

CHESTER and NORTH WALES CTC
CTC Caer a Gogledd Cymru

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2025

The meeting was held at Pulford Village Hall, Pulford at 12.30 on Sunday 27th April 2025

Attendance: 21 members signed in for the meeting at the hall (and 2 non-member volunteers).

1. Convening the meeting

The Secretary convened the meeting and welcomed people to the meeting.

2. Election of Chair

David Matthews was elected to chair the meeting. Proposed by Janet Gregory, seconded Glennys Hammond; all in agreement.

3. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mike Cross, Ian Slater, John Mather, Fiona Jones, Elwyn Jones Gwenda Owen, Roy Spilsbury, Dave Webb, Sue Webb, Robin Jones, Mark Evans, Mike Frith, David Statham and Andy Barber

4. Silence

There was a short silence as a mark of respect for Janet Atherton who passed away earlier in the year.

5. Minutes from 2024 AGM

Minutes were available prior to the start of the meeting. Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by John Holiday & seconded by Laurie Mason. Accepted nem con.

6. Secretary's Annual Report

The report was available prior to the start of the meeting; the secretary outlined the main contents of the report including group reports, event reports and the work and running of the Club during the year. Those who had been presented with Going the Extra Mile Awards at or after the 85th Anniversary Celebration named and asked to stand up to recognise their achievements.

There were additional comments on some sections:

- a. **The Link** – there have been issues with getting similar software to the program used previously (Publisher was at one time available as a one-off purchase). This is being looked into by Mark Jones the editor.
- b. **Campaigning** – John Violet updated the meeting on the extension to the Helsby – Frodsham- Mouldsworth active travel route.
- c. **Chester Green Weekend/ Active Travel Festival 2025** – due to it being extended to a 2-day event & clashing with the ladies Weekend and Glan Gwna Audax events it was agreed that the Club wouldn't take a stand for 2025. It was suggested that possibly there could be something on a shared stand. **Action** David Matthews to contact Ian Slater regarding a presence on the Chester Active Travel stand.

Thanks were given to all volunteers who had contributed to the running of the club & to those who had attended the rides & events. Acceptance of the report was proposed by Sue Booth & seconded by Paul Mills. Accepted nem con. The secretary was thanked for the report.

7. Treasurer's Report

The report was available prior to the start of the meeting. The Treasurer thanked Colin Bell (previous treasurer) for all his help, especially with the accounting software which was described as

“interesting.” Getting the online banking signatories changed was challenging, and Colin was able to help with making payments whilst the changeover was taking place.

The Cycling UK end of financial year is set at 31st March which presents issues with event entry fees being paid prior in a different financial year to the that in which the event is run. To ease this issue fees collect via Entry Central have been held back until the start of the current financial year.

The accounts need to be reported to Cycling UK in a set format.

When setting event fees for the larger events (Bob Clift & Vets 100) organisers try to calculate a level of fees that will give a small profit. In the last financial year the surplus income was £24.41 however £558 of charity donations were made.

The accounts were queried by one member, but once the layout of the figures had been explained the issue was resolved.

The donations figure of £558.80 was explained – the 2 x £250 donations agreed at the AGM and £58.80 from the donations for food at the 2024 AGM

Acceptance of the accounts and treasurer’s report was proposed by Paul Mills and seconded by Graham Hill; agreed nem con.

a. Charity Donations 2025

It was proposed charity donations of £250 should be made to Sustrans & The Cyclists’ Defence Fund as in the previous financial year. This was discussed. Proposer Janet Gregory, seconder Allan Samuel agreed nem con.

b. Club kit subsidy

It was proposed that club kit to members should continue to be subsidised; the rate of £10 per item was suggested.

Proposer Lowri Evans, seconder Steve Larwood agreed nem con.

The Treasurer’s Report was accepted nem con.

8. Cycling UK Update

Cycling UK has recently announced the new logo and branding. There is also the new ‘My Ride My Right’ campaign calling for safer streets, better cycling networks and a transport system that truly works for women because when cycling is safer for women, it will be safer for everyone.

