

MRCC Minutes June 20, 2018

Dues for 2018 \$10.00 single \$15.00 for family

Call to Order: 7:00 pm @ Lockmaster's House

Members Present: 15 Guest: 1 Speaker:1

Treasurer's report was accepted

Minutes were approved

Old Business

River Rendezvous Ride: John Clark reported 132 riders for 2018 as compared to 141 in 2017. Profit approximately \$2,000 for 2018. Participants reported problems with the on line sign up for dorm rooms, with 56 rooms reserved by MRCC and only 46 rooms actually used. There were mixed reviews on the new route required because of road construction. Signage needs some clarification and improvement. One idea is to have one color for Saturday and one color for Sunday. Reports of great food at Beverly. Sag drivers might be supplied with extra poster board and markers to clarify route in an emergency.

MRCC club members wish to extend its sincere appreciation to Missy Shea, Rick and Marie Ralston, and John and Kitty Clark for their extra ordinary contributions to the organization for this ride. Also, to all the volunteers, Great Job

Devola Trail: Paul Lewis reports the project is completed! Eighty three entities contributed. MRCC was in the top tier of contributors for the trail. This trail goes from the pavilion at the GB nature center to Millgate.

Extension of River Trail: Paul and Judy Lewis attended the city council meeting where the extension of the trail over Duck Creek to Captain Sealy Drive was finalized. All funding is secured and construction will start soon. Also, the firm working on plans to extend the other end of the trail is ongoing. 74 people attended the meeting held in Devola and 24 wrote comments.

Harmer Rowing Club: Peter reported that the high school girls were invited to nationals and placed about 4th out of 26. Docks are finished and MRCCC donated to the effort.

Marietta High School Art Class: Kayak finished and launched, great article in paper!

Ride of Silence Bike Ride: Marie Ralston noted that approximately 18 people participated in our first ride for this event. Many thanks to Marie for organizing.

Lockmasters House: The building is losing decorative tiles on the riverside. The city has corded off the area.

New Business

College Boathouse Basement: Dan Jones has been digging out the mud left behind from flooding both outside and inside. Hunt Brawley helped one evening. Power washing is next. When the project is done an email to club members alerting readiness to use will be sent.

Poster completed: The remaining ride patches have been mounted and displayed on a poster frame, completing the project. Note: several past patches remain if anyone can think of a use. Maybe we can give away at next year's ride??

Rivers, Trails, and Ales Festival: Eric Dowler, festival committee person, stated that this is the 8th year for the festival Last year showed participation levels of 819 people, 211 in rivers category, 556 in the trails category, with foot traffic at about 2,000-3,000 people. The headquarters is moving to the East Muskingum Park. MRCC voted to approve \$250.00 as a Community Level Sponsor, loan coolers and pop up tents. Dan Jones is on the advisory board and he and Teresa will

help support the paddling events, many other club members will continue to volunteer at events. Looks like there will be no stand up paddle boarding events, and no tie in with the theater this year.

Christy Thomas of Marietta Restore Committee may be able to help us advertise our next Marietta River Rendezvous Ride with a save the date ad.

Wolfe Run Campout: Judy Lewis inquired about interest. Members indicated they wished to continue.

Pittsburg to D. C. Ride: 8 riders registered, committee has been meeting to set up housing and transportation details. Riders will meet right after this business meeting.

Meeting Adjourned 8:20 pm Submitted by: Teresa A. Griffith, Secretary

Next Meeting: July 18, 7:00 pm Lockmaster's House

Upcoming Events: Cuyohoga Towpath Ride, Train Ride, and Lunch June 23

Rivers, Trails, and Ales: August 9-12

Wolf Run Campout: August 17-19