

# Great Plains Bicycling Club

**July 20, 2011**

The meeting started at 7:00pm. Present were Steve Lauck, Hal Smith, Chris Blackstock, Randy Smith, Eric Yule, and Bob Boyce.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes from the June meeting were emailed to board members prior to the meeting. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes.

**Web Site:** Randy Smith said that there was nothing to report at this time. Please send him any updates/changes to the ride schedule and they will be posted as they are received.

No treasurer or newsletter report.

**Ride Director:** Chris Blackstock said that the club needs to fill out the calendar with more rides. Hal Smith and Bob Boyce will send him details of their rides.

**Response to Email Add:** Bob Boyce responded to an email add by attempting to solicit them to pay for an advertisement in the Chain Gang.

**Big Bike Route Map:** The Great Plains Trails Network is planning on printing an updated large-scale map of the city's bike routes. To help defray costs they are soliciting sponsors who would have their names printed on the map for \$250. The donation was approved by the board.

**Sag for Tour of Nebraska:** Randy Smith reported that the sag went well. Nearly all the sag supplies disappeared and we didn't have any problems with the residents of Roca.

**Firecracker 50:** Bob Boyce reported that we had 70 riders for the event. There was some confusion with the ride's starting point and time. The fog made for interesting but cool riding conditions. Riders were glad to see the sag support.

**Cornhusker State Games:** We didn't have any response from riders about shuttling them back from Grand Island after the century tour. We will see what happens next year.

**Heatstroke 100:** Steve Clements has the brochures printed and distributed. Randy Smith has the master map done. We are changing loops one and two to avoid the Lied Bridge which may

be under construction. Even though the Lied Bridge isn't part of the route we can't keep riders from using it if it is open.

Sag locations are as follows: loop 1, north side of Lied Bridge; loop 2, cemetery; loop three, UNL research station and Ceresco (plus the start/finish at the SCA Museum). We will need ten volunteers to staff all of the sags and three rovers. Chris Blackstock will send out an email to members asking for volunteers and Hal Smith will coordinate them. If we don't get enough volunteers the Ceresco sag may be dropped.

Chris Blackstock said that the truck we have used to transport sag supplies is no longer available. Of the two rental places he checked, U Haul was the overall cheaper alternative. He will find out when we can pick a truck up and when we need to have it back.

Mary Poe will talk to Mary Grewe about the t-shirts and Di White will help. We will NOT be doing a second printing.

Chris Blackstock will order the porta-potties. He has already talked to the Bike Rack about providing mechanical support. And, he and Bob Boyce will take an inventory of the sag equipment.

We have sent the County Sheriffs and Commissions of Cass, Saunders, Sarpy, and Lancaster Counties emails of our intended ride and a PDF of our route in the past.

We will still need to decide where to place the route and safety signs.

The next meeting will be held August 17, 2011 at 22 and South Streets.