



BANBURY STAR

— CYCLISTS' CLUB —

Minutes for the Quarterly General Meeting

Tuesday 3rd April 2018, 7:30pm

Wroxton Sports Club

Present: Paul Dean, Ian Maconnachie, Andy Perry, John Tustian, Bill Ord, Katherine Daniels, Aidan Daniels, Moira Goodway, Rob Christopher, Lee Heron, Liam Fishwick, Mark Boyles, Vince Pople, Darryl Foulk, Keith Barcock, Roger Gollicker, Mark Holman, Geoff Hewett, Sam Wootton, Mike Gillett, Dave Pittman

Apologies: Stephen Rooney, David Tew, Stuart Quick, Matt Sleath, Mike Hicks

- 1) Adoption of the minutes from the October 2017 Quarterly Meeting

Proposed: Keith Barcock

Seconded: Moira Goodway

The minutes of the October meeting were adopted.

- 2) Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

- 3) President's introduction/summary by Paul Dean

Exciting spring and summer ahead with the launch of Go Ride imminent, our race squad delivering on the expectations well ahead of schedule, the launch of our 5th weekend ride and the start of the time trial season already underway.

- 4) Notices by Club Secretary
 - a. GDPR

Ian explained that, in order for the club to comply with GDPR due to become UK law in late May, a new policy would need to be published and that work would be undertaken to ensure compliance before then. Paul also explained that, following the email sent out regarding the maillist and GDPR to 227 recipients, only 67% opened and only 51% clicked to re-subscribe, with 2 unsubscribing.

- 5) Membership and renewal status by Membership Secretary

Currently 145 members (with 36 having paid the TT supplement) split as follows:

122 Male

23 Female (16%)

4 Honorary Life Members

4 Juvenile (U16)

3 Student (U18)

7 Senior Citizen (O65)

8 Second Claim

119 Standard First Claim (82%)

A short discussion took place regarding the number of female members, noting that Cowley Road Condors have a large female presence (although acknowledging that the local demographic made this more likely).

6) Club finance status by Treasurer

Club bank account £10208.02

Petty cash £156.15 in cash and £45 in uncashed cheques

Liabilities

Uncashed cheques: 2017: £204.90; 2016: £333.80; 2015: £227; 2014: £70. Total: £835.70

Change of club bank account away from Yorkshire Bank due to the Banbury Branch closing, we are looking to move to Barclays having been let down by HSBC. Details of the new account would be distributed in due course.

Paul mentioned the significant expense in the near future of the First Aid course and the training, kit and hire for Go-Ride.

7) Press report by Press Secretary

7 reports on club activity had appeared in the Banbury Guardian, including a review of the 2017 season. So far 6 race reports had been received in February and March, and another TT report was pending. Roger asked for reports to include a photo, if possible, and preferably an action shot.

Go Ride would be promoted using A5 leaflets which Halfords had already agreed to stock. 19th April Banbury Guardian deemed most suitable for promotion of event on 21st.

One positive from the Opportunities Fair at Longford Park School Hall was contact with Puritan's radio, who now report on our activities and would be interviewing Roger on Thursday after the meeting.

Roger also mentioned he'd been contacted regarding a potential front cover feature on potholes in the Banbury Guardian, and Paul had already written to them.

It was also suggested that the photo on the front page of the website could be updated, although it was agreed that we'd need to wait for better weather first.

8) Club rides by Ride Secretary

21 riders came to the skills event on 24th February. There is a general need for improvement on road positioning and awareness, and pointing out of potholes. Dashing off the front needs to stop, and ride leaders are asked to include that as part of the briefing.

The Long Intermediate Ride was introduced on 25th March and had seen an average of 10 attend so far. Averages for the other rides were 13 for the Saturday Gentle Café Ride, 11.8 for the Saturday Intermediate Ride, 11 for the Sunday Intermediate Ride, and 3 for the Sunday Fast Ride. 3 days of rides were cancelled for the weather.

John listed some attendance figures:

Andy Neale – 11

Andy Perry – 13

John Tustian – 13

Bill Ord – 10

Geoff Hewett – 10

Mark Holman – 10

Chris Bull – 8
Rob Christopher – 8
Darryl Foulk – 7
Tom Hill – 6
Chris Tunstall – 5
Dave Speck – 5
Ed Antoniak – 5
Jo Abbott – 5
Kevin Zwolinski – 5
Mel Seale – 5
Rich Collier – 5
Tim Butler – 5

There was a good debate on ride etiquette and the gaps between rides, with particular issues such as chatting between riders and getting split up over junctions being discussed. One potential solution moving forward might be to ensure that new riders are assessed for their group riding skills before being allowed on rides, or being allowed on more advanced rides than the Saturday Gentle Café Ride, and that new riders should be introduced in the pre-ride briefing. It was also suggested that the Ride Etiquette booklet be shown to new members and that a version could be given to juniors on Go-Ride.

9) Events updates by Race Secretary
a. 2018 Hardriders

Unfortunately due to poor weather Hardriders was cancelled. Mike had received a lot of good support from CTT and Warwickshire Police regarding the change of course due to road works.

b. 2018 10m Open TT

Everything was booked and in place for 1st September.

c. 2018 Road Race – volunteers please!

