

Report for CVCo AGM 2017 for March 6, 2016
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To Marg Harris
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Children's Education:

In the past year we have developed a successful liaison with iRide program
The iRide Program focuses on off road bike handling skills – Lauren Lan is head coach and coordinator
Our 8 year old Bike Safe Road skills program now follows the iRide skills program with this collaboration offering one comprehensive cohesive package.

We focus on the Grades 4/5 students in all the schools in SD71

Since April of last year we have worked with 5 schools and reached over 400 children.

3 more school programs are being offered in April and May.

The schedule for another 5 schools is being set up for the following school year.

Adult Education:

As there are only 2 people available with qualification to teach the adult course we have made a focus to get more people trained to teach.

We are liaising the larger Victoria "Bike to Work Week Society" as they are offering a 2 day training program in March.

We are presently looking for individuals who are keen to become Adult Bike Skills trainers in the Valley.

Equipment:

Our trailer and bikes and training equipment is being well maintained. 2 larger bikes were purchased and smaller bikes traded as our focus is on the grades 4/5

Thanks again to John VandeVleit for providing a safe storage place for the trailer.

Promotion and Public Relations:

Shaw TV with Sue Vince produced a 2 minute video about the School Rodeos.

Members attended the Paul Bally Memorial ride. Donations made were earmarked by Paul's widow Evelyn for bike safety education.

Goat Radio donated bikes to children through "Kids Should Play" and requested we and iRide provide the children with some bike handling and safety skills. This was done with 3 children on a Saturday morning.

An article that was submitted to the Comox Valley Record to promote safe cycling was published November 23, 2017

President Marg Harris wrote a letter to the editor clarifying the legal right hand turn signals for cyclists which was precipitated by a letter to Beef and Bouquets in which the writer had criticized the RCMP bike patrol officer.

Representatives attended the Courtenay Recreation Master Planning session at which it was recommended by the CVCCo and others that courses in Bicycle safety be offered through the regular Recreation programs.

Members of the executive met with the new MTB Mountain Biking coaching owners with hopes for possible collaboration in the future.

We were represented at a bike "Fix it" and welcome back BBQ that was offered by Courtenay Elementary in September following the successful bike skills events held at the school in June.