

## **BORDER CITY WHEELERS CYCLING CLUB**

### **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 7 October 2009 at Crown Bevcan, Carlisle.**

Present

Dave Archbold (chair), Ruth Armstrong, Karen Bassett, Keith Bickley, Ian Bouch, Calum Campbell, Peter Dalgliesh, David Dobedoe, Emma Felton, Daniel Fricker, John Holliday, Duncan Howlett, Peter Jones, Stephen Kirkbride, Phil Mitchell, Bob McLean, Shona McClean, Mark Nixon, Mike Patrickson, Peter Priestley, Dave Rawle, Jack Slater, Ian Watson, Paul Wensley.

Second claim members in attendance: Bryan Pool, Neil Withington

#### **1. Apologies for absence**

Paul Ashton, Howard Cain, Paul Cecchini, Chris Dale, Lee Foster, Mike Glaister, Dougi Hall, Mike Haugh, Peter Norwood, Mike Westmorland,

#### **2. Minutes of the AGM held on Wednesday 17 September 2008**

These were read and accepted as a true and accurate record subject to the following amendments/notes.

*(9.1) CTC should read CTT*

*(10.1) Club 10's C1036. Note for the Club Handbook to remind riders not to warm up on the course and that persistent offenders would be disqualified.*

Proposed: Peter Dalgliesh, Seconded: Daniel Fricker.

#### **3. Matters Arising**

##### **3.1 One-Mile Sprint Time Trial Proposal (17/08/09)**

Keith reported that the proposed stretch of road for a one mile sprint time trial adjacent to the C1036 was too narrow. Keith had been researching other potential routes and a number of suggestions, i.e., Todhills/A7 relief road and near Kirkbride were made. Peter P confirmed that it was possible to hold a one-way time trial and that the precise locations of the start and finish would need to be submitted to the District for assessment and verification. Keith Bickley and Dave Archbold agreed to liaise as to suitable routes and to bring a formal proposal to the next BCW committee meeting to consider as a pilot.

**Action**

**K Bickley/D Archbold**

#### **4. Committee Reports**

##### **4.1 Chairman** – In the absence of the chair, Dave A read the chair's report on behalf of Lee Foster.

Lee offered his apologies for absence due to work commitments that were taking him out of the country, this had also had an adverse effect on his time trial season but he was pleased to report that he was still able to attend committee meetings.

The club membership continues to grow as had entries for club events. This was coupled with the ever growing concern of the safety of the cyclists and other road users and a reminder that events need to be run by the rules. Due to the growth in the club membership and the ever increasing standards the club needs to meet the suggestion of increasing the size of the committee and spreading the organisational load was welcomed.

Lee gave thanks to all the members and associate members of the committee for their continuing expertise and effort in running the club through the many diverse activities. Also thanks to those members who organise races or other social events, for marshalling, helping out or completing timekeeper duties, noting that without the involvement of the members in these activities BCW would not be able to function.

Lee reminded all members of their personal obligation to obey rules and to ride safely. This included not approaching timekeepers during an event and ensuring members turn up for marshalling duties as requested. Lee suggested that members don't be shy in offering help, whether it is in organising events, marshalling, timekeeping or just outing signs out – it all helps.

Finally the Chair wished all members a safe winters training and a safe and successful 2010.

**4.2 Time Trial Secretary** – a written report was circulated by Peter Priestley. It was noted that BCW promoted 28 club events in 2009 with the Tebay '10' as a new event which was well received by all those who made the journey.

Statistics demonstrate the growth in time trials for BCW as follows which appears to be bucking the national trend:

2006 = 985

2007 = 1,021

2008 = 1,046

2009 = 1,050

Peter P reported that, in general, the marshalling had run smoothly with the separate timekeeper's rosta having taken away some of the pressure and this was much welcomed.

Peter P thanked those organisers of open events: Lee Foster, Nigel Athroll, Keith Bickley, Stan Brown, Mike Haugh, Mike Westmorland, Peter Dalgliesh, Kevin Gibbons, Dave Rawle and Howard Cain and to all those who marshalled at the events. It was reported that there had been an accident during this season on the L254 course which had focussed the minds of the committee to reconsider the timing of events on the A7 and to review the risk assessments generally.

Finally, Peter P encouraged all riders to be aware of what is going on around them, both for safety and for respect of all the headquarter areas and halls noting that there is a fine line between being tolerated and being unwelcome.

**4.3 Road Race and Track Secretary** – Bob McLean gave the following verbal reports.

**British Cycling** – Current BCW membership of British Cycling is 70.

**Road Races** – Four road races took place during the year on the Castle Carrock, Calthwaite, Baronwood and Smithfield circuits and organised by Neil Withington, Mike Glaister, Bryan Pool and Bob McLean (CDNW) with increased participation. Bob thanks all those that had helped with marshalling duties and everyone else that contributed to making these events happen.

**Grass Track** – events at Carlisle Bitts Park, Cleator Moor, Ambleside and Egremont Crab Fair were all well attended with everyone enjoying them. Mondays nights continue to attract senior and junior members with over 30 riders attending supported by Anderson Racing. Again, Bob conveyed thanks to Neil Withington, Dave Archbold and all Monday night helpers and riders.

