

Cleveland Wheelers Cycling Club

Minutes of Committee Meeting

Prissick Cycling Circuit, Middlesbrough

Monday 24th November 2014



Present:

Steven Tilly, Mike Cole, Dave Kirton, Kristan Wadrop, John Kelly, Marcus Smith, Nick Smith, Derek George, Steve Binks, Sherry Binks, Mike Rennison, Josef George, Shaun Joughin

Apologies:

Bill Millen.

Chairman's Address:

The chairman opened the meeting and congratulated Josef George on a successful and entertaining quiz night.

Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes, which were approved for publication to the club's website.

Official's Reports:

General Secretary:

Mentioned that he had made a charitable donation in the club's name to a charity selected by the family of Frank Bradley (Parkinson's UK).

Noted that he has updated the "about us" pages on our own website, BC and CTC.

Has set up online payment on BC site, although it was noted that they will charge a £1 levy per payment on top of our own charge.

Has been in contact with Stockton Wheelers about a potential getting together of the general & membership secretaries from our clubs to forge links and "pick each other's brains".

Treasurer:

The treasurer stated that the club has £4639 at the bank, inclusive of all levies and outstanding expenses having been paid.

The new Expenses Claim and Even Expenditure/Income forms were exhibited and explained. Electronic copies of both to be circulated with the minutes.

Membership:

The club currently has 280 members, though with it currently being renewal time we may lose some who don't renew. It was stated that chasing people up is quite troublesome as many simply don't reply to correspondence.

Racing:

The racing secretary was not present at this point.

Youth Development:

Apologies were given for having missed a couple of sessions due to work commitments.

The youth training sessions are still getting a good (though variable) level of support during the winter months with a few new faces showing up too.

The regional forum at Hetton had been attended. Items discussed included the coaching techniques for different genders & age categories, but it became apparent that the main focus was on trying to get people to go up to Scotland to coach.

Dan Small has resigned his post.

Social:

The quiz night went really well and the club made a profit of £90. In addition there had been a raffle for Gabrielle Alderson's charity.

Website:

The calendar needs updating with new events for the forthcoming year. All club open events will be added when dates are finalised. Similarly for challenge rides and novelty events. All club activities, including youth and senior training, club runs and L2K will be added to the calendar and filters provided to aid people in finding what they are looking for.

Website hits continue to grow.

A facility to allow (committee) members to email in posts for the website will be set up and trialled.

Delegate's Reports

- **BCNE Youth:** Covered in main agenda.

Main Agenda:

- **Bring & Buy sale.**

Booked for Friday 30th October 2015. Mike Cole will organize.

This year's event turned in a profit of £130, though it was noted that numbers were down.

It is proposed to raise the entry fee to £1 per head with a rate of £2 per table for sellers, this meaning literally *per table*.

A 50/50 charity raffle should become a standard feature, with profits to a worthy cause decided nearer the time.

- **Prize Presentation Evening.**

Venues are still being investigated, Guisborough Cricket Club being a possibility.

The date has been tentatively set as February 6th, with January 30th as a fallback.

Marcus to process all information relating to prizes and liaise with whoever necessary.

- **BCNE Youth.**

BCNE are looking for a donation of £100 which will help fund taking youth teams away racing. It was agreed that we would proceed with the donation on this occasion as CWCC youths could actually benefit from it. MC to liaise with KW about payment.

BCNE are also looking for people to organise youth races. As we already do 12 L2K races per year (which do not fall under BC jurisdiction) we are unwilling to comply with that request.

- **CTT.**

CTT are looking introduce mandatory use of rear lights during events, which would also include our evening series. The committee decided that our delegates should vote in favour of making it *recommended*, but not *compulsory*.

The committee voted in favour of voting for compulsory use of helmets in CTT events.

- **Finance/Rider Support Issues.**

The rolling program of trophy replacement/refurbishment should continue and money should be earmarked for this role (~£500)

The membership secretary requested cash be set aside for the purpose of building a stock of club kit and also mentioned the difficulties faced by the “kit man” with respect to banking issues. It was decided that the club’s “spare” account could be used for this purpose (KW to organise) so money paid in and out of it is for the sole purpose of kit transactions. It was agreed that a stock of (mainly shirts) should be held, the value of which I am unclear of **(please respond)**.

The Racing Secretary made a case for having a cash allocation to help fund racing activities throughout the year. His proposal was that this should help cover travelling expenses where a “team” was involved in race team sanctioned events, rather than individuals competing at their own volition. The expenses would cover petrol for shared cars and also entry fees.

Steve & Sherry Binks suggested that the funding could also cover taking some CWCC Youth to a few race meetings next year too.

The committee was in general agreement but further discussions will be held at the next meeting.

Any Other Business:

First aid courses have been completed by Sherry Binks, Steve Binks and Bill Millen.

Next Meeting Date:

5th January 2015

Agenda For Next Meeting:

Constitution Updates.

Prize Presentation.

Finance/Rider Support

Close Of Meeting.