

**COASTAL BICYCLE TOURING CLUB
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
BIKE WALK SAVANNAH
NOVEMBER 1, 2021**

Kathy Schaefer called the meeting to order at 6:25 PM. There were 24 members and guests present.

1. The club gained 16 new members in 2021 and membership currently stands at 77. One of the club goals is to grow club membership so that there will be three groups of cyclists with the ability for cyclists to move up as their ability increases.
2. There is a plan to host a memorial ride for Deborah Wilkowski. The ride will likely be a social ride that will be held with the assistance of Bike Walk Savannah.
3. David Jackson has been selected to serve as the club Education and Safety Chair. David advise that he will be focusing on safety issues to avoid accidents.
4. Kathy Schaefer is the Advocacy and Outreach Chair.
5. Caila Brown, Executive Director of Bike Walk Savannah, advised that the City of Savannah recently completed work on the Police Memorial Trail and is scheduled to complete the second phase of the Truman Linear Trail within the next year. This trail will link Daffin Park with Lake Mayer. The organization is involved in many other cycling related activities to include the Tide to Town initiative, LCI training, and bike safety programs for children and adults.
6. The club recently initiated a policy requesting that members RSVP for Saturday rides. If less than five members respond, the ride leader may cancel the ride.
7. Jackie Black advised that she is currently planning a Natchez Trace Parkway trip for April, 2022. Members should contact Jackie if they are interested in participating.
8. Gabi Hauck suggested the club consider a trip to ride the Silver Comet in the future.
9. A pedal and paddle event is being planned for the Spring of 2022. Further information will follow.
10. Approximately 15 members are planning to participate in the 3 Rivers Ride on November 6th. The Crusin in the Country ride in Claxton, GA will be held the following weekend on November 13th.

11. Ken Pierce, resident expert bike mechanic, led an informative presentation on basic bicycle maintenance.

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12. Caila Brown announced that the annual Cranksgiving event will be held at Bike Walk Savannah on November 20th. This event collects food, paper products and personal hygiene items for Emmaus House, a Savannah soup kitchen. Caila also advised that BWS is in need of gently used children's bikes for the holiday giveaway.

Kathy Schaefer adjourned the meeting at 7:20 PM.

Submitted by John Arney
CBTC Secretary