

Welland Valley Cycling Club

Minutes of Committee Meeting

Monday 7 January 2019

Held at Kibworth Grammar School Hall

Members present:

Jon Durnin (chairman), Stuart Dawkins, George Barnett, John Welsford, Kevin Nicholls, Claire Moore, Adrian Killworth, Chris Dainty, Kevin Mills and Dave Birch (President).

- 1) Apologies had been received from Lorna Marlow, Rob Moore and Phil Rayner.
- 2) Minutes of the Committee meeting on 3 December 2019 were approved.
- 3) Matters arising
 - 3.1 The aim is for the Club Mark accreditation process to be completed by the next meeting. **(Action: Stuart)**
 - 3.2 In Phil's absence, the night-time hill-climb can be discussed at the next Committee meeting. **(Action: Phil & Chris to liaise)**
 - 3.3 Chris informed the Committee that the Welcome Pack for new members is well in hand.
 - 3.4 The Club Calendars have been printed.
 - 3.5 The Committee will discuss the format of the Ride for Rosemary evening at its next meeting. **(Action: Stuart for agenda)**
- 4) MacMillan Sportive 2019
 - 4.1 Jon had circulated a discussion paper, noting that the project had been a great success in 2018, but that – due to other commitments – Kevin M is unable to organise it this year.
 - 4.2 The Committee was keen for the Sportive to take place in 2019, subject to a new organiser being found. It was agreed that Adrian can help re an off-road route, Chris with copy and other help, Claire is also happy to help, and Kevin N will consider whether to link with a Whizz Kids event.
 - 4.3 Jon and Kevin M will meet with Club member Mark Chapman, who has expressed interest in taking on the organiser role. **(Action: Jon & Kevin M)**
- 5) Awards Dinner - reflection
 - 5.1 The Committee thanked Claire for organising the dinner in November 2018.
 - 5.2 Claire noted that she had received a variety of feedback on the dinner. It was agreed that the decision re format and venue for the 2019 dinner would be made at the May meeting of the Committee. **(Action: Stuart for agenda)**
- 6) Club kit – leisure wear
 - 6.1 After discussion, the Committee expressed a preference for a hoodie and a polo shirt to be sourced, including men's, ladies' and children's sizes. Black or dark blue was preferred with, subject to cost, embroidered rather than printed designs.
 - 6.2 Claire will speak to Hans van Nierop re options on this. **(Action: Claire)**

- 7) Race organiser responsibilities
7.1 Item delayed until next meeting. (**Action: Stuart for agenda**)
- 8) Update on replacement for Rockingham races
8.1 It has been confirmed that neither Rockingham or Bruntingthorpe will be available in 2019 for the club races.
8.2 It is felt that the Leicester circuit is too far from the club's membership base, and may not suit the format of the races.
8.3 Chris and Jon had been to look at the Stretton Go Kart circuit and the adjacent airfield. The Go Kart circuit is probably too short and too 'technical', but the airfield may be suitable. Chris and Phil will check further details, eg the surface quality, and report back to the next Committee meeting. (**Action: Chris & Phil**)
- 9) Nev Brooks Memorial Trophy
9.1 Mike Ives has confirmed that he is ok to create the algorithm/spreadsheet for the calculations required for the proposed handicapping system for the award.
9.2 Jon will bring final proposal to the next Committee meeting. (**Action: Jon**)
- 10) Treasurer's report
10.1 John had circulated a summary of the club's financial position as at the end of December. The Deposit Account has a balance of £14,021.35. The additional current account balances (net of unpresented cheques) were £868.10. Whizz Kids balances were £353.49. Youth Development balances were £4,267.49 and the Club's general balance was £10,268.48.
10.2 John noted that the position at this time of year is fairly 'clean', with no significant payments outstanding. The free cash balance of ca £10,200 compares with ca £12,700 at the same period last year, reflecting the agreement to spend down some of those balances.
- 11) Membership Secretary's report
11.1 John had circulated an update on the number of club members at 31 December 2019. This totaled 264 members, continuing the significant upward trend seen in the last three years.
11.2 Everything is on track for membership renewal letters to be sent out this week. (**Action: John**)
- 12) Web Secretary's Report
12.1 Lorna was an apology for the meeting, but had spoken to Jon re an update as below.
12.2 The access to the website from mobile phones has been improved, SignUp Genius has been added to the website, the Club Calendar is on the website and further work will be done to incorporate the dates into the Events section.
12.3 It was noted that payment for the domain name has been made for another two years, as the Club does not currently manage this domain name. This will need to be resolved during 2019 (**Action: Lorna**)

12.4 Jon reported that the new Social Media arrangements are now in place (social media paper circulated after the meeting). Lucy Smith will be coordinating posting and doing boosts on social media for events.

13) Off-road Secretary's report

13.1 Adrian noted that the Cyclo Cross season is coming towards its end, with the races at Misterton on 20 January 2019 coming soon.

13.2 The AGM of the Friday Night Summer Series is next week, Adrian will attend.

13.3 Adrian is providing regular postings on Facebook/website for Cyclo Cross results.

14) Time trial secretary's report

14.1 Chris reported that all HQs have been booked for the 2019 season and that all events have been sent to the CTT Committees for approval. They will be sent to the Police later this week.

14.2 SignUp Genius is ready for the membership renewal process to start.

14.3 A risk assessment for the Cranoe/Glooston (hill climb) route is planned.

(Action: Chris)

15) Road Race secretary's report

15.1 Phil was an apology for the meeting.

15.2 Claire noted that matters are in hand for the Club sponsored NCRA race in March.

15.3 Organisation of LA Fleche Waltonne is well in hand, with NEG motorbike escorts booked.

15.4 It was agreed that the Duncan Murray Wines Road Races would, as last year, consist of a Women's Team Series race and a Men's Cat 2/3/4 race.

16) Youth Development Secretary's Report

16.1 Kevin N noted that the proposed Whizz Kids event kinked to the January Misterton Cyclo Cross races would not take place, as it complicates the set-up for the main event. He will be communicating this to Whizz Kids members and parents/carers.

16.2 Kevin N had conducted a survey on views about Whizz Kids events, 15 responses had been received.

17) Correspondence

17.1 A letter of thanks had been received from the Air Ambulance for the donation of funds raised at the Annual Dinner.

28) Any Other Business

18.1 The first Club Night will be on 15 January 2019, with a presentation by Peter Riley on the Club's history. One of the reasons for organising the Club Nights is to enable members to speak informally to Committee matters about Club matters.

18.2 It was agreed that consideration be given to inviting specific members to attend Committee meetings on occasion, to discuss specific topics. Jon and Stuart will take this forward. **Action: Jon & Stuart**

Meeting closed at 9.00pm

Next meeting: Monday 25 February 2019

Stuart Dawkins 30/01/19