

# CYCLING UK-READING

## COMMITTEE MEETING: 28 February 23: MINUTES: FINAL

### 1. Attendees:

Sel Dixon; Mike Hardiman; Pete Nightingale; Jeanette Jeans; Simon Bird; Al Neal; Karen Robertson; Ian Doyle

### 2. Apologies:

2.1 Mick Simmons; Edwin Raj;

### 3. Welfare:

3.1 Nil to report

### 4. Minutes of last committee meeting (held 20 Dec 22:

4.1 Proposed by Pete; Seconded by Simon

*Action: Sel to send final minutes to Committee: Al to upload to website*

### 5. Club Secretary (Sel):

5.1 Leader List. Tom Page of CUK has confirmed all the leaders on the list submitted in December have now been formally registered with CUK HQ. However, a check this week revealed that the list on CUK HQ Asse database is still erroneous. SD to review in details and raise with Tom Page at CUK

*Action: Sel to compare CUK HQ list against what we issued in September and advise any inconsistencies to CUK HQ*

5.2 Membership Communication. Use of HQ portal to communicate with group members to be investigated again with a view to issuing a weekly summary of upcoming rides via email

*Action: Sel and Simon*

### 6. AGM:

6.1 AGM 21/22 Action 1: Funds from Audax and other cycling related events. New requirements established and included in Draft Rules (see 6.3)

6.2 AGM 21/22 Action 2: *CUK Reading Rules* Review. Committee member comments required to agree and finalise updated Rules.

*Action: Sel to recirculate Draft 2 for Committee Member comment and agreement in advance of AGM.*

6.3 AGM 22/23 Date revised to Sunday 16 April to avoid Bank Holiday Weekends.

*Action: Sel to arrange Venue – Probably the Griffin as no cost and easy access*

*Action: Simon to send out Notice of AGM via Mailchip email to all Members on the list by 19 March.*

*Action: Sel to advise AGM details to CUK HQ (Tom Page)*

*Action: Sel to ask our Honorary President, Richard Underwood, to Chair AGM if available*

*Action: Committee member Reports to be sent to Simon by 02 April*

*Action: Simon to collate and issue Agenda and Report Pack to Members via Mailchip by 06 April*

## **7. Finance Report (Mike):**

7.1 Mike's Financial report to 31 January circulated and reviewed (see attached) current balance is £2364 reflecting a surplus of £28

7.2 HSBC have now introduced a £60/year charge. Free banking options to be investigated. – Co-Op Bank suggested as a good alternative although they may also move to a monthly charge soon.

*Action: Mike to investigate pros and cons of moving bank.*

7.3 Funds from Cycling Events:

Rules amended to include need for Audit. Committee agreed to adopt from the date of the AGM.

All Audax organisers now aware of updated requirements with exception of Titus Halliwell (Kennet Valley Audax).

*Action: Sel to contact Titus Halliwell to advise on new requirements for CUK supported events*

7.4 Sources of Additional Funding:

Pete suggested that we should be seeking additional funding from HQ for increased advertising Also sources of external Funding to support the Club to be investigated. CUK HQ Lottery, Active Travel etc. Noted that such funding normally to be linked into getting new people into sport etc.

*Action: Pete to contact Tom Page to investigate options for increased funding*

*Action: Karen/Pete to investigate potential funding sources and report back to next meeting*

7.5 Upcoming Audax Surplus Allocation

*Rural South – Committee agreed 50% to Air Ambulance and 50% to Cyclist Defence Fund*

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## **8. Ride Secretary Report (Simon):**

8.1 Simon Standing down at April AGM after many years in the role. Committee thanked him for his diligent service and wished him well in future endeavors. We are sorry he is leaving.

Potential replacements to be sounded out in advance of AGM.

*Action: All Committee Members*

## **9. Road Report (Edwin):**

9.1 Ongoing problem finding Sunday Leaders and attendance

9.2 Winter weather conditions affecting numbers as normal

9.3 Ian Moore now running regular Saturday Afternoon Rides that seem to be well supported.

## **10. Off Road Report (Ian):**

10.1 Local Rides on Wed evening and Sunday Rides continue to be well supported

10.2 Weekends Past:

New Year 2023 – 4 nights in Betws-y-Coed with Sel Dixon -16 Riders -Snowdonia explored

17-19 Feb: Forest of Dean Weekend -Inn on the Wye at Kerne Bridge sunny weather – 17 riders

10.3 Weekends Future:

Easter in the White Peak with Ian Doyle and Karen

Mayday BH Camping in Dorset Corfe Castle with John Singleton

Late May BH – Paul Roberts destination and format TBC

## **11. Events (Jeanette).**

11.1 Sweeney Pie Night to be arranged for Friday 20 January

11.2 Wed Night "Start of Summertime Curry" to be held on 29<sup>th</sup> March

## **12. Publicity Officer (Pete Nightingale)**

12.1 New Facebook page created with link to rides list to create as re-occurring events as an experiment to determine usefulness. Noted that this duplicated a Facebook page that Karen helped set up several years ago. Noted that Facebook page is not the same as our Facebook Group chat which is unaffected

*Action: Pete to close down new page and transfer rides link/mew material to the original page*

12.2 Link to Instagram established

12.3 Possibility of adding rides as re-occurring events to Strava to be investigated

*Action: Sel Dixon*

12.4 CUK Reading banners to be deployed at all Audax supported by the Club. These are currently in Karen's Garage

## **13. Campaigns Officer: (Karen)**

13.1 Karen appealed for CUK Reading to have a stall at Reading Cycle Festival 2023. Date is Sunday 10 September. Committee undecided on the issue as original objective of using the festival to recruit new riders on our group rides was not achieved. An alternative softer objective may be one of generating visibility and local political influence. Difficulty getting people to give up their main riding day to staff the stall.

*Action: Sel to check Reading Cycle Club view on Festival effectiveness.*

13.2 River Clean up Day: Karen reported that 10 people have now volunteered

13.3 Maintenance Workshop with Avanti Cycling

13.4 Cycle Hub due to open in April - though closes at 1900hrs so effectiveness questionable. Karen lobbying for later closing.

13.5 RBC Consultations on Active Travel etc.

*Action: Karen to forward RBC consultation info to committee members*

## **14. Webmaster Report (Al):**

14.1 Jeanette and Ian reported ongoing Problem with Runs list Dropdown Boxes not working correctly. Apparently the drop down lists will work on a PC using the arrow buttons (but not the mouse) but not at all on a mobile. This is making it difficult to add rides easily.

*Action: Al to investigate underlying cause and potential solutions*

14.2 Following consideration Simon has decided not to act deputy Webmaster.

## **15. AOB:**

## **16. Date of next meeting:**

16.1 Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 23 (Subject to availability of committee members)

1930hrs start. Venue Griffin