West Surrey Cycling Club

DRAFT Minutes

Held at 2.30pm on 3rd October 2022, at 1, Woodhill Court, Send, GU23 7JR

1. Apologies

Apologies from Nick Davison and Neil McIntyre

2. Minutes of last meeting

Minutes for June meeting agreed.

Two small edits noted to August 2022 meeting minutes: "clear" not "cleat", and delete "Active" from Group 2 description

3. Matters arising from the last meeting

June meeting:

- Plans for afternoon tea event postponed for 2022 Albury Cricket Club to be explored for 2023 (Alison)
- No action on first aid training course costs action carried over (Phil). Possibility of on-line courses and/or refresher/update courses discussed; also decided to encourage all riders to explore St John's Ambulance app and benefits of "What 3 words" app for accurate location in event of accident.
- Club RWGPS service: committee members to explore this and report back to John C. We need to roll this out to all members to evaluate whether it is worth keeping, given high cost (£200 pa)
- Safeguarding officer: carried over (Derek)
- Google groups: to await Spond committee deliberations (John C)
- RL workshop: actions discussed and taken following August meeting (see below)
- Guest rider form: online version now working a substantial improvement
- Club constitution: carried over Nick to outline proposals in time for January meeting

August meeting:

- John C agreed to chair and convene Spond focus group other members Angela, Neil and Laurie (John C)
- RWGPS: see above (actions for committee members and John C)
- Ride group names: discussion took place, but agreed that proposals should come from Spond focus group, since ride groups should match Spond listings (John C)
- Rider ID: no response from provider John C to chase
- Active ride leader list: substantial progress made all to check list currently on WSCC web site and feed back to John C. Once agreed, we need to ensure this list is sent to CUK. No need to assign ride leaders to ride groups

- 4. Secretary's report
 - Incident reports

Jill Ridyard accident in July reported, and Jill had send follow-up email to Phil and Nick with comments and concerns regarding ride leader mentoring and group ride safety standards. It was agreed to have a fuller discussion of how the club appoints ride leaders, at next committee meeting with a view to implementing changes. In the meantime, Angela to suggest content of message to all ride leaders (and perhaps all club riders) outlining the importance of ride safety and group riding principles.

• Volunteer registration

One new ride leader - Michael Buckeridge

CUK matters

None

5. Treasurer's Report

Keith's report noted – income from TOTH, and NatWest service compensation payment noted.

Spending earmarked for ID tags and possible first aid training.

- 6. Ride Secretary's Report
- Phil is keen to continue with Saturday G3 ride group it will need to find a group leader, probably from one of the existing regulars.
- Phil reported that Mark Waters might be interested in organising short club trips away from home. It was agreed this would be a welcome addition to other efforts in this direction. It is unclear whether the organiser of such trips would be covered by CUK ride leader insurance. The committee is content to list such trips as club events, but it is up to the organiser to research ride/group leader insurance status.
- Alison will conduct (formal or informal) poll to assess interest in a club Zwift group, perhaps with regular virtual group rides.
- 7. Ride leaders' workshop

Actions from August meeting noted

8. New Rider Coordinator's Report

Neil's report and update noted. 44 new riders have joined the club in 18 months since Neil started (against around 188 total active WSCC riders logged on to Spond). The continued success of the new rider effort was noted – and thanks given to Neil for his excellent work on this.

9. Website

Various web site issues noted:

- We will need to change web site host shortly John C to advise on options/cost
- Reasons for recent loss of web site service are unknown, but now restored
- Derek noted that some web site content needs to be revised, including adding G5 rides in MWW section, and updating President and Treasurer details.

- Other text changes will need to be made pending decisions made about new ride group names etc awaiting Spond focus group advice on this.
- Alison noted that a new cycle group in Weybridge (Surrey Cycling Club) features prominently when googling WSCC.

10. Publicity

Social media: Alison to speak with her contact about what the club could do to improve social media presence and report back to committee before committing to any cost. Other success Facebook users mentioned – e.g. SW London CTC.

11. Events

- TOTH and Elstead audaxes: both events need more marketing support if they are to be run successful next year. We should have a more structured committee discussion early in 2023, but ideas included increased social media, more widespread leafleting/posters, better poster design, approaching other events to distribute materials to riders, etc.
- Annual dinner: Committee proposed to explore annual club dinner in March 2023. Angela will contact Princess Royal pub to enquire about dates and terms/requirements. All to let members know that we are proposing to do this, and to assess likely levels of interest.

12. First Aid training

See above

13. Any Other Business

- Club kit: With new members and other interest, it could be time to advertise a new club kit order. Derek to investigate with supplier and report back.
- Angela suggested that we should have periodic Wednesday rides where all grades 2-5 started from a single location (e.g. Normandy). Phil noted it is easier to arrange this at the start of each quarter when rides are collated.

14. Date of next meeting

Proposed date 10am, 19 January 2023 [to check with absent committee members]