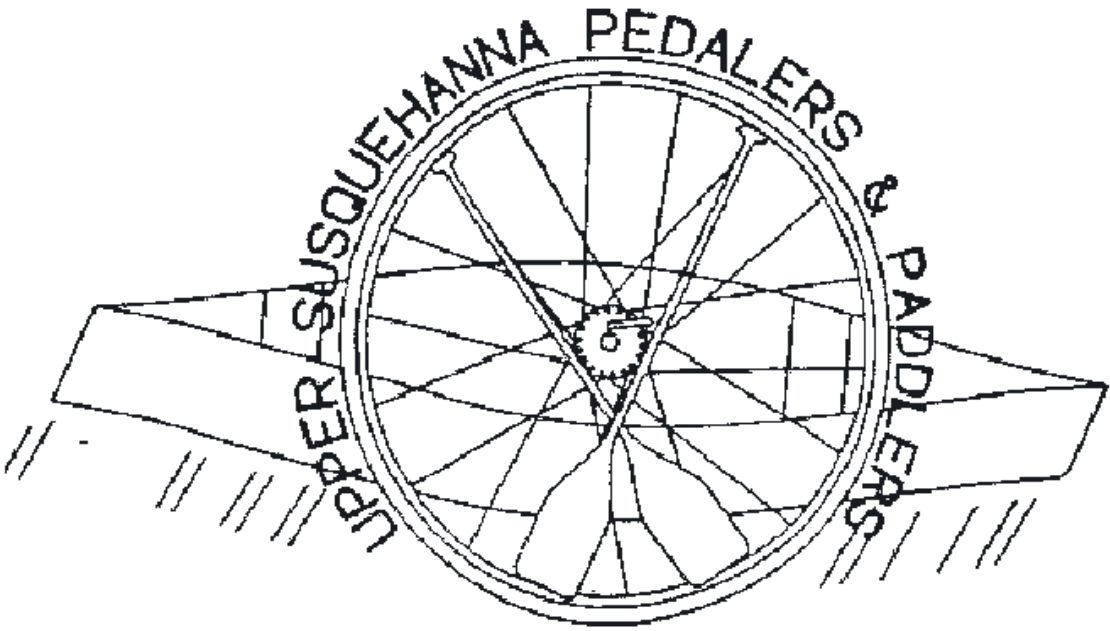


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Upper Susquehanna Pedalers and Paddlers USPP Meeting Minutes, March 14, 2006

at the Toombs' house in Oneonta

Present: Jeff Shultis, Bob Thomas, Bob Wisse, Garret Gantvoort, Fran/Lynda/Gary Toombs

At 7:35 PM, Bob Thomas, president, called the meeting to order. Minutes of the meeting on Oct 22, 2005 were read and approved.

Treasurer's report was not given since the treasurer was not present.

Old Business Fran brought up the topic of the Century Ride last fall. Fran drove the sag wagon with the food and clothing that the riders put in the van at the beginning of the ride. The riding pace varied greatly between the riders so the group became split early on in the day. Different ideas were discussed to try to keep the group together on future century rides. This topic will be further discussed during the next meeting on June 20.

New Business: USPP Spring Canoe Race Saturday April 15th - Jeff S said that the spring canoe race is under control. Help at registration starting 9:30 AM and with start at 11 AM. Bring soups, etc to school 12 noon.

A. This year's race is a point race, which requires the race to carry all of the boat classes which we do anyway.

B. Fran Toombs and Sue Botzow will coordinate the soup lunch.

C. The Otego Elementary School will open at 12:00 noon.

D. Fran T will call Sue regarding the shirts.

E. Bob Wisse will make the numbers for the boats.

F. The Porta-Potty will be taken care of by Sue B.

G. The gate to the Otego Fishing Access Site will be open on April 1st.

H. Bob W suggested a donation to the Stamford DEC as a quasi-user fee (since the USPP uses the fishing access site without paying for a fishing license).

I. Jeff Shultis made the recommendation that the purse for the pro class be raised from around \$800 to \$1,000. In past years, the pro-class purse was the amount raised from the pro class entry fee and sponsorship monies. This proposal would pull monies from the treasury (most likely monies brought in on race day) to raise the purse to \$1,000. This amount will most likely be around \$200. After some discussion, Bob Thomas made a motion to raise the pro-class purse to \$1,000. Bob Wisse seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

OFO River Ride Sponsorship. Gary and Lynda will ask Dan Maskin at OFO to find out what the sponsorship levels are for the Annual River Ride. The USPP is considering being a sponsor for this event.

Bicycle Time Trials and Hill Climbs

Fran and Neil Toombs will coordinate the Bicycle Time Trials and the Hill Climbs. Time Trials will continue to be on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings and the Hill Climbs will be held on the 3rd Wednesday evening each month from April through September.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 20, at 7:30 at the Toombs' home on 1 Hubbell Ave, Oneonta.

USPP Time Trial and Hill Climb Schedule

Time trials are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month April - September. Time trials start at the end of southern end of NYS Route 205 at 6:15 PM. The route is 10.2 miles out and back along Otsego County Route 48, also known as the Back River Rd to Otego. Allow a few minutes to sign a release before you start if it is your first Time Trial of the year. All riders must wear helmets to compete. More information about the Time Trial can be found by going to the link listed below.

<http://employees.oneonta.edu/thomasrl/uspp/tt2000a.html>

Hill Climbs are held on the the 3rd Wednesday of the month April - September. Hill Climbs start at the south end of Main St and go along NYS Route 28 to the top of Franklin Mountain. Allow a few minutes to sign a release before you start if it is your first Hill Climb of the year. All riders must wear helmets to compete. A profile of the hill and past times can be viewed on the WWW at the following link.

http://employees.oneonta.edu/thomasrl/uspp/hc_intro.html

If the weather is questionable due to snow, rain, thunderstorms, etc you can give Fran and Neil Toombs a call at 607.432.2947.

Dates for the Time Trials for 2006

April 12 and 26
May 10 and 24
June 14 and 28
July 12 and 26
Aug 9 and 23
Sept 13 and 27

Dates for the Hill Climb

April 19
May 17
June 21
July 19
August 16
September 20

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