

## Gloucester City Cycling Club – Minutes of AGM 4<sup>th</sup> October 2011

Present: John Barnes, Adam Beddall, Theo Brookes, Simon Chapman, Graham Denny, Derek Dowdeswell, Colin Edmonds, John Godley, Malcolm Grainger, Aled Jones, Gordon Kay, Neville Lockwood, Gerry McGarr, François Greyling, John Murphy, Gary Ridgway, Ed Spurway, Malcolm Taylor, Ted Tedaldi, Martyn Williams, Ann Wooldridge, Toby Wooldridge and Sid Yule.

1. Apologies received from David Fisher; Alastair Goldie; Nigel Jones; Nigel Light; Pete Lloyd; Adam Morton; Megan Rabbetts; George Unsworth.

2. Minutes from previous meeting

The main points of these were recapped and the minutes overall were accepted as an accurate record of the previous AGM.

Proposed: Neville Lockwood. Seconded: Ted Tedaldi.

3. Matters Arising

None.

4. Membership

One senior: Lewis Saunders of Ebley. Toby had also passed an application for associate membership to Theo a week or two previously, but this had been mislaid – Theo to check.

5. Reports of Retiring Officers

### General Secretary's Report – Theo Brookes

Another good year for membership. Since the last AGM, Oct 4; Nov 0; Dec 0; Jan 0; Feb 3; Mar 3; Apr 3; May 6; Jun 3; Jul 0; Aug 1; Sep 5. Total: 28, compared to 20 last year. However, we did lose about 18, mainly due to lapsed memberships (ie did not pay 2011 subs even after being chased up).

Membership does take up the bulk of the time spent on secretarial duties both new applications and keeping current records up-to-date (in particular the email mailing lists). I still have some outstanding membership queries to resolve, some of which I am liaising with Ali G on because they relate to payment of subs, and in particular changes from Family to Senior membership. Others are where the contact details were never held or have since been lost, but subs continue to come in by standing order.

CTT Handbooks were ordered as usual – and again this year it followed a similar pattern of getting rid of 80% quite quickly and having the remainder stick around. Fortunately all of them were eventually sold this time!

The forms for next year's Open Events have been done and sent by email to the CTT West DC event secretary; details as follows:

Open 10	Adam Morton	28 <sup>th</sup> July	9 am	U7B
TG Hall 25	Toby Wooldridge	19 <sup>th</sup> August	9 am	U72
October 25	Simon Chapman	7 <sup>th</sup> October	9 am	U72

Entry fee for each is £7.50, tandems welcome at £15.00; no web entries.

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I am willing to stand again but may consider standing down next time... I feel that the Club needs a full time website secretary, and may propose that this post be created at the next AGM, and if so I would like to take it on if there is no-one else to do it.

#### Treasurer's Report – Alastair Goldie (not present; apologies)

Alastair had provided a balance sheet which had been done a month early as agreed by previous committee meeting, and had been checked by the auditor. Total Club funds stand at £4695.62, but this will go down as the cheque for medals and badges has not yet gone through (approx £1500). However, a big clothing order has been paid for and the items are in stock and will sell over the winter, and should bring back in around £3400. The auditor noted that when receiving race accounts, the different methods organisers use can be confusing for the treasurer. Alastair has suggested that we develop and use a standard accounts form.

Proposed: John Godley

Seconded: Derek Dowdeswell

#### Captain's Report – Gary Ridgway

Willing to stand again as Captain. Dancey winner was Simon Chapman with 94 points. (Awaiting full report by email to include relevant detail here).

#### Vice-Captain's Report – Simon Chapman

The vice-captain particularly praised the captain for his efforts this year in keeping everything in order, and especially for organising the two Club tours. Willing to remain in the role for next year.

#### Social Secretary's Report – Martyn Williams

This year saw an increase in the numbers of members regularly out on Tuesday evening rides, with an average of 5 people each time. Also the other evening events were well supported; thanks to all those who took time to organise an activity. Other social events during the winter were not so well supported; however it is hard to know how to reverse this trend. Any ideas welcome. Ted asked why have evening meal events so often, as these might detract from circuit training; however it was thought that this should not be a problem as the meals are scheduled for after the training. Also, as Simon pointed out, the meals had proved quite popular.

