

Oxford Cycling Club Meeting: Minutes  
March 27, 2008  
Neill Studios

**Attendees:**

Mike Mossing	Walter Neill
Vivian Neill	Chris Mogridge
Kate Kellum	Karen Riddle
Jason Finch	Jason Martin
William Henderson	Rich Raspet
Jon McLeod	Richard McNeer
Lauren Klimetz	

**Demographics from 2007 OCC membership:**

We had 79 members last year. Of those 79 members:

71% male  
29% female

3% of the club members were students

**Race Report**

9 or 10 members were at the Crosswinds Classic in Little Rock, AR

9 or 10 members were at the Ride to Live Race in Leeds, AL

There are several upcoming races:

- Tour de Tuscaloosa (Tuscaloosa, AL)– March 29-30
- Chickasaw Trace MTB Race (Columbia, TN) – March 30
- Cuba Road Race (Cuba, AL) – April 6
- Rocky Mount Stage Race (Shreveport, LA) – April 12-13
- Mississippi Gran Prix (Brookhaven, MS) – April 18, 19, 20
- No races Double Decker weekend to conflict with our Spring Ride
- Giro de Rankin (Brandon, MS) – May 3-4
- Sonny King Criterium (Anniston, AL) – May 3. *Good example for a race in Oxford.*
- Highland Rim Cycling Classic (McMinnville, TN) – May 9
  
- Chris Lee had suggested doing simulated races and race training on the South Loop. Day is to be determined. Possibly Thursdays.
  
- We talked of possibly organizing a race in Oxford.
  
- Jerseys are in.

## **Double Decker Spring Ride**

We've stopped looking for sponsors. We have \$5200 cash. The bicycle shops will be donating door prizes:

- [Gastroenterology Associates and Endoscopy Center of North Mississippi](#) - Title Sponsor
- [Monin Gourmet Flavorings](#) - Premiere Sponsor - Water Bottles
- [Oxford Convention & Visitor's Bureau](#) - Cost Reimbursement Grant
- [Friends of Pete](#) - General Sponsor & Event Partners
- [9 Lives Cat Rescue](#) - General Sponsor & Event Partners
- Serenity Spa - General Sponsor
- [Clif Bar & Company](#) - General Sponsor
- [L&M's Kitchen and Salumeria](#) - General Sponsor
- Active Oxford - General Sponsor
- [Oxford Bicycle Company](#) - General Sponsor
- [Newks](#) - General Sponsor
- The Frame Up - General Sponsor
- [First National Bank](#) - General Sponsor
- [Market Rhes](#) - General Sponsor
- [Rayner Eye Clinic](#) - General Sponsor
- [Marchbanks Realty](#) - Sponsor
- Rejuvenate - Sponsor
- [Rebel Radio](#) - Media Sponsor
- We discussed taking out an advertisement in the local papers thanking our sponsors for their support and also put a little plug in for the Spring Ride.
- Chris Bundrick will be heading up a crew to do the course markings for the ride.
- Volunteers are needed to stuff the SWAG bags with their goodies prior to the day of the ride.
- William Henderson and Brad Cannon have the tents and tables that we will use.
- [www.doubledeckerfestival.com](http://www.doubledeckerfestival.com) lists the ride as a Double Decker event, but it's difficult to find. We discussed talking with Hugh to see if he could help make this easier to find on that web site.

## **Community Report**

The Bicycle Rodeo (y'know. for the kids) will be at the Stone Center on May 3rd and there's the possibility of having a bike swap there as well.

There is a bushy area between the pathway and the Stone Center. Mike suggested that we seek approval from the Park Commission to cut trails through this to make the pathway more accessible.

Vivian and Karen are going to the League of American Bicyclists Road 1 Class – it's basic road skills that we will bring back and be able to teach the community.

### **Pathways update**

The public meeting was held Thursday, March 27 at 5:30 in City Hall.

BMX Track needs a name and sponsorship

### **Critical Mass**

Possibly make this a monthly thing (last Friday evening of the month)but we need numbers to make it work

- flyers on campus and on bulletin boards in town
- word of mouth

### **Bike Month**

- We need to get things lined up for Bike to Lunch Day
- Kate can probably get flyers for us again this year.
- Local papers and radio stations will do PSAs to share the road
- The Mayor has proclaimed May as bike month, the Governor, Board of Supervisors have been asked to do the same as has the Chancellor (*\*since the meeting, the Board of Supervisors and Governor have declared May as Bike Month*)

### **Other Items**

- William brought up a question about bicycles on campus sidewalks: Does UPD write tickets for this? We believe that they are supposed to be doing this.
- Jason Martin found a site for recycling old inner tubes. The closest place is in Meridian. Karen will talk to Steve and Kevin at the bike shops about it.
- MS150: Would folks be interested in getting a special jersey for MS150 this year? Chuck will heading up the MS150 effort.
- Tour de Bodock in Pontotoc is in August.
- Bagels to Bluegrass in Jackson, TN is in September and looks like a fun ride.
- We decided to send a gift card to Mike Bengé – recent victim of accident in Tupelo.

