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**Alta Alpina
Cycling Club**

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We're gearing up for the 2017 riding and racing season but we're a little short handed right now.

The most critical opening we have right now is for the

Thursday Night Race Steward

We've divided the old Race Director job and changed things around a little for 2017 to make the job of running Thursday night races easier and better:

- A new digital race timing system will make sure that everyone's effort gets captured and reported quickly and accurately.
- A Thursday Night Race Administrator (Michael for 2017) will arrange insurance, manage the race schedule, configure and administer the digital race system, acquire supplies, and manage the race website.

The **Thursday Night Race Steward** will:

- Store & Transport the Race Equipment (including porta-potty)
- Charge the race system batteries
- Setup signs/cones & sweep turns
- Setup the digital race system
- Register racers at the Spring Party and before each race
- Officiate races

This is a paid position that will take just a few hours each week and the only requirement is a vehicle (even a small car) with a hitch, a place to park the porta-potty, and space to store race equipment.

The situation is now **critical**. We need to fill this position **immediately** so that we can start the race series on time in April. PLEASE help us fill this position by contacting Chris Rhiner at President@altaalpina.org

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Other Open Club Positions

If the Race Steward position isn't a good fit for you, we really need to fill these positions too:

Social Media Coordinator

Do you have social media expertise? The club needs a volunteer to keep our internet presence active and engaging.

Event Marketing Coordinator

We need a volunteer to coordinate the promotion of all the club's activities

Pinenut Cracker Director

After many years of coordinating our mountain bike race, Robert Braun is moving on and we're eager to replace him.

Bicycle Advocacy Coordinator

Are you passionate about cycling? We need a volunteer to represent the club at cycling advocacy meetings and report back to the club on what members need to know.

Weekend Ride Leader

Can you commit to leading one club ride each month?

All positions include free club individual or family membership.



Presidential Posting

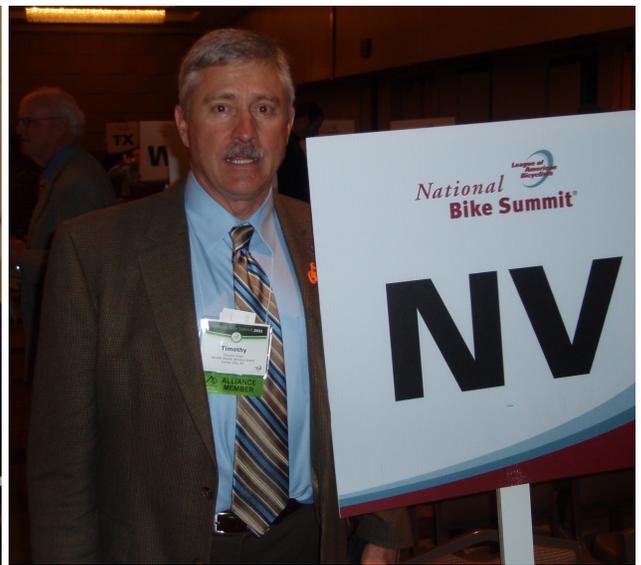
Chris Rhiner, President

The big bike path in the sky

Lets talk about the weather!... because that is so much more fun than having to say goodbye to one of our dear club members. As many of you know, our beloved Tim Rowe has left us for the big bike path in the sky. There isn't really any good timing with this sort of thing but I think all of us would agree that this was too early too sudden. My condolences go out to his immediate family Hank and son Chris. Tim has touched all our lives and I think I can easily say we will all miss him.

Stay safe, live well, enjoy your winter moments as Spring is less than a month away!

Our Spring Membership Party is April 11th, a Tuesday so that we might be able to see the majority of our club members even if for just a brief drop in. By April we should be able to showcase our first womens only jersey for Alta Alpina, (who knows, you men may like it too) stay tuned and keep your chains oiled with all this wet weather! Just keep swimming..... I mean cycling.



Remembering Tim Rowe

Michael Bayer, Membership Coordinator

Tim Rowe made a huge impact on my life.

I wouldn't be living where am, with who I am, and doing what I do if it weren't for Tim.

Tim served the region's cycling community and the Alta Alpina Cycling Club for decades. He has served in many positions on the club's board and for the last decade has been our "BikeSpokesman" and cycling advocate responsible for representing the club at meetings of regional and national cycling organizations.

His contributions to our cycling community have been immense and as cyclists and members of Alta Alpina we have all benefited from his years of effort on our behalf.

There will be a **Celebration of Life for Tim:**

Sunday, April 9th at 1:00pm

Carson City Community Center

851 E. William St, Carson City, NV 89701



Alta Alpina Cycling Club 2017 Ides of March Mileage Contest Log

Bring completed log to the Spring Membership Party on April 11

Name: Gender: M / F

The Ides of March Mileage Contest is Back!

