4th Annual General Meeting

Kinross Cycling Club

Thursday 24th January 2013 7:30 pm *Kirklands Hotel Kinross*

Present

36 persons in attendance

Roddy Pattison, Paul Zarb, Trevor Keer, John Myerscough, Brian Robertson, Angus McCulloch, Veronica Duncan, Roly Kitson, Andy Bruce, Dave Jo Chaplin, Carolanne Cappie, Donnie Maclod, Ken Ogilvie, Marlon Sayle, Frank Chalmers, Stephen Nairn, David Easson, Eric Hall, Scott Jackson, Nick Rowan, Christian Darbyshire, David Wilson, Sandy Bennet, Paul Davies, Lachlan Maclean, George Shanley, Fiona Dodds, Stuart Punton, Paul Hutton, John McKay, Lucci Sisi, Fraser Wright, Alex Montgomery, Stewart Herd, Robert Armitage, Tony Brotherton

7 Apologies

Paul Maddocks, Jane Timperley, Margy Thomson, Lance Sloan, Ian Duncan, Christine Myerscough, Robbie Sangha

Welcome and Apologies

Paul Zarb, the club Chairman, chaired the meeting and welcomed all. It was good to see 36 (recorded) attendees on a cold and showy January evening. Those attending represent 36% of the club membership.

The 2012 AGM Minutes

Last years AGM minutes have been posted onto the club web site. All members were notified of this together with a recommendation to read them prior to the AGM. They were therefore taken as read and considered to be in good order and an accurate reflection of the proceedings.

prop: Dave Jo Chaplin; sec: Angus McCulloch

Financial Accounts and Report

Our treasurer, Ian Duncan, prepared detailed accounts for the meeting. Unfortunately Ian could not attend due to illness and so the report was delivered by the Chairman. Please refer to **Appendix A**.

The clubs current plan for use of funds was discussed although it was agreed that a longer term plan is needed to deal with our income, particularly while we continue to run a successful and profitable Sportive. This is something that the new committee will be tasked to deal with. Currently the club plans for expenditure are.

- 1. Continued subsidy of future kit orders.
- 2. Retaining the low membership fees.
- 3. Continued donation to local charities.

Secretaries Report

Trevor Keer read out a comprehensive report of the clubs activities for 2012. Our best year yet with another very successful Sportive, membership at its highest ever level, a keenly contested Grand Prix time trial series and our first ever Road Race. The detailed report can be found at *Appendix B*.

FCA Report

Ken Ogilvie, who is the clubs rep for the Fife Cycling Association, gave a brief report on the FCA. Several members of Kinross CC are active in the FCA mid week series throughout the season. In addition KCC hosts a number of FCA events through the year. On behalf of the committee and also the general membership I would like to thank Ken for taking on the task of being the clubs rep and liaising with FCA.

Chairmans Report

Our Chairman, Paul Zarb, again re-iterated on the very healthy state of the club. He hopes to get another road race on the calendar for 2013. Possibly September. We are looking for someone who is prepared to take on the role of Race Director.

He thanked Carolanne Cappie who has organised a number of Womens only days, in an attempt to encourage more females into a cycling club, road cycling especially.

Further thanks go out to Chris Rowlands who has taken over organising and collecting money for the weekly winter Spinning sessions.

Paul also offered thanks to John McKay (Membership) and Trevor Keer (Secretary) who are resigning their committee posts.

Election of Committee

Our club President, Roddy Pattison, offered his resignation one year short of his elected term. This was reluctantly accepted by the outgoing committee.

Chairman:

Paul Zarb advised he would continue as Chairman.

prop: Trevor Keer; sec: Paul Hutton carried 'nem con'

Treasurer:

lan Duncan has informed the committee that he will stand down from the post in June. Nick Rowan advised that he would take on the role of Treasurer. Ian will remain on the committee until June with a gradual handover to Nick.

prop: Trevor Keer; sec: Christian Darbyshire carried 'nem con'

Membership:

John McKay wishes to step down from the Membership role but indicated that he would stay on in the post if a volunteer could not be found. Carolanne Cappie advised that she is willing to take on the role.

prop: Trevor Keer; sec: Veronica Duncan carried 'nem con'

President:

With the resignation of Roddy, a new club president was sought. Andy Bruce, our club GP champion, advised that he would take on the presidents position.

prop: Trevor Keer; sec: John Myerscough carried 'nem con'

Secretary:

Trevor Keer is not standing for re-election in this role. Duncan Campbell advised that he is willing to take on this role.

prop: Paul Zarb; sec: Alex Montgomery carried 'nem con'

The following club members advised that thay were willing to join the committee but 'without portfolio'

Dave Jo Chaplin

prop: Paul Zarb; sec: Trev Keer carried 'nem con'

Christian Darbyshire

prop: Trev Keer; sec: Andy Bruce carried 'nem con'

The following had advised that they were prepared to be re-elected as committee members.

