

## Princeton Free Wheelers Board Meeting

September 8, 2003

### Attendees:

Board Members: Norm Batho, Dot Horber, Carl Newmeyer, Tom Kennedy, Bill Ketchersid, Peter Perkuhn, John Powers, Joan Prins

Other Members: Bob Barish, Norene Barish, Jeff Lippincott, Hank Segal, Howie Slafer

Below are the highlights of the September 8 meeting.

### Club Picnic

The Picnic was a great success! The weather was wonderful and thanks to Bob Walker, the food was outstanding!

### Holiday Party

This year's Holiday Party will be held on Saturday, December 13. Norm announced that the Clarksburg Inn is being considered as a possible location for this year's Holiday Party, a more economical alternative than last year's Party at the College of New Jersey. Norm and Carl will visit the Clarksburg Inn to check it out and get further information.

All accommodations suitable for our Holiday Party now require the PFW to use their caterer. The change from self-catering to a catered holiday party has increased the cost of the holiday party by over \$2,000. To help cover the increased cost, a co-pay of \$10 per person will be required and since the Club pays for the Holiday Party on a per-person basis, advance reservations will be necessary. More details will follow.

### Princeton Event

Norm reported a \$7/person profit from the Event, with planning for next year's Event already underway!

### Financial Status.

In his efforts to research the information required for the 501(c) (3) application, Peter has been reviewing the Club's financial records from mid-2000 to the present. Since 1991, when Club dues were last increased, costs for almost everything have increased significantly. In order to ensure that our dues cover the basic administration of the Club (Freewheel publication, postage, insurance), the Board decided it would be necessary to increase dues, effective 1/1/04, to \$20 for

individuals and \$30 for family memberships. However, 2004 memberships can be renewed before 1/1/04 at the present rates of \$15 for individuals and \$20 for family memberships.

### Call for Candidates.

The Call for Candidates for the Board election planned for March 2004 will be included in the Freewheel beginning in October.

### Club Message Board

Bill encouraged all Club members to both visit the Message Board and to leave feedback. Bill will be happy to assist members who have questions about the Message Board or just need help using it.

*Just a reminder:* For insurance purposes, only club-sanctioned rides (those listed in the FreeWheel) should be posted on the Message Board; no ad-hoc rides will be included.

### New Members' Brochure.

Bill's New Members' Brochure is in the final stages of preparation.

### Ride Leader Training.

Joan reported that the Ride Leader Training Committee (Bob Barish, John Danek, Peter Perkuhn and Joan Prins) is reviewing the Cascade Bicycle Club's Training Manual and adapting it for PFW use. The Committee is meeting regularly and expects to have the finalized PFW Ride Leader Training Manual ready for the spring.

### PFW Hat

By popular request, the design of a PFW club baseball cap is in the works! Joan will provide further information at the next meeting.

Next Meeting. The next meeting will be on Monday, October 6, 7:00pm, at the Princeton Boro Hall.