



Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday 8th February 2024, 7:00pm @ Buckingham Cricket Club

Attendees: Tim (TS), Stewart (SB), Paul (PW), Stuart (SM), Niall (NB) , Kirsty (KC), Jeremy (JW)

Members : Nick Hopton

Apologies: Glynnis (GE), James (JT)

Comments, Discussions & Topics – Review from Meeting 4Jan24

Social Secretary

As of 8th February our Social Secretary JerryW notified us of his resignation from this role with immediate effect. Jerry was thanked for his work.

The committee agreed to leave this position open until our next AGM.

Outstanding Actions / Comments from last Committee Meeting 4 Jan 24.

Bike Maintenance	PW	20April	Nick Hopton has agreed to help with this event Forum Post (PW) done – sol please read and add your attendance Location: at the Larder Café has been confirmed (PW)
Derby Track Day	NB	12April	All booked and includes 2 one-hour sessions for different groups with 2 coaches, from 8-10pm. Currently we have 30 attendees, 21 Swan's, 7 Winslow, 2 others The £19 each hire fee is due so far 21 paid to-date, If you haven't then please do so- thanks. Bike & Shoe hire to be paid for on the night Check out the Forum post for this fun social event in Other Rides.
Trek Cycles	Ts/SMc PW	asap	They are offering us a discount on their products a reply to their recent email (PW) to arrange a meeting to discuss the way forward – watch this space.
Ride Leader Meet-Up	KC/PW /JT	22Mar	CC has been booked, also to be a more social event for all, have your say? A route planning corner for those interesting in stepping up Forum Post is Required (PW)

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Spring Equinox	ALL	24Mar	Westbury has been chosen again for this event.
AwayDayRides	JT PW SMc	22Sept 19May	Isle of Wight: Check out the forum, 20 attendees to date. B&C routes required 2b added to the Forum Post. One over option being considered Norton Brewery (GE): more info required Suffolk Sunrise May 19 th , 3 members are currently booked for going this year, please the Forum post for this in 'Other Rides' if you are interested in joining them. Have you the members have any other ideas that you think would be fun? Are you already intending to do something a sportive maybe that others may wish to do, yes add to other rides in the forum?
Swan Challenge Cup	TS/PW	Summer	Dates Set from May -June-July-Aug as per Club Calendar We have decided to continue with our tried and tested Gawcott segment again for 2024. Would like to make this more social for a Beer & Chat at the Crown. Forum Post required (PW)
Committee Meeting	ALL	18Apr	It was decided to delete the next one for 7 th Mar, CC is booked for the 18Apr
AGM 2024	ALL	3rd May	This has now been confirmed to be at the Buckingham Cricket Club Work to be done includes: Voting Data/Forms /Food/ Trophy/ Winners/Prizes etc
Spring Kit Shop	PW	March	Make contact with Champion System etc
Club Membership Fee's	PW	31Mar	The Annual Club Membership fee of £18 pounds is due. Forum post required (PW)
MK Council Santa Ride	SB	18Apr	They are happy to have on board & more details to come in due course, there aim to set a record for 500 Santa's riding!
Club Ride Data	PW	18Apr	Collate Annual Comparison Data
Charity Event	TS	18Apr	Formerly the proposed Hill Climb, need to explore this further as to what can done/achieved
Mouvaux 2024	JT	2025	Now targeting for May 2025, support from Stephanie & Laurent.. will be looking to firm interest/support in early 2025



	Agenda Items.
1	<p>The Statistics</p> <p>Membership Numbers: PW Membership Numbers. This is still at 75, 53 Male & 22 Female. 17 New members this year.</p> <p>Financial Accounts: SB reported that currently our finances are in good shape with our current balance of £1346. Up and coming expenses are the Spring Equinox at Westbury and the Derby Track event, 21 paid to date (£399) so that leaves 8 still to pay (£152). Also membership subs will be due late March that'll boost our finances for the coming year.</p> <p>Discussed making a contribution (£???) to the Cricket Club, finalise by the AGM, 3rd May.</p>
2	<p>In The Saddle</p> <p>Ride Data</p> <p>PW is now leading with 98 points, KC 95, SMc 78 & NB 69. For a complete view of the standings go to the Ride 'Riders Competitions' page on the Club Website plus other graphs for our Café visited with the G&D /Westbury vying for 1st place.</p> <p>We've had 73 Riders that have been out with us totalling some 1280 attendances, over some 52,200 miles on 161 rides. We've also had 12 cancelled days as well.</p> <p>Ride Captains: asking them now to up-date the Ride Leaders Schedule as and when they have a new RL volunteer.</p> <p>Ride Leaders Meeting being planned for 22nd March as above.</p> <p>Annual Ride comparison Ride Data to be collated / arrange (PW:18Apr)</p> <p>Breeze Rides: looking to get to encourage in the spring (GE, KC) with shorter 10-12 milers as a start.</p> <p><u>Group Ride reports</u></p> <p>A: really good to see the stronger B riders that have step up recently, we have had some good rides with the larger groups.</p> <p>B: consequently the B's have been suffering with a drop in numbers over the winter with some having dropped to the C's as well, so hoping that once we are through the winter the numbers will pick-up?</p> <p>C: with Niall the Ride Captain away Paul has stepped up to lead this as well as this group struggles with limited RL number, with an average of 5 attendees its doing okay.</p> <p>L: the decision to do more of these has had a positive effect on the group rides generally, a good step-up option for the more capable Breeze Ladies.</p> <p>Breeze: British Cycling Ladies only rides are run on different days, Tuesday/Thursday, shorter distances are planned to encourage newbies.</p> <p>MW: with an average attendance of some 14 rides each week it's doing okay, with two routes per week a short and a longer one to the same café is appreciated by all.</p>

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Ride Etiquette	<p>This was discussed at length, the issue that is/not effecting the ride fun factor was raised.</p> <p>The endeavour of our group rides generally is for rides to stay in a group from the start to end, to enjoy and therefore smile.</p> <p>Any group will have a mix of capabilities that can change from week to week which in turn IF riders head of the front repeatedly it will put the others behind under pressure as they try/fail to keep/catch up, it's no fun!</p> <p>If the a group is big enough generally its not an issue with the stronger one to split of on their own group once agreed, leaving the remainder to carry on at their pace and meet back up at the planned stop.</p> <p>BUT, if the group is a small one we are asking that the stronger ones to decease and stop riding of the front and support the said group they was chosen to join accordingly.</p> <p>The Ride Leader pre-ride chat will be reminding us all of this issue & during the ride as we endeavour to keep our various groups riding together and therefore saver.</p> <p>Yes we know that there are lots of If's & But's, that's agreed, but all we are asking is all of us to take this issue on board and enable us ALL to arrive back home with smiles on our faces.</p>
News Up-Date	<p>Both KirstyC – Ride Co-ordinator and Sturt McMahon have since also handed their resignation from the committee with immediate effect, more on this in due course.</p>