

**Notes from February 1, 2005 CAMBC Club Meeting
At C'ville Coffee, 7:00 PM**

Summary of Accomplishments

In 2004, CAMBC

- Led 9 days of trail work at Walnut Creek Park
- Led 1 day of trail work at Sherando
- Participated in several days of trail work sponsored by SMBC.
- Led the Wednesday Night Ride 28 times
- Led 3 junior rides
- Promoted the 1st annual Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day
- Led 11 women's rides (mostly mountain bike, 1 or 2 on the road)
- Held 2 club meetings
- Led 2 beginner rides
- Led 9 Sunday Social Rides (note: these were not started until August!)
- Promoted the 2nd Annual Wild Ride at Sherando
- Participated in ongoing discussion with wilderness advocates regarding land protection in the George Washington National Forest (attended 3 meetings)
- Planned and Hosted 4 days of non-stop events for the IMBA Trail Care Crew Visit
- Led more than 10 long rides in the George Washington National Forest
- Led several local hikes and road rides.

Financial State of the Union

- 61 current members.
- We've had 88 total members at one point or another.
- Incoming: \$215 in donations, \$167 family memberships, \$0.35 interest, \$423 individual memberships.
- Outgoing: \$108 insurance, \$158 web registration/hosting, \$37 pre-IMBA visit, \$30 IMBA membership, \$254 social events like Wild Ride and IMBA visit
- Net: +\$212.
- In the bank: \$606

List of Attendees:

- At the end of this document.

Next Meeting:

- **Tuesday, April 19, 2005 at 7:00 PM at Anna's Pizza**

What we want to do in 2005 (brainstormed by Attendees):

- Women's rides
- TAKMBD
- Wild Ride
- Beginner rides
- Inter-club rides (CAMBC and SMBC, MORE, Lynchburg)

- Trail maintenance event in conjunction with Wild Ride
- Memorial Day Pisgah Mt Biking Trip
- Douthat Weekend Trip
- Trail Maintenance (WCP, GWNF, Joint with SMBC).

Subcommittee Work

To increase member participation in the coordination of club activities and diversify club responsibilities, but to minimize meeting time involving everyone, we split up club activities into various subcommittee tasks and those who volunteered will handle them. Subcommittees will work “offline” (not at major club meetings) to make progress on their respective tasks. They can work using email, phone, in-person meetings—whatever they prefer. If they have any questions or need guidance at any time, they should feel free to ask for help. Subcommittees should report back to the club at the next meeting or they can report to the club at mtb@cambc.org any time until then. In the meantime, please also keep acting, informal board members apprised of progress and major issues (Sue George, Mike Smoot, Will Sanford, Richard Shelley, Matthew Wikswow). If any dates are decided for events, rides, etc. please let Sue George know so those dates can get put on the web calendar asap. If any general info needs to go on the website, let Mike Smoot know so he can put it up. If you are communicating with the County, please keep Will Sanford (if not the entire “board”) in the loop since he is our primary county liaison, and our relationship with the County is very important. Now, in no particular order...

1. **WCP Trail Maintenance** – Led by **Will Sanford** with members **Ted Gayle, Craig Spears, and Jerry Matthews**. Will is looking for crew leaders to help at trail days or to work on their own. Goals: recruit/train new leaders, determine maintenance schedule for 2005 for the calendar. Get on county-wide trail maintenance list-serve (Mike Smoot).
2. **WCP Trail Closure**– Led by **Mike Hurley**. Other members: **Will Sanford**. Goals: Develop written guidelines for the County on when to close WCP trails due to weather or trail conditions. This may include closing some sections or the entire park. What, when, and how is up to the subcommittee. The county has asked us to do this and will provide a phone hotline plus someone to update a sign at the park during weekdays. (Note: Leader should also contact Eric, a colleague of Jay’s who lives near the park and expressed interest in this subcommittee at the TCC visit and ask Sue George to forward some related info that might help).
3. **810 Park Liaison**– Led by **Al Inigo**. Goals: Continue to develop CAMBC relationship with the county and find out/stay on top of county (legal/public) process for developing the new park and deciding uses for it so that mountain bikers do not get left out. (Talk to Will Sanford to get contact info).
4. **O’hill Liaison**– Led by **Jay Dicharry**. Goals: establish formal POC with UVA and UVA mountain bike club; look into issue of new road that will connect to Fontaine and take away O’hill trails; look into issue of new Discovery center parking area to happen up top; try to get some trail maintenance going there, ideally with the UVA mt bike club. UVA Mt bike club liaison is Drew Sanderford.

