

## HIMBA Board Meeting June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022

Meeting began at 7:35. In attendance were:

Jennifer Armstrong

Will Wood-MacDonnell

Tig Cross

Tai Samuel

Peggy Kabush

Jeremy Payne

Jayne Hays

### **Financial Report-See below**

Peggy summarized the financial report as it was submitted. Tig added that we will also have extra income from the Enduro that is not yet finalized.

### **Membership Outreach Report- See below**

Jayne summarized the financial report. She is confident that we will have no problem selling the merchandise over the summer.

**HIMBA-Q.** -Jeremy, Will and Tig will be working on it (others welcome). The HIMBA-Q will be a membership drive. Jayne added that the market days will be a membership enrolment opportunity as well.

**Membership-** This led to a discussion of membership concepts. We will continue this discussion via the MOC and email. Discussion was held into the amount that the membership would cost. \$20 was decided as the cost for individual membership, \$30 for family.

Jayne added via email just after the meeting:

*Hello, at the board meeting tonight it was discussed that it would be great to get our membership situation streamlined and to start having paid memberships. The market is a great opportunity to get people signed up but a few things need to happen first. Would anyone be keen to spearhead the organization of memberships? We discussed individual membership price of \$20 and family at \$30. Also having the membership renew yearly with option to opt out. And having our waiver included in the signup for membership thereby eliminating the need to get waivers signed at each event. I think it would be fantastic if we could get this going.*

Jer mentioned that Tim English is willing to sell HIMBA stickers on his website at no cost.

## **Events Committee**

**Enduro**-See report below.

No Horses Coincidence.-The race went well, Tig brings up that the event can no longer take place as an un-sanctioned event. An idea is that we would restrict it to paid-up HIMBA members who have signed a waiver, this way we are covered for liability and free to promote the event.

### **Joe Ride- See below**

Jen read the report from Steve Gillespie. Tig will talk to Steve about sourcing topping soil, perhaps using a gravel screener and local soil.

### **Civil Action Claim Report.**

Our excellent pro bono lawyer Robert Kennedy is working on getting us out of the case. This may happen before the examination for discovery, which would be great, but if not, we are quite likely to be let out after the examination for discovery.

### **Trail Committee**

Report to come from Tom.

Jennifer adds that a trail consultant has been hired by the CVRD to Assess the trails. Peggy asks if anyone knows who to contact about windfall trees. Jennifer is going to pass this question on to Tom.

### **New Business**

Jennifer asked Tig if he has any idea about an Enduro or BikeFest for next year. Tig responded that he is keen to do an event next year, but that it will be contingent on whether we can get permission from the CVRD to use the parking field. We had planned a three year cycle-Enduro, Bikefest, and then a Year off. Tig is still in favour of this idea.

### **Next meeting.**

We will use a digital poll to select the best date for the next meeting, which will be sometime in September, after Labour Day.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35

## **Event Report- Hornby Enduro 2022.**

The event went very well. We had 220 riders start (an Island Cup record) and no serious injuries.

### Lessons learned:

- if we had had an injury that had required an extraction, it would have put us way behind schedule, as we just finished in time for some riders to catch the last ferry. If we have a serious injury in the future we should be prepared to omit that stage from the results and keep going.
- Between Tom and I we put up a lot of signage. we should make an inventory of this signage needed while it is still fresh in our heads and have a bunch of the signs that will be re-used done in a more permanent fashion
- if the event is to take place again, we will need permission to use the parking field again.
- a better cell booster will be needed to improve cell reception at the barn.
- A designated volunteer coordinator who is assigned well in advance is a must. The volunteers worked hard, and we had enough, but a few more would have lightened the load on some key individuals.
- We could communicate better with the island that the event will be taking place. This would help avoid being double-booked with other events, and give locals a better idea that the ferries will be busy that weekend.
- If we are to continue to present big events on Hornby, we should look for a way to avoid large ferry line-ups. Perhaps a shuttle across Denman, or, even better, a special ferry sailing or boat service. A sailing from Comox directly to Hornby would be ideal: <https://www.bcferrries.com/contact-us/ferry-vessel-chartering>

