President Tom Levesque called the meeting to order at 7:05pm with approximately 35-40 members present.

Past Rides and Events

- Mont Vernon Posse Challenge was hosted by Jim Bird on October 1st. The 4.2 mile closed loop was very tight and technical, with few spots for riders to catch their breath. Conditions were good. Twenty one riders participated. Duane Call (sp?) had the fastest lap at 14:22. Average lap times were in the 19 minute range. Jeff Noyles road the most laps with 6. The ride was followed by a wonderful after party pig roast.
- The Ammo turkey run had 280 riders on Saturday 10 September, with a sweet new single track section in VT. 200 plus riders road the second day in VT.
- The Anthony's reported on the Moon Shine enduro in PA, and the Rocktoberfest enduro in Lee, MA.
- The Hard Knox hare scramble in MA was dusty.
- President Tom regaled with his trials and tribulations of pursuing the GNCC national championship.

Grant in Aid (GIA) Funding from NH Bureau of Trails

- The Bombardier Outlander 6-wheeler has been received by Freedom Cycle, but not yet prepared for delivery.
- Mark Stock has approval to build the materials transport trailer, based on the design of the trailer we borrowed from Bureau of Trails (BoT).
- Two weeks ago MVTR ordered a heavy duty York rake from Chappell Equipment. It now requires payment for delivery.

Hopkinton Everett Riding Area

- The rerouting of the River Loop trail section off of private property has been approved by Shawn Violett (BoT). Andre will have work parties this fall.
- Andre has laid out a new two mile long technical single track trail near the Stark Pond trail. Andre will now mark it with ribbons. The new route must be inspected by BoT and ACE.
- Rogue riders problem. Local riders are short-cutting past the house of the land owner adjacent to River Loop, and down a skidder road on his property to get to the riding area. If the land owner complains to ACE one more time about this, BoT will close River Loop. Andre has identified the path they are taking. The riders have repeatedly made an opening in a stone wall. MVTR will post signs in the area.

Upcoming Rides

- The Seacoast Trail Rider's Nobel Woods turkey run is this Sunday. It will be a fairly easy-fun route running north out of the Acton fairgrounds.
- Mark Laflemm's Liberty House Charity Ride is in Hill, NH 15-16 October. Saturday will be a dual sport – adventure bike ride, and Sunday a trail ride. Mark is offering primitive camping at his property in Andover. See the event flyer on the MVTR facebook page.
- Jay McGrath's Hawk Ride in Deerfield will be 6 November. A BBQ dinner will be available. Benefitting hospice, the cost is \$50 to ride and eat, or \$30 to just eat, or \$30 just to ride. The food RSVP date is 24 October.
- The Landry Ranch Time Trial in Windham will be 26 November.

Miscellaneous

- Dave Mott has been working on exploring and GPS mapping bike opportunities in the North Country Ride the Wilds territory.
- John O'Connor handed out promotional packages for corporate sponsorship of the 2017 Classic Trail Ride. John also stated that northern loop trail boss Jared wants to route sheet the route backwards this fall. Look for Jared's posts advertising his route sheet rides.

There were two prospective new members present, but Art was away in Spain and no one had a MVTR member application form. They were invited to enjoy the pizza and meeting, and return next month. There was no 50:50 raffle.

Tom adjourned the meeting at 8:26pm