**Go-Ride**

- £7k of lottery funds had been awarded and this had been used to purchase a trailer, 10 Isla bikes and a PA system. Bob reported that the PA system would be available to loan for club events
- Attendance had been made at several national events with a number of BCW youth section winners
- Increase membership with 65 members of the youth section participating in a wide range of cycling activities
- Sunday club runs averaging 30+ riders doing a different route each week
- Friday evenings – the over 12's go on a club run averaging 10-15 riders

- Finally, Bob thanked Shona McLean for her efforts plus all coaches, parents and friends that make an active contribution in making cycling available to the youngsters.

**4.4 Treasurer** – written report and accounts circulated. In summary Andy reported that the club remains in a good financial position with a net worth of £6,715. The current balance of 'ring-fenced' youth section funds has reduced significantly to £1,053 reflecting the purchase of several large items of equipment. This now leaves a total of £5,661 as unrestricted or free funds, a reduction of £205 on the position last year.

Finally, Andy reported that in line with the constitution the accounts had been independently examined and verified.

*[at this point Andy Shaddock left the meeting]*

**5. Motion: Committee Restructure.** A proposal had been received from Dave Archbold (and seconded by Peter Jones) that the committee be restructured with pre-defined roles and responsibilities that includes a sub-section that oversees the youth section. This was to reflect the growth of the membership, increased duties and the need for more people to get actively involved in the running of the club.

Bob McLean questioned his engagement with the youth section and it was confirmed that his committee position would be in addition to the nominated youth section representatives.

In line with the constitution this alteration to the rules was agreed with the consent of not less than two-thirds of the members present at the meeting.

*[at this point Peter Priestley left the meeting]*

**5.1 Election of Officers** – on the basis of the new committee structure the following elections took place.

		<i>Proposed</i>	<i>Seconded</i>
Chair	Lee Foster	<i>Paul Wensley</i>	<i>Phil Mitchell</i>
Vice Chair	David Archbold	<i>John Holliday</i>	<i>Duncan Howlett</i>
General Secretary	Karen Bassett	<i>Paul Wensley</i>	<i>Jack Slater</i>
Assistant Secretary	VACANCY		
Membership Secretary	Peter Jones	<i>Dave Archbold</i>	<i>John Holliday</i>
Treasurer	Andy Shaddock	<i>Karen Bassett</i>	<i>Bob McLean</i>
Time Trial Secretary	Peter Dalgliesh	<i>Calum Campbell</i>	<i>Daniel Fricker</i>
Asst Time Trial Secretary	Keith Bickley	<i>Paul Wensley</i>	<i>Peter Dalgliesh</i>
Road & Track Secretary	Bob McLean	<i>Peter Dalgliesh</i>	<i>Paul Wensley</i>
Youth Section Secretary	Shona McLean	<i>Ruth Armstrong</i>	<i>Stephen Kirkbride</i>
Officer	Mike Glaister	<i>Karen Bassett</i>	<i>Paul Wensley</i>
Officer	Paul Wensley	<i>Emma Felton</i>	<i>Mark Nixon</i>
Officer (Youth Section)	Stephen Kirkbride	<i>Peter Dalgliesh</i>	<i>Bob McLean</i>
Officer (Youth Section)	Ian Bouch	<i>Peter Jones</i>	<i>Duncan Howlett</i>
Club Clothing Secretary	David Archbold	<i>Peter Dalgliesh</i>	<i>Mark Nixon</i>
Press Secretary	Dave Rawle	<i>Emma Felton</i>	<i>Paul Wensley</i>
Child Protection Officer	Peter Priestley	<i>Mark Nixon</i>	<i>Daniel Fricker</i>

Bob McLean suggested that Sue Bouch would be nominated as an additional Child Protection Officer subject to confirmation of her having attained the appropriate qualifications. Proposed: Bob McLean, Seconded: Duncan Howlett.

The members agreed that any appointments not recruited to on the evening would be deferred to the committee and confirmed on Chair's action. Proposed: Bob McLean, Seconded: Mike Patrickson

**6. Appointment of Auditors** – it was confirmed that Pete Brear continue to undertake an independent examination of the accounts.

**7. Confirmation of Membership Fees and Time Trial Entry Fees 2010** – Membership Fees to remain unchanged for 2010. Club Time Trial Entry Fees to increase from £1.50 to £2.00 for adults for 2010 with the £1.00 fee for under 16's and youths to remain unchanged.

**8. John Glaister Trophy**

Three nominations – Andy Shaddock (proposed: Peter Priestley); Shona McLean (proposed: John Holliday); Bob McLean (proposed: Duncan Howlett). The ballot voted in favour of Bob McLean.

**9. Event Date Fixing**

**9.1 Open Time Trials**

As agreed at the CTT North DC date fixing meeting at the end of September, the programme will be broadly similar to 2010 as follows.

