

West Surrey Cycling Club

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 17th February 2023 at 1, Woodhill Court, Send, Surrey, GU23 7JR

Present

Derek Ridyard (Chairman), Phil Gasson (Rides Secretary), Neil McIntyre (New Riders), John Child (Webmaster), Nick Davison (Secretary), Keith Stainer (Treasurer), Angela Byrne and Alison Warren by Zoom

Minutes of the Last Meeting

No corrections were made.

Matters Arising

Refer to Separate Actions List.

RWGPS - a positive response has been received from ride leaders for the club's route library. The subscription of £200 is due within 1 month. Action Item CM 22-02 JC

Rider ID - JC stated that despite two requests the original provider is not active. JC offered to investigate alternative suppliers Action Item 22-05.

Ride Leader Membership of CUK - whilst continued surveillance of annual membership was not practical, it was suggested that ND review the existing list for ride leaders once it has been updated. Action Item CM 22-07.

Secretary's Report

Draft Club Constitution changes were distributed prior to the meeting - see below for discussion. This will have to be finalised before sending out to the membership 2 weeks before the AGM.

Treasurer's Report

A spreadsheet had been provided prior to the meeting which showed the current account at £1097 and the events account at £4751. The only transactions since the last meeting were kit sales.

Ride Secretary's Report

The rides schedule for Q1 has gone out to the website.

Farnham Wayfarers are moving their Wednesday ride to Tuesday as an experiment to allow participation in the other midweek rides.

There will be a mass participation ride on 8th May in Guildford for the Coronation.

Russ Mantle is out of hospital and is being cared for in a care home.

New Riders

NM reported that there continues to be steady flow but at a reduced level from a year ago. Most new riders go into the G2 and G3 rides. NM stated that he is soliciting feedback from the new riders on the joint experience and any suggestion for improvements welcomed.

It was emphasised that mixing between groups is welcomed to improve social contact and sharing different ride groups' cultures.

Website

JC stated that the website has moved to a new host provider and seems to be working faster. However, the forwarding email addresses were lost: Action Item CM 23-01 JC.

The ride leaders and group ride leaders have been updated but there appears to be some names which are out of date: Action Item CM 23-02 PG.

Publicity

AW reported that the club's Facebook and Instagram sites are active; a request was made for photos as these create interest in the sites. KS will be added to act as an additional administrator for control of posting on Facebook.

AGM

It was agreed that this would be held in person and timing would depend on the audit of the accounts but a date in early May is likely bearing in mind the CUK requirement for completion before mid May. Action Item CM 23-03 AW to approach the Jack Phillips for a Saturday morning event.

SPOND Focus Group

The main work has been revision of the ride group names for improved clarity. However, this may mean that some people will need to move to a revised named group; guidance will need to be posted on the website for this change as well as a revised user guide for SPOND; Action Item 23-04 JC and AB.

Ride Leaders Advice

There was a need to update the advice from the website particularly in view of an increase in new ride leaders over the last year. Reference was made to the on-line course presented by CUK which is free to registered ride leaders but £15 for other riders. DR requested comments and it was agreed that DR would notify the ride leaders accordingly Action Item 23-05 DR.

Incident Reports

It was clarified that all new incidents, where some form of injury was sustained, that the CUK form be completed and sent to ND for club records and sending on to CUK. Action Item 23-06 DR to notify ride leaders accordingly.

Annual Dinner

AB described the options available and it was concluded that The Mill at Elstead was preferable and a date of Friday 24th March was proposed. It was agreed that the event would be entered on SPOND and a poll for choosing the date in March. A discussion on the trophies will need to be held.

Events

Tour of the Hills Audax will take place on 6th August. DR is organising the event this year but wishes to step down for next year. It was agreed that the club should continue to hold the Elstead Audaxes even though last year's event was cancelled at a late stage due to lack of entries and assistance from club members.

NM to discuss with ND after the meeting what is involved in running this event.

First Aid Training

PG stated that CUK charged £92 per head for a 1 day course which was too expensive. Also, St John's Ambulance do not provide courses anymore. It was concluded that we would have to rely on generic mobile apps.

Rides Secretary Vacancy

PG stated that he wished to step down from the post at the AGM but will remain G3 Group leader. A job description will be prepared by PG for sending out to membership for volunteers before the AGM.
Action Item 23-07

Next Meeting

A Zoom meeting will be held to finalise the constitution changes for voting at the AGM.
The date for the next meeting will be finalised following appointment of a new member being appointed to fill the vacancy.
