

Chester & N Wales CTC Caer a Gogledd Cymru
Minutes of the committee meeting 6th October 2016 (7.30pm) @ Deeside Leisure Centre

Present

Mike Cross, Lowri Evans, David Matthews, Peter Williams, , Brian Joyce, Colin Bell, Brian Lowe, Sue Booth & Julia Rogers.

Apologies: Ifor Jones, Doreen Lindsey, John Ferguson, Martin Brooks, Gwenda Owen, Welna Bowden & Janet Gregory.

1. Minutes from 1st September 2016

Minutes were read. Proposed by Sue Booth, Seconded by Mike Cross.

Agreed nem con.

2. Matters arising

3.6 Brian Lowe reported that he would also be attending the Cycling UK member get together

3.C SG Fleet badge – the Secretary had not yet contacted the badge owner

Action Secretary to contact the badge owner to report that no information could be found.

3.1 Some progress had been made with collecting information regarding the triennial Vets 100 certificates.

Action: Secretary to pursue the matter

13.b John Pegum had be visited by Mike Cross the day before John's 100th birthday; a card from C&NW CTC had been delivered together with a letter of congratulation from David Cox (Chair of Cycling UK board of Trustees)

3. Secretary's Report (circulated)

A correction was required to the spelling of Reg Waud's name.

The report was discussed and accepted.

3.1 Mike Cross reported that he had received a letter from Paul Tuohy saying how much he had enjoyed the President's Ride & Lunch. Mike Cross had sent a copy of the letter and the event report to Iris Mills at the residential home where she now lives. (*Iris Mills presented the President's trophy to the Club in memory of her son Graham Mills*)

3.2 Attendees at the Cycling UK Members Get Together on 8th October where confirmed as Welna Bowden, Mike Cross, Terry Davies, Paul Mills, Lowri Evans, David Statham & Brian Lowe.

3.7 The sad news of the death of Trevor Hargreave was reported. Condolences had been sent to the family. Martin Brooks had been in touch with Arthur Miller, Roy Spilsbury and Ken Brown regarding an obituary article for the Link. (Trevor Hargreave had been a member of the C&NW CTC committee & treasurer in the 1970's).

3.8 The Secretary reminded people of the request to send information for the Secretary's Annual Report to the AGM.

Action: Reports to be written and submitted to the Secretary asap

4. Treasurer's Report and the Link (circulated)

The report was accepted with thanks to the Treasurer.

4.1 The date of the AGM, financial year end and meetings leading up to it were discussed; Colin Bell raised the difficulty in getting the Accounts prepared as statements had to be collected from the bank. The financial year is fixed by National Office. It was noted that if the AGM was moved a week later it would be on Armistice Sunday – it was felt that this was not acceptable.

Action: Secretary to check date range for AGMs. (*AGMs must be held between 15th October and 15th November*)

4.2 No financial return documents had been received from National Office therefore the return couldn't yet be prepared for the auditor. Colin confirmed that Tony Nichols would be coming to the AGM.

Action: Colin Bell to contact National Office to try to get the return

It was noted that all of the events held during the year had made a profit and that the Link with the new subscription rate (3 for £10) was self financing.

4.3 Consideration was given once again to one-line entries and the possibility of adding the Link subscription to the event entry.

Event Central (the online system used) produced a weekly statement. Currently if people paid for the line by bank transfer they were asked to use 'LINK and their post code to identify the transaction.

Sue Booth thought it would be possible to add the link subscription to the entry form for the Cheshire Cycle ways events.

It was suggested that Laurie Mason should be asked if he was interested in the use of on-line entries for the Veterans 100 and the inclusion of a Link subscription option.

Action: Dave Matthews to contact Laurie Mason

5. **Right to Ride (circulated)**

Peter's report was accepted and he was thanked for his work on behalf of the cycling community.

6. **Events**

2016 Events up date

- a. The organisers of recent events were thanked for their work (President's Ride, Mike Cross and Hill Climb, Lowri Evans). (*See section 1 of the Secretary's Report for event details*)
- b. **Corwen Audax events** Saturday 15th October Vicky Payne. A good turnout was expected for the events
- c. **Big Bike Revival 15th to 30th October.** Many (but not all) C&NW CTC members seemed to have just received an email suggesting that Big Bike Revival rides should be held in England between the 15th and 30th of October 2016. It was agreed that it was very short notice. IF groups felt that they had a suitable ride it could be registered, however it was felt that there wasn't time to arrange additional specific events.

Action: the short notice of the event and the confusion over who is receiving emails to be raised at the Cycling UK Members get together on the 8th October.

2017 Events up date

- a. The provisional plan for 2017 had been circulated - corrections were noted.
- b. 1st January 2017 David Matthews confirmed that the White Horse in Churton had been booked for approximately 50 meals (this included provision for 15 vegetarian meals). Information to be sent to Martin Brooks and Glennys Hammond to publicise the event.
- c. Audax events. It was noted that as more people used GPS to follow the route there was an increase on the number missing out the ride controls. Dave Matthews indicated that he would be changing the route of the Tour of the Berwyns as there had been a large number of info controls on the last section of the route in 2016.
- d. Bob Clift Cheshire Cycleways. Sue Booth indicated that the route might be amended in 2017 to follow the Cheshire cycle way for a large proportion of the event. John Mawson had kindly agreed to look at the route options. Sue had used Face book to publicise the 2016 event.

7. Nomination of Officers

The following nominations were received:

| Post | Nominee | Proposer | Seconder |
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| President | Mike Cross | Lowri Evans | David Matthews |
| Vice President* | Glennys Hammond | Mike Cross | Colin Bell |
| Secretary | Lowri Evans | David Matthews | Sue Booth |
| Treasurer | Colin Bell | Sue Booth | Brian Joyce |
| Registration Officer (membership records) | | | |
| Welfare Officer | Julie Rogers | Lowri Evans | David Matthews |
| Publicity Officer | | | |
| Rights Officer | Peter Williams | David Matthews | Brian Lowe |
| CTC Cymru Rep | Lowri Evans | David Matthews | Mike Cross |
| Invited members (also reps from Two Mills and all informal groups) | Groups to inform the Secretary as soon as the reps have been decided | | |

Peter Williams indicated that he would stand for another year, but wishes to stand down after that. Brian Lowe declined to be nominated in advance of the AGM, however he indicated that if no one else was prepared to stand at the AGM he could be nominated to continue in the post of registration officer.

8. The Link

Committee members had just received the most recent copy and all were very impressed with the magazine. Thanks were expressed to the editor and the new Link production team.

9.AOB

a. Ride Leaders

Ride leaders should be registered with the member group they ride with. The fact that several leaders names were missing from the monthly lists from National Office was raised. (Riders whose names had previously been on the list, or whose names had been submitted for addition but they had not been added).

The Ride leaders list was being checked with Informal Groups as part of the Annual Return, but it was agreed that a way of checking the monthly lists was needed.

Action: Secretary to liaise with groups to ensure all ride leaders are registered.

b. Ride Leader Training

Following the training available in 2015 it was suggested that the club ask for a commercial course in 2017 to train more ride leaders. Previously a course for 6 or 7 was priced at £600 (plus venue costs). It was suggested that if a course was held Two mills CTC might like to send a rider for training.

The suggestion was agreed in principle.

Action: Brian Lowe to research the costings and to liaise with Two Mills CTC

c. Ride Leader information

New documentation and guides had been placed on the Cycling UK website. It was suggested that a link to these documents should be added to the C&NW CTC site and the old ride leader guidance removed.

Action: Secretary to contact Glennys Hammond with the request to update the website information.

d. **AGM in Llanfair DC.** As last year it is intended to offer refreshments prior to the meeting.

Action: Secretary & Treasurer to produce documents ready to send for copying.

Action: Secretary to contact Glennys Hammond to advertise it on the website together with a request for volunteers to be asked to help on the day

e. **Belles on Bikes.** Sue Booth had discussed the possibility for a national initiative to get more females riding bikes Cycling UK staff and with Paul Tuohy. It was agreed there was a limit to what one individual could do.

f. **Event organisers.** Colin Bell requested that event organisers made it clear what exactly expenditure was for so that he could show accurately what the money was spent on in the end of year accounts (e.g. postage, refreshments, hall hire).

g. **Trustee Elections.** The issue of many of the candidates not being Cycling UK members, or only having been members for a short time was raised. This issue was being raised by Phil Benstead at a national level. There was discussion as to whether charity trustees who were not previously members would have a more objective view, and why people who had not previously seen fit to join the Club would want to be trustees..

Those at the meeting were thanked for their attendance.

Meeting ended at 9.30pm

Date of the next meeting Provisionally Thursday 1st December 2016 to be agreed with new committee