We're holding the Ides of March Mileage Contest once again. Here's how to participate:

1. Print and use this official mileage log.
2. Ride as many miles as you can over 4 weeks starting on March 15.
3. Record the number of miles you ride each day and where you rode.

If you ride dirt, those miles count for double.

4. Bring your mileage log to the Spring Party on April 11. You must be present to win!

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	3/15	3/16	3/17	3/18	3/19	3/20	3/21
Where?							
Mileage							
Week Total							

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	3/22	3/23	3/24	3/25	3/26	3/27	3/28
Where?							
Mileage							
Week Total							

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	3/29	3/30	3/31	4/1	4/2	4/3	4/4
Where?							
Mileage							
Week Total							

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	4/5	4/6	4/7	4/8	4/9	4/10	4/11
Where?							
Mileage							
Week Total							

Note: Miles on dirt count for double. If you rode dirt miles, write down twice the mileage ridden.

Grand Total



Thursday Night Racing in 2017

Michael Bayer, Race Administrator

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to enter these races - you don't have to consider yourself a racer to participate. The races have four categories, A through D, where A's are the fastest.

New for 2017

We're setting up a new digital race results system that utilizes RFID chips and a photo finish camera. The result of this will be accurate results that are posted to a new racing results website within hours. This will mean a few changes in the registration process as everyone racing will have an RFID chip but overall the seasons should be very much like it has been in the past—as long as we are able to line up a Race Steward (see Page 1).

There will be a \$10 deposit for the RFID tags—they aren't free—but you'll get your deposit back at the end of the season when you return your tag. We'll start registering for the season at the Spring Party so please make sure that's on your calendar. We'll also hold a pre-season stage race in late March or early April to let everyone see the system in action before the first race.

We're just nailing down the race schedule now so if you have any feedback on the schedule, now is the time to let us know. Are there venues that we should try? Are there venues that we've used in the past that you'd like to see back on the schedule? Send feedback to RaceAdmin@altaalpina.org





Board Meeting Minutes—January 11, 2017

Secretary: Chris Rhiner, President; Tammy Lundquist, Vice President; Frank Dixon, Treasurer; Michael Bayer, Alta Alpina Challenge Ride Director/Newsletter Publisher/Membership Coordinator; Garth Jackson, Weekend Ride Coordinator; Tim Rowe, Bicycle Advocacy Coordinator; Other Attendees: Robert Braun

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm

Venue: Jethro's Oven & Grill, 1281 Kimmerling Rd, Gardnerville, NV

Minutes of the December meeting approved as circulated.

1. **Report from BE-Pro Conference:** The meeting opened with Michael Bayer reporting on his recent attendance at the BE-Pro Conference. The club's event and race insurance for the year will be discounted a few percentage points for paying by check. This year's premium, with the discount, will be about the same as 2016. There needs to be assurance that for the Challenge, we comply with California regulations regarding food handler certification. Our partnership with the Washoe Tribe has been adequate in the past. However, the certification has been an issue for other California cycling events. Michael's point is that we need to be certain of our compliance to avoid fines. Additional discussions from BE-Pro were Expos, sponsorship possibilities, and social marketing. Specifically to social media, we need to develop a handout package for various media sources with the club's logo, Pantone colors, preferred fonts, and mission statement. In addition, key phrases we like to use and phrases to be avoided.

2. Monthly Status Reports:

- **Treasurer:** The current checking account balance is \$29,013.08. The PayPal account balance is \$4,761.08.
- **Membership:** Dennis Petersen is rewriting the web site membership system. A hoped for feature of the new system is the ability to capture occupational/skill set information from the membership.
- **Weekend Rides:** No rides posted.
- **Newsletter:** No newsletter is published in January. Content needed for February newsletter.
- **Website:** There are problems with PHP Web Hosting (phpwebhosting.com)—billing errors and email problems because some ISPs have blacklisted PHP. There is a plan to move the web

site soon.

- **Weekly Road Races:** Still seeking a person for the Thursday Night Road Race Director position.
 - **Junior Team:** No report.
 - **Spring Party:** Scheduled for April 11.
 - **Spring Century:** Hoping Dave Scarborough is still planning to coordinate the event.
 - **Insurance:** Still need a policy on club property.
 - **Pinenut Cracker & Mixed Terrain:** Need to apply to BLM for Pinenut Cracker permit. Michael will be attending Carson Valley Trails Association's February Board meeting to gain information regarding the Mixed Terrain Ride—CVTA has already done work the will help with planning our event. Michael will also be making a presentation to the Carson Valley Tourism. Suzy Stockdale is working on logos for the Mixed Terrain event.
 - **King of Kingsbury Time Trial:** No report.
 - **Bike Advocacy:** There will be a bicycle event when the last segment of the Carson City Freeway, I-580, opens. Date TBA; the tentative date was for April, but there is damage from the recent flooding which may move the opening date.
 - **Adopt A Highway:** No report.
 - **Clothing:** Chris is requesting logos and text for the design of a women's specific club kit. This is a separate project from the regular club kit.
 - **Marketing:** Use "Alpine County" in publicity for Challenge event location.
 - **Challenge:** Ads are running in Cycle California. Registration opened in mid-December.
3. **Challenge Posters and Cards.** New art has been developed for the cards. The question is, do we wish to continue using the large cards as in the past, or should we change to smaller, standard post card size? The question is to be posted to the board members via email for decision. New card size has been approved since the meeting.
 4. **Challenge Bottles and T-Shirts:** New water bottles will be green and eggplant purple to match