Men's entries were now at 32 and coming in steadily. Can everyone please push it as much as possible including to club members? Organisation-wise, everything is in place, with another race committee catch up in a couple of weeks.

d. 2018 Time Trials

Season has just started with the marshals list ready to go. 32 riders for the first TT last week with the 2 Up on the K4/20 on tomorrow night.

10) Youth/Junior/Go-ride update by Lee Heron

Taster event was held on 9th March with 9 riders, and go-live is on 32nd April, to be advertised on Facebook later this week. A coaching issue had arisen since Brian Reid is not available on Saturdays. Lee and Katherine were investigating options for courses, including a Daventry CC L2 course on 5/6 May and a L1 course in Swindon. First Aid course was being held this coming weekend. DBS check certificates were now coming through and would be stored in Dropbox. Mark had designed a Go Ride t-shirt that is currently being printed. The rugby club will send invoices for hire, although 9th March and 21st April were free.

West on the Green Tuesday TTs are open to Juniors, and the Silverstone 9 up on 15th June is also open to Juniors, however there is no discount for a junior team and so the club would probably have to subsidise entry (50%).

11) Race squad update by Mark Boyles

Two months since the club had started racing again and we've already exceeded expectations set out at the AGM. We won our first race at Abingdon (Michal W) with riders in points in all other races. One rider had been promoted to 3rd Cat. The club were second place in the overall regional standings.

23 club riders had entered Hardriders, making it even more of a shame it was cancelled. 7 had raced at the Open at Worcester.

Race training and hill climbing had been held. Turbo evenings needed 8 people to make it worthwhile, particularly in recruiting Cameron to lead the session. Chaingang would start again the coming Monday, and this would be open to all, not just those racing.

For the future, Go Ride juniors racing is a goal. Silverstone 9 up we would look to have at least two teams (format unknown but could include a Vets, mixed, etc).

Moira had contacted the female members of the club regarding the Midlands series and to ask about their interest in riding for the club. 3 responded, and a meet up was organised. Marie McLoughlin has entered an event and Moira would be going with her.

12) Ride leading

This was mostly covered earlier in the meeting but it was reiterated that all members should encourage good ride etiquette, not just the ride leaders.

13) Annual prize giving

Last year's event was not ideal as we did not have exclusive use of a room and the table layout was not good. This year's event needs someone to lead. Some discussion was had about potential venues, with Whately Hall suggested as this had previously been used for the Team Cherwell Christmas event. Katherine and Ila agreed to sort the Christmas event with the last Friday in November suggested.

ACTION: Paul to check when the TC event is in 2018.

John also mentioned the summer BBQ and it was suggested that a separate BBQ be held for Go Ride participants.

14) Reliability rides

Only 35 participants took part in the Spring Reliability Ride, which may be caused by Mother's Day, a sportive being held on the same day, and club rides being held on the same day. More Team Cherwell members than BSCC members attended! It was suggested that, for the Autumn ride, no club rides are held on the same day.

The revamped leisure centre reception area is a significant improvement compared to previous years.

15) Women's trophies

Broadribbs have agreed to arrange a trophy for the women's hill climb. Golden Age Cycles have sourced a trophy for the women's 20km season competition, and it was suggested that the best 4 or 6 K4/20 times should be considered. Both trophies are for first claim members only, as the other trophies. Mike would like a 25mile one as well if anyone has any sponsor suggestions. Volunteers please!

16) Marshaling/volunteering as part of membership

The club is now putting on more events than previously as we grow, and there is therefore a greater reliance on volunteers, not just for the Time Trials but across all aspects of club life (e.g. the Reliability Rides, Road Race, Ride

Leading, etc.). There is a danger that those that already give their time will have to give more unless others begin to help. Should we consider making volunteering a compulsory part of membership?

There was some discussion of a financial incentive to helping as the rugby club do (e.g. a discounted rate for those that volunteer), as well as making it compulsory for all new members. The method of communicating the expectation was also discussed.

ACTION: Committee to work on a Constitution proposal.

17) Kit order update by David Speck

The latest kit order had arrived and it was thought that the next order would be in September. Dave would bring kit along to the TT tomorrow.

18) AOB

Paul mentioned the picture board that Moira had given to him, and suggested that the club look into restoring and reframing it.

ACTION: Paul to get a quote for restoring/reframing.

The social night was plugged, and this month would include food! The White Horse had also agreed to sponsor the Road Race this year.

It was suggested that the AGM be held in October rather than January, as previously discussed, and it was agreed that this should be debated at the next meeting which would include setting of the AGM.

It was suggested that the club might attend the Banbury District Show in Spiceball Park on Sunday 10th June. The cost for a stand was £36 but the club would also need to be covered for liability, which could cost £81 for a one-off or £350 annually. A stand could include turbos and bikes set up, and new leaflets would need to be available. There was not a huge amount of interest and so no firm proposal was made.

ACTION: Ian to check terms of club's liability insurance through British Cycling.

With the new club rides new leaflets would need producing. The committee would handle this.

19) Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting would be Tuesday 17th July.