

Northern California Velodrome Association Board of Directors Meeting
November 16, 2006

Held at Hobeas Restaurant, Palo Alto CA. Meeting started at 7pm

Board members in attendance: Mike Hardaway, John Simmons, Peter Bohl, Kevin Worley, Rick Adams, Matt Martinez, Mary Maroon, Rob Jensen

Board members absent: Linelle Northcott

Visitors present: Farid Abrahams

1. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

2. Mike and Rob reported on meeting with the county representative concerning the planned velodrome upgrades. Several items were discussed that will be affected by the construction.

- the possibility of new containers or new structures to replace the containers.
- repositioning the bleachers onto concrete or asphalt pads.
- modifying the installation of the new PA system which will be installed 11/28/06. Instead of running some of the cabling underground, it will all run overhead and be modular in nature so as to make any needed adjustments in cable run length a simple plug and play.
- most likely the track will be closed from March 1 until late May and how that will affect the various racing and training programs.

2. Matt attended the annual American Track Racing Association (ATRA) meeting several weeks ago. He reported that the new president of ATRA, Dale Hughes, is proposing to create a USAC Board level seat for track racing with ATRA as the representative body, similar to the present makeup of NORBA representing the Mt Bike racing and ABA (?), the BMX racers. The idea is to separate track racing from the USCF with the USCF the governing body for road racing and ATRA for the track. Dale and Marty Nothstein will be meeting with USAC in December.

Other items:

- ATRA will be incorporating as a 501c3 non profit.
- discussion on disciplinary issues and how to present standardized rules for both riders and coaches.
- reduced fees and special licensing for junior track racers.
- changing the process for choosing the location of each year's National Championships.
- creation of a national track schedule that will have a link on the USAC web site.
- reviewed new rules and upgrading issues.
- creation of a national race series.
- next year's meeting will be in Frisco, TX.

3. Rick and Matt reported on the NCNCA scheduling meeting and how the planned track races will fit into the schedule. Because of the planned construction, several of the dates were moved later in the summer.

- Warren Geissert will be promoting Masters Districts. His original dates were 6/30-7/1, but he is now considering dates in September.
- Elite Districts will be 9/8-9/9.
- the AVC weekend will most likely be the weekend of 8/25-26. Robin Horowitz who promoted the recent Deaf World Championships, will be offered the position of Race Director for the AVC.
- Elite Natz qualifier is in the hands of USAC, so no dates there yet.
- Matt put forward his intention to promote a stripped down Friday Night Series for 2007 and a discussion ensued about what other nights to race on that would best improve the numbers of racers and the quality of racing. Farid Abraham was present and but forth his arguments to keep Tuesday afternoon/evenings for his Juinor program. Many of the ideas and arguments that the NorCal racing community put out via e-mail were discussed. Nothing concrete was decided, so the discussion will continue.

4. Discussion about the creation of several small committees to take the place of several of the prosed board level coordinator postions. The idea is to have three person committees for the following areas:

1. Racing Programs – this would include responsibilities for racing programs, ATRA liason and communication, and Santa Clara County liason and communication as it applies to race scheduling. Members for this BOD would be:

Matt – chairman

John

Kevin

2. Facility Planning and Maintenance – rental bike maintenance, velodrome grounds maintenance, and Santa Clara County liason as it pertains to any facility upgrades, maintenance and permits.

Mike – chairman

Rob

Peter

3. Public Relations and Sponsorship

Rick – chairman

Mary

Linelle

Kevin will write more detailed definitions for the committees for further BOD discussion.

John Simmons adjourned the meeting at 9:30pm

Respectfully submitted by Kevin Worley, Secretary