Coming up soon are slide shows and a DVD evening. In particular, it was thought that better publicity for events might help (more email reminders, in good time). The Gibb Shield was won by Toby with 135 points, followed by Gary with 133 (this after subtracting worst two scores from events, and to be checked by appropriate committee members).

#### Newsletter Editor's Report – James Coull

Has missed several meetings due to getting married and having other priorities; however, has successfully produced a couple of editions now, with good clear colour printing. Much to John Godley's relief on the printing front! There was some discussion as to how those members who opt out of having a printed copy actually see the electronic version – it is sent as an attachment, and is not available online. Malcolm G commented that it should not be sent as a Microsoft attachment, as those on a Mac may not be able to read it.

#### Dinner Secretary's Report – Gordon Kay

The 121<sup>st</sup> Club dinner and awards is to take place on 26<sup>th</sup> November this year. Guest speaker will be Tony Hadland, who is a regular speaker and will talk about the history of Raleigh. Please could all trophies be returned ASAP!

#### Press Secretary's Report – Ted Tedaldi

Soon after taking on the role, managed to get into print covering the Club dinner. But overall the Citizen was very spasmodic in its coverage. Ted spoke to their sports editor Phil Norris on 3 occasions but he kept making excuses for not publishing stories, and broke promises to do so. Not much information received from riders during the year – only 7 emails from 3 members, apart from Derek's weekly results update which formed the mainstay of the reports. 19 reports were submitted to the paper but only about half were used (most of these can be seen on the Club website). Overall, having done his best, Ted was disappointed with the level of coverage achieved and the lack of input from riders.

#### Racing Secretary's Report – Derek Dowdeswell

All of the results for the season are best seen on the website as there are too many to go through here. Derek thanked everyone for their patience and cooperation particularly during the early season where there was a lot of disruption from roadworks.

A questionnaire was done this year and the results show that the hillclimbs are the least favourite events (especially Portway which only had 5 entries even though it was good weather on the night). I propose dropping this event (it was discussed and agreed that this did not have to be an AGM item, and that it will be debated at the next meeting).

Next year it is planned to have 3 interclub events on the U7B (A38) with each club (GCCC, Dursley and Bristol South) each organising one event.

Derek finished by thanking all marshals, helpers and riders without whom we would not have a racing programme and reminded everyone that the more people who marshal, the less turns everyone has to do.

#### Club Coach – Sid Yule

Most of the work has been done by Graham and John. Thanks also to Ted for his efforts with the indoor training during the winter. Training rides in the early part of the year were well received and seemed to go off well. Sid not willing to stand for coming year, as too many other commitments prevent him from doing the role properly. However, is still continuing to do BC coaching course and aims to finish it. Graham added that the young riders were very successful this year and showed good commitment (particularly continuing to turn out in the depths of winter), and that John Flint did a lot of work with them; more is planned for this winter and next year. Ted also noted that the circuits last winter averaged 12 people per session and involved juniors through to pensioners.

#### Open 10 Time Trial – Adam Morton (not present; apologies)

Adam had provided a report: 37 riders entered, about half the number that took part last year. Possibly due to the fact that there was a time trial on the Cirencester course the next day.

Got positive feedback on the day and in post event e-mails. Weather was warm and still and some pretty fast times were recorded. Stu Dodd was the overall fastest rider with a time of 19.59. 5 GCCC riders took part and the fastest of these was Matt Godden with a time of 21.49, closely followed by Adam Beddall; well done to these very fast junior riders.

The traffic count on the day showed the A38 was very busy, with problems on the M5 and some nearby equestrian events. The roundabout marshals reported one near miss. As a result next year's event will move from the afternoon to 9 o'clock in the morning when traffic will hopefully be lighter.

