

## **ACA Annual Meeting December 19th, 2010**

Bill Barr, ACA President, opened the meeting with comment on 2010 and an outlook for critical 2011 topics:

- ACA financial posture is strong, stable and predictable, with the existing set of controls expected to be enhanced further to manage closely the upcoming significant 2011 expenses related to a new timing and camera system.
- ACA has hired a new Executive Director, Chris McGee, to replace Jon Tarkington, who put in his resignation earlier this year, but has continued to work the transition with Chris. Bill thanked Jon for being a strong partner in getting ACA back on track, and led the meeting in a standing ovation for Jon.
- Bill emphasized the importance of the ACA junior programs as an important way of attracting new racers to the sport.
- ACA need more officials and it is necessary that the member clubs actively help with recruitment. While ACA now has programs in place to subsidize new candidate officials in training, it remains important that clubs help with the recruitment pipeline.
- The membership clubs were also called upon to help with attracting more female racers to the sport. While ACA can support camps and mentoring, the clubs is an important part of campaigns and outreach.
- The ACA Board has during 2010 explored opportunities for a closer relationship with USAC. It is the perspective of the Board that a consolidation is not possible in the near future, as the current USAC Local Association model would dramatically change the current ACA cash flow level, and eliminate the majority of the ACA programs.
- ACA's new Executive Director was introduced and Jon Tarkington outlined the transition in progress between the two of them. The plan includes a significant overlap period to help ensure that none of the Executive Director responsibilities drops between chairs.
- Also introduced was Bruce Whitesel as new ACA Junior Development Lead. I led the meeting of Minutes from October 18<sup>th</sup> and Executive Director offer decision reviewed and approved.

### Budget:

- Across the total of approximately 3400 ACA members, the trend is that CX race participation is growing significantly, while road race participation is stagnant.
- The largest investment planned for 2011 is the timing and camera system. This is being funded from early season cash flow and savings.
- License and timing chips purchase will be online through the ACA website.
- Profit/Loss statements were available in hardcopy at the meeting, as well as from the ACA website

### Legislation:

- All proposed legislation passed
- Item #10 required ballot voting and passed 119 votes to 115.

#### Board Election:

- Seven candidates had declared an interest in the five Board positions up for election. Each candidate did a brief self-introduction before the voting.
- The following candidates were elected: Lynn Taylor, Clint Bickmore, Eric Perryman, Chad Burns, and Tim Lynch.

#### Insurance Changes:

- The ACA Board has been working towards improving the current insurance coverage and claims process. Based on coverage quality and insurance premium comparisons between broker proposals, the Board was recommending a proposal from Taggart. Bill Barr emphasized that an in-state provider would be covered by the CO guarantee fund.
- A straw poll in the meeting showed unanimous support for the Taggart proposal.
- The Board will formally decide on the insurance change in January

#### Timing System:

- ACA has contracted D&L Sound for operation of an integrated chip transponder timing and high-speed camera finish system, which will be purchased by ACA.
- D&L Sound is initially contracted for 2 years and the system will be mandatory for BAR/BAT, CX Cup, and State Championships events.
- Expected base rate is approximately \$800/day.
- The transponder chip can be purchased for approximately \$35, with 3–5 year life time expectancy, and will be coded with the riders ACA license number. Additional transponders can be purchased to furnish multiple bikes.
- Specific guidance on the placement of the transponders will be forthcoming.

#### Quiznos Stage Race:

- ACA will have a booth at several of the events

#### Policy:

- ACA Staff and the Technical Committee is working to publish a “gold standard” for race registration
- It was discussed whether upgrade points beyond category 3 should no longer be awarded in masters categories.

The consensus at the meeting was to not change the current policy that does allow these upgrade points.

- Membership participants were identified for a "BAR/BAT Overhaul Committee", which, together with ACA staff and road/criterium promoter representatives, will be tasked with reviewing the current BAR/BAT policy, and suggest changes and improvements for the 2012 season.
- Staff solicited input from the meeting regarding call-up procedures for CX races. CX cup standings to be used for CX cup races, but important to have some consistency in procedures also for non CX cup races. Staff will present proposal at CX promoter meeting.

#### 2011 Road Calendar:

- All calendar conflicts are now resolved. Calendar will be published on the ACA website event calendar view.
- The following races were awarded championship status based on voting: Longmont Senior criterium championships, Fort Collins Cycling Festival Masters criterium championships, Rocky Mountain Omnium road championships masters
- Races awarded championship statuses (without the need for voting between competing proposals) are flagged in the racing calendar on the ACA website.

Meeting adjourned.