9. Notices of Motion

None tabled

10. Election of Officers and Committee members

List of nominations prior to the meeting was on the agenda – there were no further nominations from the floor.

The proposal to elect the officers & post holders en-block including the Awards Committee was made by Allan Samuel, seconded by Laurie Mason; officers were elected nem con.

Post	Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
President	Dave Matthews	Sue Booth	Allan Samuel
Vice President*	Sue Booth	Allan Samuel	Lowri Evans
Secretary	Lowri Evans	Dave Matthews	Allan Samuel
Treasurer	Paul Kerr	Sue Booth	Dave Matthews
Registration Officer (membership records)	Steve Larwood	Lowri Evans	Sue Booth
Safe Guarding Officer	Laurie Mason	Allan Samuel	Dave Matthews
Publicity Officer	Paul Mills	Dave Matthews	Allan Samuel
Campaign Advocacy Network: Wales England	John Mather	Lowri Evans	Allan Samuel

CTC Cymru Rep	Lowri Evans	Dave Matthews	Paul Mills
Diversity Officer			
Additional members: invited members Reps from Two Mills and all informal groups who are nominated by the groups			

*Non- committee post

11. Election of Awards Committee

Current members retained: Glennys Hammond, Sue Booth & Lowri Evans

12. Election of Auditor

Andy Barber – Proposed by Lowri Evans, seconded by Dave Matthews – elected nem con.

13. Non – committee officers:

Club archivist – Graham Hill

Link Editor - Mark Jones

Webmaster – Simon Tiplady

14. AOB & Events

a. Events

The planned events were outlined with some updates from organisers:

	C&NW Events 2025	
Sunday 27 th April 2025	C&NW CTC AGM Pulford	Lowri Evans
Sunday 11 th May 2025	Tour of the Berwyns & Panorama Audaxes plus 2 new Audaxes	Brandon Edgeley
18 th May 2025	Bob Clift Memorial Rides 50 mile and 80 mile events from Duddon Entries now open https://www.entrycentral.com/cheshirecycleway	Dave Matthews Robert Wardle and David Robertson (80)
7 th & 8 th June 2025	Audax events 😊 in the west of the C&NW CTC area. Caethro Caernarfon - Glan Gwna 200 & 125 Also 100k on the Sunday. Riders may wish to make a weekend of the events	Graham Hines
Weekend of 7 th June	Fab Ladies Weekend - Arnside. Bookings now closed	Sue Booth
<i>7th & 8th June 2025</i>	<i>Chester Green Weekend & Active Travel Festival</i>	
Sunday 6 th July 2025	Triennial Vets 100.	Ian Slater
Thurs 24 th to Tue 29 th July 2025	Welsh Festival CTC Cymru Ruthin– rides on Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Monday <i>Entries not yet open</i>	Emrys Jones / Lowri Evans
Sunday 27 th July	Corwen July Audax events The Clwydian, Y Dyffryn Clwyd New date Starting from Ruthin Rugby Club	<i>Graham Hines</i>
<i>August Bank Holiday</i>	<i>Wild Wales Entries not yet open</i>	<i>Merseyside CTC</i>
Sat 6 th September 2025	Momma Audax Events	John Gallager mentor Brandon Edgely

Sat 4th October 2025	Hill Climb & Freewheel – from Llanbenwch	Lowri Evans
19 th October 2025	President's Ride & Lunch Neuadd Eleanor, Llanfair D.C.	C&NW CTC President

- b. **Logos** – secretary to enquire with Impsport about the possibility of putting the new Cycling UK logo on future C&NW CTC club kit.

Thanks

The chairman thanked the treasurer & secretary for their work, and all of the committee & club volunteers. The CANs reps were also thanked.

Mark Jones, Margaret Matthews and Allan & Lynne Samuel were thanked for their great work in the kitchen supplying beans on toast & hot drinks, Lowri was also thanked for the cakes.