

Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday 26th August 2021 (19:30 – 21:30hrs), at the Mitre

**Present:** Malcom Manning, Pat Harbord, Stewart Bachelor, Niall Brash, Glynnis Eastwood, Paul Woodham.

**Members Present**: None

**Apologies for absence:** Peter Coomber

**Comments, Discussions & Topics**

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|  | **Review of actions from previous meeting in January 2020.** |
| **1** | **None applicable** |
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|  | **Agenda Items as follows:** |
| **1** | **The numbers****Membership**: **PW** it was good to report that we are now on an all-time high with 76 members with the make-up of 17 ladies now & 51 gents.. Bidon’s: down to just 13 in stock now, with a 16 owed to newer members, proving difficult to distribute, I think the collection from me the best approach.**Accounts**: **SB** opening balance 1st Apr21 was £1403.38, currently is at £1787.18, YTD Debits (£311.20), YTD Credits £695.00 so YTD Balance of £384.80 Men’s Club Summer Classic Jersey (x2) Large Kit Assets of £100:00  |
| **2** | **Website etc:**the main need is that we find a volunteer to take over from Pat to run the site/forum etc – so if anyone has the skills and some time (not a lot required) to help run this it would be appreciated, so anyone?**SB** has volunteered in the short term to help & learn the process’s etc.**PH** reported that currently all is well with our website and licences are not due for renewal till next year.The website visit numbers are impressive, Top Active Pages, at 237 visits in the last month alone, the About Us top at 109 up 68% from the last month, Rides at 80 up 48% to name a couple. Referring Sites unsurprisingly was Google at 323 with 360 in total.Resulting actions to remove from the website: RL pics, Ride Sheets and links as these are now provided by NB/PW, up-date the “Absolute Musts” as discussed (**PH**/**SB**)Change Club Google email & drive password & update the committee (**PW**) Facebook: change admin personnel (**PW**)  |
| **3** | **Ride Data:** Niall has put together a data presentation that you’ll find attached, all very impressive I’m glad to report, for example since Apr we have run 87 rides, 803 riders over some 4048 miles with some 37 cafes visited so far, top one being Westbury to-date. We currently have 17 RL’s named but the rides are still limited to just a few so would appreciated some more take up for our Club Rides, one idea is to put in place a “Mentor” approach going forward, more on this in the coming weeks (**NB**)A discussion was had on group size numbers and it was decided to keep the attendees at the 6-8 levels so this currently we require back-up RL’s as we have been of late, should be a help with the “Mentor” idea? |
| **4** | **Ride(r) Safety:** those present on Sunday 22nd should remember me having to talk to those present about the increase in incidents this year, especially John Clucas accident and our real concerns for all yours & our safety on Club Rides. It was agreed that we will be introducing pre-rides Safety Briefings by-weekly on different subjects, actions and reminders to help with ride disciplines going forward.There will be an up-date to the website “***Club Ride & Riding Guide***” we will keep you posted but currently it is still a good place to familiarise what is expected from all riders. (**PH,SB,PW**) |
| **5** | **Committee Changes:** we have co-opted Glynnis onto the committee and she is a very welcome addition considering the large number of lady members we have now, so thank you for joining in.In the last month Guy Wood has decided to standdown to which we would like to extend our thanks for his great work over the past couple of years as RL Co-ordinator to which he had previously handed over the Ride Leader role the Niall as I’m sure you are all aware and doing a great job too.**Chair**: Malcolm also will be stepping down next year so again we are/will be looking for new chair**WebSite**: as detailed above Pat will be leaving us also, so again a replacement is required. |
| **6** | **British Cycling Breeze Support:** we had a thankyou from Glynnis Eastwood for the Club monitory contribution to the First Aid required element for the Ladies Breeze course, the course was paid for by the Cherwell District Council for both Glynnis & Claire Hubner, they both passed with flying colours and are currently Ride Leading Breeze rides in Bicester & a few Swan rides now as well, thanks to Glynnis again |
| **7** | **AGM:** obviously we missed out on having this last year due to the Covid-19 restrictions, this was discussed and it was decided not the have one an extraordinary interim AGM and leave this action open and do it in Apr 2022.A new venue was discussed, the Cote at the Woolpack is to be investigated (**PW**) |
| **8** | **Club Kit:** time to Open a new Shop Window this will be posted shortly on the forum, it was also decided to spend some of the Club monies on Club Shirts and I’ll update you soon okay.**(PW)** |
| **9** | **Swan Pool Club Banner**: a replacement is required as it’s looking a bit tired, action is to replace with the stock one (**PW)** |
| **10** | **Autumn Equinox Club Ride: 26th Sept** isa date for your diary and all rides will be heading for Westbury again. |
| **11** | **Curry Night:** we think it’s time for another one &I’m sure that you will all agree with this decision, date to be confirmed (**NB**/**PW**) |
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| **Date of next meeting** |
| **18th November at 7:30, venue TBC*****All* *Club Members are Welcome Attend*** |