

**WASCANA FREEWHEELERS
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
MINUTES**

Sunday February 8, 2009
Cathedral Neighbourhood Centre, Regina

Call to Order

Chair Jim McGrane called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. The following people were present:

Janet Gibson
Grant Gibson
Steve Greve
Alison Purdy
Gord Kerfoot
Brenda Ziolkowski
Ron Keall
Wayne Mews
Jim McGrane
Kathy Stedwill
Velda Back
Sharon Baldwin
Don Wilson
Bob Cochran
Karen Cochran
Lorraine Reynolds
Eric Mayer
Ian McIntosh
Marion Perry
Noreen Heatherington
Barbara Shourounis

Agenda

“Correspondence” was added to the Agenda.

Motion: Velda Back/Bob Cochran, that the agenda be adopted as circulated. **CARRIED.**

Correspondence

Jim McGrane reported that we received a note from Velda thanking us for the gift in memory of her father.

Jim also expressed condolences to Don Wilson on the passing of his father.

Minutes of 2008 Annual Meeting

Motion: Brenda Ziolkowski/Bob Cochran, that the minutes of the 2008 Annual meeting be approved as circulated.
CARRIED.

Business Arising from the Minutes

Membership – Jim encouraged everyone to renew membership in the Sask Cycle Association and the Freewheelers for 2009. We should also encourage others to sign up.

Membership night - Membership night is planned for Sunday, April 19 if the Cathedral Community Centre is available. (Subsequent event: Membership night was moved to Sunday, April 26 because the Centre was not available.)

Trailer – Barbara Shourounis reported that we sought advice on insurance issues relating to renting/loaning our trailer. The most important advice was that we should not charge rent, or let the trailer go out of the province. As a result of the advice we developed a loan agreement that sets out the conditions on which we will loan the trailer.

We were also advised to purchase \$2 million liability insurance for the trailer.

Motion: Marion Perry/Don Wilson that we purchase \$2 million liability insurance for the trailer. **Carried.**

Gord Kerfoot agreed to buy the insurance when he renews the license for the trailer. Gord thanked Ron Keall for storing the trailer.

Greenspace – Kathy Stedwill presented the attached report on our Greenspace project for 2008. We planted 20 rose seedlings in Les Sherman park. A dry and cool weather in May and lots of weeds challenged the roses, but 12 survived. She thanked Velda, Arleene Arnold and Arleene’s son, Len for weeding and watering the roses until they were established.

Noreen Heatherington asked whether we had ongoing responsibility for the roses in Les Sherman park in 2009. Kathy said not.

For 2009 Kathy proposed that we plant 80 seedlings in Al Picard park in early May. She will organize a planting on a Saturday combined with a picnic lunch. We agreed with this proposal.

Gord will purchase liability insurance

Kathy Stedwill will submit the Green Space application.

Executive Reports

President

Jim McGrane presented the President's report (attached). M/S Jim McGrane/Brenda Ziolkowski that the report be received. Carried.

Tour Coordinator

Don Wilson reported orally that we would try to coordinate tours with the Saskatoon Club. They have a hub and spoke ride from Palliser Regional Park planned for mid-August that we could join. We will send our tour schedule to them when we have it finalized.

The 2009 GASP tour will go west out of Saskatoon. Details are on the SCA Web site.

Noreen asked whether we should participate in the MS ride. We decided that we won't add it to our tour schedule, but will include a link to their Web site on ours.

Communications

Marion Perry as Communications Coordinator presented the attached report. Marion produced one long newsletter in the Fall, which consisted mostly of Don's excellent story on 2008 GASP. She said that we should try for two newsletters each year:

- One in April for distribution before the membership meeting with our tour schedule for 2009 plus hints on touring, repairs, etc.
- One in the fall with stories of rides.

She encouraged people to submit stories of their own rides in 2008.

M/S Marion Perry/Bob Cochran that the report be received. Carried

Members thanked Marion for her good work in maintaining our Web site, especially for the excellent the excellent photo albums.

