



Barrow Central Wheelers

Affiliated to: BCF CTC CTT NLTTA Lakes & Lancashire SPOCO

Minutes of Annual General Meeting – Monday 1st February 2016

Apologies: Jip Worthington, Mike Edwards, Andy Stubbs, George & Brenda Jackson, Chris & Lynsey Anderson, Martyn Uttley, Bob Atkinson, Paul Lang, Colin McKenna, Graham Carrick & Paul O'Mahoney.

Minutes of previous meeting

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Matters arising

1. Secretary/Treasurer's report

The club has a healthy bank balance of £3353.30 having made over £500 last year. This was due in no small part to the increase in the numbers riding club events (£394).

Mike Edwards is investigating moving the bank account of the club to take advantage of newer methods of payment of membership subs / club dinner payments etc such as PayPal / Bank Transfer.

2. Time Trial Secretary's report

Glenn Rhodes reported on what has been an excellent year for the club. The main points being...

- The club website is kept up to date with results of events usually posted on the evening of the event.
- Our Facebook presence has taken off and we now have 239 members. The page is very active and is used to promote a variety of events.
- The Lakes Road Club, Ulverston Tri Club, Barrow Cycling Group and Lakes Women's cycling group all actively involved and attending club events.
- The Wednesday evening Spinning Classes, started by Sean Casson and held at Dalton Leisure Centre are well attended and include members from the above groups. Booking each week is via the Facebook page.
- The Sunday Club rides are established, and run on Sunday mornings 9am from Tank Square, Ulverston. Joe Husband posts on Facebook usually the Thursday before as a reminder.

- The club TT events were a major success last year. Over all 16 club events, we had 448 riders take part. An average of 28 riders per event.
- Trophies were opened up to 2nd claim members which has been a major success for competition (particularly for Dave Huck!) and has added depth and value to each trophy.
- The state of the club in general is healthy again, but still in transition. We have record entrants to events, profits from entrants, so finances are good, and both an increase in and enthusiasm of active members.

3. Election of Officials

Chairman and Deputy Chairman were confirmed as Allan Nelson and Glenn Rhodes respectively.

Mike Edwards was confirmed as Secretary/Treasurer.

TT Secretary and Deputy TT Secretary were confirmed as Glenn Rhodes and Pete Metcalfe respectively.

4. Discussion

Glenn Rhodes outlined 2 new courses which have been passed by the CTT and will be used this year. Details of the new courses are on the website.

- **Circuit of Rusland** – a 14 mile hilly circuit.
- **'Sporting' Coast Road 25**. It was proposed that we drop the Novices & Handicap trophy (as we will have a club handicap system this year – see later) and that we have a new '25' trophy called the **Jackson Trophy**, in recognition of George and Brenda's long standing membership and service to the club and local cycling scene.
- The **BCW SpoCo** event will be on the **Coast Road 21** course this year. It's on Saturday 16th April at 2pm. HQ is at the Tennis Centre on Priory Road Ulverston, just down from the start. Allan Nelson and Andy Stubbs are organising, with Andy Stubbs being the organiser on the day.
- There will be a new **Club Handicap system**, designed by Martyn Uttley, running this year. More details of the ins and outs of the system will be posted on the website shortly. The idea is to encourage turnout at club events. Seeding will be based on '10' times.

5. AOB

- **Volunteers to run events**
 - Haverthwaite 10's – Roger Lindsay
 - Haverthwaite 25's – Anthony Pearson
 - Coast Road 10's – Pete Metcalfe
 - Coast Road 21's – Dave Huck
 - Coast Road 25 – Glenn Rhodes
 - Circuit of Rusland – Glenn Rhodes
 - Circuit of Coniston – 1st Roger Lindsay; 2nd Andy Stubbs

- **Volunteers to put out signs**

- April – Sean Casson
- May – Tony Johnston
- June – Kieran Lacey
- July – TBC
- August/Sept – Eamonn Quinn & Derek Schofield

- **Club Presentation Night**

Dane Chapples organised last years event and only 20 or so attended. This after the year before being cancelled due to lack of interest. There was much discussion on how it could be made more attractive to members. The general consensus was that all would like and would attend a club dinner. Mike Speight said that Anne would be willing to arrange it but Chequers do require some money up front and of course ideas of numbers. It was agreed to not leave it as late this year. Perhaps have the dinner not long after the racing season ends in September. Again, Facebook should help us in gauging interest and planning.

- **Velodrome Trip**

There was a show of hands to see who would be interested in a Velodrome Trip this year which was unanimous. There is a 5-6 month waiting list for Manchester, but it was agreed to consider Glasgow as an alternative as travel time is not much greater. Andy Stubbs has said he is happy to organise.