

Minutes of the General Meeting held 16th September 2014

Held at New Futures Centre, Hilton Road, Banbury OX16 0JE

- 1. Members present & Apologies for absence: Present: Nicky Xandora, David Mobbs, Laurie Allitt, Dave Anson, Luke Souter, Justin Belcher, Ken Hall, Roy Paginton, Tom Giddings, Darryl Foulk, Moira Goodway, Richard Brain, Eric Smith, Sheila Randle, Brian Reid, Chris Noble, William Ord. Apologies: Rebecca Biegel, Michelle Giddings, Keri Williams, Marcus Blake, Adam Parle.
- 2. Adoption of the minutes from last meeting: Proposed: Tom Giddings, Seconded: Luke Souter
- <u>3. Matter arising from the minutes</u>: Breeze rides will not be happening at present as the primary volunteer organiser has moved away. Social 'partners' ride was organised by Luke but only 4 attended, not organising this in foreseeable (But editors' note, easy café ride has started, see AOB)

Brian ran 6 coaching sessions for young people at Broughton Castle. We have capacity depending on time available from members for further coaching sessions.

Ken Hall offered to collate information/pictures about the Club, in reference to the book which documents the A5 Rangers. He will be pleased to accept any material people have in relation to the club.

- **4.** Correspondence: CTT Meeting Sunday 5th Oct, Justin Belcher and Dave Anson said they would attend and the club agreed to refund fuel expenses
- <u>5. New Members</u>: 88 members now, welcome to all new members, especially Darryl and William attending their first meeting!
- **<u>6. Club Finances</u>**: Michelle produced information sheets which Tom kindly went through, current funds in bank are £2137.31

Time trial series ran a slight loss

AGM we will discuss whether we want to raise the amount people pay to time trial. Internet banking, still not up and running (Due to bank delays)

7. Racing: Thanks were expressed again to Keri Williams for doing another great job of time keeping all summer, and for keeping extra records enabling the Treasurer to analyse profit/loss for the series. The racing team section of the club found sponsorship from Leisure Lakes in Daventry. We have 14 road racing members and this will be discussed at the AGM, following the original agreement to trial this division for a season. Progress will be reviewed and decisions taken as to the way forward. Some of the sponsorship money part-funded 2 teams for the 9-up time trial at Silverstone, where we fielded 2 teams, one wearing trad club kit and the other the road race team kit kindly donated by our other sponsor, Shutt Velo.

ROAD RACE likely date 24th May 2015, Dave Anson to confirm this

8. CLUB DINNER FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER

Masonic Hall, £25 3 course dinner champagne reception

Guest speaker confirmed, Andrew Hutchins from Cotswold Cycles, who owns bike shops and runs a cycling team.

9. Website. Revamp of club website Flickr account created whereby you can click on Gallery, and there will be a list of galleries, eg hill climb, sportive etc. This is a way of sharing photos but better than facebook as photos are permanent. Archived ones can be scanned and added in, so any older photos can be added to the website

10. Broughton Castle Cycling Festival.

A vote was taken on this issue, as Tom cannot put the huge amount of time in needed for the event to be fully supported by us, and also because changes were being made to the routes etc which were beyond our control and difficult to manage in a safe and successful way. So the options were

- 1. Abandon our involvement in the event
- 2. A new club organiser takes over running this event with Rotary
- 3. Delegate most of the admin tasks to Rotary Club, with Tom willing to oversee the most important tasks such as route planning and risk assessing for the cycling, feed stations. Tom would be technical consultant, rotary can put signs up etc.

Club discussion followed on what the Club gets out of the event, ie publicity, and some £, last year Rotary made £5000 and the club received £250, although this is a charity event it was suggested we need more recognition and that we will use the money similarly for community benefit such as coaching sessions, and in order to further cycling in the area.

Voting, there were no votes for 1,2, with 1 abstention for 3, otherwise unanimous.

Nicky X and Bill Ord offered to be part of a small club committee to help Tom, and Nicky will request £750 from the Event next year from Rotary Cherwell Club.

11. AOB:

- 1. Moira asked if we are interested in sending a rep to meeting to discuss possibility of track for cycling within the new development built near Bankside/Bodicote. Moira and Nicky to liase on this.
- 2. Saturday rides to be reinstated, from 27th September, called Easy Café Rides, advertise as 10 am from Odeon, approx. 20 miles. Pref 2 leaders, Nicky and Tom to take this forward
- 3. Roy Paginton raised an issue that riders are swinging out on the 13 mile time trial, where the left turn onto the B 4100 is taken (windy corner), and therefore putting themselves and drivers at risk. It was suggested that if this was extreme, there be a rule of disqualification from the tt, NB for Timekeeper next year to warn riders against doing this.
- 4. Hardriders, next year 1st March 2015 10 am
- 5. Reliability ride 5th October 2014, thanks Luke
- 6. Roy noted that he attended the Ride and Stride 60th Anniversary to fund the upkeep of Oxfordshire churches. He met the Marquess of Wessex.

Meeting closed at 9:30pm

Next meeting to be AGM January 7:30pm.

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