Treasurer's Report

Copies of a statement of income and expenses from January 1 to December 31, 2008 along with the balance sheet at December 31, 2008 were circulated. Gord Kerfoot thanked Velda for her help in preparing the report.

Gord reported that we will be purchasing a new waterproof tent for newer members to borrow. He also thanked Sharon's friend for the donation of next-to-new panniers.

Send your stories to Marion.

M/S Gord Kerfoot/Sharon Baldwin that the report be received. Carried

GASP Tour 2009

Bob Cochran as VP for Recreational Touring of the Sask Cycle Association reported that the 2009 GASP tour will be from July 18 to 25 from Saskatoon covering Purdue, Wilkie, North Battleford, Kerrobert, Rosetown, Outlook and back to Saskatoon.

The SCA Web site has detailed information. The tour has room for 50 riders. 8 have already signed up. So don't delay.

Sign up for
GASP tour

Election of Officers

On behalf of the nominating committee, Jim McGrane presented the following names for executive positions:

- President – Jim McGrane
- Vice-president – Hirsch Greenberg
- Treasurer/Membership – Gord Kerfoot
- Secretary – Barbara Shourounis
- Tour Coordinator – Don Wilson
- Communications Coordinator – Marion Perry
- Special Events Coordinator – Wayne Mews
- Marketing Coordinator – Arleene Arnold

Motion: Steve /Noreen that nominations cease.

CARRIED.

The Chair declared the slate of candidates to be elected by acclamation.

Adjournment

M/S Noreen/Steve that the meeting be adjourned.

Wascana Freewheelers Club President's Report

It gives me great pleasure to present the 2008 President's Report to the membership. 2008 was a wonderful year for our club. We enjoyed the opportunity to meet many new riders who joined us on Wednesday night rides and our other rides. Secondly, we once again offered a great ride schedule to meet the needs of Regina recreational riders. Below is a summary of our activities for the year.

- Our early spring activities included our Chili Night Membership Get Together / Swap and Shop. The Swap and Shop was new to this annual activity.
- The Wascana Freewheelers held their weekly Wednesday night rides leaving from the legislature. This year our turn out for Wednesday night rides was often double over last year. On several occasions we needed to divide the group into two groups for safety and manageability
- In April Ron Keall conducted the annual maintenance clinic for Freewheelers.
- This year our club enjoyed a variety of one day road tours including: Condie Tune-Up Ride, Lumsden for Lunch, Cycling in the City, Regina's Secret Places theme ride, Gone with the Wind, our Progressive Supper Ride, and Barbara's Art Tour.
- This year the club ventured out on several mountain bike trail rides. We explored the City of Regina trails in Douglas Park, White Butte Trails after dark, and we had an enjoyable Sunday at Wascana Trails.
- Camping Tours were a large part of our activities this year. They began with the annual trek to Theodore Roosevelt for the annual Teddy Tour. On the May long weekend several riders went to Wild Berry Lane near Roblin, Manitoba to visit and ride with former Freewheelers. In June a few members journeyed to WeeToo Beach to overnight at Last Mountain Lake. Three of our members went further afield to Ontario for a couple of weeks to cycle in the Pelee Island Lake Huron region. On the Labor Day Weekend several Freewheelers went to Cypress Hills for the "Star Party" and cycling to Fort Walsh.
- Over the summer many Freewheelers enjoyed cycling on both the GASP mountain bike tour down the Qu'Appelle Valley and the Mini GASP from Saskatoon to Rosthern, Batoche and Wakaw Lake.
- During the fall we continued to enjoy fall leaves tours and cycling to fall suppers.

In closing I wish to thank all of those who served on the executive, those who have always been there with their support and all those who ride with us. To paraphrase Velda Back's words we continue to be more than a club of cyclists; we are club of friends.