Adam expressed his thanks to all the volunteers who helped out on the day. Also to John Godley for the excellent results board, and to Chef Dan at Peppers for the excellent cakes. Willing to organise this event again next year.

#### TG Hall 25 – Toby Wooldridge

All went well on the day and the weather was fine, but only 25 starters. Top two riders broke the course record (some dispute over this as a faster time exists but may have been on a shortened version of the course). Winner was Rob Pears in 55.33; best under 20 rider was Matt Godden; GCCC also took the team prize. Many thanks to all helpers and marshals. Toby is willing to organise this event again next year.

#### October 25 - Simon Chapman

All went well, with a good turnout of helpers – thanks to all. Good cakes too. Beautiful weather on the day, good feedback from the riders afterwards. 43 starters, with 2 tandems, but a bit down on numbers compared to previous years. Accounts done, will submit to Treasurer on his return. Simon is willing to organise this event again next year.

#### CCRL Road Race – Graham Denny

This was again a popular success – a good chance for juniors and novices to do a handicap event. A small profit was made; accounts are with Alastair. The revised course with the short hill finish worked well and was well received by the riders. The event went off without incident, thanks to excellent assistance from helpers and marshals. A number of other CCRL races were cancelled this season, but it is thought that it will be promoted more next year and there will be a full calendar.

Graham is not going to organise this race next year (instead doing the BC race which is more involved) but is willing to advise the new organiser on what to do.

#### Steve Taylor Road Race – Graham Denny

This was for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> cat racers. Glorious weather on the day, and a field of 80 riders. Thanks to GCCC helpers for their excellent marshalling etc; no untoward incidents. This was the first BC event Graham had organised but with advice from Ian Humble and help from BC and national escort motorcycle group it all went well. Good feedback afterwards from riders. Small profit was made and the £100 club donation was not required. Online entry was offered but best not to use a dual system of web/postal – BC now has an online entry system so this may be the one to use. Finish on top of Hollybush had a mixed reception, but it made for easier judging. Will organise again next year; race already registered with BC for 1<sup>st</sup> July 2012.

#### 6. Election of President

Toby Wooldridge was re-elected unopposed. All were in favour.

#### 7. Election of Vice Presidents

The current Vice-Presidents John Godley, Ted Tedaldi, Pete Lloyd, Graham Cole and Alastair Goldie to remain. These taken en bloc; carried by majority.

Proposer: Toby Wooldridge

Seconded: Malcolm Grainger

#### 8. Election of Officers

These were as follows:

Position	Holder	Proposed by	Seconded by
General Secretary	Theo Brookes	Ted Tedaldi	Derek Dowdeswell
Treasurer	Alastair Goldie	Malcolm Grainger	Neville Lockwood
Captain	Gary Ridgway	Gordon Kay	Malcolm Taylor
Vice Captain	Simon Chapman	Aled Jones	Gary Ridgway
Social Secretary	Martyn Williams	Malcolm Taylor	Neville Lockwood
Newsletter Editor	James Coull	Malcolm Taylor	Ann Wooldridge
Dinner Secretary	Gordon Kay	Theo Brookes	Derek Dowdeswell
Press Secretary	Ted Tedaldi	Malcolm Grainger	Ed Spurway
Club Racing Secretary	Derek Dowdeswell	Ann Wooldridge	Malcolm Grainger
Club Coach	TBA		

Sid felt that he was unable to commit to continuing as Club Coach and in the absence of other suitable candidates it was decided to approach John Flint to see if he would take on the role. The committee was empowered to make this appointment at the appropriate time.

Carried en bloc.

#### 9. Election of Organisers for the following events:

Event	Organiser	Proposed by	Seconded by
Open 10	Adam Morton	Gary Ridgway	Graham Denny
CCRL road race	TBA*		
TG Hall 25	Toby Wooldridge	Aled Jones	Neville Lockwood
October 25	Simon Chapman	Malcolm Grainger	Derek Dowdeswell
Steve Taylor Road Race	Graham Denny	Ed Spurway	Sid Yule

\*As above, the Committee was empowered to fill this position at the earliest opportunity.