- 5. the new event jerseys with club and event logos in black ink. Ride shirts will be eggplant purple w/ green ink and volunteer shirts will be high-vis green with purple ink emblems.
- 6. **Challenge Staff Ride Date:** July 22.
- 7. **Membership Fee Structure [2017]:** Motion 01/01 –Maintain current pricing, student \$10, individuals

\$25, families \$40, for 2017. Michael Bayer/Garth Jackson - Carried unanimously.

- 8. **Next Meeting:** Monday February 6, 2017, 6 p.m. at Lakeside Inn and Casino, 168 US-50, Stateline, NV.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm



Time to Renew your Membership!

If you haven't already done, so, please renew your membership today:

http://altaalpina.com/membership/join_renew.php

Local Merchant Discount Program

Visit the merchant, peruse their shops and find out what you can buy as a benefit of being an AACC member. Details about local merchant offers is listed under "Merchant Discounts" on our website at www.AltaAlpina.org.

Show your AACC Membership Card at time of purchase.

If are an active AACC member, the mailing label on the first Paceline you received upon renewal has the club logo and note indicating that it is your membership card.



For discounts from these local merchants, please visit the AACC website at www.AltaAlpina.org



Board Meeting Minutes—February, 2017

Secretary: Jim Sadilek; Other Board Members in attendance: Tammy Lundquist, Vice President; Frank Dixon, Treasurer; Michael Bayer, Alta Alpina Challenge Ride Director/Newsletter Publisher/Membership Coordinator; Garth Jackson, Weekend Ride Coordinator; Dave Scarborough, Spring Century Coordinator

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm

Venue: Lakeside Inn and Casino, 168 US-50, Stateline, NV

Minutes of the January meeting approved as circulated.

1. Monthly Status Reports:

- **Treasurer:** The current checking account balance is \$26,990.29. The PayPal account balance is \$5409.24.
- **Membership:** Motion 02/01: It is moved to set the end of the 2017 membership grace period to April 30, 2017. Michael Bayer/Frank Dixon - Carried unanimously.
- **Weekend Rides:** Nothing posted on the Ride Board. There are tentative plans to offer skills training sessions at the start of the season. Beginning date TBA—probably the last part of March—weather permitting.
- **Newsletter:** Anticipated publishing date on or before February 12.
- **Website:** Michael has expended considerable effort attempting to solve email problems with PHP Web Hosting, without success; the effort continues. Dennis Petersen continues working on new membership software.
- **Weekly Road Races:** No person has yet stepped forward to fill the position of Thursday Night Road Race Director. The situation is becoming critical, without a person to fill this position; the beginning of the race series may be postponed.
Michael gave a presentation of the RFID race timing system that is to be used for this year's races and events. The system is complete with the exception of the deciding which of a few options for attaching the RFID tag to the competitors' bicycles would be chosen. Actual "on the road testing" and tuning the system is

planned for March.

Motion 02/02: It is moved that the board approve, for the first year, a deposit of \$10 be charged for each RFID chip and holder. The deposit is to be refunded upon the return of the chip and holder in reusable condition. Each additional chip and holder, if needed, will require a \$10 deposit. Frank Dixon/Tammy Lundquist - Carried unanimously.

First Thursday night road race of 2017 is scheduled for April 20

- **Junior Team:** No report.
 - **Insurance:** Premiums paid to renew L.A.B. Directors Insurance and General Liability Insurance. Total premium amount for the year is \$1663.78. The race insurance and Challenge insurance premiums will be paid in the coming week.
 - **Ray Rickard Memorial Spring Century:** Sunday May 28, start 08:00 start. Shorter rides start at 10:00. Eric Reuter has again volunteered to use his property for start/finish/BBQ.
 - **Fall Century:** Saturday, October 8.
 - **Pinenut Cracker & Mixed Terrain:** No report.
 - **Bike Advocacy:** There was communication from CalTrans noticing that some area highways are being considered for rumble strips.
 - **Adopt A Highway:** No report.
 - **Clothing:** No report.
 - **Challenge:** Advertising cards are scheduled to come from the printer on Friday, February 10. Bottles are ordered. Ordering bottles early resulted in a \$100 savings over the regular pricing.
2. **Next Meeting:** Monday, March 6, 2017, 6 pm at Jethro's Oven & Grill, 1281 Kimmerling Rd, Gardnerville, NV.
Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm

