

Chester & N Wales CTC Caer a Gogledd Cymru
Minutes of the Committee meeting 5th October 2017 (7.30pm) @ Deeside Leisure Centre

Present

Terry Davies, Mike Cross, Lowri Evans, Dave Matthews, Sue Booth, Janet Jones, Andy Blomfield & Peter Williams,

Apologies: Mark Jones, Colin Bell, Brian Joyce, Ifor Jones, Doreen Lindsey, Julia Rogers, & Janet Gregory.

1. Minutes from 7th September 2017

Typing corrections were noted: 11.2 online (not one line), 12b courtesy (not curtsey)

That minutes of the meeting should be accepted was proposed by Mike Cross. Agreed nem con.

2. Matters arising

3.5 Tourist Competition. The lack of progress was reported (see current Secretary's report point 5). The Secretary was hoping to meet & speak to Sarah Merrington at the Big Bike Celebration at the weekend. It was suggested that if this didn't produce results a letter should be sent to Paul Tuohy; proposed Mike Cross seconded Terry Davies agreed nem con.

Action: Lowri Evans to contact Sarah Merrington in the first instance then Paul Tuohy if necessary.

3. Secretary's Report (circulated)

3.3 Mike Cross was thanked for sending a letter and photographs of the presentation of the President's Trophy presentation to Iris Mills. He was also thanked for running a successful event.

3.4 In addition to the nomination from C&NW CTC the Caernarfon Bypass Campaign Group were also nominated by Glyn Evans, Sustrans.

3.6 The Secretary's Annual return pack arrived on the 5th October.

3.9 The possibility of hiring the graham Obree film was discussed. It was agreed that it might be a possibility for a social evening for example at the Grosvenor Museum Chester, but that more needed to be known about the film.

Action: Sue Booth to try to find out more/ look at a clip.

3.10 Information from National Office was circulated to committee members (AGM edition of 'Club Shorts' and 'Looking forward to 2018')

3.11 The Secretary's Annual Report to the AGM was discussed briefly. An early draft had been circulated; it was noted that Peter Barnes and Larry Dixon had sadly passed away during the year and should be mentioned.

4. Treasurer's Report (circulated)

The report that had been prepared for the AGM was discussed. It was suggested that there should be:

- An introduction clarifying the feeling of the 2016 AGM had been for the Committee to increase expenditure.
- Clarification regarding the £500 bequest from Raymond Jackson
- Additional suggestions for 2017/18 should be incorporated regarding possible future ride leader training courses.
- The Link finances should be explained as it appears to have gone from a £1079.81 surplus to a £508.15 loss
- Spellings to be corrected.

The profit from events was discussed as was the increase in expenditure incurred by items such as travel costs

5. The Link

Janet Jones was welcomed to the Committee and was able to confirm that the next edition of the link was almost ready for publication (just waiting until after the Big Bike Celebration in Birmingham for final copy). The issue would be 34 pages in large format with plenty of copy; some copy had already been received towards future editions.

The printers had been very helpful with technical matters and Janet reported getting on well with the new Publisher software. Janet was thanked for her work.

Janet requested that there should be serious feedback once the Link had been published.

The issue of payment from the advertisers was raised (Bike Factory in Chester and Alf Jones Cycles in Marford).

Action; Janet Jones and Colin Bell to liaise about how payments were arranged in the past.

6. Right to Ride

Peter Williams confirmed that, due to the progress at Two Mills he would be willing to stay on for another year as Right to Ride officer as he felt the work had reached a critical point after many years of campaigning. It was agreed that the Club should continue to look for someone to assist Peter with a view to them eventually taking over the role.

Peter reported that local sustainable transport funding had not been granted in the Two Mills Area. He commented that the Wirral appeared to be more successful in gaining funding for active transport in comparison to Cheshire West.

Janet Atherton (Cycling UK Trustee) had picked up on Peter William's recently published letter in the press.

7. Events

2017

Corwen Audax events. It was reported that Vicky Payne had all of the arrangements for the October set of events well in hand.

2018

Dates of events were discussed – the list was updated.

- a. Audax events David Matthews suggested that he would register the Eureka 100k Audax as a challenge ride in 2018 if there was a Cycling UK Challenge Ride series. Both David Matthews and Vicky Payne had agreed and sorted their Audax event dates for 2018.
- b. Bob Clift Cheshire Cycleways. Sue Booth agreed to organise the events again with the events being a week later (17th June) and in Bike Week. There was some discussion of increased costs; it was explained that this was partly for medallions and the purchase of the electronic tags & equipment for checking in riders (this type of equipment had previously be borrowed from Tow Mills).
- c. Vets 100. Dave Matthews reported that Laurie Mason would like more publicity for the event in 2018. It was agreed that this would be arranged.

Action: Publicity Officer to assist with publicising the event

There was also discussion of the option of online entries for the event.

Action: Sue Booth to liaise with Dave Matthews to arrange to demonstrate the system used for the Bob Clift Rides so that Laurie Mason can use the online system in 2018.

It was also suggested that in the event of wet weather there should be more of a clamp down on having rear mudguards.

- d. Charity rides. There was a long discussion regarding the charity rides proposed by David Ackerley. There was a feeling that the Club already had several rides of 100 miles or more and concern was raised regarding the roads near Old Ma's may not be suitable for some riders doing a 10 mile event. It was agreed that short event would attract riders who didn't usually ride with the Club and it was suggested that a 10 mile ride could be arranged to coincide with Bike Week (the 10th or 11th June). Peter Williams indicated that Chester Cycling Campaign were considering a similar event and suggested that enquires be made into running a joint event.

Action: Peter Williams to liaise with Chester Cycling Campaign with regard to the event. Sue Booth also pointed out that it would be the 10th Anniversary of the Fabulous Ladies the same weekend and that they would probably be arranging some sort of celebration as well. There was still a possibility that the two longer charity rides could be arranged in mid September with the charity donation as part of the entry fee although the calendar was somewhat crowded. Suitable charities were discussed although there was no final agreement; it was suggested that it would be good if the charities covered the whole of the C&NW CTC area.

8. Nomination of Officers & the AGM

- a. There were no notices of motion from the committee.
 b. The following lists of nominations were made:

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

Link Editor* Janet Jones

Webmaster* John Hammond

Web Editor* Glennys Hammond

*Non- committee posts

Mike Cross, Glennys Hammond & Lowri Evans who were members of the 2016/2017 Awards Committee to continue in office. Club Archivist Arthur Miller and Honorary Auditor Terry Nicholas (to be contacted to check they are willing to continue).

- c. AGM at Pulford Village hall. Arrangements were discussed; hall should be unlocked by 10.45 ready for the meeting to be set up and refreshments prepared. Doors open at 11.30 for people to have refreshments and socialise prior to the meeting; meeting officially starts at 12.30. Terry Davies (registration officer) will check Cycling UK membership. Any who can volunteer to help please

contact Lowri Evans. Donations for the food to the Cyclists Defence Fund if people wanted to contribute.

Action: Lowri Evans to send out information

9. AOB

An incident was reported when two groups were riding to the same destination by different routes and one ride leader decided to race the other group to the venue. This resulted in him dropping the group and riders getting lost (and as a result very cross).

Action: Groups to be reminded of ride leader guidelines and requested to draw them to the attention of ride leaders. Ride leaders should endeavour to have rides that are suitable for the expected group and to ride at a suitable pace.

At the end of the meeting Mike Cross reminded the members of the Committee of Jim Skelding words "Remember that we do this for fun!"

Those at the meeting were thanked for their attendance.

Meeting ended at 9.25pm

Date of the next meeting Thursday December 7th 2017 to be confirmed by the new committee.