5. **Sherando Trail Maintenance**– Led by **Matthew Wiksw**. Goal: Set up a spring work day at Sherando to keep the CAMBC volunteer agreement alive.
6. **Greenways Representation**– Led by **Clint and LoriAnne Barnett**. Goals: Establish CAMBC as a legitimate member of the Albemarle Greenways group. Attend meetings and offer input to further the interests of mountain bikers. Report back to club members on new developments, issues, etc. Use this connection to try to develop our relationship with the RTF group. Note: Contact Dan Mahon, Albemarle county person who invited CAMBC to join the Greenways group.
7. **Tools Acquisition** – Led by **Will Sanford, Mike Smoot, and Dave Wotton**. At this meeting, the club authorized an expenditure of \$150 on new trail maintenance tools. Goals: Draw up a budget for new tools (including making calls to find out if we can get some “deals”), get permission to purchase, then acquire. Notes: budget may be for amount greater than \$150 because some members suggested they might donate a tool to the club if they know what we need. If greater than \$150, prioritize order for acquisition. Club may allocate more money in the future for tools acquisition.
8. **Memorial Day Pisgah Weekend** – Led by **Ted Gayle**. Goals: coordinate CAMBC member involvement in a weekend of riding in Pisgah National Forest. Publicize opportunity and coordinate interested parties.
9. **Fall Foliage Ride**– Led by **Craig Spears and Ted Gayle**. Goals: Communicate with Festival organizer about ride leaders needs. Decide whether to commit CAMBC and recruit ride leaders as appropriate. Get festival contact info from Matthew Wiksw.
10. **Grants**– Led by **Sue George** with members **Ted Gayle** and **Clint Barnett**. Look into grant options such as Kona Free ride grant, REI Toolkit, RTF grants with County or other non-profits. MORE and SMBC might know more. Find out those for which we are eligible and when to apply. Recruit help to write them as needed once identified.
11. **Women’s Ride**– Led by **Michele Co** with help from **Erin Johnston, Megan Ross, and Sue George**. Goals: establish women’s ride schedule and leaders and publicize. Note: Erin will focus on inter-club women’s rides.
12. **Beginner Ride**– Led by **Michele Co, Brent VanDevender, and Ted Gayle**. Goals: establish beginner ride schedule with ride leaders for each and publicize. Note: Beginner rides may be as short as 2-3 miles depending on who shows up. Recommended target: a minimum of 1x per month (with optional rain date?).
13. **Sunday Social Ride**– Led by **Craig Spear** with help from **Jason Hiser**. Goals: Establish Sunday social ride schedule and leaders and publicize.
14. **WNR**– Led by **Sue George**. Goals: continue leading regular night rides.
15. **Wild Ride**– Led by interim leader, **Matthew Wiksw**. Not much to do yet because the event isn’t until September. Goals: Identify candidate dates and look into pavilion availability. See if **Marty Quinn** would like to lead or co-lead this again. Look into tying in a work day as part of a Wild Ride weekend.
16. **TAKMB**– To be established at future meetings. Not until October.
17. **Sponsorship Planning** – Led by **Matthew Wiksw** with members **Will Sanford**. Goals: Develop sponsorship plan and materials for recruiting sponsors for

CAMBC and present to club for decision on when/if to implement and to sign up volunteers to input.

18. **Club Governing Structure** – Led by TBD with input from Michele Co, Julie Jackson (if she's available and interested), Sue George. Goals: Look into what if any formal options we might want to pursue for more formal club governing structure. What do other clubs do? Is IMBA still pursuing options to help with this? Keep bureaucracy low so it does not detract from all the good things we are doing. Look back at what Andrea Laue was doing a year and a half ago. Brent VanDevender suggested maybe even just formalizing an overall club policy and circulating.
19. **Club Stickers** – Led by Erin Johnston (with input from Clint Barnett). Goals: look into getting us some CAMBC club stickers (cost, etc.). Note: Erin, please also ask Sue George about club business cards (like Nittany Valley Mt Bike Club example).
20. **T-shirts** – Led by Clint Barnett (with input from Erin Johnston). Goals: look into getting us some CAMBC club t-shirts (costs, gauge club interest, other details, etc.). Hold on actually getting t-shirts until sponsorship subcommittee is further along.
21. **GWNF Protection** – Led by Sue George. Goals: continue work with pro-Wilderness advocates, SMBC, IMBA, and others toward land protection agreement. Write MOU for user groups involved so far.
22. **VA State MTB Association** – Forgot to mention this at meeting, but led by Sue George and Mike Smoot. Goals: Attend upcoming meeting to talk about forming a state-wide mountain bike association. Report back to club. Represent CAMBC's interests.

Other To Do

- Trail Maintenance
 - Add safety info for trail maintenance crew leaders to CAMBC website. Will Sanford to provide info to Mike Smoot.
 - If anyone wants to volunteer to do work at WCP during non-official trail days, please talk to Will Sanford. He is maintaining a list of projects that need attention at WCP.
- Trail Usage
 - Add info about the dam at WCP. Sue George to provide to Mike Smoot

Miscellaneous:

- There is a copy of the IMBA Trailbuilding Book in the Tool shed. It is available for CAMBC members to borrow. Several other members have a copy they are willing to loan. Contact: Will Sanford
- Reminder: All club members are encouraged to use the CAMBC list-serve at any time to announce rides or related events.
- We have club liability insurance due to our IMBA affiliation. This is in effect whenever we lead a publicized CAMBC club ride. The insurance protects ride leaders, club members, club leaders, etc. Publicized rides include those announced by list-serve and flyers. The insurance does not cover any rides or

events for which participants must pay to enter (for example: a race put on by CAMBC or if we were to charge money to do the Wild Ride).

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