

# Team Rocket Tri Club Executive Council

## MINUTES

January 11, 2016 5:30PM

**Location:** Newks, Huntsville, University Drive

EC Members Present: Tony Osani, (President), Wendy Tyler (Vice President), Casey Fritz (Treasurer) Mike Gerrity (Equipment Director/RD, Rocketman Triathlon), Ann Mix (Membership), Gia Schuetz (Secretary), Suzanne Erickson (RD, Huntsville Sprint Triathlon), Kent Criswell (RD, Racin' the Station Duathlon), and Kim Holmes (Webmaster) and Mike Tyler (RD, Tri for Ole Glory)

EC Members Absent: Eric Broyles (RD, Heel and Crank Duathlon/Swim Hobbs Island), Dana DeBardelaben (RD Pesky Piranha)

- Race updates
  - Tick Ridge Trek - 339 entries compared to 226 last year (475 max), volunteers spots full, in good shape; Mike to handle tents
  - Huntsville Sprint Tri – NAT under construction & muddy mess in transition areas. Sharon Johnson pool and park reserved; not sure if viable yet. Decision on March. Bike may be longer.
    - **Special Olympics was voted unanimously to be the race charity**
  - Tri for Ole Glory – facility fee is increasing: \$2k for Rocket Center, hope to get for \$1k due to prior relationship. Current contact at Center, Lucy, is leaving.
- Membership – Welcome to new Membership chair, Ann Mix. 138 members currently, 87 were former members. There is high inventory of member bottles & shirts to be distributed at the spring kick off. Ann will handle the excel swag list.
  - Ann will send out our monthly MailChimp newsletter to board before out to membership. Address on newsletter will be TRTC PO Box.
  - EC members Ann, Eric, Dana, Casey, Gia need to register for insurance purposes
- Website - Kim will ensure that Ann & Casey have up to date email links on website.
  - Vendor discounts on the website need updated verification.
    - Madison cycles – confirm discount
    - Bicycles Etc. - 10% off MSRP bike; 10% off accessories
    - Blevins Bike – Mike will talk to Matt to confirm 10% bike fit & accessories
    - Xterra reached out to TRTC to offer a point's system discount program that includes wetsuits.
  - **WeRunHuntsville photography** - There was discussion regarding keeping communication open with Gregg Gelmis, as all RD are very supportive of his business & its contributions to each race. Tony will touch base with Gregg.
- Equipment Trailer
  - The board **unanimously approved a motion to purchase a new trailer for \$3800**

- **Insurance:** Trailer cannot be insured for liability; this be through each driver/tower. AL state laws state coverage follows vehicle. Kent asked if we as a club should budget the deductive to assist the volunteer if there is a collision.
  - **Insuring contents** – There was a lengthy discussion re: insuring the contents, if the club is comfortable with our not having insurance on the equipment. Damage & loss coverage is very expensive (\$500/1000 deductibles). Wendy recommended setting aside money for covering equipment loss.
  - The board **unanimously approved the motion to not purchase insurance** for the trailer & its contents.
  - There was discussion **re: trailer storage**. Prices of facilities on Jordan Rd. & Commercial Drive ranged from \$48-121. Installing wheel lock \$70 was suggested; security of facility on Jordan Rd is of concern. The storage facility & its 20x20" space on Jordan Rd. was discussed; as well as the 10x10 space @ \$30/month. It was agreed that having this type of storage is important due to the convenience of not having to load/unload equipment for each race. Tony will find out if Jeremy's facility on Commercial Drive has a storage option for us.
- The TRI expo is coming up Thursday, April 7th@ Fleet Feet. We should plan on having a table there. It was mentioned that we should consider having Fleet Feet training information on our website.
  - The **2015 financial report** for posting to the club website was distributed, reviewed & approved.
    - Highlights include our ending with a \$2000 reserve; of the \$3900 in the membership account, \$2953 is dues; Race Equipment \$6700, \$1700 in fund for 2016. **A motion to approve the report & post on the website was unanimously approved.**
  - **2016 Budget** – There was discussion re: the various funds.
    - Race equipment fund
      - Mike mentioned an opportunity to rent to the TRI club of University of AL
      - Portable sound system – there was discussion re: its purchase as an axillary system for awards, swim starts, etc. A motion to buy a new system for \$199 was unanimously approved.
  - Treasurer change over from Wes to Casey went smoothly. All RD's need to go by the bank & resign account information. *NOTE to RDs re: Debit cards. The cards will close when the accounts are dormant for 3-4 months. )Update after meeting: account signature sheets will be brought to the February meeting for signatures)*
  - Discussed event planning for 2016 - Spring Kickoff Party possibly on March 5
  - Mike mentioned another 5k is on the calendar during Heel & Crank time. Family Services Center (who runs Summer Sizzler & Spring Krusher) is the host.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 so everyone could get home to watch the Alabama Nat'l Championship game ;-)