06 March	Hilly 32 Cumdivock	Lee Foster
28 March	Canonbie 25	Stephen Kirkbride
12 May	Cumdivock Hilly 22	Mike Haugh
22 May	Calthwaite Circuit 25	Phoebe Johnston
23 May	Cockermouth-Keswick 50	Stan Brown
03 July	Greystoke Forest Hilly 22	Mike Westmorland
17 July	Keswick 10	Peter Dalgliesh
18 July	Cockermouth-Keswick 25	Kevin Gibbons
08 Aug	Hartside Hillclimb	Keith Bickley
15 Aug	Canonbie 2-up 25	Phil Mitchell
22 Aug	Canonbie 25	Dave Rawle

**9.2 Road Races**

Sunday 25 April	Baronwood	B Pool
Sunday 9 May	Castle Carrock	M Glaister (tbc)
Sunday 23 May	Baronwood NW RR Championships	
Wednesday 16 June	Calthwaite 3/4/v/J/L	N Withington
Sunday 25 July	Smithfield E/1/2/3/4/L	R McLean (CDNW)

**9.3 Grass Track**

Sunday 30 May	Sheepmount, Carlisle	R McLean
Saturday 19 June	York Rally	R McLean
Saturday 17 July	Cleator Moor Sports	R McLean
Thursday 29 July	Ambleside Sports	R McLean
Saturday 18 September	Egremont Crab Fair	R McLean

**9.4 Reliability Rides**

Sunday 14 February and Sunday 10 October 2010

**9.5 The Cumberland Challenge**

Sunday 5 September 2010

**9.6 Audax (200k)**

Saturday 15 May 2010

**10. Motion.** Dave A informed the meeting that a proposal had been received from Bob McLean in advance of the AGM and this had been discussed at the BCW committee meeting held on 15 September 2009. At this point a change of wording had been agreed and as stated on the distributed agenda. Dave A

reported that etiquettely Bob's exact original wording should be used for discussion as follows:

*Funds raised for the club's youth section shall be accounted for separately in the income and expenditure accounts and balance sheet. These funds will be ring-fenced from the club's other activities and maintained for the sole benefit of the activities of the youth section.*

Proposed: Bob McLean, Seconded: Duncan Howlett and in accordance with the constitution this addition to the rules was agreed with the consent of not less than two-thirds of the members present at the meeting.

### **10.1 Terence Johnston Memorial Trophy**

Dave A provided the meeting with the history of the Terence Johnston memorial trophy and that the family had requested that it be awarded to a 'senior' statesperson of the club who had shown commitment and dedication through riding and assisting with the activities of the club. On this basis Mark Nixon was proposed by Dave Archbold and seconded by Karen Bassett as the first recipient of this trophy.

The following items were not placed on the formal AGM agenda and therefore did not form an official part of the proceedings. These were noted for information only.

**Annual dinner and prize presentation** – will be on Saturday 7 November 2009 at the Shepherd's Inn, Rosehill, Carlisle with entertainment courtesy of 'The Lee Best Connection'.

**Trophies** – Peter Jones has been organising the engraving of the trophies and was standing down from this commitment. Peter J was thanked for his work. It was reported that Keith Bickley would be taking over this duty for 2010.

### **Timekeepers**

Dave A thanked Phil Mitchell and Keith Bickley for their sterling timekeeping duties during the 2009 season and that the club would be looking for additional recruits for 2010. Names to Dave Archbold.

**Christmas Club Run.** Paul Wensley reported that he was organising a Christmas Club run to Bank Mill, Mawbray on Sunday 20 December 2009 departing Morton School at 9.30am. This would include a free prize draw. Further details will be made available via the website.

### **The Cumberland Challenge**

Mike Patrickson asked if The Cumberland Challenge has been a success this year as numbers appeared to have been down. It was reported that the event had been a great success and the committee were meeting in November to assess the final position.

### **Cyclocross**

Neil Withington informed the meeting of two cyclocross events taking place on 18 October 2009 at Talkin Tarn and 20 December 2009 at Keenan Park in Carlisle.

### **Mark Nixon 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

Mark Nixon thanked Mike Glaister and the club for organising his 'surprise' 80<sup>th</sup> birthday gathering.

### **Reliability Ride – 11 October 2009**

Shona and other adult representatives of the youth section raised concerns about the cost, and signing on procedures of the forthcoming Reliability Ride making it appear inaccessible to the youth section. It was reported that had been discussed in full at the last BCW committee meeting and the outcomes reported back to those involved in its organisation. The separate signing on sheets was an insurance concern based on advice

from British Cycling and the procedure was to encourage and support the youth section and to ensure a duty of care. The cost for providing catering was not negotiable as it was externally sourced, however entry fees were being waived for the youth section.

### **Tebay 10**

It was noted that Dougi Hall (reported by Bob Mclean) would be organising a '10' time trial on the new Tebay course in 2010. Some members requested that there is a second event also on the course. Peter Dalgliesh would liaise with Dougi Hall on date setting.

### **Time Trial Results**

The question was raised as to the length of time it takes to get the time trial results on the website and they should be there later the same evening. It was reported that they are not published until the web administrator has received the verified results from the time trial secretary. Every effort was being made to ensure that the results are published promptly.

### **Time Trial Secretary**

Dave A, on behalf of the club, thanked Peter Priestley for his many years service as Time Trial Secretary.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45 pm.