**Wascana Freewheelers
Communications Coordinator's Annual Report for 2008**

In 2008 one issue of our newsletter, *Freewheelin'*, was published in September. This 13 page issue summarized the rides and highlights of the 2008 season. Thanks to Arleene Arnold, Wayne Mews and Don Wilson for their contributions to the newsletter. This newsletter and all those published since 2004 may be found in pdf format on the *Newletter & E-group* page of our website www.wascanafreewheelers.ca

Our e-group mail wascanawheelers@yahoogroups.com remains our most frequently used means of communication. There are 79 subscribers to the mailing list. Attachments are not allowed on emails. The web features of the e-group. (Photos, Files, Links, Polls, Calendar.) are not available to group members who are only on the mailing list. To have access to uploading photos and document files, go to <http://sports.groups.yahoo.com/group/Wascanawheelers/> and click **Join This Group** in the upper-right corner of the group's page.

Below is a the message history of our e-group mail since its inception.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2009	<u>3</u>											
2008	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>5</u>
2007	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
2006	<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
2005	<u>8</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>13</u>	
2004	<u>1</u>		<u>11</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>7</u>		<u>6</u>
2003	<u>13</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>
2002	<u>8</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>
2001			<u>19</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>3</u>

The website, www.wascanafreewheelers.ca was updated throughout the year. The Ride and Tour Schedule was posted in the spring and updated through the season. Photo Albums for the 2008 season and for the 2008 GASP in the Valley ride were added. Below is a summary of website activity for 2008.

Wascana Freewheelers Website Statistics - 2008			
Month	Hits	Month	Hits
January	11,826	July	13,565
February	9,599	August	23,370
March	12,715	September	19,928
April	17,502	October	16,025
May	17,896	November	3,615
June	17,631	December	14,907
Total hits 178,579			

Thanks to all Freewheelers for their contributions and support in 2008.

Respectfully submitted
Marion Perry
February 5, 2009

Wascana Freewheelers Bicycle Touring Club Inc. Statement of Income & Expenses

Jan.1, 2008- Dec. 31, 2008

Income:

Membership Fees:	\$336.00
MAP Grant:	\$905.78
GIC Interest:	\$ 66.63
Bank interest:	\$ 0.00
Gone With Wind Deposit	\$350.00
Sale of Freewheelers equipment at SWAP	\$ 54.00
Total income:	\$1712.41

Expenses:

Rental of facility for AGM	\$ 32.76
Domain renewal Web Site	\$ 39.88
Rental meeting room:	\$ 34.78
SCA affiliation fee:	\$ 75.00
Poster & business card paper:	\$ 24.87
Quadrant Newmedia Web site:	\$106.32
Membership meeting food costs:	\$ 43.35
Don Wilson ;Star Party camp site:	\$ 15.00
Trailer registration:	\$ 46.00
GWTW	\$287.33
Corporations Branch	\$ 10.00
Canada Post Box Rental:	\$127.05
Sale of inventory/reduction of inventory	\$160.00
Jan-Dec Bank fee transactions 12@\$0.50	\$ 6.00
Total expenses:	\$1008.34
Net profit	+\$704.07

Wascana Freewheelers Bicycle Touring Club Inc.
Balance Sheet
Ending Dec. 31, 2008

Assets	2007	2008
Bank chequing account	\$1961.98	\$2759.42
Investment GIC	\$2229.13	\$2295.76
Petty cash	\$100.00	\$ 100.00
Inventory		
Sweatshirts	\$210.00	\$ 50.00
Equipment	\$585.58	\$ 585.58
Accounts receivable		
Late membership	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Total assets	\$5,086.69	\$5,790.76

Liabilities and Accumulated Surplus

Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Total liabilities		
Accumulated surplus	\$5,086.69	\$5,790.76
Total liabilities and Accumulated Surplus	\$5,086.69	\$5,790.76

**Wascana Freewheelers– 2009
Nominating Commiffing Report**

Velda Back – Past President	Don Wilson – Tour Coordinator
Jim McGrane –President	Marion Perry – Communications Coordinator
Hirsch Greenberg – Vice-President	Arleene Arnold – Marketing Coordinator
Gord Kerfoot – Treasurer	Wayne Mews – Special Events Coordinator
Barbara Shourounis – Secretary	