## **COSTS MARKET ITEMS**

**Square charges %2.65 VISA/MC/AMEX – DEBIT is only a .10 cent charge per**

SOCKS – \$5355.00 – COST \$8.93 SELL \$20.00 PROFIT \$11.07

BANNER – \$128.90

STICKERS –\$291.50 – COST \$1.45 SELL \$3.00 PROFIT \$1.55

HATS – \$786.24 – COST \$16.38 SELL \$35.00 PROFIT \$18.62

TOQUES – \$695.52 COST \$14.49 SELL \$30.00 PROFIT \$15.51

T-SHIRTS – \$2778.22 COST \$18.04 SELL \$30.00 PROFIT \$11.96

TOTAL COSTS – \$10035.38

## **Sales**

NO HORSES – \$307.00

PREPAY REGI FOR ENDURO – 29 – \$580.00

MERCHANDISE SOLD AT ENDURO - \$600.00

$307 + 580 + 600 = 1487.00$

June 18 2022 Financial Committee Report:

Balance in account: \$8453.75

Donations:

No Horses Race: \$27

Enduro Race: 2000

Map donations: \$411.20

Sock sales: \$2650 in 2021 \$459.27 in 2022

Payments made through PayPal have a service charge which is why the amount isn't an even number.

Sarah Mulhall purchased 600 HIMBA socks for \$5355. She will be repaid as sales warrant it.

Market items: stickers, t-shirts, banner and socks

Debit: \$3198.62 Credit from sales at Enduro: \$600

Peggy Kabush

Treasurer

## **Joe Ride Committee Report June 2022**

Not a lot to speak of in terms of JoeRide at Joe King Park. The pump track and jumps are still getting a decent number of visitors but the space still needs to be tuned into a “finished” product. What the space is lacking is malleable dirt. A top coating that can be shaped, smoothed and then left to harden. The current surfacing we have is typical Hornby dirt which has lots of different sized rocks in it which makes shaping and packing difficult. It is also prone to loosening and pitting making the surface uneven and bringing more rocks to the top. I have contacted multiple trucking companies and quarries but my best lead so far has been Edgett Excavation in Courtenay. They supplied all the dirt for the Cumberland park. They basically excavate large development sites or city works projects and then dispose of the dirt. When the water main was upgraded in Cumberland they simply moved the dirt to the area earmarked for the dirt jumps and then another company was brought in to do the shaping. They currently are waiting for a project to start in Courtenay which will see a large amount of excavation work done in mid July - August. Gord from Edgett has my number and will contact me as soon as they start to excavate. If the dirt looks to be compatible to our needs we can arrange for a truck and pup with the material to be brought to Hornby with one of their drivers or one of our choosing. The dirt should be free but the transportation will cost. The good news is the same operator will be doing this dig that did the dig that brought the dirt to the Cumberland jumps and he understands the type of material needed.

During the early Spring Ryan Bowland also spent a day in the park with his machine reshaping the main jump line. Although I think jumps 1, 2 and 4 are better I feel like the 3rd jump (the step up) has be the weak link for the park and is still not right. I don't want to spend anymore on excavation work at this time until we have new dirt to see how it performs and we have a clear vision from everyone on what that 3rd jump should look like. My preference considering the topography of the park is to have the 1st and 2nd jumps the same size as they are but then to potentially scale down in size so riders can keep the flow going. Currently you can hit the first 2 but then upon landing the 3rd uphill you just lose the speed and momentum. I would love to hear Brett's opinion on this as well as he clocks more air miles than anyone else : )

### **What can be done now to improve the facility in the meantime?**

- 1** - A volunteer day with some raking, sweeping and trimming of grasses and prickles. I would say a group of 5 or more for a couple hours could bring the park to a clean condition free of rocks and debris and have the space ready for locals and summer visitors to enjoy the park features.
- 2** - A small redesign of jumps 3 & 4 to keep continuity of the line into the far berm.
- 3** - Placement of 3 or 4 balance logs near the far end of the park for riders to practice balance and bike control. The logs have been dropped off on site but need final placement which will require some strong helpers.
- 4** - A couple new (used) tools to have for when we need to rake or shovel. There are still a couple rakes and shovels but a couple have gone missing over the past year. We could maybe put a call out to the community for some tool donations? We don't need or want fancy.

We are fortunate to have this space and it is a great opportunity for people to continue to deepen their bike skills. We are close to having what I think we all envisioned for the park but we still have some heavy lifting to bring it to the finish line. With a little luck on the dirt and some volunteer efforts I think we can be there by the end of the summer.