Angus McCulloch (calendar & GP event organiser)
Veronica Duncan (Kit manager)
Trevor Keer (web master)
John McKay (without portfolio)
John Myerscough (without portfolio)

carried 'nem con'

Subscriptions

It was agreed to leave the subscriptions at £10 for yet another year. This represents great value and is mainly due to the very healthy bank balance of the club on the back of substantial profits from the Sportive.

PLEASE NOTE: Subscriptions for 2013 are due at the end of January. There will be an email notification to members about this soon.

There are currently two ways to join the club.

By filling out a membership form and sending it and a cheque for £10 to the membership secretary.

Our preferred option is by paying online. There is a charge for this on top of the membership fee. The club does retain this charge. We would encourage all members to use this method where possible.

There was a brief discussion about types of membership and whether the club should adopt different levels of membership such as social member etc. It was agreed that this would be impractical particularly considering the very low standard subscription. The new committee will be looking at possible 5 year and life memberships as something that could be introduced in the future.

AOCB and General Discussion

Prior to the start of the general discussion presentations were made to John McKay (Membership) and Trevor Keer (Secretary) for their services over the past year.

Stuart Herd was also given his award of 'Most Improved Rider' as he was unable to attend the Annual Dinner & Awards.

Veronica Duncan asked about the production and delivery of the new kit. The information from Endura states that it is due to go into production the week starting 28 January. We do not currently have a delivery date.

Following an email the Secretary received recently a discussion was opened about the future of our G2 Sunday rides. In the early days the G2 was very well attended and very well managed and led (a very big thank you to Paul Zarb for this). It was what helped define the club as being friendly particularly to novice and the lesser athletically endowed! The club has seen many riders start with us as complete novice and move up to the G 1.5 or G1 groupings. At the same time the organisation of the G2 has been less than ideal leading to a gradual tailing off of members

riding out in that group. In an effort to address this an open discussion was started to get the memberships views and suggestions on the subject. In brief the discussion went as follows.

- The G2 group needs to be re-established on a more formal basis.
- Suggestion that the start order should be G1, G1.5, G2. If a rider falls off the back of the faster groups they can wait to be caught by a slower group. Agreed this was a good idea.
- Another suggestion was that some clubs do this the opposite way around with the slower groups going first. If a rider is feeling good they can jump groups as the faster sections overtake. Some members have experience of this and find it works well.
- It was suggested that people come to KCC, often when there is a club much closer to home, because it that its ethos and reputation is of a friendly club. This is one of our core and founding values and one that should be upheld and protected.
- Some clubs have both training rides (all out type rides) and club rides (often including a cafe stop to re-group). Something that we should be looking at.

The new committee will look at this subject as a priority, to try to find a suitable balance and something that is acceptable to all levels of rider within the club.

It was suggested that there should be some form of cycling proficiency for adults. Mainly for those who can ride a bike but are not confident in riding, particularly on the road. The committee will look into the possibility of either arranging something like this or finding a current scheme.

A comment was made that the Family Cycling Challenge (KCC organised the day after the Sportive) was a good starter event and an excellent way to get people, particularly youngsters, into cycling.

A suggestion was made that we should have more "social type" rides.

The meeting was closed at 9:30 pm

Appendix A: Financial Accounts

Jan 2013 - SUMMARY OF CLUB ACCOUNTS

Income:

Subscriptions: £795.00

2011/12 Sportive £20,676.75

Grants: (Awards for all £8185; P&KC £350) £8,535.00

Spin Class Surplus: £5.00

Interest: £5.78

Scottish Cycling Race: £2,265.00

Family Cycle: £395.00

Club Kit Sales: £2,825.40

Total Income: £35,502.93

Comments:

- 1. Bank Balance as of 12th January 2013 is £23,314.62
- 2. Donation still to be made to Community Police(£100) & Kinross Day Care Centre (£500).
- We are due a £1,125.63 refund from Endura due to an order mix up.
- 4 I will be standing down as Club Treasurer on 1st June 2013.

Expenditure:

Profit on year

2011/12 Sportive:	£7,855.84
Fife Cycling Association & Scottish Cycling Subs:	£170.00
Trophies , Engraving & Certificates:	£479.60
Grants: (Awards for all £8174.64; P&KC £243.10)	£8,417.74
Grand Prix Event Insurance:	£90.00
Scottish Cycling Race:	£1780.15
Scottish Cot Death Trust:	£395.00
Kinross-shire Round Table:	£50.00
Tayside RAYNET	£200.00
Club Kit:	£8,911.56
Race Numbers For FCA:	£197.70
Miscellaneous:	£647.42
Awards Dinner:	£500.00
Total Expenditure	£29,695.01

£5807.92

OCT 2012 - SUMMARY OF 2012 SPORTIVE

Income:	
Entries:	£17,733.75
Sponsorship:	£1,500.00
Ceilidh:	£34.00
Total Income:	£19,267.75
Profit/(Loss) on 2012 Sportive:	£6,952.26

Expenditure:

CHAS Donation	£4,520.00
Event Insurance:	£480.00
Mementos:	£1,916.46
Sportive Refunds:	£38.75
Sportive Kit:	£90.00
Race Numbers:	£195.91
Toilet Hire:	£540.00
Signage & Cable Ties:	£669.35
Expenses::	£295.58
Food:	£1,795.00
St Andrews First Aid:	£252.00
Campus Hire:	£423.94
Ceilidh Refunds:	£13.50
Windlestrae Hotel Ceilidh Deposit	£150.00
Finishline Chip Timing:	£935.00
Total Expenditure:	£12,315.49

Appendix B: Secretaries Report

2012 has been the most successful year yet in the clubs short history. The main highlights of an outstanding year were.