Carried en bloc.

#### 10. Election of Other Positions

Time Keepers – again, we have no qualified time-keepers. This has been the case for some time, and it was thought that we should make moves to get volunteers to be trained up.

Assistant Time Keepers – as above.

Handicappers – again, these have not been used for years and have been deemed unnecessary for the foreseeable future.

Auditor – Ed Spurway. Proposed: Martin Williams

Seconded: Graham Denny

Assistant Coach – John Flint & Graham Denny

Proposed: Gary Ridgway

Seconded: Adam Beddall

Committee Members (6) – as follows:

Existing members John Godley, Neville Lockwood, Ann Wooldridge and Nigel Jones to stand. Additional members Adam Beddall and Ian Humble (action Theo to contact Ian to check he is willing to be a committee member *(confirmed by email)*).

Proposed: Gary Ridgway      Seconded: Ted Tedaldi

All appointments above carried by majority.

#### 11. Confirmation of Affiliations

These were as follows: CTT; BC; CTC; WCRRA; RRA; WTTA; CCRL (no change from last year).

Proposed: Derek Dowdeswell

Seconded: Ted Tedaldi

Accepted en bloc.

#### 12. Appointment of Delegates to Affiliated Bodies

These were as follows:

Organisation	Delegate(s)	Proposed by	Seconded by
CTT	Gerry McGarr	Derek Dowdeswell	Gary Ridgway
CCRL	TBA		
WTTA	Gerry McGarr	Derek Dowdeswell	Gary Ridgway
BC	TBA		
CTC, WCRRA, RRA	N/A	-	-

Accepted en bloc.

#### 13. Election of Various Trophy Winners

These were voted for by those present and the winners were as follows:

TG Hall Clubman Trophy – Derek Dowdeswell

McCleod Trophy (Best UK Tour) – Martyn and Ann Williams

Gouda Trophy (Best Overseas Tour) - Gary and Julie Ridgway

The Boakes and Lew Morris Trophy (Best Novice Racer) – Matt Callaghan

#### 14. Handbook/Rule Changes

Rule 8.2: Propose that the wording for medal fees be changed from: "appropriate fee (currently) £1.00" to read "current fee, to be set at an appropriate amount each year by committee". Change approved by majority for wording along these lines.

Proposed: Theo Brookes

Seconded: Gary Ridgway

Rule 9.3.14      CEBAR trophy to be based on the fastest average speed at each race distance in club evening time trials. There to be at least 2 planned events at each distance per racing season and at least 2 weeks between similar distance events if only 2 events of any one distance are held in one season\*.

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\* This is to allow people on holiday etc to enter at least one event of that distance.

The calendar of events and counting events to be agreed with the committee of the club prior to the start of the season.

The best average speed on each course would be taken, calculated (to three decimal places) in terms of miles per hour and the average taken of the resultant speeds. (This is the same as the CTT BAR).

Rule 9.3.15 CEBAR Junior Trophy – to the Junior Club member with the best average speed from events as detailed above in rule 9.3.14.

Rule 9.3.16 Veteran CEBAR age group trophies (groups as described in handbook, but now using average speed instead of points as detailed above).

Final wording to be approved by committee, but change in principle to average speed approved by majority.

Proposed: Derek Dowdeswell Seconded: Toby Wooldridge

15. Any Other Business

Ted Tedaldi: Informed the meeting that he had read the inquest into the death of Pat Appleton and that the organisers were to blame for sending the event on the narrow road under the bridge in question. However, the feeling of those present was that as this was not a competitive event the incident should be treated as a road accident that could occur at any time.

John Barnes: Apparently the Steve Taylor road race trophy has been located. If the Idris David trophy cannot be found, suggest we purchase a new one.

Action – committee to see to whom it was last awarded, and chase up that person. If they do not have it or return it, to assume it lost.

Action – Gordon Kay to list all the missing trophies and report at next meeting.

Meeting declared closed at 10.00 pm.

Date of next meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> November 2011