Membership at record levels

2012 saw the clubs membership rise to just shy of a 100, a record number and a considerable increase on last year. I think there are a number of reasons for this. A resurgence in cycling in general (the Olympics legacy or maybe the Wiggo effect), interest in our popular Grand Prix series during the summer months, an incredibly successful Sportive in April, maybe our first foray into organising a road race, just being a relatively small and friendly club or is it a combination of all of these?

The big question is, will we be able to maintain the momentum and break the century for next year?

A very successful second running of the Sportive Kinross.

With 750 places sold in 61 hours this event proved again to be THE sportive for central Scotland. In addition there was a rather sizable waiting list with unfortunately lots of disappointed people missing out. We had Charline Joiner (a Commonwealth track cyclist and one to watch for 2014) leading the riders out and both sunshine and snow during the event. We had lots of positive feedback from riders, local authorities and Police alike and the whole event was another massive success for the club despite an overzealous council official removing our signs over a whole section of the route.

Planning of our 2013 sportive is well under way

If the scramble for entries into the 2012 Sportive wasn't manic enough the 2013 event took interest to a whole new level. This time it sold out in just over 10 hours astounding the organisers and once again leaving over 200 potential entrants disappointed. We had to close the waiting list when it went through the 200 barrier. We have been able to increase the numbers to 850 maximum which realistically is the maximum we can comfortably support with the current organisational structure. We are still looking for helpers from the membership, so if you are not riding the event please consider helping out this year. All marshals receive guaranteed entry to next years event. The Sportive is on Saturday 27 April.

Family Cycle Challenge

The club will once again be running the Family Cycle Challenge. As in previous years, this event will take place on the Sunday after the Sportive (April 28th)

The club ran its first road race during 2012.

Another first for the club and very well attended both in terms of competitors and turn out from the club to help. This proved very successful and well received. We had lots of very positive comments from both competitors and officials. The club hopes to run a similar event this year, possibly in September, and have provisionally agreed this with Scottish Cycling. But to do this we need a volunteer to act as race director. So if you would like to have a go at this, please don't be afraid to come forward. Much of the ground work has already been done, we have most of the kit and you are always guaranteed lots of support from the membership.

Women Only Sessions

Carolanne Cappie has organised a number of very successful women only rides throughout the year. They have generated a lot of interest and hopefully that will convert to more female members this year. On behalf of everyone a really big thank you to Carolanne for taking this on.

Mountain Biking

Kenny Dalgleish organises regular Sunday morning off road rides. If you fancy a change from the regular road rides, if the weather is not conducive to safe road cycling or if off road is more your thing why not join Kenny in a local forest. Again big thanks to Kenny for maintaining the clubs off road presence.

Fife Cycling Association

Several of our "speedier" members attend the regular FCA evening time trials throughout the season. With KCC being a member of FCA we also host a few events throughout the year and I am always impressed on the level of club support for these events in terms of administration, time keeping and marshalling. KCC have also recently donated a set of race numbers to FCA for use at their events. These numbers are KCC branded and as such helps to increase the exposure of the club in local cycling circles.

Our Grand Prix series

This was extended to 10 rides this year with the addition of 5, 10 & 25 mile time trials. In a very keenly contested competition one rider stood out above the rest. Congrats to Andy Bruce on gaining maximum points to win the series. The format for this year will remain the same.

Club Events 2013:

As a, relatively small, club we are very lucky with the amount of support we get for running our events (the Sportive and also last years road race). Our GP series has also been very well attended over the two years it has been running. Over the next few months the club will once again be asking for volunteers to help out with our very popular Sportive Kinross at the end of April. This year we could have up to 850 riders taking part. Also to ensure the continuing success of the 10 GP events for 2013, we are looking for a couple of non riding volunteers to help out with the organisation and starting on the evening (you don't have to commit for all events). Last year Trev Keer and Paul Zarb helped start the riders off with John M providing the timing for all our events. Both Trev & Paul are no longer available to perform these tasks so more willing volunteers are being sought. If you are interested then please let the committee know. Without volunteers we will not be able to continue these events.

Committee Changes

Both myself, as club Secretary, and John Mckay, the membership Secretary, will not be standing for re-election. Two willing volunteers are therefore urgently sought to fill these positions. It doesn't take a lot of your time and most work can be done electronically. In addition to these two main posts extra bodies would be most welcome to help in the running and decisions making of KCC.

And last but certainly not least. A very BIG thank you to all club members who have turned out to help organise & marshal events this year. Your valuable assistance is much appreciated.